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JUNE 2011

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>29 Creation Care Sunday 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:15 AM Contemporary Worship led by ROJ 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship led by ROJ</p>	<p>30 Church Office Closed Memorial Day</p>	<p>31 9:30 AM Preschool VBS session 1 11:30 AM Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Call Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Early First Communion Class 7:00 PM Barbara Hone Piano Recital</p>	<p>1 9:30 AM Preschool VBS session 1 7:00 PM Imuka Singers concert</p>	<p>2 9:30 AM Preschool VBS session 1</p>	<p>3 9:30 AM Preschool VBS session 1</p>	<p>4 7:00 AM Men's Group 8:00 AM Exec Team 9:00 AM Beaird Grad Party</p>
<p>5 Graduating Seniors Recognition 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:15 AM Summer Sunday School 9:15 AM Worship 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM Elivia Huffman Baptism 10:45 AM Summer Sunday School 12:30 PM FoC School of Music Recital</p>	<p>6 6:18 AM Bible Study (Chan Amer Legion) 9:00 AM Monday Morning Garden Club (FoC preschool)</p>	<p>7 11:30 AM Staff Meeting</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11 9:00 AM Feed My Starving Children</p>
<p>12 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:15 AM Summer Sunday School 9:15 AM Worship 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM Summer Sunday School 6:00 PM Mystery Mission Trip Meeting</p>	<p>13 6:18 AM Bible Study (Chan Amer Legion) 9:00 AM Monday Morning Garden Club (FoC preschool)</p>	<p>14 11:30 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Church Council Mtg (CR)</p>	<p>15 9:00 AM Middle School Sandwich Making 5:30 PM Picnic BBQ 6:30 PM "Sundays on Wednesdays " worship</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 El Salvador Immersion Retreat</p>	<p>18 El Salvador Immersion Retreat</p>
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<p>26 8:00 AM Traditional Worship 9:15 AM Summer Sunday School 9:15 AM Worship 10:45 AM Contemporary Worship 10:45 AM Schmike Baptism 10:45 AM Summer Sunday School</p>	<p>27 Mission Day Camp 6:18 AM Bible Study (Chan Amer Legion) 9:00 AM Monday Morning Garden Club (FoC preschool)</p>	<p>28 Mission Day Camp 9:00 AM Birds of a Feather Flock Together (FoC preschool) 11:30 AM Staff Meeting</p>	<p>29 Mission Day Camp Our Savior's Lutheran group 9:00 AM Birds of a Feather Flock Together (FoC preschool) 5:30 PM Picnic BBQ 6:30 PM "Sundays on Wednesdays " worship 8:00 PM El Salvador participants at FMSC</p>	<p>30 Mission Day Camp 9:00 AM Birds of a Feather Flock Together (FoC preschool)</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2 8:00 AM Exec Team</p>

Tabletalk is not printed in June or July. To keep up with summer events, visit our website at familyofchristonline.com & click on the calendar icon.

Table Talking Points



Meet Your Call Committee

We're delighted to introduce the call committee. These 8 individuals are generously donating their time & efforts to find Family of Christ's new senior pastor. They welcome your questions & suggestions, and we thank them for their willingness to serve!

Jennifer Hanson, Chair
I am married to Nick Hanson and have two lovely daughters, Alanna (2) & Avery (8mo.). I've taught a church school class for 2-year-olds since last fall, we're part of the Young Couples' Group and MOMs group, & I've served on Children's Ministry Team since 2010/11. I love the friendships I've made at FoC. What I most enjoy about worship is listening to the music (I can't sing!). Contact: 952.393.5367; jenehans@gmail.com

Megan Woods, Communications
My husband is Dave & our children are Ross (18), McKenzie (13) & Riley (6). We've been FoC members since 2002. I've taught church school, been a confirmation Lifeguide, & chaperoned mission trips. I've been involved in the musicals, the bowling league, & a women's Bible study group. I feel at home at FoC, and love being with people who believe what I believe. Contact: 952-221-7708 (c); 952-975-3835 (h); dmw111701@msn.com

Erik Olson
My parents are Steve & Trish & I have 1 sister, Aubrey. I've been a confirmation Lifeguide, played for the FoC softball & basketball teams, attended SNL regularly, & gone on multiple mission trips. I love the relationships I've formed here & the great sermons. Contact: 952-484-4825; erikolson11@gmail.com

