

# The Pines

*The Monthly Newsletter of Our Saviour Lutheran Church*

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Worship 8:30 & 11:00 - 10:00 Sunday School

As I write this article I am looking at the evening advancing on Shadow Lake. There has been much activity on the lake since I sat down to write this article. The ducks have been having their daily gathering just out from the dock and now a light fog is developing just above the water and all the Christmas trees are lighting up as darkness approaches. A scene that I have to admit most of the time goes unnoticed to me because this is where I live and I take all this for granted. It is amazing what we take for granted, what is under our very noses and we often miss the moment, or the event because we are busy. It might also be familiar. But it is here in the ordinary than Jesus is manifest among us. It is here in the journey of life that we find our Savior.



Not only are we entering into the New Year, the church year is taking us into the season of Epiphany. This season begins with the Baptism of Jesus on January 11 and ends on February 22 with the Transfiguration of Jesus. The interesting thing is that, at both of these events, we read of the voice from heaven saying, this is my Son, the beloved with him I am well pleased. This is the season we mark how Jesus is made known in the world. The question one could ask is how is Jesus known in our very lives.

As I look out across the darkening lake, I am reminded of how blessed we are to be a part of this wonderful creation God has given to us. We have been created in the image of God and given a Savior and that Savior is Jesus.

This is not something that we should take for granted and it is not something that we should miss because of the busyness of our lives. It is here in this journey of life that we find Jesus manifest in our very lives.

Happy New Year and Happy Epiphany. *Pastor Scott*

## Liturgical Corner

Do you know what the word, LITURGY means? This is the worship outline we use in the Evangelical Lutheran Church. The word defined means the "work of the people", which means that our Lutheran worship is the work of the people. We are not to come to worship on Sunday morning or Saturday night or any other time to be entertained or amused. We are called to gather in worship to praise God through word and prayer and song. As we worship we are giving our gift to God as we sing, pray, and participate in worship.

On January 4th you will notice a change in "Liturgy" in the bulletin for the season of Epiphany. This season contains two festival Sundays: January 14 - The Baptism of our Lord and February 22 - Transfiguration Sunday

You might notice that the Apostles' Creed is used on ordinary Sundays and the Nicene Creed on festival Sundays. You might also noticed that the Kyrie is only sung on festival Sundays. Our Hymn of Praise is the hymn "Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven," except on Jan 4<sup>th</sup> when we will sing "Joy to the World."

For worship planning we used a resource called Sundays and Seasons, which is published by Augsburg Fortress. This book offers suggestions for Sunday worship, hymns and responses etc. During this season the majority of our hymns are from the Evangelical Lutheran Worship, which is the new hymnal.

This Liturgical Corner is going to be an addition to our monthly newsletter in hopes of keeping you informed and helping all to understand worship a little better.

## Music Survey Results

First of all, the Worship and Music Team thanks everyone who took the time to complete the music survey. Responders to the survey embraced the opportunity to speak your mind, not only about the music ministry at OSLC, but other issues as well. (Topics for other surveys!) Approximately 16% - 18% of worshippers responded to the survey. Thank you for telling us what you're thinking.

On to the survey, Part I. The majority of respondents like the presence of a choir in the choir loft during the summer season. However, there isn't much actual support by choir members at this time for this to happen. So, we either have to be better at recruiting new members to participate in the summer choir effort, or abandon that effort at this time. Most who sing in the choirs during the September – June year said they enjoy the summer as an opportunity to be a “regular” worshipper and to sit with family and loved ones.

Out of the 170 “favorite” hymns mentioned in the survey, four stood out as favorites for most: Borning Cry, Amazing Grace, How Great Thou Art, and Eagles Wings. Not surprisingly, you favor a traditional style of music, with a bit of variety added in. Words like “inspirational,” “joyful,” and “lively” were noted, as well.

On to the question of why you don't participate? About 48% said they can't sing, so we shouldn't look for them to show up for choir practice! So, how about the other 52%, you might ask? Some can't come on rehearsal evenings. Some can't sing every Sunday or commit to the entire year.

