

The Church Door

From Our Pastor

Lent is coming early this year, beginning with Ash Wednesday, February 6th. Our Lenten Wednesday evening services will begin on Ash Wednesday at 7:00 P.M. and will continue each Wednesday until Holy Week, the week before Easter which is March 23rd this year. The Wednesday Lenten services will be different from what we have done in the past with more of a focus on the contemplative and meditative inspired by scripture and prayer and hymns. I am excited by the prospects and urge you to join us for these services. For Holy Week we do not meet on Wednesday but will meet for Maundy Thursday service at DML, and on Good Friday at 1st Lutheran for a Stony Lake Conference service with a combined choir from conference churches.

I'm planning on taking our confirmands to see Jesus Christ Superstar on February 11th at 7:30 PM at the Frauenthal Center. Others are welcome to attend, however, you will need to obtain your own tickets. I found the following blurb advertising this performance:

JESUS CHRIST SUPERSTAR, the first masterpiece from the legendary writing team of Tim Rice and Andrew Lloyd Webber, exploded onto the scene in 1971 changing the world of musical theatre forever. With a score of amazing songs - "I Don't Know How to Love Him", "Hosanna", "Everything's Alright", "What's the Buzz", "Superstar", and "Heaven on Their Mind", this original groundbreaking production starring Ted Neeley in the title role and Living Colour's Corey Glover as Judas is as relevant and timeless as ever.

Speaking of "Super" the Super Bowl is February 3rd this year. The confirmands are participating in the Souper Bowl of Caring project this year and are asking everyone to bring a can of soup or one dollar on Super Bowl Sunday and drop it in a soup pot manned by the confirmands. They will take the money and soup to Every Woman's Place. Each local group designates which charity will receive the soup and dollars collected in their soup pots. The Souper Bowl project was started in 1990 by the senior high youth at Spring Valley Presbyterian Church in Columbia, SC. They combined with 22 other churches in Columbia and collected \$5,700. So far for 2008 there are 16,902 groups registered to participate this year. The project raised \$8,172,700 nationally in 2007.

Peace to the saints at DML,
Pastor Dennis

The Church Door

The "Church Door" title is taken from the "Theses Door" of the Castle Church which has made Wittenberg so famous.

Just as the "Theses Door" was used as a bulletin board for notices in Luther's time, this newsletter can also be used by our members to communicate with each other and to our guests about church events. Published monthly it is available the last Sunday of the month.

Please contact Cindy Borreson (616.846.2477 or cborreson@charter.net) to insert articles for next month's newsletter.

FEBRUARY

Church Council Meeting—January 21, 2007

President Jeff Ward called the meeting to order at 6:39 p.m.

Pastor led devotions from the 1st chapter of 1st Corinthians.

PRESENT: Cindy Borreson, Randy Borreson, Emogene Cotal, Polly Eagle, Pastor Stroh, Donna Whitehead, Tom Whitehead, Jeff Ward, Jan Wolf.

ABSENT: Dave Justian.

SECRETARY'S REPORT: Secretary's report for Dec. 17, 2007 was presented in printed form.

TREASURER'S REPORT: The Treasurer's Report's for December was presented in printed form. At Polly's request, Cindy will review the Sunday sheets to be sure we have the proper amount for Christmas Baskets. Office Equipment Rent-Maint: Our budget this year is \$0 because we expected to buy the copier at the end of \$2007. Cindy was quoted a buyout price of \$450 last year, but will ask again. She had expected the amount to be lower. We don't have a budget for either rental or the buyout in 2008.

