



The First Word

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**Join us at
Vacation Bible
School
June 20-24**



DeKalb Area Handbell Festival Concert

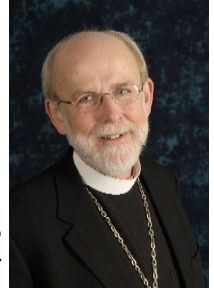
On Saturday, May 7, area handbell choirs will hold an all-day workshop at Westminster Presbyterian Church in DeKalb. John Behnke from Wisconsin will be the clinician for the day — teaching new techniques, improving techniques, sight reading new music, and perfecting some favorite pieces.

A very short, informal concert will conclude the day's activities at 3:00 PM. The concert is free and handicapped accessible. Choirs from seven area churches will be participating — First Lutheran, Westminster Presbyterian, First Methodist of DeKalb, Hillcrest Covenant, Salem Lutheran, Federated of Sycamore, and Sycamore Methodist . All are welcome!

Dates to Remember

Resurrection Walk	May 1
Naomi Circle	May 5
Handbell Festival	May 7
Women's Night Out.....	May 24

**Easter Message from ELCA Presiding
Bishop Mark S. Hanson**



So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy, and ran to tell his disciples.

Matthew 28:8

Mary Magdalene and Mary walked to Jesus' grave, expecting to find death. It's understandable. Images of violence filled their minds. Thoughts of their vulnerability and mortality deadened their spirits. Death had become the defining story of their lives.

Instead of death, the women met a resurrection messenger who said, "He is not here; for he has been raised, as he said." As they hurried to tell others, the risen Jesus met them. They were changed. Now resurrection, not death, would define their lives.

Jesus lives! Now resurrection, not death, defines our lives. Jesus continues to meet you in resurrection messengers, just as Jesus met me in Pastor Josephus Livenson Lauvanus, president of the Lutheran Church of Haiti. As we walked through the ruins and rubble that lie in the aftermath of Haiti's earthquake, Pastor Livenson Lauvanus proclaimed, "We will not be defined by rubble, but by restoration, for we are a people of the resurrection."

Baptized into Jesus' death and raised to newness of life we, too, are people of the resurrection. We, too, are resurrection messengers. We, too, are about God's work of restoration.

The world aches to hear the message we have to tell. Sing with joy! Jesus lives! We are a people of the resurrection.



Rejoice

in the

Good News of Easter:

Christ is Alive!

**A very joyous Easter to
each and every one of you!**

**from the Staff of
First Lutheran Church**

Congratulations to **Marc and Carolyn Schmidt** on the birth of their daughter, Cali Lynn, born on April 4. Proud grandparents are **Bob and Lynn Schmidt**. We also congratulate **Eric and Meredith Peterson** at the birth of their son, Eli Matthew, born on March 14. His grandparents are **Jim and Donna Peterson**.

We welcome to our Christian family **Jace Daniel Cordes**, son of Miranda Simek and Daniel Cordes, who received the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on February 27 and to **Christy Barton and her children Jessica, Kasey, and Seth** who were all baptized on March 27.

Congratulations to **Bertil and Marian Larson** on the celebration of their 60th wedding anniversary on May 19, to **Ron and Jan Setchell** on their 52nd anniversary on May 23, and to **Ken and Glennie Barshinger** who will celebrate their 60th anniversary on May 27.

Our sympathy is extended to the family of **Brad Manning** who passed away on March 30. May God comfort those who mourn.

Please remember the following people in your prayers: **Anna Diab, Heidi Hietanen, Corinne Johnson, Nancy Long, Dan and Hazel Metzger**, and Ariana Colvin (granddaughter of **Bill and Mary Colvin**).