Marcia Strand
My husband is Ken & our kids are Jeff and Katie. I've been on the Fellowship Committee, taught Sunday School, & been involved in the mission trips. I'm currently the president of the congregation. I love the fact that FoC members can be as involved as they want to be in whatever interests them. Contact: 952-448-6131; kmstrand@mchsi.com

Donna Even, Secretary
I'm married to Mark and we have two wonderful gifts from God: Lilly (7th grade), & Becca (4th grade). We've been attending FoC regularly for four years. I've taught Christos classes, attended the women's Friday morning bible study, & taken part in the prayer shawl ministry. I enjoy the variety of music in our worship services, and it is great to sing praises to our awesome God each week. Contact: 952-448-7587 (h); 952-905-4644 (c); dsmteven@gmail.com

Mark Laven
My family includes my wife Janice and our two children, Jonathan (21) and Julie (19). I've taught confirmation for the past 8 years, helped on many different mission trips, & served on other call committees and planning committees. I'm an usher, greeter, and communion assistant. And one of the best things has been Bible studies with some really great people. I feel FoC is very much like a large family gathering. Contact: 952-937-0479; mark.laven@mchsi.com

Carlye Peterson
My husband Dennis and I joined in 1987. Both our grown children were confirmed here. We've been involved in committees, Sunday School/Confirmation activities, the music program & on mission trips. We feel surrounded by caring, thoughtful & fun people here! Contact: 952-934-7284; carlye@mchsi.com

Kelly Woods
I'm married to Tracy & we have two children, Matthew & Laura. I've been a confirmation Lifeguide & participated in the couples' Bible study, a children's play, & the couples' retreat. I am a greeter and am also currently on church council. I appreciate the variety of programs and worship services FoC offers. Contact: 952-975-9332; kellyewoods@hotmail.com

All-Church Opportunities

JUNE BOUNTIFUL BASKET ITEM: Boxes of cereal

Spring Cleaning? Clean out a closet and put a smile on a child's face at the same time. A church in Minneapolis would love to have your kids' gently-used clothing to give other children a great start to the new school year. This is the third year FoC has participated in this partnership with Mount Olive Lutheran at 31st street & Chicago Avenue. Place donations in the bin marked "Bargain Box" by July 17.

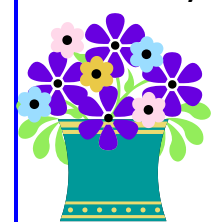


The El Salvador Mission Trip Team is collecting **cash donations** to buy building materials for our work projects (a fence and outhouses) and backpacks to give to each of the students in our Seeds of Hope sponsorship program. Checks may be made out to Family of Christ with "El Salvador" on the memo line, and turned in to the church office. And on June 29 you are invited to **Feed My Starving Children** to help pack food, which the team will be taking to Hope House on July 20. Let Pastor Kristie know: kristie@familyofchristonline.com.

Batter Up! The FoC softball team is looking for members to play in a co-ed league starting on June 6. Games are played on Mondays and conclude in mid-August. Minimum age is 14. Sign up on the sheet in the church narthex. Please contact John Oman with questions at j_oman@yahoo.com.



Celebrate, Commemorate, Decorate! Commemorate an event, remember a loved one, and beautify the church by buying flowers for the altar on Sundays. Sign up on the kiosk in the narthex or call Marilyn at 952-934-5659, ext. 10.



Unemployed? Need a "Gotta-Get-a-Job" Haircut? Professional hair stylist Joanne Kigin Salo will give your hair—and you—the lift you need, FREE! To set a time, contact her at jokigin@juno.com or 952-906-0102.

Can You Help? The FoC staff is trying to make maximum use of the office space for minimal cost. We need to rearrange people & equipment. Do you have expertise in designing interior spaces? Would you be willing to share that expertise for free, to help your church Family? Please contact Marilyn Syverson: 952-934-5659, ext. 10; marilyn@familyofchristonline.com. Thank you!

Two Fun Opportunities!

