



We really do have a group for you (see below)—And if you have an interest—whether it be outreach (*Hope House, Sherman Park Lutheran Church*) or a hobby (*golfing*)—start a group.

- Please bring non-perishable food for Hope House on Sundays
- Please bring your aluminum cans on the second Sunday, August 14th, ONLY.
- Dorcas Circle meets Tuesday, August 9th at 9:00 am.
- Knitting & Crocheting group meets every Tuesday at 1:00 pm.
- Sunday School at 10:15 am, September 11th.
- God's Young Voices—meets Sunday, September 11th at 9:40 am.
- Senior Choir meets every Wednesday, starting September 7th at 7:30 pm.
- Health and Wellness meeting, Friday, August 19th
- Worship & Music meets Tuesday, August 9th, at 7:00 pm
- Good News Bible Study meets Wednesday, September 14th at 11:30 am.
- OWLS meet on Thursday, August 11th, at 8:30 am at Forum Restaurant
- Property committee meeting Tuesday, August 9th, at 6:30 pm.
- Christian Education meeting Tuesday, August 2nd at 7:00 pm
- Divine Drama Bible Study begins Thursday, September 8th at 7:00 pm.
- Friends meet Tuesday, September 27th at 9:30 am.
- Parish Nurse, Barb Estrada is here on Wednesday mornings.

### *Join—! FRIENDS*

Our *Friends* group is a group of 15 who visit Shut-Ins. We take very seriously the words of Jesus in the Book of Matthew when he spoke about the Judgement. He said

*“For I was sick and you visited me.”*

For the most part, these, Shut-Ins have spent much of their lives in the church. Now, because of a physical ailment, they can no longer attend services. Pastor Fazio visits them regularly with communion, but it means a lot to them to also have another close contact who can spend a little more time with them and keep them informed on what is happening in the church; and also is trained to give communion. So we consider our *Friend's* group to be a liaison between our church and our people.

Our goal is to have one certain Shut-In assigned to each *Friend*. Then we try to make at least one visit per month to each person. Sometimes when this is not possible, we use the telephone to keep in touch. Many deep friendships have been formed and I know that the *Friends* will agree that we get more than we give. Most importantly, we pray for our Shut-In and hold them close to our heart.

Our meetings are held the last Tuesday of the month at 9:30 am. and we invite you to join us. If you cannot attend the meeting but would like to be a visitor, this can be arranged. The advantage that we all find is that we can fit this into our own time schedule, as the Shut-In's schedule is usually flexible.

If there is any one that you know of who could use our services, please let us know.

*Friends*, ! Call, Dolores Porath 414-545-1763



**“WHAT EVERYBODY SHOULD KNOW  
ABOUT DIABETES”**

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 @ 11:30a.m.**

(A Health and Wellness sponsored Lunch and Learn Program)

Diabetes is epidemic in the United States, affecting almost 24 million people. The majority, between 90-95 percent, are type 2 diabetics. Formerly referred to as “adult onset”, type 2 diabetes was once thought of as a grown-up’s disease but the condition is increasingly common among obese children and adolescents. Studies show diabetes can start causing long-term harm to the body, especially the heart and circulatory system, but also other complications including kidney, eye, and nerve involvement early on. This is of particular concern for patients with pre-diabetes which is a state of abnormally elevated blood sugar that almost always precedes diabetes. There is some thought that a person can be pre-diabetic for as many as 10 years before a diagnosis of diabetes is made. Many people do not exhibit symptoms of the disease but simple blood tests, fasting blood sugar levels and hemoglobin A1C levels, will pinpoint blood sugar problems.

Diabetes is a chronic condition. Once you have the disease, it tends to progress. But there are steps a person can take to slow the advance of diabetes and minimize complications. Whether you already have diabetes or are pre-diabetic, exercise and weight loss are some of the most powerful tools you have to improve your

health. Learn how sugar and carbohydrates play their part in maintaining healthy blood sugar levels.

Audrey Johnson, RN, MSN, and Certified Diabetic Educator from Aurora-West Allis Hospital will be conducting our learning program.