The following summarizes the fund balances as of December 31, 2007:

Fund Balances	
Funds for General Operations	
Checkbook	\$1,434.12
Cash Account	\$0.00
Savings – Reserve	\$3,300.20
Total Funds for General Operations	\$4,734.32
Funds for Special Purposes	
Savings – Designated	
Building Projects	\$7,810.19
Evangelism	\$154.00
Eve Circle	\$1,045.22
Dorcas Circle	\$953.71
Bazaar	\$2,871.12
Kitchen Fund	\$620.87
Men's Club	\$282.82
Youth Group	\$285.39
Thrivent: 2 x 4	\$0.00
Christmas Baskets	\$7.00
Seminarian Income	\$190.00
Gift from St. John's	\$2,000.00
Total Savings – Designated	\$16,220.32
Savings – Memorial Fund	\$3,766.64
Savings – Taxes	\$1,508.88
Total Funds for Special Purposes	\$21,495.84
Total Cash & Bank Accounts	\$26,230.16

Investments – Designated for Housing Allowance	
Thrivent Money Market – Cash	\$1,872.83
Thrivent Large-Cap Stock	\$23,545.17
Thrivent Income Fund	\$37,431.63
Total Investments	\$62,849.63
Total Assets	
Cash & Bank Accounts	\$26,230.16
Investments	\$62,849.63
Total Assets	\$89,079.79

Liabilities	
Federal Taxes Liability	\$1,951.05
State Taxes Liability	\$429.61
Total Liabilities	\$2,380.66

Pastor's Report: A written report was submitted.

- Official Acts: Wedding 12/29, Kirby Sparks and Diane Hamil; Funeral 1/16 Ethel Hippchen (non member)
- Sick & Shut-in visits: Amanda/Hope Shunta, Ann Filka, Mary Panozzo, Dorothy Anderson
- Pastoral Activities: Worship Committee, Mutual Ministry, Dorcas Circle, Stony Lake potluck with pastors and spouses, Stony Lake Conference meeting with Episcopalans
- Personal Activities: Habitat House Blessing
- Items Needing Attention:
 - Will be taking Confirmants to Jesus Christ Superstar using youth funds. Consensus of council is that it's appropriate to use youth funds for this. Others interested are encouraged to attend as well.
 - Stony Lake Conference proposing ad in Chronicle for 12 churches, both Episcopal & Lutheran for \$10,400/year. Council wants more information on this, particularly since this has not been budgeted.
 - May have a Souper Bowl Sunday where the youth collect cans of soup or \$1 to be delivered to a local food pantry and log what they've collected to a national site.
- Informational Items:
 - Lent starts Feb. 6; Ash Wed., Maundy Thurs. services at DML. Good Friday

will probably be a joint service again. We'll hold Wed. evening services in the lounge.

- Christmas Eve attendance was disappointing, only about four attended who were not part of the program. (Program was good.) Council wants to go back to the Lessons and Carols format for this service and suggest that the children's program move to the 4th Sunday in Advent. Stony Lake Conference is planning a clergy exchange Sunday.

Committee Reports

Property:

- Randy presented a proposal from Fredrickson Electric to change the parking lot lights from 1500-watt Quartz Halogen to 400-watt High Pressure Sodium for a savings in electric cost of \$712.80. Cost to convert is \$700. We received authorization from the congregation to do this, pending council approval, at the Jan. 20 Annual Meeting. Tom Whitehead moved we go ahead and do this. Polly seconded. Motion passed.
- Replaced light bulbs in the nave in Dec.

Our bill for natural gas went down. Budget plan amount was \$655/month and it's now \$500. This is the second reduction that we have had since the Windows Project.

Evangelism: Barrel will be delivered to Mission for Area People. Rescue Mission – Men's section is next project. Millie Lusky's daughter Sue Christensen is doing artwork for DML mugs.

Finance: No meeting this month due to Cindy's illness. Council discussed Annual Meeting's finance discussion and agreed that we need faith that the money will come in.

Parish Education: Met Monday. Chose several videos for January. Each video is followed by a song. This next month we'll be singing "He's got the whole world in His hands". Will be continuing that song for the next few Sundays and then in Feb. the students will lead the congregation in singing it with Emily Johnson, Nate Johnson, and Ben Stroh playing instruments. The program

is working out well.