- July 15 at Chaska High School, 11:00 AM-3:00 PM: "Flash" soccer tournament with Puerta Abierta, the emerging Latino ministry of the ELCA in Carver and Scott counties.
- August 8-11: a Spanish-English bilingual Vacation Bible School at Crown of Glory Lutheran Church in Chaska. Contact Pastor Kristie if you're interested in participating. Spanish is a plus but not at all necessary to enjoy a great time at these events. Come meet our neighbors and make some new friends!



Prayer Shawl Ministry *Do you know someone who would be blessed to receive a prayer shawl?* This isn't a shawl one wears to pray. Rather, we pray for the one who receives the shawl while we're creating it. *Would you like to uplift others in prayer while knitting a shawl?* We would love to have you join us. No experience necessary -- we'll teach you! *Would you like to get involved by donating supplies?* If you answered 'yes' to any of these, call Joyce McMahon through the church office!



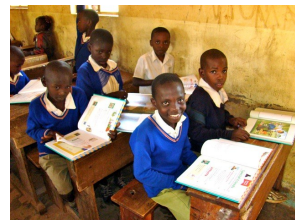
Our mission motto at Family of Christ is *Making Disciples Making a Difference*. God calls all of us together to be God's hands and feet to serve in a world of hurt. Each month CIA places one or more ministries in the spotlight, and invites your participation. The ministries we support include Lutheran World Relief, Bethania Kids in India, Habitat for Humanity, school children & a Lutheran congregation in El Salvador, ELCA projects, shelters, social justice organizations, holiday gifts for those in need, associations that fight hunger, and pressing needs in Africa.

Sometimes the need is for financial support. Often, it's for material support (e.g., quilts for victims of disasters who have lost their homes, school supplies, a shoebox filled with small Christmas gifts, etc.). And, always, it's for prayer support. Whether or not you are able to help financially or materially, please lift our monthly ministries up in prayer.

June Focus: Africa

Books for Africa

Spring cleaning and the end of the school year offer opportunities for donating text, fiction, and non-fiction books to eager readers who don't have them. CIA will collect books (in good condition) at Family of Christ through **June 19**. We'll then transport them to St. Paul to be shipped to Africa. Last year, the Books for Africa warehouse shipped 1.6 million books to 19 African countries. We are proud to be contributors to such a worthy and life-changing cause!



Children in Tanzania with their new books

Other Ways Family of Christ makes a difference in Africa...



The Family of Christ Benjamin Fund helped buy four water retention systems for an elementary school in Bukoba, Tanzania.



FoC sends financial support to our missionary partners in Senegal, Dirk & Sarah Stadlander.

To make a financial contribution to any of our African projects, make your check out to Family of Christ, let us know on the memo line where you want your money directed, and bring the check to the office.

And don't forget...



IMUKA SINGERS *from Bukoba, Tanzania*

**In Concert at Family of Christ
Wednesday, June 1, 7:00 PM**

Traditional African singing, dancing, & drumming
Suggested donation: \$10-Adult; \$5-Student; \$25-Family

Portions of the proceeds go towards community health, education, and micro-enterprise initiatives in Bukoba.



BEGINS JUNE 15! *Sundays on Wednesdays* **For people on the go!**

Is your summer weekend calendar full? Is the lake calling? Sunday tournaments and games filling your schedule? Looking for a way to enjoy the outdoors, head up north, attend the next game and still make it to church? Check out FoC's "Sundays on Wednesdays: For people on the go." Family of Christ welcomes you to worship on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:15 PM. Come early (5:30-6:30) and enjoy a Minnesota light picnic. Stay after and take an evening walk on the trails next to the church...join a volleyball game...let our young adults play with the kids...enjoy good conversation. Come on Wednesdays...come as you are...just come!



Roll Out the Red for Pentecost, June 12! Plan to wear red to church to celebrate the fiery wind of the Holy Spirit that sparked the disciples at Pentecost – and does the same in us today.

Summer Church School *New this summer!* Begins June 5

We will have a multi-age (ages 4 through 2nd grade) church school class at both the 9:15 AM and 10:45 AM Sunday worship services following the children's sermon. Each week, we'll watch a children's DVD about a different person or story from the Bible, followed by a craft, coloring sheets &/or worksheets about the story. All classes will be prepared by Teri Burns, Minister to Children and Families, and run by middle school and high school youth. Check out our web site for weekly details of the lessons. **Come to church school all summer long!!**



Honoring Military Families



This year, the Chanhassen 4th of July Parade will include a Junior Legion Honor Guard, made up of children of deployed troops. Any child whose parent has been, is, or will be deployed overseas is automatically eligible to march in the parade. Children will be given a t-shirt and dog tag (engraved with the child's name) to keep, as well as two DVDs of the parade — one to keep & one to send to their deployed parent. In addition, the Chan American Legion will give each child a gift certificate for a free pizza, to be used when mom or dad comes home!