**This program is not just for diabetics but for everyone.** Audrey will teach us about risk factors for diabetes, lifestyle changes, and healthy habits to keep ourselves and our families healthy. Please invite any interested friend or family member that you think may benefit from learning about diabetes. (There is no cost for lunch, but there will be a signup sheet on the kiosk to help the committee plan for lunch.)

Barb Estrada, RN, PN

*Attention:*

*The people who have signed up for the CPR classes must prepay the \$30 for the class.*

*Please make your check payable to Advance Professional Healthcare Education, LLC (on memo line put WPLC August 13th CPR)*

*and then send the check to —*

*Advance Professional  
Healthcare Education, LLC  
PO Box 180062  
Delafield, WI 53018-0062  
-Barb Estrada, RN, PN*

## Council minutes from June 28, 2011

Members absent: Jeannine Sonntag, Jennifer Breese

**Guest speaker,** Wayne Kestner from Hales Corners Lutheran church-Director of Spiritual Gifts and Assimilation. HC Lutheran has six services and 3500 members. Wayne spoke to us about their outreach programs: kids and outreach trip in August to Joplin. Family and friends provide funding and prayer, and the church also provides some funding. They also do global and local outreach. They are looking for a warehouse to store items before distribution. Their local concerns include a food bank, stockbox/foodbox program, collection of household items, and running the Ebenezer community food pantry and soup kitchen. Wayne also brought along a handout with a listing of other volunteer options our church might like to get involved with.

Minutes from May approved as amended.

### **Treasurers report:**

A stained glass window from Jim Grafwallner's memorial funds is being ordered.  
Mortgage outstanding is \$315,632  
Parking lot outstanding is \$15,000  
Operating fund balance is \$76,590

### **Pastor's report:**

Four funerals conducted.  
Interviews are being conducted for the position of secretary.  
Articles of incorporation needs checking.  
Helping hands fund-\$662.33

### **Director of Christian Education/Christian Education**

The Seuss activity was held, and while not a lot of families attended, it was a good program for those who were there.  
Robin will lead worship on July 10th when pastor is on vacation.  
Robin will lead the Confirmation class this fall.

### **Finance:**

Fixed assets on the reports from Nolan will be adjusted with correct property values.

A motion was made, seconded and passed to accept Thrivent's offer to lower the church's interest rate to 5.25% on the renovation mortgage loan.

An internal audit was conducted and everything was in order.

### **Fellowship:**

The antique appraisal was attended by 36 people. It was decided that this should not be a yearly event. A farewell party for Sandy Kestner is being planned for July 31st with Sharon Hause as the contact person.

### **Health & Wellness:**

Health and Wellness held a luncheon for the Prayer Shawl contributors on May 20th at noon. We had great food, attendance and fun.

The Blood Drive will be held on Monday, July 25th from 2—6 pm.

CPR classes will be held August 13th from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The cost is \$30 and must be prepaid.

### **Property:**

Purchase and installation of dimmers for the church lighting is in process, money is coming from memorial funds.  
Estimates are being taken for the replacement of basement windows.  
Parking lot will be sealed and striped between July 13-15, May

### **Social Ministry:**

Money raised at the coffee hour will go to the Lutheran Volunteer Corps.  
Fresh garden produce money will go to ELCA World Hunger Appeal and the Hunger Task Force. Thrivent will provide a matching grant of \$350 for money raised at the produce table.  
School kits are being made and donations are being accepted.  
Crop Walk will be on Sunday, October 9th.

A Christmas play and luncheon will be hosted by the Whitnall Friendship Circle on December 10th. All are invited. The Friendship Circle will be meeting in September at the Conrad Stahl back building.

Staff reviews due at the Council meeting in August.  
Respectfully submitted,  
Donna Winiarski

## Social Ministry Update:

### *Hope House*

Remember to bring non-perishable food items for Hope House. The items are delivered monthly.

### *Fresh Garden Produce Table*

August is the height of the growing season in Wisconsin. Take advantage of the Produce Table while you can. Members of the congregation are especially encouraged to bring in their surplus garden produce. Other members then can take the abundance home for a small donation. This year the money raised will go to the following causes:

- ELCA World Hunger

Hunger Task Force.

