

I've put off writing this article as long as I can in order to give you the latest update! As I write, our own Anna Furkay's daughter, Amama from Liberia, has landed in Atlanta, GA and is on the next leg of her journey to Lincoln through Minneapolis! They have not seen each other since Amama was 2, 20 years ago!



I want to tell you some of Anna's story...Anna was separated from her family in the midst of the civil war that tore Liberia apart for 14 years (1989-2003). Anna had to flee for her life from her village in rural Liberia to escape the killing. In the chaos, she was separated from her husband and children and eventually landed in a refugee camp in the neighboring country of the Ivory Coast for years. She wasn't able to tell if her family lived or died except for one older son. No phones, no infrastructure left in the country, no idea where to begin looking. The family was lost from each other.

Anna applied to be resettled to another country because it was not safe to return to Liberia and she couldn't stay forever in the refugee camp. The Ivory Coast did not want to absorb all the refugees. She will tell you it was because of God that she was chosen to come to the United States.

Not knowing how to read or write in her own language, let alone English, Anna ended up in Texas with help from a resettlement agency – one of the ten private agencies the Government contracts with to do resettlement. They helped her get a social security card, a place to live and tried to help her find a job, but

Anna only knew how to plant and grow things by hand like rice and care for a family in rural Liberia. She had no marketable skills and couldn't read or write, and hardly spoke English. She got connected to a Lutheran church in Texas and was baptized.

She met some other people from Liberia in Texas who eventually moved to Lexington to get jobs at Tyson (Dorothy & Cecelia). She took her suitcase, got on a bus and showed up on their door step. A woman in the middle of her life (in her 50s at the time), alone and half a world away from her family, with no job and no home. But there was no war and no killing, and there was the hope of a job.

Anna's friends brought her to church at Grace. Thanks to all of you, Anna became part of our church family! Terri Casper as our Refugee Services Coordinator, Berkes and Shirleys and others, all helped Anna get work at Tyson, get to church, have her own apartment, and miraculously, through the network of Liberians here and the end of the war, locate her adult children back in Liberia, the Ivory Coast and Guinea. Things have settled down in Liberia but unemployment is still at nearly 70% and adult literacy is only 55.5%. So Anna sent money for school tuition and food to her children and grandchildren. School has not been free in Liberia.

Last summer, Anna moved to Lincoln in order to get a different job after working at Tyson for 5 years. She has been living with Liberian friends and looking for work. The people of First Lutheran in Lincoln have "adopted" Anna and have been graciously helping her get to church, have helped her find a job in a care home laundry, and an apartment she will be moving into next week.

Six years ago, Anna applied through the Welcome Center here in Lex for her children to immigrate to the U.S. At the time, Amama was 16. Now, finally after all these years and Ana at the Welcome Center's help, Anna's daughter is arriving today in Lincoln! Anna, age 62, and Amama, age 22, will see each other for the first time in 20 years! What joy!



YOU at Grace Lutheran have helped this reunion to be possible! We faithfully support the Welcome Center through our budget every year and through our special giving, we have members on the Advisory Council and we have walked with Anna since 2005! You've allowed her to sing in worship of her joys as she has had successes here in the U.S. Some of you have listened and cried with her when she has faced sorrow such as

the death of her older daughter in childbirth a few years ago so far away. And now, you are sharing in her joy! We're hoping that some of her First Lutheran friends can bring Anna and Amama out to Grace to celebrate sometime soon!

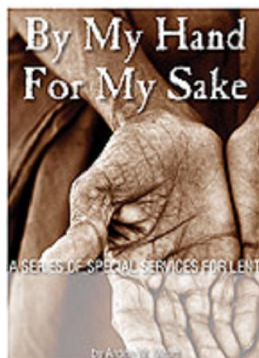
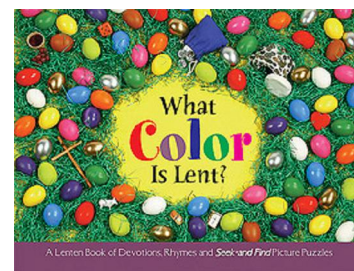
Thank you from the bottom of my heart, and Anna's, for being the Body of Christ and the hands and feet of Jesus! Anna's son, Julius, and I communicate via e-mail and Facebook and he says over and over to thank you for your help for his mother and now for his sister! This month is Valentine's Day – I can't think of a better example of sacrificial love than that of our Lord Jesus, and of his servants giving themselves in love to others! Thank you!

Blessings, Pastor Megan



### 40-Day Lenten Devotionals

Available for adults and families with children! Pick them up in the weeks before Lent as a way to deepen your prayer relationship with God and your family!



### Wednesdays in Lent: "By My Hand? ... For My Sake!"

6:00 p.m. Supper 7:00 p.m. Worship

What is your role in the suffering and death of Christ? Week by week we'll hear from those personally involved in the events of Jesus' suffering and crucifixion. Week by week we'll reflect on how we're personally involved, too.