Now the question of one or two separate chancel choirs. Approximately twenty-one percent of those who responded would like to have two separate choirs that sing exclusively, either at the 8:30 service, or the 11:00 service. Sixty-four percent responding, however, prefer a single choir that sings alternately at 8:30 and 11:00. Fifteen percent of surveys completed did not have a response to this item. On the Sundays when the choir is not present, it was suggested that solo vocal or instrumental music would be acceptable.

The second part of the survey requested written comments, rather than multiple-choice answers. The following are summaries of those comments received.

A number of respondents noted a disconnect caused by the physical layout of the chancel area. That is, the organ is on one side and the piano and choir are on the opposite side. This was mentioned as a hindrance to the effectiveness of the music ministries, both in distraction as the Director moves from one side to the other, and in not being able to hear the choir as they sing.

The dominant items noted in the “Favorite Things” category: Youth and Children and the Hand Bell Choir.

On to “Least Favorite Things.” Topping the list: too much piano, too many new songs, too much of the same, too much new, clapping, changing the liturgy. You get the point. We are such a diverse congregation. So, the old adage is still valid. “You can please all of the people some of the time, and some of the people all of the time, but you can't please all the people all the time.” It's a hard balance. Introducing new music/hymns seems to be very difficult. One suggestion was to sing one new hymn for a whole month so it can be learned.

In the “General Comments” section, some would like to go back to the single chancel choir, some really like soloists and guest musicians, and again, more familiar hymns. Some miss the organ music as they enter the sanctuary.

The Worship & Music Ministry Team thanks you again for your interest and the time you took to complete this survey. If you have additional comments or ideas, please contact Team Leader Laurel Stanell or any member of the Team. In the meantime, the Worship & Music Ministry Team continues to contemplate where your responses might lead us in the future. If you're interested in participating in one of the choirs at Our Saviour Lutheran Church, remember, you don't have to be here all year, sing every Sunday, or be a trained musician!!

Carole Darr

Worship and Music Ministry Team

**GODLY PLAY** will be the Sunday School for Ages 3-5. The session resembles a worship service including the story for the day (sermon), the children's interpretation of that story, in craft, working with the story or some other choice to re-enact the current or prior story, the meal, the prayer and closing. We are fortunate to have two members who are trained in Godly Play. Give your child the opportunity to experience the Bible in a way that gives them time to absorb the story in a quiet and meaningful way.

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Beginning on January 4, 2009, Adults will be able to select among three options: three book studies!! Two of the choices include The Shack, and unChristian, copies of which will be available for purchase, if you don't already have one. The third will be a study titled: Rediscovering the Book of Faith. Do join us for these new studies!!

**"The Shack: Where Tragedy Confronts Eternity"** by William P. Young. In this work of fiction, we are invited to ponder and wrestle with the timeless question, "Where is God in a world filled with unspeakable pain and suffering?" We will join with Mack as he searches for an answer to this question and struggles with the unspeakable event that has caused him much pain for many years. This intriguing and engaging novel opens the way for conversations about how we think about suffering, how we understand and describe God and the persons of the Trinity. Remembering that it is a novel, we will discuss the theology presented in The Shack through the lens of our Lutheran faith.

**Rediscovering the Book of Faith: The Origins, Structure, and Meaning of the Bible.** What is the Bible? Where did it come from? How does it function in our lives? How is it our Book of Faith? What does it mean for our lives today? These along with many others are the questions we will explore in this Sunday School Class. We will discuss how, why, when and where the Old and New Testaments were created, explore how the Bible was put together, and examine the impact of the Reformation on our encounter with scripture. Bring your Bible and your questions about the Bible as we dig deeper into the origins of the Bible and the ways that the Bible helps us to grow in faith.

**unChristian: What the new generation really thinks about Christianity and why it matters** by David Kinnaman. What do people outside the church think describes present-day Christianity? David Kinnaman of the Barna Group presents objective research that supports why an overwhelming percentage of sixteen to twenty-nine year olds view Christians with hostility, resentment and disdain. Could this possibly be us they're describing? Come to this Sunday School class, get the book and let's find out together!

