Rally Sunday

Here we are in September. September literally means “the seventh month.” I do not understand that. Even though this is the ninth month of the year, September means the seventh month. Go figure!

In September we have a Sunday called Rally Sunday. I can understand why we call it Rally Sunday! Rally can mean any of these things:

To call together for a common purpose.
To reassemble and restore to order.
To rouse or revive from inactivity.
To join in an effort for a common cause.
To show sudden improvement in health or spirits.
A gathering to inspire enthusiasm.
A notable rise in stock market prices after a decline.

All of those - except the last one about the stock market - will describe our Rally Sunday.

Rally Sunday is September 11.

- We return to our schedule of 9am Traditional Worship and 11am Contemporary Worship.
- Sunday School and Learning & Sharing will be held at 10am.
- The Annual Chili Feed will be held immediately following the 11am service. [If you have never experienced the thrill of the variety of chili on Rally Sunday, you are missing something special!]


Hebrews 10:25. “Let us think of ways to motivate one another to acts of love and good works. And let us not neglect our meeting together, as some people do, but encourage one another, especially now that the day of his return is drawing near.”

Pastor Doug Klungtvedt

See you Rally Sunday! Bring a friend!
HABITAT VOLUNTEERS = AWESOME

On August 12, the following volunteers worked on a house build for Habitat for Humanity:

Siding was installed and a storage shed was framed up.
Angie Bennett, Judy Jacobson, Phil Johnson, Bob Davis, Dale Myrvik, Scott Spanjer, Ken Lepper, Jerry Kallo, Matt Braun, Pastor Doug and Jan Klungtvedt, and Cindy and Paul Linstad.

This is an excellent team. Pontoppidan is highly respected by the Habitat organization for the hard working and capable people that volunteer. There is always a good showing of volunteers from Pontoppidan.

Thank You Everyone

THE GREATEST STORY: Adult Bible Study.
- Beginning Thursday, September 22, at 10:30am.
- And Thursday, September 22, at 6:30pm.

Everybody loves a good story. In the Bible God has given to us the greatest story ever told! It is the story of God’s faithfulness throughout the generations. Come and join in as we get comfortable with The Greatest Story.

The class will be offered this Fall beginning September 22. You may attend either the 10:30 or the 6:30 class. A book titled The Greatest Story is required, and costs $15. Contact the Church Office to order the book. Pastor Doug will be teaching this class.
The first 15 who sign up will receive a free cup of coffee!!!

S.O.S. - HELP!

Our quilters need extra people (male or female) to help get more quilts ready to send in October. You don’t need to know how to sew to help.

Ways to help: come Wednesday afternoon when you can, donate fabric, used blankets, money for needed supplies, sew tops at church or at home, fix the afternoon lunch break, or give to the shipping fund ($2.25 to ship 1 quilt).

If you come, be sure to bring your smile and laugh as they will be used a lot!

Thanks
Betty Thorp
**September Birthdays**

1: Ed Cegla, John Pelkey
2: Mark Samuels
3: Rebecca Bruse, Ashley Dullea
4: Lorraine Crowly, Nathan Hegstad
5: Kelsey Johnson, Adriannah Smith, Zachary Tran
6: Faye Stromberg
8: Erick Galt, Elise Huff, Malvina Moe, Gracie Miller
9: Heath Horpedahl, Aaliyah Sundby St. Claire
10: Bob Rheault, Dana Lee Sundby
11: Jack McMullen
12: John Christensen
13: Andrew Cegla
14: Danny Bratholt, Donna Jacobsen
15: Peggy Samuels, Lam Tran, Abigail Hamilton
16: Jim Froseth
17: Lisa Johnson, Jackson Sanders, John Christensen
18: Bill Thompson
19: Ryan Froseth, Tate Magnuson, Spencer Koenig
20: Kelsey Holm
21: Matthew Bennett, Jordan Kling, Ashtyn Smith, Sarah Trogstad
22: Kodi Hansen, Leonard Linstad
23: Miriam Tobola

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**Memorials & Honorariums**

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**Give A Gift to Help Keep Pontoppidan on the Air and in the Newspaper**

The best gift for those you love who are nursing home residents or shut-ins.
- The Worship service is broadcast live [[$200]] at 10:00 a.m. on radio dial 1100 AM
- Newspaper ad in the Saturday’s paper (Come & Worship section) [[$27]]

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Library Corner

Watch for new books arriving soon!