Notes of Thanks

Dear Friends,

As we begin final preparations for leaving on May 17 for our two month mission of teaching teachers in Tanzania, we send our heartfelt "**Thank you very much!**" for your good wishes, promises of prayers, and financial donations. If you wish to contribute in support of our work but have not yet done so, please send your check to First Lutheran and write "Tanzania Mission" on the "memo" line. To receive e-mails of our experiences and perspectives while we are there, please send your e-mail address to us at: mswadle@earthlink.net

God's Peace,
Sharon & Mike Wadle

Dear Friends,

Thank you for the wonderful 'farewell reception' on March 27 and for the kind words of affirmation, lovely cards, and generous gifts. I am grateful for having had the opportunity to serve with you as associate pastor for nearly four years. We have done some wonderful ministry together. Blessings to you all as you listen for God's call and guidance as First Lutheran moves forward together in ministry - Hearing, Living and Sharing God's Word for the sake of the world.

Pastor Roy+

Dear Members of FLC,

Please accept my deep appreciation for the reception on Sunday, April 10 honoring me for 25 years of service at First Lutheran Church. Thank you for coming, thank you for the kind words, and thank you for your cards and gifts. The gift card from the congregation was very much appreciated.

Thanks to the Altar Guild for hosting the reception — you all deserve special thanks and praise. It was very nice and I'm grateful that I was able to share it with my family and friends — it meant a lot to me to have you all there.

Blessings,
Lynn Schmidt

Cross Walk Sunday's Grand Finale

Join us on Sunday, May 1, for Cross Walk's Grand Finale to celebrate the end of a wonderful year of Cross Walk here at First Lutheran Church. The entire congregation is invited to attend. The Grand Finale includes Teacher Appreciation, children's special music offering, Resurrection Walk, a reception, and a year-in-review presentation.

Teacher Appreciation and the music offering will take place during worship and following worship will be the Resurrection Walk, reception, and presentation. The reception will be held in the Social Hall, with the Resurrection Walk moving through the education wing. Please plan to join us!



Kaiylee Mecklenburg, Lily Baker, Mackenzie Carter, Megan Baker, and Alexia Corn, first and second graders, act out the Doubting Thomas play, as part of the Resurrection – Jesus' Appearances rotation.



THANKS to Our Volunteers!

Thank You! A big thank you to all of our workshop leaders for Rotation 7 and 8: **Kelly Buhk, Isaac Hietanen, Lori Johnson, Paul Letheby, Jacob Marx, and Ben Nelson.** We couldn't share God's Word to our young disciples without you!

Greeting Schedule — Because of the many opportunities given to our Fifth and Sixth graders this spring to give musical offerings during worship, we will have to cancel the Fifth and Sixth grade class greeting day on May 1st. Save those handshakes and smiles, though! You'll need them next year.

Offering Summary — Thank you to all of our Cross Walk students for their offering this year. In total, Cross Walk Sunday will contribute \$244.28 towards Pastor Seth Sululu's education expenses.

First Communion

All children in second grade or above who have not received Holy Communion are invited to attend instruction classes this spring. Classes will be held on Wednesday evenings from 6:00 - 7:30 PM on May 4 and 11. Parents are invited and encouraged to attend with their son or daughter. Students will receive their First Communion on Sunday, May 15. Please call the Church Office to register or for more information.

Cross Walk Kids to Sing on May 1

As part of the Cross Walk Grand Finale on May 1, our Sunday School children will share a musical offering as the children's message to you. Songs include *When I Wiggle; Oh, I'm So Glad; The Fruit of the Spirit; and I've Got Peace Like a River.* At the end of the service, first - sixth graders will sing *Do, Do, Do, Do Life.* Warm up time is 8:40 AM in the Music Room. Let's make a joyful noise!

Life's a journey....

In 2002, Roy and I decided that leaving jobs we loved, a house in Wisconsin we really liked, a church where we both were active participants, and many good friends and family, was the right response to God's call for Roy to become a pastor. Our kids were six and three years old at that time. We told them that moving to Dubuque, Iowa for seminary would be like going on a journey. "We don't know where we'll end up, but we know it will be good," is what we told them. I had to tell myself that even though there was nothing I would change about my life back then, I knew that if we followed God's lead, life could be even better somewhere else. And you know what? The four years at Wartburg Seminary was a wonderful life changing journey for all four of us. And life just keeps getting better!