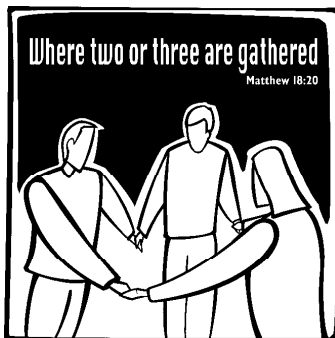
### **The Truth Project**

The Truth Project is a DVD based small group curriculum designed to build a systematic and comprehensive Biblical worldview in the life of believers. Each lesson looks at life from a Biblical perspective, studying the very nature and character of God and how he has revealed himself to us. Classes will begin Thursday, January 8 at 8:00 am and is limited to the first 14 people that enroll. Sign up at the Welcome Center. Lee Grant (215-0377) is the facilitator.

**Afternoon Bible Study:** Gather on Wednesdays at 3:30 pm, beginning January 7, 2009, to engage in a study of Genesis. This study will take a fresh look at some familiar Bible stories as we work our way through this first book of the Bible. The discussions on creation and creationism, the rebellion of humankind and the flood bring new perspectives on today's issues. The experiences of Abraham, Esau, Jacob, and Joseph speak to Christians seeking to live responsibly in our world. This looks like it will be a very interesting Bible study that you don't want to miss. Contact Pastor Pam or Pastor Scott if you need more information.

**CHILDREN OF ALL AGES:** Let's go to the Circus!! The Ringling Bros. & Barnum & Bailey Circus is coming to town. The church bus will take us to Raleigh on February 7, Saturday, for the 11:00 a.m. performance. We need at least 15 to qualify for the group rate. Sign up on the Christian Ed door in the main hallway.

## Early Morning Worship with Holy Communion



Imagine gathering with others for an informal worship service, early in the morning before the busyness of the day takes over. Imagine receiving Holy Communion, listening to Scripture readings, and offering prayers in the intimate setting of Deese Chapel. If this sounds like something you'd like then get ready for it's about to happen. This service will last about 30 minutes and will include prayers, Bible readings, and the celebration of Holy Communion. Beginning on **January 8** at **7:30 am** we will gather for an informal worship service in Deese chapel. Let's unite our hearts and voices in worship.

**Dialog with the Pastors** Our Saviour Lutheran Church is a large congregation comprised of people who have been Lutherans their whole life and others who are new to the Lutheran tradition. We are people who were raised in Moore County and people who were raised in many other places around the world. We are young people and not-so-young people. We are parents, grandparents, married and single. Some of us like traditional worship; others prefer contemporary worship, and still others like a combination of the two styles. Some of us are very satisfied with life in this congregation while others of us would like to see some changes to our life together. This makes us a very complicated and exciting faith community.

Because of our rich diversity there is much for us to talk about. That's what Dialog with the Pastors gives us an opportunity to do. Mark your calendars now and make plans to dialog with the pastors on Tuesday, January 27 at either 3:00 pm or 7:00 pm in the library. This is a wonderful opportunity to meet with the pastors for conversation about anything that is on your mind. Nothing is off limits.

## Senior Saints Lunch

Pastor Pam will be the special guest speaker at the first Senior Saints lunch of 2009. Please cook your favorite dish and join us on Friday, January 9, 2009 at 12 noon for good food, fellowship and an interesting talk. Chuck and Helen Moeser will be the hosts.

## Thank You!

Many thanks to all the members of Our Saviour who contributed items for Christmas packages to our deployed military people. Thanks also to Pauline VanDerhayden for helping pack boxes and preparing beautiful Christmas cards. We truly appreciate all the help in letting our soldiers know we care about them. This is one of the many projects sponsored by the Care Ministry Team. Except for a modest spending plan line item, the ministries sponsored by Care Ministry are financed by Pines Chapter Thrivent Financial Grants and donations.