**Feb. 22 – Ash Wednesday: Adam/Eve**

**Feb. 29 – Nicodemus**

**March 7 – Judas**

**March 14 – Barabbas**

**March 21 – Pilate**

**March 28 – The Thief's Father**

We'll use Prayers Around the Cross, music from Taize' and dramatic monologues from each of the characters for our midweek services. Come for a light supper and fellowship, and then food for your soul!

### Lex Ministerial Association Lenten Lunches

Once again, LMA congregations will host a lunch and devotions at noon on Thursdays during Lent. It's a great break in the day for focus and fellowship around God's gift to us in Christ!

Thursday, Feb. 23 – at Grace

Thurs., March 1 – at First United Methodist

Thurs., March 8 – St. Anne's

# Making Christ Known Through Worship...



**February 4 /5 – 5<sup>th</sup>  
Sun. after Epiphany  
Scout Sunday &  
Souper Bowl of Caring  
“Jesus Never Sleeps”**

*<sup>28</sup>Have you not known?  
Have you not heard? The  
LORD is the everlasting  
God, the Creator of the  
ends of the earth. He does  
not faint or grow weary;  
his understanding is  
unsearchable. (Isaiah  
40:28)*

Isaiah 40:21–31  
Psalm 147:1–11, 20c  
1 Corinthians 9:16–23  
Mark 1:29–39



## EPIPHANY

**February 11/12 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Epiphany  
“Looking for Healing in All the Wrong  
Places”**

*My God, I cried out to you, and you restored me to  
health. (Ps. 30:2)*

2 Kings 5:1–14  
Psalm 30  
1 Corinthians 9:24–27  
Mark 1:40–45

**February 18/19 – The Transfiguration of  
Our Lord**

**“ID = God’s Beloved”**

*“This is my Son, the Beloved, listen to him!”  
(Mark 9:7)*

2 Kings 2:1–12  
Psalm 50:1–6  
2 Corinthians 4:3–6  
Mark 9:2–9

**Weekends in Lent:**

**God’s Covenant Promises**

During the weekends in Lent, we’ll focus on God’s covenant promises throughout the scripture which remind us that God is faithful yet today! We can stand on God’s promises!

**February 25/26 – 1<sup>st</sup> Sun. in Lent**

**“God’s Covenant with Noah & All Creation”**

*<sup>16</sup>When the bow is in the clouds, I will see it and  
remember the everlasting covenant between God  
and every living creature of all flesh that is on the  
earth. (Genesis 9:16)*

Genesis 9:8–17  
Psalm 25:1–10  
1 Peter 3:18–22  
Mark 1:9–15

**March 3 /4 – “God’s Covenant with Abraham & Sarah  
– Blessed to be a Blessing”**

**March 12/13 – “God’s Covenant Ten Commandments  
– Saved to Serve”**

**March 17/18 – “God’s Covenant with Moses  
– Look and Live”**

**March 24/25 – “God’s New Covenant  
– Written on our Hearts”**

**March 31/April 1 – Palm Sunday**



“I’m following pastor on Twitter.”



**Our  
Prayers  
for  
Others**

# Birthdays & Anniversaries

We celebrate monthly birthdays and anniversaries on the second Sunday (February 12<sup>th</sup>) during fellowship after worship with special goodies and by keeping these people in the prayers that day!

**\*Friends and Family in Need of Healing...**

Janet Boyd, Ray Carr, Staci Cannon, Terri Casper, Gary Flint, Gina Gerken, Pr. Judy Gifford, Vivian Malone, Becky Meredith, Kris Nelson, Dennis Pentz, Niels Royle, Juliet Moris, Pr. Don Wilken. Anna's Furkay's daughter, Amama, who is immigrating to the U.S. Feb. 2!

**\*Our Sympathies...**

+Paul & Jennifer (Saunders) Martin at the death of their infant son, Liam.  
+Tom & Janet Boyd at the death of Tom's dad, Frank Boyd.  
+Sandy & Gene Mittelstaedt at the death of Sandy's sister, Veryle Schwede.

**\*Our Grace Family Homebound...**

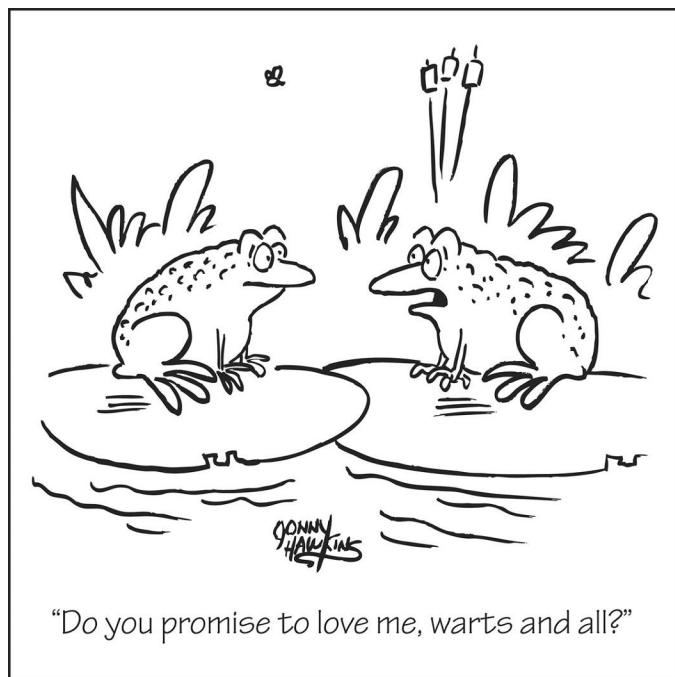
In Lexington unless otherwise noted.  
+Walter Brockmeier (Plum Creek Care Ctr.)  
+Jeanne Luebbe (510 Centennial Cir, A208, North Platte 69101)  
+Vivian Malone (Park Avenue Estates, Room 20)  
+Alta Meredith (Park Avenue Estates, Room 52)  
+Linda & Dennis Mathes (Park Ave. Est., Rm 11)  
+Nita Mueller (Park Ave Estates, Rm )  
+Elsie Shreves (at home – 1212 N. Taylor)