To register, go to www.chanlegion.org and click on '4th July Parade.' Register children early so their dog tags & t-shirts can be printed in time for the parade. Spread the news to military families you know!

FAMILY FINANCIAL UPDATE

General Fund Balance as of 3/31/2011	+	April income	-	April expenses	=	Ending Balance as of 4/30/2011
(\$23,122)		\$84,005		(\$79,399)		(\$18,516)

Preschool, Children, & Families

Preschool News

Summer Camps

This summer we are offering three fun summer camps for children age 3-5 years old.

• *Monday Morning Garden Camp* runs on select Mondays in June, July & August. Children have fun planting, weeding, watering, and harvesting throughout the summer.

• *Birds of a Feather Flock Together* • June 28-30. We learn about the many varieties of birds God created.

• *Splish, Splash and Bubble Blowers* • July 26-28. Children learn the importance of water and how God uses the water of baptism to make us part of God's family.

Registration for the 2011/2012 school year is open. **We have limited availability in some classes!**

For more information or a tour, contact Susan Schmidt: preschool@familyofchristonline.com or 952-380-9838. Classes are offered for 2, 3, 4, & 5-year-olds.



Ministry to Children & Families

Summer Church School

Classes begin June 5

Come to either the 9:15 or 10:45 worship service. Children will go downstairs for class after the children's sermon.

PandaMania Preschool VBS • May 31 – June 3 • 9:30 AM-Noon

Luther Crest Day Camp • June 20-23 • 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

Children who have finished kindergarten through 5th grade can register for this fun week of camp led by the staff of Luther Crest Bible Camp in Alexandria, MN.

Mission Day Camp • June 27-30 • 9:00 AM-3:00 PM

This camp is currently full.

Sing & Serve Pool Party • July 13 • 6:00-8:00 PM

Luther Crest Week-long Overnight Camp • July 17-22

Pa "JAM" a Party • August 25 • 7:00-10:30 PM
Tons of fun for all Christos kids!



Sing & Serve Rehearsal & Pizza Party • August 28 • 6:30-8:30 PM



Confirmation, Middle School, Senior High

MISSION TRIPS

Mystery Mission Trip Meeting
Sunday, June 12 • 6:00-7:00 PM

Parents please attend this meeting to get all the important info for the trip!!

Mystery Mission Trip: June 19-23

Kure Beach Meeting
Wednesday, July 20 after worship
(approx. 7:15-8:00 PM)

Parents-please attend this meeting to get all the important info for the trip!

Kure Beach Trip: July 30-August 7

Middle School



Service Project: Wednesday, June 15 we'll make sandwiches for the Sharing and Caring Hands shelter. We'll meet at FoC at 9:00 AM, make sandwiches, deliver them to Minneapolis, and go out for lunch. Please email Lindsey to sign up: lindsey@familyofchristonline.com

Middle School Day of Madness Spend a day full of fun with your FoC buddies on July 14! More info to come, so keep an eye on Family News and Facebook!

Party!!! End-of-Summer Party!
August 23 • 7-9 PM
Fun evening at FoC celebrating the great summer!
Open to incoming 6th graders!!

High School

High School Camping Trip: July 8-10 at Tettegouche State Park on the North Shore!
Cost is \$50. Registrations are due June 1!!



New this summer: Backyard Bible Study! For the month of July, high-schoolers will be meeting at different homes from noon-1:30 PM for a picnic lunch and a Bible study on the book of Acts. Interested in hosting? There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the Youth Room!

Service Project: Wednesday, July 20 We will make sandwiches for the Sharing and Caring Hands shelter. We'll meet at FoC at 9:00 AM, make sandwiches, deliver them to Minneapolis, grab a treat, and be back in time for Backyard Bible Study!

End-of-Summer Party! August 30 • 7-9 PM.
Fun evening at FoC celebrating the great summer! Open to incoming 9th graders!!