Social Ministry: Had names of 5 families. Couldn't contact 2 families. Now have 9- \$20 gift cards left over. Will offer them for sale to the congregation so the money can go back to the Social Ministry funds to help other families. May put them in Easter baskets.

Stewardship: No report.

Worship & Music: Meet tomorrow. Will be happy to have anyone attend.

Executive Committee/ Mutual Ministry: Checking calendars to see if the 4th Saturday works for all.

Special Committees

Dorcas Circle/Eve Circle: They're planning the Transfiguration dinner. We'll be having ham.

Men's Club: Meeting the first Saturday. Chili Cookoff is this Sunday.

Thrivent/Habitat: No report

Petitions and Communications

Received a thank you card from one of the families that received Christmas gifts.

Request from Lauren Stroh to allow church to be used for indoor walking. Need tables moved 5 feet from the walls. Can track daily activities. Temple triathlon. Modeled after St. Patrick's and St. Anthony's program. We'd need a coordinator. Cindy asked that Lauren write up something to put in the bulletin.

Cindy will be putting a notice in the bulletin asking that someone take over the newsletter.

Unfinished Business

Loop system needs to be followed up on. Tom and Randy will work together and check out other installations. Concern about the 10-foot limit and the look.

Sunday evenings for Bible Study seems to be the preference (with few responding). Parish Ed will discuss.

New Business

Motion by Cindy Borreson 2nd by Jan Wolf to adjourn, Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 8:31 pm with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,
Donna Whitehead
Secretary

Report of Income and Expenses Current Operating Income & Expenses Only

Summary Information - 2007

	1st Qtr	2nd Qtr	3rd Qtr	Oct	Nov	Dec	YTD Total
Average Attendance	58	69	63	66	71	58	63
Budget	\$26,412.99	\$26,412.99	\$26,412.99	\$8,804.33	\$8,804.33	\$8,804.33	\$105,651.96
Current Expenses	\$23,309.06	\$22,913.27	\$25,507.74	\$9,521.17	\$10,031.93	\$9,934.94	\$101,218.11
Income							
Current	\$18,393.82	\$22,100.44	\$20,457.62	\$6,836.00	\$8,937.83	\$11,168.72	\$87,894.43
Reserve	\$756.50	\$1,090.50	\$1,441.00	\$414.00	\$356.00	\$647.37	\$4,705.37
Total Income	\$19,150.32	\$23,190.94	\$21,898.62	\$7,250.00	\$9,293.83	\$11,816.09	\$92,599.80
Transfers							
From Reserve	\$175.00	\$500.00	\$2,100.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$400.00	\$4,375.00
From Investments	\$3,000.00	\$2,000.00	\$1,500.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$6,500.00
Total Transfers	\$3,175.00	\$2,500.00	\$3,600.00	\$0.00	\$1,200.00	\$400.00	\$10,875.00
Net Income + Transfers - Expenses	(\$983.74)	\$2,777.67	(\$9.12)	(\$2,271.17)	\$461.90	\$2,281.15	\$2,256.69

Balances

Investments

Money Market	\$1,310.75	\$1,326.36	\$1,849.97		\$1,872.83
Large Cap Stock	\$25,838.11	\$25,290.01	\$24,077.81		\$23,545.17
Income Fund	\$36,885.12	\$36,637.37	\$37,129.27		\$37,431.63

Total Investments

\$64,033.98 \$63,253.74 \$63,057.05 \$62,849.63

Reserve*	\$3,541.17	\$4,133.96	\$3,306.86		\$3,300.20
Checking	\$515.91	\$2,583.11	\$272.78		\$1,434.12



Worship Assistants

Hymns & Lessons

February 3—Transfiguration of Our Lord

Deacon Cindy Borreson
Lector _____
Acolyte Nate Johnson
Nursery Donna Whitehead
Ushers Mike Sellon & Russ Tilden
Tellers Tom & Donna Whitehead
 Gordon Eggleton

