

Old St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church  
2035 Old Conover Startown Rd.  
Newton, North Carolina 28658



February 2010, Newsletter

## Lent 2010

Lent begins on **Ash Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010** with worship at 7:00 PM. The service will include the imposition of ashes as well as Holy Communion.

**Wednesday Evening Soup and Sandwich Supper, Program and Worship** will be held on five continuous Wednesday evenings, beginning on February 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM. Thanks again this year to Phyliss Bollinger who is coordinating the meal. Our focus this year will be "Luther's Small Catechism". Each week, during the last portion of the meal our confirmation students will present a skit that relates to the various components of the Small Catechism. After the skit we will watch a brief movie of one of our more senior members who describes what confirmation classes were like for them when they were young. When we break from the meal, participants will be directed toward a class for about 15 minutes of small group discussion. Finally we will conclude in the sanctuary around 7:15 for worship. Plan now on being with us. The outline for each week follows.

February 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Ten Commandments	Service of the Word for Healing
March 3 <sup>rd</sup>	The Creed	Service of Prayer and Witness
March 10 <sup>th</sup>	The Lord's Prayer	Holden Village Evening Prayer
March 17 <sup>th</sup>	The Sacrament of Holy Baptism	Compline with Affirmation of Baptism
March 24 <sup>th</sup>	The Sacrament of Holy Communion	Brief Service of Holy Communion

## HAITI EARTHQUAKE RELIEF

On Tuesday, January 12, a magnitude 7.0 earthquake rocked the island country of Haiti, primarily impacting the capital, Port-au-Prince. Offices, hotels, houses, hospitals and shops have collapsed. The streets of Haiti are filled with people in shock and searching for loved ones among the rubble. **Your help is needed today to bring immediate relief and continued hope for our brothers and sisters in Haiti.** ELCA Disaster Response is already working through long-standing partnerships on the ground to provide emergency food, water, shelter and medical supplies. Financial gifts are urgently needed. **Your gifts to ELCA International Disaster Response, designated for Haiti Earthquake Relief, will be used entirely—100 percent— for immediate relief and ongoing recovery in Haiti.** Your prayers and generous gifts will make a life-saving difference. Please give today.

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You may send your check directly to: **ELCA Disaster Response, PO Box 71764, Chicago, IL 60694-1764** (*Haiti Earthquake Relief* \$\_\_\_\_\_ IDG0059) or you can give by credit card/debit card by visiting [www.elca.org/disaster](http://www.elca.org/disaster) or call 800-638-3522. You may also contribute here at Old St. Paul's by designating your offering, "Haiti Earthquake Relief". In the coming weeks through Rotary Clubs of Catawba County, we will have the opportunity to bring food and also to volunteer by packing boxes of supplies that will be sent to Haiti. More info coming soon.

### Confirmation Class

This month our Confirmation Class will meet on February 7th and 21st at New Jerusalem beginning at 2:30 PM. Class members may be picked up at 4:30 PM.

### Brotherhood Poor Man's Service

Join the Brotherhood for a Poor Man's Supper on Saturday, February 20<sup>th</sup> beginning at 5:00 PM. After our meal we will enjoy the music of our own Sigmon Stringers. Make sure that you invite someone to come with you!



**JUMP IN/BOOK OF FAITH EVENT**  
**AT BETH-EDEN, Newton**  
**Saturday, February 20th**  
**9:00 AM — Noon**

**Who?** Anyone hoping to JUMP IN! to the Bible, our Book of Faith! You can be ready to try it yourself, ready to help your kids JUMP IN!, or ready to begin to JUMP IN! at your congregation. Ages 8 to 108 are welcome. (Nursery for younger kids is provided.)

Please register at least one week in advance to ensure adequate child care.)

**What?** We'll start with registration at 9:00 a.m. and then move quickly to our main event. Be inspired to JUMP IN! to a group Bible study. Then, make your way through three rotations: Home is church, too!; A life of devotion; and Participating in the Great Commission. After that, we'll take a quick look through some great resources and wrap it up by noon.