Now I find myself at the beginning of a different road in the journey. And I'm not sure what lies ahead. I love my house here, my ministry at First Lutheran is enjoyable and fulfilling, I've formed some good friendships - there's not much I would change. But God has called us to a new place in Wales, Wisconsin. Again I have to remind myself that when we follow God's lead, life can be even better than it is here.

It has been a joy and a privilege to be part of the staff at First Lutheran for the past almost four years. Working closely with both pastors was a blessing. Being able to use my creativity and run with ideas was a gift. You welcomed my family into your midst and loved and supported us along the way, especially when I was going through cancer

treatments. For that I will always be grateful.

On Sunday May 1, the Cross Walk Grand Finale, is the last time I will lead children's music and May 13 will be my last day at work. I'll play organ one more time on Sunday, May 15. My Confirmation verse is John 8:31-32: ***If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.*** That is my hope and prayer for you.

Jean Nelson

Pancake Breakfast

Boy Scout Troop 33 is holding their Pancake Breakfast on Saturday, May 7, in the Social Hall from 7:00 - 10:30 am. All you can eat pancakes, sausage, coffee, and juice will be available. Adults \$4.00; children (under 12) \$2.00; preschool free. Tickets will be available at the door or from any Boy Scout. Proceeds will help Scouts fund their upcoming activities.

Sunday Service on CD

Did you know???

If you miss a Sunday service, CD recordings are now available,



thanks to the Evangelism Ministry Team and **John Feken**. Please call the Church Office to pick up a copy or a member of the Evangelism Ministry Team will be happy to deliver them to shut-ins or members in care facilities. If you would like to help deliver the CD's, please let Lynn know. Don't have a CD player? You may borrow one from the Evangelism Ministry Team. And, don't forget the services are also available on the website, too.

Vacation Bible School IS Coming!

Be a part of VBS at First Lutheran this summer from **June 20 - 24**. We will meet each day from 9:00 AM - 12:00 NOON at the church. This summer, we'll learn how God created the whole world at **PandaMania: Where God Is Wild About You!** Kids will enjoy music, crafts, snacks, games, and Chadder's Movie Mania. It's easily the best time they will have all summer.



Don't miss it — register now to be a part of this PandaMania VBS! Kids at PandaMania will learn something new about God's Word each day.

As we plan and prepare for **PandaMania: Where God Is Wild About You**, our team would cherish your prayers. Pray that God gives us wisdom in planning. Pray for the right staff members to step forward to join the team. And pray that God begins working in the hearts of the parents and their children who will come to PandaMania!

To pre-register and/or volunteer to help out, contact our VBS Coordinator, **Nicole Henke** at 815-508-8844 or e-mail her at nhenke73@gmail.com or call the Church Office. Watch for more information about this exciting ministry event! Registration forms may be found in the Atrium.

Items needed for Vacation Bible School — may be found on the display board in the Atrium. Also needed are stuffed pandas and small umbrellas (in solid colors of yellow, green or blue) — these items can just be loaned for the week of VBS.



Panda Raffle!

YOU can take home the Panda — we're having a raffle for the Panda throw. For 25 cents you can purchase one ticket (or five for \$1.00) and win the throw handmade by **Jan Womack**.



Name the Panda!

YOU are encouraged to fill out a piece of paper at the table in the Atrium with your name and your suggested name for the "Panda." Prizes will be awarded to the winner!

Have You Heard?

The Annual Garage Sale with funds this year going to support Pastor Seth Sululu's second year at NIU was a huge success. Lots of work required to set up, sell, and clean up was rewarded with excellent fellowship, support of First Lutherans' cleaning out so others can reuse, outreach/witness to the community, AND money for Pastor Seth's education and learning that will be returned to our companions in Tanzania.