Lessons
 Exodus 24:12-18
 Psalm 2 (7)
 2 Peter 1:16-21
 Matthew 17:1-9

Hymns
 Teen Challenge
 #494—Jesus Calls Us; O'er the Tumult
 #551—Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

February 10—1st Sunday in Lent

Deacon Andrew Kitchka
Lector _____
Acolyte Matthew Kitchka
Nursery Alice Doane
Ushers Brad Johnson &
 Ray VanderStelt
Tellers LaVern & Irene Borreson
 Randy Borreson

Lessons
 Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7
 Psalm 32 (10)
 Romans 5:12-19
 Matthew 4:1-11

Hymns
 #385—What Wondrous Love Is This**
 #307—Forgive Our Sins As We Forgive
 #93—Jesus, Refuge of the Weary
 #343—Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer

February 17—2nd Sunday in Lent

Deacon Rose Justian
Lector _____
Acolyte Becky Stroh
Nursery Polly Eagle
Ushers John Moore & Tom Proksa
Tellers Tom & Betty Proksa
 John Moore & Tom Whitehead

Lessons
 Genesis 12:1-4a
 Psalm 121 (1,2)
 Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
 John 3:1-17

Hymns
 #731—Precious Lord, Take My Hand
 #696—I've Just Come from the Fountain
 #698—We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus
 #706—Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup
 #699—Blessed Assurance**

February 24—3rd Sunday in Lent

Deacon Tom Whitehead
Lector _____
Acolyte Ben Stroh
Nursery Lauren Johnson
Ushers Emogene Cotal & Jan Wolf
Tellers Randy & Cindy Borreson
 Polly Eagle

Lessons
 Exodus 17:1-7
 Psalm 95 (1)
 Romans 5:1-11
 John 4:5-42

Hymns
 #97—Christ, the Life of All the Living
 #487—Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus
 #356—O Jesus, Joy of Loving Hearts
 #499—Come, Thou Fount of Every
 Blessing**

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Committees meet on the following nights. It's wonderful to be involved and know that your voice counts. Please consider joining any of these committees.

Evangelism—1st Monday of the month at 7:30 pm

Finance—2nd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

Parish Education—2nd Monday of the month at 7:00 pm

Property—1st Wednesday of the month at 5:30 pm

Social Ministry—no scheduled time

Stewardship—3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm

Worship & Music—3rd Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm

DORCAS CIRCLE

Meetings continue on the 1st
Monday of each month at
10:00 am.

Plans are being made for the
Transfiguration Dinner on
February 3.

See Ann Hamil or
Tillie Jandris for information

MEN'S CLUB

Breakfast Meeting
Saturday, February 2,
9:00 am at Mickey's.

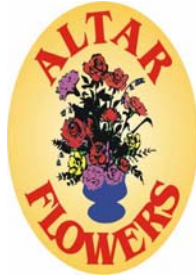
Contact Russ Tilden
at
616-798-1032 with
questions.

EVE Circle

Eve Circle's meetings are
held the 2nd Tuesday of
each month at 6:30 pm.

They hope to see some new
faces joining them.
Contact Betty Proksa if you
have any questions.

**Transfiguration
Dinner
Sunday, February 3
Immediately following
worship**



A sign-up sheet for 2008 has been posted on the bulletin board. There are still many Sunday's available to honor a loved one or celebrate a special occasion.

The cost is \$25.00 and you will be billed directly by Muskegon Floral for the flowers. If you have any questions, please contact Blanche Vanderstelt.



Teen Challenge is a Christian growth and development program that works primarily with drug abusers, alcoholics and others with life-controlling problems. The students will be sharing their life stories and how they experienced a total life change by acceptance of Jesus Christ as their personal Lord and Savior.

This presentation is a timely, god-inspired message that will challenge old and young alike.

Please plan to join us for worship on Transfiguration Sunday, February 3 at 10:00 am and dinner immediately following.

Souper Bowl Sunday



Conformation Class is asking you to donate one dollar and/or a can of soup on Super Bowl Sunday, February 3rd to benefit Every Woman's Place
We would greatly appreciate your donation.