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is providing up to \$350 in matching funds from its Care Abounds in Communities Program at the rate of fifty cents on a dollar.

### *CROP Walk*

Walkers reserve Sunday afternoon, October 9th, for this year's CROP Walk. Persons are also needed to collect donations on especially Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>. Thrivent Financial for Lutherans is providing up to \$800 in matching funds at the rate of fifty cents on a dollar.

### *Lutheran World Relief School Kits*

School supplies are now on sale! Go shopping! Spiral notebooks and scissors are often in short supply so look for them on sale. Try to take advantage of "back to school sales" because only one child is helped by a 79 cents ruler while four children can be helped if the same amount is spent on four rulers on sale at 19 cents each.

Please help to fill school bags for eager, but impoverished, school children in the United States and around the world. You have the option of filling a complete bag with the eight items needed, buying an item or two in bulk, or donating money. Money would allow the Social Ministry Committee to purchase items that are needed to fill out complete kits.



**Deaconess Elizabeth Kestner, is asking for donations for the Family Fest at Sherman Park Lutheran Church in Milwaukee.** The Family

Fest is an outreach project to the community around Sherman Park as an effort to engage the community to attend and worship. We as a congregation can help with this outreach monetarily, by buying gift cards (Target, Walmart, Pick 'n Save), buying bus tickets (at Pick 'n Save) or buying bottled water. **The Family Fest is August 20th** and all are invited. **Please bring in your items anytime before August 20th and help to support this great outreach!**

## **2011 Greater Milwaukee Synod Assembly**

On Saturday, June 25th, Jim and I attended the 2011 Greater Milwaukee ELCA Synod Assembly at the Country Springs Hotel in Waukesha. The theme of this year's assembly was "Going Public". We both agree that to see the "church" as a bigger entity than just WPLC is quite interesting. People from various backgrounds and lives working to tell the public about God's calling to us with stories of faith and love. Many of the speakers were very inspiring. Workshops were held on Friday afternoon covering such topics as: Partnerships, Bullying, Youth & Family, Media, Mission Interpreters, Care for Creation, and Care for Military Families.

Part of the afternoon on Saturday was taking care of synod business by voting on resolutions and election of synod council members. This can be somewhat boring for lay members such as Jim and I. Lots of parliamentary procedure, etc. Discussion on the resolutions was interesting though.

All in all, the experience to see the larger church in action is something everyone should experience at least once. It helps you regain a collective sense of who we are—

***people freed in Christ to serve. . . freed from sin and free to serve, freedom won by Christ,***

Love in Christ,

Jim & Linda Shea

## August Birthdays

	2	Diane Brunner	20	Lucas Biloff
		David Scherbarth		Marion Bruce
3		Dorothy Perkl		Suellen Dowell
		Robert Wiza		Alan Olson
4		Ralph Klute	22	Cheyenne Paneitz
		Collette Larson		Donald Barrows
5		Michael Sparacino		Dyani Palmer
		Cody Stein		Karl Sorvick
6		Amber Bowser	23	Kraig Sorvick
		Jack Breese		Ashley Hoffmann
		Marion Hies		Patricia Kilbey
		Amber Martin	26	Michael Palmer
7		Ellen Dallmann		Hannah Cotey
8		Sherry Robinson		Audrey Grabarczyk
		Marcia Stein	27	Joan Lance
10		Kimberly Mason		Wayne Baumgart
		Karen Olson		Brittney Henneberry
		Arleen Pfeil		Danielle Kaboskey
14		Luther Graef		Julie Sorenson
		Dustin Smith	28	Jill Underberg
15		Andrew Braun	29	Jeffrey Dietz
		Olivia Knier		Darlene Meier
16		Donald Holt	30	Allen Schubert
		Elaine Wegner		Faith Farber
17		Margaret Aderman		Ashley Ross
18		Sandra Day	31	Shaun Stone
19		Thomas Schulte		Dorothy Saari
				Vernon Vorpahl