- Pleasant Valley Series [Vol.1-3]
- The Miller Family Series [Vol. 1-3]
- Embers of Love, Striking a Match [Vol. 1]
- To Have and to Hold: Bridal Veil Island Series [Vol. 1]

Read a book.
Start and Adventure!!

Sandy Cegla, Church Librarian

Caring for our Neighbors

You have responded generously to the appeal for school supplies for the United Way Community Needs campaign—thank you—they have been delivered. This month we concentrate on the needs for the LWR School Kits— for each kit they specify: (4) 70 sheet spiral notebooks; (1) 30 centimeter ruler or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other; (1) pencil sharpener; (1) blunt scissors (safety scissors with embedded steel blades work well); (5) unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers, secured together with a rubber band; (5) ball point pens (no gel ink,) secured together with a rubber band; (1) box of 16-24 crayons. Items can be placed in the marked “Blue Bin” by the Church office. Our overseas children enjoy school also. The “CART” designates warm socks, mittens, gloves, caps, warm clothing for the “New Life Center”. They will accept used items if they are clean and in good condition.

Malvina Moe
Stewardship Rep

Lutheran World Relief
Coffee Project

Our church participates in the coffee mission project which is a simple solution that can mean the difference between surviving and not surviving to small scale coffee farmers.

Fair Trade starts with better prices for small scale farmers and results in better lives for whole communities. More girls go to school, more people have the opportunity to build lives for themselves and their children.

By purchasing Fair Trade products from the LWR Coffee Project, our Pontoppidan members become a part of these amazing changes.

Pontoppidan uses these coffee products during our Fellowship hours, and we offer them for sale for home use including tea, cocoa and other products as well. We will sell these products on the same Sundays as the card makers offer their wares—the first Sunday of each month. We invite you to purchase these products!

Carol Lindsay

Churches United for the Homeless

For years Pontoppidan members have volunteered to prepare and serve the evening meal at Church United for the Homeless. We will continue to do so on the third Monday of the Month.

In 2011 our serving days will be September 19, October 17, November 21, and December 19. More churches are getting involved with the evening meal preparation. Get a group together to commit for September or November. The youth have already reserved their commitment for October and December.

Please sign up on the bulletin board so that plans and arrangements can be made.

Grace Backman

“Father, teach me to count my blessings and share with those who have so much less than I. Amen”
September Responsibilities

Mowing Schedule
Week of September 4  Paul Linstad
Week of September 11  Greg Fagerwick
Week of September 18  Ruth Stensland
Week of September 25  Paul Grimes

September Service Group
Chairpersons: Jim and Jan Smith 236-1839

Group members:
Barnes, Jason 282-4160
Dalos, Mayone 492-0674
Holm, Karla/Tim 234-9376
Johnson, Aaron 373-5638
Johnson, Caleb 373-8604
Johnson, Joshua/Lynsey 306-2816
Johnson, LaVerne 232-7095
Kain, Kathy/Jim 235-3066
Keating, John/Nancy 293-7068
Lepper, Ken/Jennifer 235-3716
Pfaff, Chad/Stacey 298-9992
Pratt, Paul 235-3484
Ranning, Borg (donate) 235-2570
Sander, Katherine 232-7308
Schuman, Joel & Sandra 218-238-6081
Smith, Doreen/Arron 373-5014
Swenson, Melissa 651-431-1616
Wallin, Laurie/Hans 484-5206
Wegner, Alice Mae 233-3057

Thank you Pont’s Pondering Newsletter Helpers

Each month the following people help assemble the newsletter: their help is greatly appreciated!

- Lynnet Ysteboe
- Carol & Wally Lindsay
- Marlys Peterson
- Donna Mae Albertson
- Audrey Bueide
- Carissa Olson
- Del Sanders
- Carolyn Thorp

Financial Secretary’s Report

January 2, 2011 - August 5, 2011

Adopted UB for 2011  $242,252.00
Amount Needed to be current  $153,747.00
Amount Received to date  $133,905.00
Amount BEHIND to date  -$19,842.00

Special Mission Offerings (Goal $14,500.00)
2011 Offerings to date  $8,372.50

Emergency Food Pantry

Exciting News! The Emergency Food Pantry has an opportunity to relocate to a larger facility at 402 11th St N., that requires extensive remodeling to better serve the needs of the hungry in our area.