Evangelism Outreach Program



Collecting for the Men of The Muskegon Rescue Mission

Please bring in any of the following items and place them in the barrel at the back of the Nave. They will be delivered to the Rescue Mission by the Evangelism Committee.

Men's Hygiene Products, including (but not limited to):

- Razors
- Shaving Cream
- After Shave
- Deodorant
- Toothbrushes
- Toothpaste
- Soap
- Shampoo
- Hair brushes
- Hair combs
- Nail clippers
- Small Kleenex packets
- Men's Wear
 - Socks
 - Underwear
- Wallets
- Any other items you can think of

Thank you very much for your support.

I Said a Prayer for You Today

I said a prayer for you today
And know God must have heard—
I felt the answer in my heart
Although He spoke no word!

I didn't ask for wealth or fame
(I knew you wouldn't mind)—
I asked Him to send treasures
Of a far more lasting kind!

I asked that He'd be near you
At the start of each new day
To grant you health and blessings
And friends to share your way!

I asked for happiness for you
In all things great and small—
But it was for His loving care
I prayed the most of all!

Submitted by Mary Panozzo

A Prayer for Transfiguration Sunday

O God,
We open our eyes and we see Jesus,
the months of ministry transfigured to a beam of light,
the light of the world,
your light.

May your light shine upon us.

We open our eyes and we see Moses and Elijah,
your word restoring us, showing us the way,
telling a story,
your story, his story, our story.
May your word speak to us.

We open our eyes and we see mist,
the cloud of your presence
which assures us of all we do not know
and that we do not need to fear that.
Teach us to trust.

We open our eyes and we see Peter's constructions,
his best plans, our best plans,
our missing the point,
our missing the way.
Forgive our foolishness and sin

We open our eyes and we see Jesus,
not casting us off,
but leading us down, leading us out -
to ministry, to people.
Your love endures forever.

We open our ears and we hear your voice,
'This is my beloved Son, listen to him!'
And we give you thanks.
Amen

prepared by William Loader 2/2001

It was the day after Christmas at a church in San Francisco. The pastor of the church was looking over the church when he noticed that the baby Jesus was missing from among the figures.
He hurried outside and saw a little boy with a red wagon, and in the wagon was the figure of the little infant Jesus. So he walked up to the boy and said, "Well, where did you get your passenger, my fine friend?"
The little boy replied, "I got Him at church."
And why did you take Him?"
The boy explained, "Well, about a week before Christmas I prayed to the little Lord Jesus and I told Him if He would bring me a red wagon for Christmas I would give Him a ride around the block in it."
Submitted by Darlene Boucher

Lord, help me today to realize that you will be speaking to me through the events of the day, through people, through things, and through all creation. Give me ears, eyes, and heart to perceive you, however veiled your presence may be. Give me insight to see through the exterior of things to the interior truth. Give me your Spirit of discernment, O Lord, you know how busy I must be this day. If I forget you, do not forget me. Amen

Remember our friends and family members in the Military

God of Compassion, we pray for military personnel offered for the sake of others and separated from family and loved ones.

Care for them; meet their needs.

Grant them courage, compassion, strength, and all they need for the living of these days.

Sustain them through their every trial.

Remind them of the humanity they share

Even with those who are called "the enemy";

Through Jesus Christ our Lord we pray. Amen

SSgt. Kevin Sellon (Mike and Carol Sellon's son)

United States Army—Serving in Iraq

PO1 Russ Tilden, Jr. (Russ & Laurie Tilden's son)

United States Navy—Serving in the Persian Gulf

TSgt. Harvey Wagenmaker (Tom and Betty Proksa's nephew)

United States Air Force—Stationed at Fort Campbell, KY

SPC Robert Borreson (Randy and Cindy Borreson's son)

United States Army Reserves

Sgt. Kenneth Hawkins (Tom and Betty Proksa's nephew)