## August Anniversaries

2	Jason & Jennifer Schubert
5	Ray & Joyce Schlueter <b>61</b>
	Kyle and Rebecca Sorvick
6	Michael & Katayoun Fazio
	Gerald & Shirley Hibbard <b>56</b>
	Ronald & Julie Sorenson
7	Richard & Laura Staats
8	Jessica & Mark Williamson
10	Frank & Pricilla Brugger
	Adam & Sara Fiedler
13	Gerald & Marjorie Pagel
14	Gayle & David Cameron
15	Lawrence & Julane Gaffney <b>52</b>
16	Ralph & Janet Cook
17	Ronald & Patricia Noeske <b>54</b>
19	Jason & Rachel Krainer
21	Daniel & Jill Underberg
22	Harvey & Alice Breese
23	James & Laura Gaffney
	Mark & Donna Winiarski
25	Todd & Lori Ridder
28	Lloyd & Beverly Gellings <b>57</b>
	Matthew & Tammy Johnson
29	Mark & Heidi Bukowski

### Endowment Board to Hold Election

In the past, the Endowment Fund has held their elections to the board during the church's semi-annual meetings. Since the church no longer holds semi-annual meetings in July, the Endowment Fund board needs to also change the time of their elections. There will be one opening on the board which will need to be filled. A special election may be scheduled or election may wait until the annual congregation meeting in 2012. At this time, we are looking for people to consider nomination to serve on the Endowment Board. If you have a passion, or even a slight interest, in working with investment funds, or have a desire to care and watch over the endowment gifts that have been given to WPLC for mission and ministry, please contact the church office or contact the treasurer of the Endowment Fund, Sharon Hause (262-679-2161).

### PARKING LOT FUND DRIVE

The success of our fund drive is overwhelming! In just over a year we have raised \$55,560.00. That leaves us with only \$9,116.00 to reach our goal. WOW. The property committee is very grateful of your unending support. Look for upcoming events in the Sunday bulletin. Thank you! —Pat Suderland

### ***Dear Church Family,***

This will be my last letter to you and it makes my heart very heavy. Until I reminisce about all the wonderful memories I will take with me. Some are sad. Pastor Fredrickson had just been called when my mother, Lucille Petzke, was taken ill. She was the Sunday school superintendent for 15 years. I don't know what I would have done if I had been anywhere but here, the comfort from you all saw me through a very dark time. Lori Nelson still is so kind to remind me how mother "talked" her into teaching Sunday school and she has been grateful for the 20 years she has been a teacher here.

Then I took care of Dad. He lived so close, so if I would call him and he didn't answer, Pastor would say go and check on him. He was usually alright but the caring and concern from Dad's friends—and especially Steve Meier his special "Friend", who would visit him regularly, meant so much to our whole family.

Tuesday mornings are the best day of the week when my wonderful friends come in and make their quilts. The women of Dorcas are not only dedicated but have the very special gift of caring for the church and each other. They brighten the world with their quilts, and also my day with joking and, yes, the best treats ever.

When my daughter Suzanne was married she wanted a wedding banner. Guess who was kind enough to make it—Sharon Hause. Sharon and I have been friends ever since and I wanted to thank her again and tell her that we used the banner over and over for the marriage ministry Wayne and I care for at HC.

Our staff meetings on Wednesday are something special. We not only talk "church" but we have shared a closeness that I will miss very much. Pastor Michael, Barb, Kelly, Cynthia, Robin, Ralph, Kathy, Dan, are not just people I work with they are my friends. Ralph, I will miss the joking on the phone. Last year just before my hip surgery Pastor Michael, Barb and Kelly went into the sanctuary with me. Pastor Michael gave us communion and said a prayer. Then he asked Barb and Kelly to also say a prayer—it was one of the most touching moments of my life. Thank you so much for that.

The power of prayer is very much in our church. When you call my friend, June Jensen and put your loved one on the prayer chain—the powerful, powerful prayer chain, you are in good hands. My health and the health of the members of my

family—Elizabeth's safety and ministry when she was in Guatemala. Thank you so much for all your loving prayers.

