

CHURCH NEWS

Dessert and professional theater at St. Paul Lutheran: Experience the Covenant Players!

An evening of dessert and live professional theater is planned for Friday, June 2 at St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2126 N. Sherman Ave., at 7 pm. The event is open to the Northside community and their families and friends.

The Covenant Players bring the excitement and impact of Christian drama into the setting of any event. Their plays are fresh, pertinent and thought provoking. This international repertory company has performed over two million times in its 40 year history, with more than 3,000 plays written specially for the organization. With

over 60 touring units performing throughout the world, Covenant Players challenge people to take a closer look at themselves and the practice of their faith.

After your dinner, fish or other, on Friday, June 2, come to St Paul for ice cream and cake from 7-7:30 pm and the performance by Covenant Players from 7:30-9. Space is limited, so please call 244-8077 before seating capacity is filled. A donation of \$3 per adult is suggested, but not required, to help with the cost of the event.

Serving the Lord Who has and will provide

By Pastor Mike Mayhak

Years ago, churches would join with one another to hold Camp Meetings. The churches would gather in tabernacles with sawdust floors and hard wooden benches. The singing at these meetings was wonderful. Special music, testimonies to God's grace, and the preaching of the Bible was all done so that those attending could be encouraged that the God of the Bible still worked in the lives of men and women. Most of these tabernacles, built by the Methodists, have been torn down. Even the famous Billy Sunday Tabernacle in Winona Lake, IN, has met this fate.

Individuals from seven different churches participated in the Northside

of Madison's first annual Camp Meetings, March 13-17, at the Warner Park Community Recreation Center. These meetings purposed to be an encouragement to God's people and were organized by Faith Baptist Church of Madison's Northside.

Each night had a different host pastor who provided special music and testimonies by people from his congregation. Pastor Mark Shore from Hudson, Wisconsin served as preacher. His messages from the Bible were particularly encouraging. A couple sermon titles were: "How to Be an Awesome Family" and "Six Things Your Pastor cannot Teach You." All who came left greatly encouraged and looking forward to next year's Camp Meetings.

DaVinci Code: Faith, Fact or Fiction?

Have you heard about the book and the coming movie "The DaVinci Code?"

Have you read it? Are you personally or do you know someone who is wondering, at least just a little bit, about how close this fictional story is to the truth?

The book, although a work of fiction, makes use of historical people, places, organizations and events, but in ways that call into question the historical understandings of many of these things.

Questions raised in the book include, among many others:

- What Does History Really Teach? (about Jesus and early Christians)
- Can The Bible Be Trusted?

- Was Jesus Just a Man?
- Are Women Valued in Christianity?

St. Paul Lutheran Church, 2126 N. Sherman Ave., will have a four consecutive Sunday series answering these questions beginning Sunday May 21 at 8 and 10:30 am. Answers to these questions will also be discussed in small group sessions during these four weeks.

Everyone is welcome to attend this series and one of the small groups to become better informed and able to participate when conversations with friends and family arise about things described in the book or movie. When fiction is taken as fact under the adage, "Where there's smoke there must be fire," be ready to clear the air.

Multicultural Day at Sherman Avenue United Methodist Church

Sunday, April 23

Worship Service 10-11 am
Fellowship 11-1 am

Please join us by sharing your ancestry through your traditional dishes or clothing.

For details, contact James Berry by phone at 241-8886. at or by email at mbvb2003@yahoo.com

Senior Forum Macular Degeneration Tuesday, May 9

Lunch at 11:30 am, program at noon
Free
Lakeview Lutheran Church

Presented by Marshall Flax, M.S., Certified Low Vision Therapist, Wisconsin Council of the Blind and Visually Impaired in West Hall.

Pre-registration required by Monday, May 8. Please call Nancy or Anne Tigan, parish nurse, at 244-6181.

Happy 150th Birthday

Lakeview Lutheran Church ELCA

Corner Northport Drive (Highway 113) and Mandrake Road 241-6181
Plenty of convenient parking. Completely accessible.

All are welcome for special Holy Week, Easter and Anniversary Events

Maunder Thursday, April 13, 7 pm
Communion/West Hall

Good Friday, April 14, 7 pm
Choir Tenebre/Sanctuary

Easter Saturday, April 16, 5 pm
Historic Chapel

Easter Sunday, April 16

Sunrise worship, 6:30 am
Historic Chapel

Easter Breakfast, 7:30-10 am
East Hall Dining Room (youth fundraiser)

Festival worship, 8 am & 10:30 am
Sanctuary

Special 150th Anniversary Celebration

Sunday, April 23

Worship at 8 am & 10:30 am in the Sanctuary

- ✚ Guest Preacher
Pastor Dan Dibbert
- ✚ Special music
- ✚ Holy Communion
- ✚ Community catered meal & program at 11:30 am in East Hall

Advance tickets required
Adults \$8
Children under 10 \$4.50
For tickets, call 244-6181

celebrating



- Dean Kirst Pastor
- Tim Mueller Dir of Liturgical Arts
- Anne Tigan Parish Nurse
- Nancy Anderson Office Administrator
- Regina Thomas Custodian
- Jim Schroeder Bookkeeper
- Cheryl Diekvoss Nursery Attendant