Total: \$3,148.13 on the day of the sale. Sunday added \$2.00 to round up to \$3,150.00. E-bay sales ??????. A few other donations may be added to the current total.

Besides the money earned, left-over items were given to Love INC, International House, DeKalb Public Library, and finally to Habitat for Humanity's Garage Sale. **Many, many thanks to the 29 First Lutherans** who worked very hard using their God given gifts!!!

A good humored suggestion by a worker to improve clean up: Leave garage sale set-up and have congregation come down after worship to take 4 items. Sunday the 10th he would have allowed Lynn to take 10 items in honor of her 25 years of devoted service to First.

Co-Chairs: **Biruta Strike**
Sharon Wadle
Jan Womack

News from Uganda

Wabare Kukunda Waawe!! Thank you for your love!: in Runyankore. This is the language I will be speaking for the next two years.

I arrived safely in Uganda along with 43 other excited Peace Corps volunteers! In these two months I have experienced more than I ever imagined. I have been busy learning language, customs and protocol at the Lweza Training Center and observing and teaching at a secondary school in the area.

I have been living in Lweza with my home-stay family made up of a mother and two daughters. She is a chicken farmer and raises 1100 chickens and sells the eggs. We are fortunate to have electricity most of the time but have no running water. I am learning to take bucket baths, use a pit latrine, cook on hot coals outside in the dark and wash my clothes by hand. I have not gotten used to the spiders and mosquitoes.

I have passed my language and proficiency tests and will be participating in my swearing-in ceremony this week.

I will be leaving Lweza now to go to Bushenyi in the lower southwest area of Uganda. I will be spending the next two years teaching biology and computers at the Bweranyange Girls Secondary School. This school has 1500 students and 70 instructors. I will be the first volunteer they have had. I will be living on campus in my own house but this time with both electricity and running water!

I was fortunate to celebrate the Peace Corps 50th anniversary along with 120 other volunteers here in Uganda and have already made so many friends and have already grown to love the people here in Uganda.

I will have internet and have a blog site available and would love to hear from my church family.

LMy blog: <http://baileysanderson.blogspot.com>

I send love and blessings!
Bailey Sanderson



First Lutheran Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Food Pantry Donations 9:00 AM Worship with Holy Communion 10:00 AM Teacher Appreciation Reception 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Screenings 10:20 AM Cross Walk Activities — Resurrection Walk 6:00 - 8:30 PM Love INC Annual Banquet	2 6:00 PM GED Classes 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	3 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Ministry Team Meetings 8:00 PM Executive Committee	4 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study 6:00 - 7:30 PM First Communion Class 6:00 PM GED Classes	5 2:00 PM Naomi Circle 6:15 PM Handbell Choir 7:30 PM Adult Choir	6	7 7:00 - 10:30 AM Boy Scout Pancake Breakfast Handbell Festival at Westminster Presbyterian Church with Concert at 3:00 PM
8 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship	9 6:00 PM GED Classes 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	10 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:30 PM Congregation Council	11 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study 5:00 - 7:00 PM Feed 'Em Soup 6:00 - 7:30 PM First Communion Class 6:00 PM GED Classes	12 9:00 AM Prelude - Women's Bible Study 6:15 PM Handbell Choir 7:30 PM Adult Choir	13	14
15 9:00 AM Worship with First Communion 10:00 AM First Communion Reception 10:00 AM Blood Pressure Screenings	16 6:00 PM GED Classes 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	17 8:30 AM Project Group 9:30 AM Northeast Conference Pastor's Meeting 7:00 PM Altar Guild	18 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 9:30 AM Staff Meeting 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study	19 6:15 PM Handbell Choir 7:30 PM Adult Choir	20	21 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast and Service Project
22 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Coffee Fellowship	23 7:00 PM Boy Scouts	24 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Women's Night Out at Tapa La Luna	25 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study 5:00 - 7:00 PM Feed 'Em Soup	26 9:00 AM Prelude - Women's Bible Study 6:15 PM Handbell Choir 6:30 PM Personnel Committee Meeting 7:30 PM Adult Choir	27	28
29 9:00 AM Worship 10:00 AM Graduate Reception	30 Church Offices Closed For Legal Holiday	31 8:30 AM Project Group 9:00 AM Staff Meeting	1 6:45 AM Red-Eye Bible Study 11:00 AM Clergy Text Study	2 12:00 NOON Naomi Circle Luncheon 6:15 PM Handbell Choir 7:30 PM Adult Choir	3	4