United States Army—Stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington

LCPL Corey Judson (Virginia Kolarik's grandson)

United States Marine Corp—Serving in Iraq

If you'd like to add a name to this list, please contact
Cindy Borreson.



prayer

Those in need of healing:

Dorothy Anderson

Beryl Connelly

Ann Filka

Stephen Hellman

Linda Hurtubise

Tom Hulka

Cheryl Jimenez

Beulah Justian

Mary Panozzo

Maxine Pedersen

Vicki Peterson

Nancy Rizzo

Wally Roach

Paul Suchovsky

Do you have a loved one you would like included in the prayers or added to our prayer list? Please contact Cindy Borreson at 616-846-2477 or by email at cborreson@charter.net and she will see they are included.



Hug Someone

"There's something in a simple hug That always warms the heart. It welcomes us back home. And makes it easier to part." -Jill Wolf

Festivals and Commemorations

Friday, February 2

Presentation of Our Lord

Forty days after the birth of Christ we mark the day Mary and Joseph presented him in the temple in accordance with Jewish law. There a prophetess named Anna began to speak of the redemption of Israel when she saw the young child. Simeon also greeted Mary and Joseph. He responded to the presence of the consolation of Israel in this child with the words of the Nunc dimittis. His song described Jesus as a "light for the nations."

Because of the link between Jesus as the light for the nations, and because an old reading for this festival contains a line from the prophet Zephaniah, "I will search Jerusalem with candles," the day is also known as Candlemas, a day when candles are blessed for the coming year. If no service is planned to celebrate this day in the congregation, be sure to read the story about the presentation when congregational groups meet, and include a setting of the Song of Simeon.

Saturday, February 3

Ansgar, Bishop of Hamburg, missionary to Denmark and Sweden (801-865)

A traditional emphasis during the weeks of Epiphany has been the mission of the church. Ansgar is a monk who led a mission to Denmark and later to Sweden, where he built the first church. His work ran into difficulties with the rulers of the day, and he was forced to withdraw into Germany, where he served as a bishop in Hamburg. Despite his difficulties in Sweden, he persisted in his mission work and later helped consecrate Gothbert as the first bishop of Sweden. Ansgar had a deep love for the poor. He would wash their feet and serve them food provided by the parish.

Ansgar is particularly honored by Scandinavian Lutherans. The Church of Sweden honors him as an apostle. His persistence in mission and his care for the poor invite congregations to reflect on their own ministry of bearing the light of Christ during the days of Epiphany.

Monday, February 5

The Martyrs of Japan (d. 1597)

In the sixteenth century, Jesuit missionaries, followed by Franciscans, introduced the Christian faith in Japan. But a promising beginning to those missions--perhaps as many as 300,000 Christians by the end of the sixteenth century--met complications from competition between the missionary groups, political difficulty between Spain and Portugal, and factions within the government of Japan. Christianity was suppressed. By 1630, Christianity was driven underground.

Today we commemorate the first martyrs of Japan, twenty-six missionaries and converts, who were killed by crucifixion. Two hundred and fifty years later, when Christian missionaries returned to Japan, they found a community of Japanese Christians that had survived underground. The Martyrs of Japan are a somber reminder of the cost of Christianity and discipleship. Their witness invites us to pray for the church's own witness to the gospel and encourages us to trust that the church is sustained in times of persecution.

Wednesday, February 14

Cyril, monk (826-869); Methodius, bishop (c. 815-885); missionaries to the Slavs

These two brothers from a noble family in Thessalonika in northeastern Greece were priests and missionaries. After some early initial missionary work by Cyril among the Arabs, the brothers retired to a monastery. They were later sent to work among the Slavs, the missionary work for which they are most known. Since Slavonic had no written form at the time, the brothers established a written language with the Greek alphabet as its basis. They translated the scriptures and the liturgy using this Cyrillic alphabet. The Czechs, Serbs, Croats, Slovaks, and Bulgars regard the brothers as the founders of Slavic literature. The brothers' work in preaching and worshiping in the language of the people are honored by Christians in both East and West.