Guatemala was a mission that you embraced, with monetary and inkind donations—Evelyn Schubert, you would come in and bring me bags of goodies for Elizabeth's missions, plus the conversation that followed would make my day. Thanks for that and thank you all for supporting Elizabeth in her local mission at Sherman Park Lutheran Church—this outreach of yours, through Elizabeth, touches so many.

I graduated from UWM as an Art History major—not exactly hi-tech. Roger Brinkmeier I don't know what in the world I would have done without your help, thank you!

Not rain, snow or any form of bad weather would stop my faithful *LEAF* helpers. My *LEAF* ladies are very dear to me, Dolores Porath, Dorothy Perkl, Evelyn Klug (*Evie, I miss Bob too*), Audrey Grabaraczyk, Nancy Blachowski. I love the yummy Grebe's crawlers and coffee but I think I love our conversations even more.

Pat Suderland I will miss your smiling face.

Marjorie Pagel, thank you for all your help.

Tony Sparacino. I love your jokes and talking sports. Bernice thank you for your friendship. I loved that you kept my mother in your heart.

There are so many people I want to thank and tell you how very much you mean to me. Dorothy Nurse, Kathy and Ron Sonntag, Marion Bruce, Gloria Brinkmeier, Carl and Marilyn Medeiros, Irene and Bob Bonnert, Ruth and Brent Rice, the Sorvick families, Joan Henderson, Dorothy Wamser, Jim and Julane Gaffney, Ron and Pat Noeske, Audrey Graffwallner, Lou and Lorraine Graef, Betty and John Hembrook, Joan and Lyle Lance, Donna and Mark Winiarski, Charlotte MacPherson, Frank and Priscilla Brugger, the Breese family, (Jennifer thanks again for helping when I had my operation), Jeff Dietz, Vern Vorpahl, Charles and Norm Schoenleber, Ron Hause, Doris Dickmann, Jerrijo Cowman, Glenn and Nancy Winger, Bob and Charlotte Christensen, you all are such wonderful people, who Christ shines in your hard work and effort everyday. Thank you too, to the Knitters, the Acolyte families all the people who work in the Nursery, the Readers, Greeters and Altar Guild ladies, the Confirmation families, the Council members. I will miss you all.

Thank you, thank you, thank you for the best 15 years of my life.  
Sandy Kestner, Retired WPLC secretary

**August 7**

**8:30** **Assisting Minister** Linda Shea  
**Ushers** Ron Hause, Carl Hanson  
**Greeter** Ellen Dallmann

**Acolyte** Scott Johnson

**10:15** **Assisting Minister** Ron Labott  
**Ushers** Gregg Saari, Paul Saari, Ron Noeske  
**Greeter** Charlotte MacPherson  
**Altar Guild** Elaine Johnson

**Acolyte** Jacqueline Underberg

**Nursery** Kathy Fazio

**August 14 SERVICES WITH HEALING**

**8:30** **Assisting Minister** Jane Dillon-Perkl  
**Ushers** John Hembrook, Ken Perkl, Jerrijo Cowman  
**Greeter** Audrey Grabarczyk  
**Altar Guild** Bernice Sparacino

**Acolyte** Mitchell Cowman

**10:15** **Assisting Minister** Mike Sparacino  
**Ushers** Tom Laposki, Brian and Kristi Peyer  
**Greeter** Kim Mason

**Acolyte** Joseph Hasenstein

**Nursery** Dorothy Saari

**August 21**

**8:00** **Assisting Minister** Lou Graef  
**Ushers** Jim and Linda Shea  
**Greeter** Dolores Porath  
**Altar Guild** Evelyn Schubert

**Acolyte** Michelle Rubenzer

**10:15** **Assisting Minister** Mike Sparacino  
**Ushers** Larry Pfeil, Brian Martin, Jack King  
**Greeter** Pat Noeske  
**Altar Guild** Marilyn King

**Acolyte** Maria Sparacino

**Nursery** Sue Schlueter

**August 28**

**8:00** **Assisting Minister** Marjorie Pagel  
**Ushers** Jim Gaffney, Duane Hause, Lyle Lance  
**Greeter** Evelyn Klug