Helen Moeser

## Get Into Shape



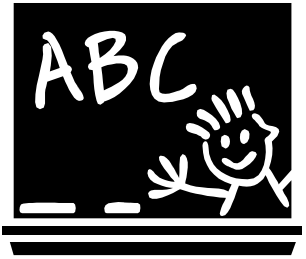
Did you overdose on holiday cookies, candies and special meals? May we suggest that you include the Fit and Faithful class as part of your "2009 get back into shape plan". The class is held from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. Monday and Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall. Fit and Faithful begins with a brief devotion, followed by stretching, low impact aerobics, weight training and balancing and is open to both men and woman. Participants need to bring their own weights (from 2 to 5 lbs). It is best to check with your doctor before you begin any exercise program. Questions: call Helen Moeser at 215-0557

## Thank You!!!

As of 12/17/08 there have been 218 Commitment Cards turned in to the Stewardship Chair. Thank you to each of you for taking the time and prayerfully considering a pledge to the ministries of Our Saviour for 2009. It is not too late. Please take one of the Pledge Cards out of the pew racks on Sunday morning and complete the card. You can place it in the offering plate during the offering time of Worship.

## From the Preschool Chalkboard...

The Learning Tree Preschool of OSLC has been having a terrific year with its two, three and four year old classes. Miss Debbie McGahey, and her fellow teachers, Miss Nina, Miss Sonja and Miss Terri, continue doing a wonderful job teaching these young children.



The Preschool Board of OSLC will soon be hosting its annual Welcome Day to invite the students, their families and the teachers to OSLC. A light brunch will be served on Feb. 8 at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. The children will then perform some of the musical talents they have learned during chapel time at the 11:00 service. Please join us in welcoming our preschool families on this day.

Registration for the 2009-2010 school year is quickly approaching. The Learning Tree Preschool of OSLC offers three different classes: 2 year old class, 3 year old class and 4 year old class. The week of January 19th-23rd will be open to OSLC members and open registration will begin January 26th. Registration forms are available in the church office or please contact Debbie McGahey at 695-0331.



### Our Saviour Host Week Feb 22 - 28 Volunteers needed!

Family Promise is a nonprofit agency dedicated to alleviating homelessness in more County.

Here are ways you can help:

**Evening Meal Preparers:** Prepare and serve meal from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

**Evening Hosts:** Have dinner and visit with our guest(s) from 5:30 until 8:30 p.m.

**Overnight Hosts:** Overnight stay at the church from 8:30 p.m. until 7:00 a.m.

**Transportation:** Drive the FP van at 7:00 a.m. or 5:00 p.m.

Check you calendar and consider offering your service to this ministry.

Darlene Smith, OSLC Coordinator 944-7105



### Library News

"The Purpose of Christmas" by Rick Warren of "Purpose Driven Life" fame is in our collection. He elaborates on three purposes; celebrate the birth of the Saviour, salvation for all who accept the free gift of salvation and reconciliation between God and man because of Jesus birth, death and resurrection. His life verse is Acts 13:36 - "David served God's purpose in his own generation." Much to think about.

If you missed the adult class on the Fruits of the Spirit we have the student book in our Bible Studies file. Easy to use at home.

"Open Arms" by T. Depree is book 11 in the Ministers Wife Mysteries series. Light, fast reading—how to lead the Christian life every day.

Wm. Wilberforce's biography is excellent. "A Hero for humanity" is about an Englishman who opposed the slave trade.

The CD "Chant" by Cistercian monks - "Music for the Soul" is very calming. Listen to settle your mind and worship. Peace in 2009.

Your librarian, Dorothy Fisk

## Columbarium

For those interested in purchasing an OSLC Columbarium niche, the introductory price of \$2200 has been extended through December 31, 2008. Payment in full is required upon purchase at this price.

In addition, in recognition of current economic conditions, we are now accepting payment in four equal installments. The regular price of \$2500 applies to this plan of \$625 down and three more payments of \$625 spaced three months apart. Any questions, please call Ed & Jan Carey at 295-9280.