Sunday, February 18

Martin Luther, renewer of the church (1483-1546)

For those in the habit of remembering the work of Martin Luther on Reformation Day, this commemoration may seem out of place. But it is a custom to remember saints on the day of their death, their

"heavenly birthday." On this day Luther died at the age of 62. For a time, he was an Augustinian monk, but it is his work as a biblical scholar, translator of the Bible, reformer of the liturgy, theologian, educator, and father of German vernacular literature that holds him in our remembrance. In Luther's own judgment, the greatest of all of his works was his catechism, written to instruct people in the basics of faith. And it was his baptism that sustained him in his trials as a reformer.

If a congregation has catechumens who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil, they might receive the catechism during the Enrollment of Candidates on the first Sunday in Lent. If there are no catechumens, a congregation might study the catechism during Lent to renew its own baptismal faith.

Friday, February 23

Polycarp, Bishop of Smyrna, martyr (c. 70-156)

Polycarp was Bishop of Smyrna and a link between the apostolic age and the church at the end of the second century. He is said to have been known by John, the author of Revelation. In turn he was known by Irenaeus, bishop of Lyon in France, and Ignatius of Antioch. At the age of eighty-six he was martyred for his faith. When urged to save his life and renounce his faith, Polycarp replied, "Eighty-six years I have served him, and he never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my king who saved me?" The magistrate who made the offer was reluctant to kill a gentle old man, but he had no choice. Polycarp was burned at the stake, his death a testimony to the cost of renouncing temptation.

Saturday, February 24

Evangelical Lutheran Worship moves the festival of St. Matthias to May 14 in agreement with other Western calendars.

Sunday, February 25

Elizabeth Fedde, deaconess (1850-1921)

Fedde was born in Norway and trained as a deaconess. In 1882, at the age of 32, she was asked to come to New York to minister to the poor and to Norwegian seamen. Her influence was wide-ranging, and she established the Deaconess House in Brooklyn and the Deaconess House and Hospital of the Lutheran Free Church in Minneapolis. She returned home to Norway in 1895 and died there.

February 2008

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2 9:00 AM Men's Club (at Mickey's) Groundhog Day Presentation of Our Lord
3 <small>9:00 AM Choir Practice 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist Souper Bowl Sunday Transfiguration Dinner (following worship) Transfiguration Sunday</small>	4 10:00 AM Dorcas Circle 6:30 PM Evangelism Committee	5 5:30 PM Property Committee 6:30 PM Eve Circle	6 7:00 PM Holy Eucharist - Worship Ash Wednesday	7	8	9
10 9:00 AM Choir Practice 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist 1st Sunday in Lent	11 7:00 PM Parish Ed Committee 7:30 PM Youth Group - Jesus Christ Superstar at Frauenthal`	12 7:00 PM Finance Committee Lincoln's Birthday	13 7:00 PM Lenten Worship	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
17 9:00 AM Choir Practice 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist 2nd Sunday in Lent	18 6:30 PM Congregation Council Martin Luther, Doctor and Confessor President's Day	19 7:00 PM Worship & Music Committee	20 7:00 PM Lenten Worship	21 6:30 PM Stewardship Meeting	22 Washington's Birthday	23 9:00 AM Mutual Ministry Committee
24 9:00 AM Choir Practice 10:00 AM Holy Eucharist 3rd Sunday in Lent Saint Matthias, Apostle	25	26	27 7:00 PM Lenten Worship	28	29	

**Dr. Martin Luther
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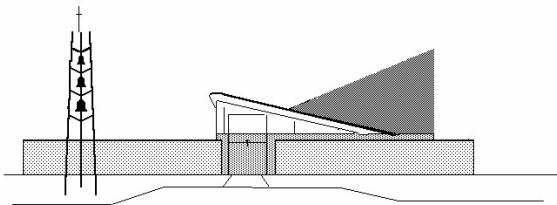


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