Pantry Facts
- Hours: 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday
- Distributions to Referred Clients: 35 to 45 families served daily
- 2010 Statistics: 411 tons of food worth $1,375,890 to 22,933 individuals in 6,680 household
- Operating Donations: Food, money, and time by area churches, businesses, and individuals.
- Staff: One full-time Coordinator; one part-time Assistant; many volunteers

Relocation Finance Facts
- Total Remodeling Project Cost: $700,000
- Grants and Other Funds Expected: $500,000
- Donations Needed from Churches, Individuals, and Businesses: $200,000
For Questions please contact Sarah Trogstad at sarah@pontonline.org or 232-0998

P.L.C. - “Proclaiming the Gospel!” ♦ “Living in Christ!” ♦ “Caring for our Neighbors!”

A few Sunday School teachers are still needed!
Contact Sarah if you are interested in helping!

There will be a short Teacher Meeting
Wednesday, September 7th,
6:30 pm in the Living Room

First Day of
Sunday School
On Rally Sunday
September 11
10:05 - 10:50

3 year olds - 1st grade:
meet in classrooms
2nd - 6th grade:
meet in Living Room

Please fill out a registration form when you arrive
New Registrations ALWAYS welcome!!

3 Year Old Welcome Sunday
September 25th
11am
3 year olds receive the Spark Storybook Bible!

Thank you for all the donations of Markers, crayons and pencils for Sunday School!

Coming Next Month

OCTOBER 9TH - 2nd Graders receive Bibles 11AM, class at noon
OCTOBER 16TH - Sunday School sings @ 11AM
OCTOBER 23RD - Operation Shoebox... whole group Sunday
ACOLYTE LIST:

If you are unable to acolyte, please find a replacement and notify the church office!

Sept 11th  9am  
Claire Johnson & Dyllan Badar  
Sept 11th  11am  
Seth Holm & Micheal Bennett

Sept 18th  9am  
Finn Lepper & Lexi Stangeland  
Sept 18th  11am  
Olivia Koskela & Dayce Littlejohn

Sept 25th  9am  
Issac Spanjer & Austin Desjarlais  
Sept 25th  11am  
Sean Nesemeir & Nathan Hegstad

Oct 2nd  9am  
Zachary Nicklaus & Molly Nicklaus  
Oct 2nd  11am  
Tyler Nesemeir & Ruth Hegstad

FALL COFFEE SCHEDULE:

We will be changing to more of our summer style this fall/winter. Each family is paired up and we ask you to donate 5 dozen goodies and serve coffee. The coffee will already be brewing for you. Please arrive by 9:15am and be ready to serve by 10:00am. If you are unable to provide your treats when you serve, please notify the church office.

We look forward to seeing you and hearing your summer stories!
We welcome Karin Hegstad as our new Youth Director!!

Welcome Back!

September 11 is our 1st day back together as a church family! We will be making fresh cookies to serve during fellowship time. Please meet in the kitchen at 9:15 to get things set up and going. Parents we ask you to help with this event, the kids will gather at 10 AM in the Youth Room to make youth T-shirts.

(Parents we need you to serve their fresh baked goods 😊 and pour coffee.)

Sept 11th Rally Sunday, fresh baked cookies by youth, (parents to serve 😊)
Sept 18th Brooke Freeman & Amanda Horpedahl
Sept 25th Christopher, Kaitlyn, & Kelsey Holm
Oct 2nd  Fresh Cookie Sunday all grades 7-8-9
Oct 9th  Alex King & Maddie Pfaff
Oct 16th Keli Johnson & George & Austin Desjarlais
Oct 23rd  Emily Thompson & Dayce Littlejohn & Faye Stromberg
Oct 30th  Brandon Luehring & Brady Jordahl
Nov 6th Fresh Cookie Sunday all grade 7-8-9

Thank you to everyone for this BIG CHANGE, again if you need to switch, please do so and notify the office. THANKS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
September 2011
Pont’s Ponderings

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