**Acolyte** Tyler Henneberry

**10:15** **Assisting Minister** Laurie Sorvick  
**Ushers** Jerry Pagel, Walter Sievert, Jerome Thome, Michael Prescott  
**Greeter** Aimee Schlueter  
**Altar Guild** Marilyn Medeiros

**Acolyte** Melody King

**Nursery** Julie & Danielle Sorenson

**September 4 Labor Day Weekend**

**8:30** **Assisting Minister**  
**Ushers** Ron Hause, Carl Hanson  
**Greeter** Joan Lance  
**Altar Guild** Pat Suderland

**Acolyte** Amber Martin

**10:15** **Assisting Minister** Kraig Sorvick  
**Ushers** Ron Noeske, Gregg Saari, Paul Saari  
**Greeter** Nancy Sievert  
**Altar Guild** Pat Noeske

**Acolyte** Alyssa Kaboskey

**Nursery** Becky Sorvick

## From My Sunday School Desk:

We held our "Seuss Under the Stars" On June 14th, 21st and 28th. We read some of the whimsical stories of Dr. Seuss - Horton Hears a Who, What Was I Scared Of and Yertle the Turtle. We were happy to see so many Dr. Seuss fans!

We welcome ideas and suggestions for future education opportunities. It is not too early to start thinking of Sunday school...

**RALLY DAY** - September 11th -  
Children should meet in church

Your friend in Christ,  
Kelly Brown,  
Sunday School Superintendent

### ***Just a reminder:***

Children are always welcome at worship. During the school year, a children's sermon is preached once each month, and this summer we have begun distributing ***Children's Bulletins***.

The bulletins, which correlate with the lessons for the week, are available on the greeter's table and may be picked up there each week. Pencils are located in the pew racks. There are coloring pages as well for those too young for pencil and paper activities.

## From My Perch:

Although it continues to be unseasonably warm, my palms are finally dry today. I have to admit presiding at the church service July 10 was a bit nerve-racking, but thanks to the wonderful people of this congregation, I had a most wonderful experience. Your smiles and kind comments made the butterflies soar away, and I can truly say I look forward to sharing the word again with all of you soon. Thanks also to you for welcoming the members of my extended family. My 94-year-old cousin was tickled to be recognized as the person I shared Lent devotions with, and my aunt and uncle were surprised by the applause as they celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Every day I appreciate this welcoming congregation more.

As the summer winds down, I am busy setting the schedule for the Confirmation program that will begin in September. This year we will be studying the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and the Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. We will also be launching a mentor program in which we will ask our confirmands to identify adults who have been meaningful to them during their faith journeys and to meet with them during Lent as they prepare to reaffirm their baptismal vows.

As I plan for the fall, I am also developing a survey for youth and their families in an attempt to find out interests and time available to attempt to begin having a more regular youth program. Please watch for the survey and return it.

I have to put in another plug for the Divine Drama program which will begin for adults in September also. There is still time to sign up on the poster in the narthex. The workbook cost is \$30, which is \$1 per session.

Children's bulletins are now available each Sunday. Please find them on the same table as the adult bulletins.