Highlights of the April Council Meeting

- Approved the financial reports for February and March.
- Approved the Endowment Committee's proposal to establish a Vacation Bible School matching gifts program so that in future years children can attend VBS without charge.
- Affirmed the Endowment Committee's intent to make scholarships available to high school seniors who will be attending a college or university this year.
- Agreed to survey the congregation regarding ministry priorities for the year ahead.
- Heard that Walcamp has been reserved for Vacation Bible School for our children on June 18-22, 2012.



Hope Haven Thanks

I would like to thank the following people for cooking for Hope Haven in the last year: **Joyce Davidson and Jan Setchell, Deb Fisher, Diane Gomez, Barbara Henson, Nicky Henke, Colleen Johnson, Teresa Lange, Donna Peterson, Jean Pumfrey, Marilyn Sanders, Patti and Haley Salazar, Terry and Diana Vonderheide, Sharon and Mike Wadle, Shelby Wood, and Bev Wrigley.** Thank you so much for your kind contributions.

Carrie Engstrom

Food Pantry Thanks

Special thanks to the following people for serving at the Food Pantry during the past year: **Bev Cress, Darrel and Barbara Henson, Kermit and JoAnn Nordeen, Donna Peterson, Erv Thierfelder, Dorothy Thorsen, and Mike and Sharon Wadle.** If you are interested in serving at the Food Pantry during 2011, please contact Dean Burgemeister.

Lutheran World Relief

P l e a s e
Note: A new LWR display can now be found on the



shelves in the Social Hall. There you may find a chart with a map showing where LWR Quilts and Kits went in 2010. Also included is a listing of the changes in kits following LWR's evaluation of recipient's needs and desires.

First Lutheran's donations in 2010 were: **24 Layettes, 190 Health Kits, 192 School Kits, and 10 Quilts.** Thank you all for your support.

Were you aware that it costs LWR to deliver quilts, kits, and soap overseas? Makes sense, doesn't it? The Project Group donated \$100.00 to Lutheran World Relief in April to help with the shipping of the many kits First Lutherans donated last year. Thanks be to God for their generosity.

"Prelude" ... a Morning Bible Study for Women



Prelude, the ongoing Thursday morning Bible study group for women, will meet next on May 12 and 26 from 9:00

- 10:30 AM in Classroom A. Using the Bible study included in the May issue of *The Lutheran Woman Today* magazine, our sessions this month will focus on the theme, "The People of God: Witnessing and Evangelism," with Acts 1:8 as the theme verse. Please join us. Newcomers are always welcome!

Women's Night Out!

Women's Night Out will meet next on May 24 at 6:00 PM at Tapa La Luna in downtown DeKalb. These dinners are based on the simple concept that it is enjoyable to get together for an evening of fellowship with our sisters in Christ. Mark the date on your calendars today! Please call the Church Office by noon on May 24 if you plan to attend.

Naomi Circle to Meet

Naomi Circle will meet next on Thursday, May 5 at 2:00 PM in the Social Hall. The hostesses are **Jan Setchell and Karen Sjolund**. All women of First Lutheran are invited.