## G<sup>3</sup> Saturday, February 6th @ 6:00 PM

It's G<sup>3</sup> time at Old St. Paul's. Come join us for: Great Gospel Music, Good Food furnished by WYAM and Great Gab (Fellowship). The meal will be a choice of BBQ Pork or Baked Chicken, with mashed potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, roll, tea and dessert. RSVP today to either Debbie Parker, Susan Leonard or Denise Scronce. Come join us for G<sup>3</sup>!

### **Super Bowl Party for WYAM and LYNC**

Pastor Robert and Susan will also host a Super Bowl party at their home on Sunday evening, Feb. 7th at 6:00 PM. The bus will leave for Pastor Robert's around 4:45 PM.

## Prayer Concerns

### Members

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### Friends

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### January Offering and Attendance

Date	Attendance	Offering
January 3rd	131	\$3,268.44
January 10th	133	\$3,167.00
January 17th	130	\$3,093.00
January 24th	112	\$2,012.00
January 31st	-	-

## Serving This Month

### Greeters

Jan 31	Patty Greenhill
Feb 7	Patty Greenhill
Feb 14	Patty Greenhill
Feb 17	Janie Beard
Feb 21	Kathy Ridenhour
Feb 24	Pat & Karen Moss
Feb 28	<b>Open</b>

### Altar Flowers

Jan 31	<b>Open</b>
Feb 7	Judy Leatherman (1) Susan Leonard (1)
Feb 14	<b>Open</b>
Feb 21	Kevin & Holly Hunt (2)
Feb 28	<b>Open</b>

Cost per 1 Vase is \$16.50. Cost per 2 Vases is \$30.00.

### Acolytes/Crucifer

Jan 31	Thomas Jones & Christopher Rice
Feb 7, 14, 21 and 28	Thomas Jones/Acolyte Faith Bradshaw/Crucifer

### Lay Reader for February

Ruth White

### Radio Broadcast Sponsors

Jan 31	<b>Open</b>
Feb 7	Troy & Mary Cansler
Feb 14	WELCA (1/2)
Feb 21	<b>Open</b>
Feb 28	<b>Open</b>

Cost for sponsoring the broadcast is \$80.00 for full broadcast and \$40.00 for half of the broadcast.

## Lutheran Core Meeting in Statesville

Those interested in finding out more about Lutheran Core are invited to attend a meeting on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at St. John's Lutheran Church, 740 N. Center Street, Statesville, NC. This meeting will begin at 4:00 PM. Pastor M. Rebecca Heber of Lake Mary, Florida, and Lutheran CORE Steering Committee Member will be speaking. If you would like to ride the Old St. Paul's church bus to this meeting, please be in the parking lot by 3:00 PM.

## **Souper Bowl For Caring**

On Sunday February 7<sup>th</sup>, 140 million Americans will tune in to the Super Bowl football game. There will be parties with abundant food, friendship and fellowship. At the same time, there will be people worrying about staying warm, finding shelter and a warm meal. Our youth will hold soup pots at church doors on Souper Bowl of Caring Sunday, February 7, 2010. They will join young people in churches across the country to collect money for those who are hungry and hurting. Please support the youth of our church in this effort to "love our neighbors" by dropping your dollar in the soup pot on February 7<sup>th</sup>. All resources collected will be split between ECCCM and World Hunger. In addition, you are also encouraged to bring canned goods to share with ECCCM.

## **Council Meeting Rescheduled**

**The February 1st Council meeting has been rescheduled and will be held on Sunday afternoon, February 14th beginning at 2:00 PM.**

## **Annual Reports and Directory**

If you have corrections to your home address, email address or telephone number, please get those changes to Karen Leach as soon as possible so that they can be updated in the church office and for publication for our 2010 Directory and Annual Report. Also, we are still missing several reports from congregational leaders. Please get those to the church office during the first week of February. We hope to have a new directory available to the congregation by the third week of February.

### **Daily Readings January 31st—February 6th**

<b>Sun</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Tues</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Sat</b>
Psalm 71	Psalm 56	Psalm 56	Psalm 56	Psalm 138	Psalm 138	Psalm 138
1 Cor 13	1 Kings 17	2 Kings 5	Jer 1:11-19	Num 20:	Num 27	Jud 3
Luke 4	1 Cor 2	1 Cor 14	Luke 19	Acts 9:19-25	Acts 9:26-31	Luke 4