## Welcome New Members

George & Pam Venet  
12 Wisteria Lane  
Whispering Pines, NC 28327  
949-2470

The Venet's transfer their membership from Lutheran Church of the Resurrection, Cincinnati, OH. George enjoys golf, wines and Porsche club. Retired from the railroad industry, George is interested in starting a chapter of Christ Renews His Parish at Our Saviour.



## Letters Received



*From Norma Roberts*-Dear Church Family, Jim and I wish you the many blessings of Christmas. Thank you for all your cards and prayers you have sent during my illness and all the wonderful prayers said for me. God Bless all of you.

*From Elizabeth Cox (Habitat Executive Director)* - To all our friends at Our Saviour. The revival was a wonderful experience. Thank you for inviting us and recognizing Habitat's work through your generous collection. I look forward to working with you on your Thrivent home!

*From Marion and Don Kerver*- Words can never express our heartfelt thanks and appreciation for all the wonderful cards, prayers, of the church family, meals, and visits from Pastor Scott. They will never be forgotten. May God bless each and everyone.

*From Mike, Lynn, Olivia, & David Antil*-We feel so fortunate to be part of such a loving and caring community. Thank you to everyone for your prayers throughout our pregnancy, especially the Monday Morning Prayer Group. Thank you to the Care Ministry for the delicious meal and children's Bible for David. Thank you also to Pastors Pam and Scott for coming to visit our family after David's arrival. He's a very loved little boy.

*From Pastor Rachel Connelly, Water of Life Congregation in Wilmington* - Thank you for your recent gift of \$750.00 to our growing congregation. Your generosity will help us move forward in our mission of reaching out to the community, teaching the Christian faith and sharing the love and life of Christ. And your mission partnership is a real blessing! Please continue to lift our congregation in prayers. Your mission partnership is a real blessing! Thanks again for your partnership and your generous giving. The gift came at a time of need for us. Merry Christmas!

*From Susan Bellew, Executive Director of Family Promise of Moore County*- On behalf of the Board of Trustees of Family Promise of Moore County, I would like to thank the members of Our Saviour Lutheran for the recent generous donation in the amount of \$2903.59. We are blessed to be one of the beneficiaries of Our Saviour's bazaar. I know that a lot of time and effort from many of your congregation members goes into making the bazaar a success year after year. We have seen a huge increase in the demand for shelter in 2008. To date, we have provided 3,064 nights of shelter compared to 2,357 nights in all of 2007. Sixty percent of families served by Family Promise this year now have a place of their own to call home. Thank you. I wish you and all the members of Our Saviour Lutheran a peaceful and joyous Christmas.