Altar Guild News

He has risen!! He has risen indeed!! With one of the busiest church seasons behind us, we prepare for the quiet, calm months of summer. Although, I think we all know, we do not have any quiet, calm months at First Lutheran Church; we have all sorts of activity going on behind the scenes and our Altar Guild is no exception. We have our next meeting on **Tuesday, May 17, at 7:00 PM** in the Social Hall; during this meeting we introduce our new officers and began planning for the 2011 – 2012 church year. Remember to bring your calendar to the meeting so you can choose your work dates.



For the month of May, **Jan Setchell, Dee Anderson**, and **Linda Sanderson** will take care of the Altar Guild responsibilities.

After service on Sunday mornings, remember to check out the Flower Chart in the Narthex, as we still have some openings. The cost for both arrangements is \$40.00 plus tax, you can easily share the cost with another member. Sign up on the chart or contact the Church Office.

Consider joining Altar Guild. For more information, contact **Kayla Kittleson** or **Mary Letheby**.

Men's Moving Ministry Delivers!

Men, come and help deliver furniture to people in need for Love INC on the third Saturday of each month. We meet at the Lincoln Inn for breakfast at 8:00 AM and then deliver furniture from 9:00 AM – NOON. All men of the congregation are invited to join the group next on Saturday, May 21 — more help is always welcome! Contact **Jim Womack** with questions or to volunteer.

Getting to Know Our Members

Lisa and Duane Cowley are members of First Lutheran Church that you should get to know.

Lisa was raised in Polo, Illinois by an aunt and uncle after her mother's death when Lisa was seven years old. She was baptized and confirmed at United Methodist Church in Polo. Duane was born in Dixon, Illinois. He was baptized and confirmed at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Dixon and Lisa and Duane were married there in 1984. They have one daughter, Katie, who will graduate from the University of Illinois on May 15. Katie will start a job in Madison, Wisconsin in June.



Duane and Lisa Cowley

The Cowley's lived in Rochelle for 20 years before moving to DeKalb in May of last year. Duane has been an elementary physical education teacher and high school coach in DeKalb since 1986. Lisa is the Human Resource Manager for Lowe's in DeKalb.

Lisa and Duane enjoy camping and traveling, especially to national parks. Duane enjoys softball and golf; Lisa is taking her first golf lessons this spring (though not, they are quick to note, from Duane). Lisa also enjoys quilting and reading.

Lisa's favorite hymns are *Thine Be the Glory* and *Amazing Grace*; Duane's favorites are *Borning Cry* and *Let Us Talents and Tongues Employ*. Their favorite Bible verse is Proverbs 3:5: *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight."*

Lisa and Duane write that "We joined First Lutheran in October 2010 after attending for several months. We felt welcomed from the first visit. We hope to have many years of working as disciples for Christ here at First and in our community."

The Cowley's have stepped right in to volunteer to serve at First Lutheran. Lisa was elected to a three-year term on the Church Council in January of this year and also serves as a council liaison to the Finance Committee. Duane began serving on our Evangelism Ministry Team in February.

High School Seniors to be Honored

On Sunday, May 29 we will be honoring our high school seniors who will be graduating this spring. They will be recognized at our 9:00 AM worship service and a reception for them will follow in the Social Hall. The reception will be hosted by the Youth Ministry Team.

What's New at Love INC?



It's spring cleaning season! Are you clearing out items that our Love INC clients could use? **Call the clearinghouse**

at 217-0082 if you have furniture, appliances, or lamps to donate. The need is always the greatest for **beds**, so if you're planning to replace any, please think of Love INC!

May 1 is the **Annual Banquet** at St. Mary's Memorial Hall in Sycamore. Come and find out more about what this wonderful ministry has done in our community this year! There is no charge (a freewill donation will be accepted), but please RSVP to the Church Office.