In faith, I remain,  
Robin Nehring Brodie

# August 2011

## *Whitnall Park Lutheran Church*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i> 1:00 PM Knitting & Crocheting 7:00 PM Christian Ed meeting	<i>3</i> 9:30 AM Parish Nurse	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i> Pastor's day off.	<i>6</i>
<i>7</i> 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM WORSHIP	<i>8</i> LEAF ARTICLES ARE DUE	<i>9</i> 9:00 AM Dorcas Circle 1:00 PM Knitting & Crocheting 6:30 PM Property 7:00 PM Worship & Music	<i>10</i> 9:30 AM Parish Nurse	<i>11</i> 8:30 AM OWLS meet at the Forum	<i>12</i> Pastor's day off.	<i>13</i>
<i>14</i> 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Baptism-Ethan Meister Services with Healing	<i>15</i>	<i>16</i> 1:00 PM Knitting & Crocheting	<i>17</i> 9:30 AM Parish Nurse	<i>18</i> 9:00 AM Assemble the LEAF	<i>19</i> 10:00 AM Health & Wellness meeting Pastor's day off.	<i>20</i>
<i>21</i> 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM WORSHIP	<i>22</i>	<i>23</i> 1:00 PM Knitting & Crocheting 7:00 PM Council Meeting	<i>24</i> 9:30 AM Parish Nurse	<i>25</i>	<i>26</i> Pastor's day off.	<i>27</i>
<i>28</i> 8:30 AM - 10:15 AM WORSHIP 10:15 AM Baptism Rosemary Fielder	<i>29</i>	<i>30</i> 1:00 PM Knitting & Crocheting	<i>31</i> 9:30 AM Parish Nurse			

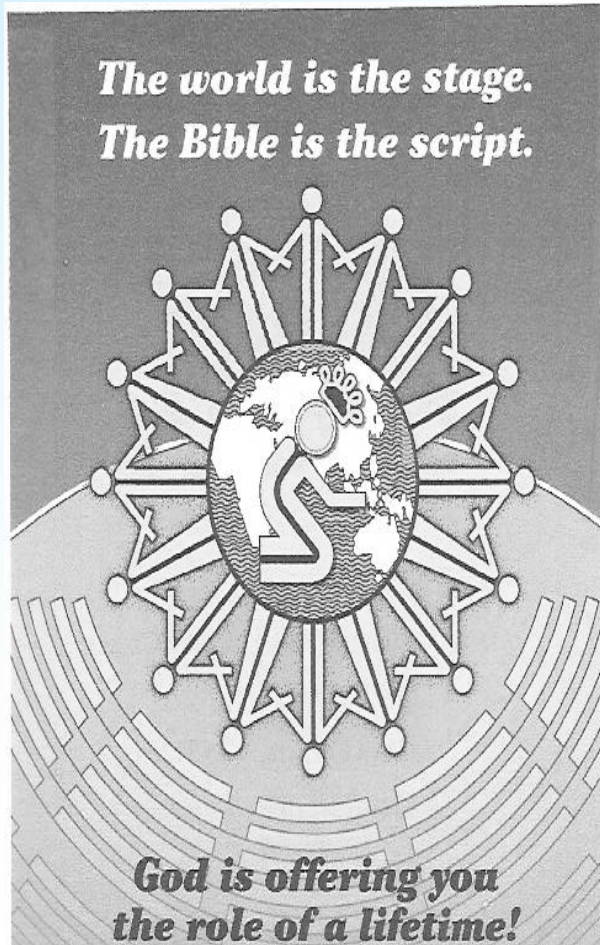


*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,*

The Holy Bible is at the center of our faith, our lives and our identities as God's people. It is the main source of information regarding Jesus Christ and the Good News He has delivered to us by enfolding us in His life, death and resurrection. In short, it's a pretty important book!

I've had the opportunity to go through four years of extended and in-depth theological study, and I still feel very much a novice when it comes to understanding the Word of God presented in the Bible...that's why for me, the Divine Drama Bible Study is crucial in helping me to understand and grow in my faith and relationship with God through Christ.

This newsletter article is therefore nothing more than an invitation for you to join me in learning more about what this awesome book, the Bible, can teach us about how to best live our lives in the freedom God has intended for us. All you have to do is sign up for the Divine Drama study on the display outside of the sanctuary doors and begin your journey with your church family on September 8th at 7:00 pm. The rest is up to God!



**WHERE:**

Whitnall Park  
Lutheran Church  
5847 Lilac Lane  
Hales Corners, WI  
414-425-1169

**WHEN:**

The second and fourth  
Thursdays of each  
month, starting  
September 8th

**TIME:**

7:00 PM—8:15 PM

**COST:**

\$29.95 for Student  
Workbook

**LEADER/FACILITATOR:**

Rev. Michael Fazio

[pastorfazio@yahoo.com](mailto:pastorfazio@yahoo.com)

Thank you and God Bless,  
Pr. Michael