## January 2009 - WORSHIP ASSISTANTS SCHEDULE

MINISTRY	TIME	JANUARY 4	JANUARY 11	JANUARY 18	JANUARY 25	
<b>Greeters</b>	8:30 am	Dick Wilson	Ann Leib	Charlie Leib	Dick Zimmer	
		Jackie Wilson	Charlie Lieb	Carole Rushforth	Ruth Kohler	
		Ruth Kohler	Carole Rushforth	Ann Leib	Sandy Zimmer	
	11:00 am	Jim Peeples	Art Messbauer	Patty Peeples	John Olson	
		Patty Peeples	Linda Messbauer	Mary McNabb	Mary Olson	
		Betteann Mamel	Joan Zielsdorf	Jim Peeples	Mary McNabb	
<b>Acolyte/Crucifer</b>	8:30 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	
	11:00 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	
<b>Lay Reader</b>	8:30 am	Henry Fuhrmann	Lori Haley	Tim Haley	Julie Jones	
	11:00 am	Bob Northrup	Sharon Odom	Jon Paris	Patty Peeples	
<b>Asst. Minister</b>	8:30 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	
	11:00 am	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	
<b>Comm. Assistant</b>	8:30 am	TBA	Charlie Lieb	John Clohessy	Ruth Hauge	
		Marilyn Aitken	Ann Leib	TBA	Dorothy Meier	
	11:00 am	Helen Moeser	Bobbie Barnes	Larry Mack	Sharon Odom	
		Bob Northrup	Rick Barnes	Tracy Metcalf	Patty Peeples	
<b>Usher Teams</b> * = captain (S) = sound	8:30 am	Ken Sparke *	Dick Wilson*	Dick Wilson*	Bob DeSandy*	
		Dot Sparke	Ellen Roesler	Ellen Roesler	Ron Romig	
		Jan Carey	Fred Stephenson	Fred Stephenson	Audrey Raasch	
		Jack Fetzer	Al Funk	Al Funk	Gene Raasch	
		Sandy Zimmer	Terinda McGuire	Terinda McGuire	Jack Fetzer	
		Dick Zimmer			Dot Sparke	
	John Regler (S)	Tim Haley (S)	Tim Haley (S)	Ken Sparke (S)		
	11:00 am	Lee Grant*	Linda Christopher*	Linda Christopher*	John Carpenter*	
		Mary Wallace	Edd Sechrist	Edd Sechrist	Linda Carpenter	
		Gisela Danielson	Dorothy Sechrist	Dorothy Sechrist	Kaye Essick	
Gus Danielson		E. Christopher	E. Christopher	Ron Essick		
C. Sigmon-Mitchell	Les Sponsler	Les Sponsler	Betteann Mamel			
Austin Clayton (S)	Marilyn Quintana	Marilyn Quintana	Helen Moeser			
	TBA	TBA	Chuck Moeser (S)			
<b>Teller Teams</b> * = head teller		Edd Sechrist*	Skip Koder*	Charlie Leib*	Tom Boon*/Doris	
		Dorothy Sechrist	Dick Zimmer	Ann Leib	DW Woody	
		Bernie Taubersmith	Byron Holderby	John Olson	Jim Peeples	
		Barb Taubersmith	Barbara Holderby	Lori Haley	Charlene Sazama	
<b>Welcome Center</b>	8:30	George Prill	Pat Bresnahan	Bill Blake	Tom Jones	
		Adelle Prill	Elizabeth Bresnahan	Trudy Blake	Julie Jones	
	11:00	Carol Bruno	Bill Bradley	Tom Boon	Doug Aitken	
			Phyllis Bradley	Doris Boon	Carol Aitken	
<b>MINISTRY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>JANUARY 3</b>		<b>JANUARY 17</b>		
<b>Comm. Assistant</b>	6:00 pm	Giles Hopkins		Elda Hiser		
		Lionda Hopkins		Henry Fuhrmann		

**NOTE - If unable to serve as scheduled, please arrange for a substitute and notify the church office of the change.**

### Coordinators

Greeters	Jack Fetzer	673-5995
Acolyte/Crucifer	Jennifer Thomas	692-2662 ext. 108
Lay Readers	Sue Pfisterer	692-3371
Asst. Ministers	Jennifer Thomas	692-2662 ext. 108
Comm. Assistants	Henry Fuhrmann	695-0509
Ushers	Henry Fuhrmann	695-0509
Tellers	Skip Koder	693-1765

## Congregation Council Minutes

20 Nov 08

**Present:** Pastor Scott Homesley, Joyce Grau, Debbie Schumm, Joan Grant, Helen Moeser, George Prill, Camille Cole, Laurel Stanell, Harald Steltzer, Doug Aitken, David Sinclair, David Yoder, Tracy Metcalf

**Excused:** Sara Blakely, Heather Greisz, Pastor Pam Northrup **Guest:** Don Barcus

George Prill called the meeting to order and introduced Don Barcus. Mr Barcus discussed plans to make an office for Manna in the Upper Room. Doug Aitken said that the Girl Scout Council was coordinated with and they have ample space to continue their programs. The conversion/office will be at no cost to the church. It will be paid for by Manna. David Sinclair moved to put the office in the Upper Room as shown on the plans provided to Council. David Yoder seconded. Debbie Schumm non-concurred saying she was concerned about shorting the Scouts on space. Pastor Scott said it is an unmanned space and we can't guarantee security. Pastor Scott suggested a 3-month trial period. Council took a short field trip to the Upper Room. Upon returning, David Sinclair called the question. David Yoder seconded. The motion carried.