The **furniture moving ministry**, in place at several member churches, could use more strong backs and willing hearts. If you have some hours to donate each month, please consider joining our congregation's ministry on the third Saturday of each month. If you have a weak back but a willing heart, **consider becoming an intake volunteer in the Love INC office.** You are needed and welcome either way!

The **2010 annual report** is available. Contact the clearinghouse if you would like to have a copy.

Do you "like" Love INC of DeKalb/Sycamore on **Facebook**? Have you visited our **website** recently (www.loveincdeksyc.org)? You can find our updated prayer calendar, needs, and happenings along with

Linen Closet Needs

The Linen Closet volunteers (aka The Linen Sisters) want to thank everyone who gave so generously toward this effort over the winter. We are thankful, too, for the \$1,000 grant we received from Thrivent. We were able to buy a mountain of pillows and mattress pads, so many in fact that the Linen Closet needed its own closet -- a small room in the education wing that was cleared and stocked by **Jan Womack** and **Bill Colvin** -- thank you Jan and Bill!

The Linen Closet is always in need of bath towels and wash cloths and right now our supply of kitchen linens is very low. We have also been able to find good homes for donated shower curtains and rings and new shower curtain liners, so those would be welcomed as well.

Do you say "throw rugs," "scatter rugs," or "area rugs"? No matter what you call them, if you have some rugs in good condition that you can donate, we have families who can use them. If you have large, room-size rugs, please call Love INC at 815-217-0082 and they will pick them up.

Also, The Linen Closet is in need of a few more volunteers. If you could be available for a couple of hours, daytime or evening, every two weeks or so, please call the office or talk to one of the volunteers. And no, you don't have to qualify as a "sister" to volunteer -- this is a great opportunity for our "brothers," too.



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| 1. Duane Cowley
Jack Cress
Diana Vonderheide
Sharon Wiltberger | 11. Jane Fay
Ted Jouris | 22. Adam Baie
Madeliene Clark
Morgan Karolus
Dorothy Youngren |
| 2. Alexis Kish | 12. Matthew Baumgart
Roger Hopkins | 23. Ryan Wallin |
| 4. Jeffrey Anderson
Jennifer Guymon
Hayden Palmer | 14. Leanza Burrigh
Robert Larson | 26. Josephine Hall |
| 6. Judy Neumann
David Yaeger | 15. Lori Hamel | 27. Mckenna Wallin
Joseph Young |
| 10. Lynn Cook | 16. Doug Hamel
Virginia Jackson
Marissa Stubbs
Taylor VanderRoest | 28. Nickolai Glover
Patricia Johnson |
| | 17. Cole Pardridge | 29. Linnea Baumgart |
| | 18. Teresa Lange
Evelyn Worrell | 30. Allison Karolus
Kasey Kitchen
Esther Niemi |
| | 19. Don Wesemann | 31. Anne Faivre
Lois Jacobson |
| | 20. William Sanders | |
| | 21. Megan Kish
Perry Larsen
Emily Peterson | |

Comptroller Report for March 2011

	March Actual	Year-to-Date Actual	Remaining Budget
Income	\$28,123.68	\$95,055.84	\$383,344.16
Expenses	\$35,010.52	\$99,460.26	\$381,241.74
Ahead/(Behind)	(\$6,886.84)	(\$4,404.42)	

Capital Building Fund Loan Balance - \$337,349.20

One day's interest on mortgage - \$53.18

Attendance Figures for March 2011

	9:00 Sunday
March 6	156
March 13	158
March 20	179
March 27	225

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Bell Choir Director

Judy Neumann

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Cindy Hammil

Custodian

Bill Colvin

Security

Kyle and Jennifer Guymon

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Barbara Henson - Vice President
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Bob Snow - Treasurer

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Lisa Cowley
John Countryman
Joyce Davidson
Cathy Foelske
Stan Lindahl
Bill Sanders
Barbara Schrader

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Faith Formation
Finance
Personnel
Property
Social Ministry
Stewardship
Worship/Music/Fine Arts
Youth Ministry