**Pastor's Time:** Pastors' reports were provided earlier. Pastor Scott noted that December's Council meeting will be held on 18 Dec 08 and George Prill will invite new Council members to that meeting. On 14 Dec, new Council members will be installed.

**Business Meeting:** David Yoder moved and Joan Grant seconded to approve the minutes from October's Council meeting. Motion carried.

**Treasurer's Report/Budget Discussion:** Debbie Schumm said we were \$464 in the red for the month and \$36,600 for the year. Close to \$12,000 needs to come from the remaining \$45,000 in the checking account to pay for the choir robes and bazaar disbursement. If money runs out of the account, Pastor Scott said we could borrow money from the Capital Investment Fund and pay ourselves back. George Prill reported that our Treasurer received a stellar audit for 2007. Harald Steltzer expressed concern over the Scholarship Fund as funds are below \$21,000. There is a possibility that we may not be able to give scholarships next year. Joan Grant said we had 18 more families pledge this year than last. Doug Aitken said that the Property Committee looked at needed repairs around the church and they have decided to defer carpet replacement as well as the fabric at the altar. Roof repairs are still needed at a cost of \$7,500. David Yoder will provide a Temple Talk on 14 Dec 08 requesting pledges. The Council noted Ken Wilhelm's concerns over the proposed 2009 budget.

### Ministry Team Reports:

**Personnel:** Helen Moeser discussed their search for a Youth/Christian Education Director. She interviewed 3 people. Helen recommended that Carole Darr be hired, effective 1 Dec 08, to serve as an Interim Christian Education Director. This would be a 3-month contract. Laurel Stanell moved and David Yoder seconded. Motion carried.

**Property:** Doug Aitken mentioned the bricks that are for sale in the courtyard. After paying for the bricks, the remaining money will go to the landscape fund. Mr. Aitken also submitted to the Council the changes to the Columbarium Policy Letter. David Yoder moved to accept and Tracy Metcalf seconded. Motion carried.

### New Business:

- The Nominating Committee recommended the following individuals for Council:

Joyce Grau – Evangelism	Barbara Skora – Hospitality
George Prill – At Large	Heather Greisz – Youth
Helen Moeser – Secretary/Personnel	Vicki Binney – Social Ministry
Chris Miller – At Large	Laurel Stanell – Worship and Music
Rich Manning – Property	

The Council approved these recommendations.

- George Prill asked Committee Chairs to send Patty Peeples a copy of their committee minutes each month.
- George Prill reminded everyone that annual committee reports are due 7 Jan 09.
- The 23 Nov 08 Congregational Meeting will start with the election of new Council members and then the proposed 2009 budget.
- Council will not have a retreat next year. They will have "Saturday Sessions" once a quarter.
- David Yoder moved and Doug Aitken seconded to appoint the financial volunteers – Treasurer, Assistant Treasurer, and Financial Secretary.

**Adjournment:** The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer. Respectfully submitted, Camille M. Cole, Secretary

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### Congregation Council

*President:* Doug Aitken  
*Vice President:* Harald Steltzer  
*Secretary:* Helen Moeser  
*Treasurer:* Debbie Schumm  
*Asst. Treasurer:* Chuck Moeser  
*Financial Sec:*  
*Asst. Fin. Sec:*  
*Education:* Tracy Metcalf  
*Evangelism:* Joyce Grau  
*Finance:* David Yoder  
*Hospitality:* Barbara Skora  
*Mutual Ministry:* Sara Blakely  
*Personnel:* Helen Moeser  
*Property:* Rich Manning  
*Social Ministry:* Vicki Binney  
*Stewardship:* Joan Grant  
*Worship & Music:* Laurel Stanell  
*Youth:* Heather Greisz  
*Youth Rep:*  
*Youth Rep:*  
*At Large:* Chris Miller  
*At Large:* George Prill