**\*Our Service People...**

Jared Bennett (England), Spencer Burch (Afghanistan), Chad Dachtler (Afghanistan), John Gutschow, Jason Harmony, Cody Madura (Afghanistan), Dallas Margritz (Afghanistan), Colby Smets (Afghanistan), Brandon Somerville, Aryka & Alex Van Horn (Kuwait), Nicki Zarate.

**February**

- 2 - Braydon Benjamin
- 4 - Bill & Marilyn Bailey (A)
- 5- Nick Albus, Deb James
- 6- Sharon Miller
- 9- Taylor Bennett, Judy Gibbons, Ann Luther
- 13- Neala Lubberstedt, Diane Adams
- 14 - Krystal Saunders
- 15 - David Schroeder, Kreg & Gina Gerken (A)
- 16- Andrea Naylor
- 20- Johnnie Rowe
- 21 - Gene & Sandy Mittelstedt (A) Lary Bomberger
- 23 - Tracy Naylor
- 24 - Constance Johnson
- 25- Nicole Thorell
- 27 - Max Carnes, Gary Flint, Judy Wisdom, Gayle & Johnnie Rowe (A)
- 28- Delpha Albus



God does!

# Making Christ Known Through Education...



**book of faith**

Open Scripture. Join the Conversation.

## Lenten Small Group Series! "Making Sense of Scripture" By David Lose

A "kitchen table" conversation about questions we all have about the Bible:

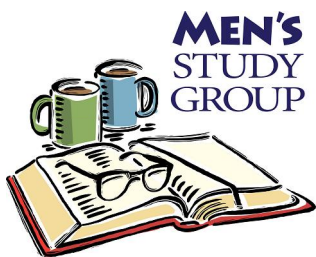
- +What is the Bible?
- +Is the Bible True?
- +How is the Bible the Word of God?
- +Where did the Bible come from?
- +How can I read the Bible with greater understanding?
- +Is there a "center" to Scripture?
- +What kind of authority does the Bible hold?

6 sessions with a DVD kick-starter for conversation! Begins Ash Wed., Feb. 22! Sign up for a small group time! Or, create a small group and time that works for you!

Wednesdays, 5:15 -6:15 pm

Saturdays, 5:00-6:00 pm

Sundays, 8:45-9:45 am



## Men's Breakfast Bible Study!

First & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesdays of  
the month at 6:30 a.m. at  
Madeline's coffee shop

downtown. Scott Saunders and Jerry Bergstrom facilitate the discussion. No prep! Just come! February dates are the 7<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>

## "One Year To Live" Men's Retreat

The Lutheran Men in Mission of the Nebraska Synod are sponsoring a One Year To Live Men's Retreat to be held March 23-25, 2012, at Camp Rivercrest in Fremont.

This is not your typical retreat. It's a "spiritual boot camp" led by lay men and is intended for any/all men looking to find God's purpose for them in life.

Registration is \$195 per person, which includes two nights lodging, five meals, student materials and the opportunity to "change your life." Registration deadline is March 9, 2012. A limited number of partial scholarships are available, based on need.

You can access a registration flyer at [lutheranmeninmission.org](http://lutheranmeninmission.org).

## Wild Women Retreat

### "Royal Identity"

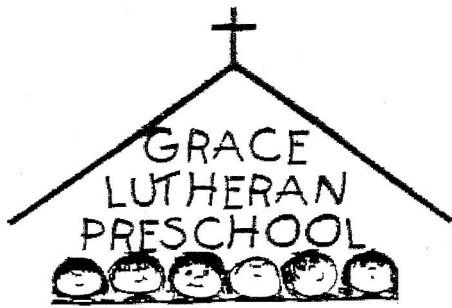
March 9-11, 2012

### Carol Joy Holling Camp

"And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in heavenly realms in Christ Jesus". ~ Ephesians 2:6

How does it feel to be called children of God The Most High, the King, The Creator? Yes, you are a part of something BIG. Join us as we discover our identities as a part of the Kingdom of God. We all change and grow from day-to-day but imagine a life fully aware of our royal identity in Christ. A life where when we are asked who we are, we can answer with great confidence, 'I am crowned by God.'

For more info and to register, check out [www.caroljoyholling.org](http://www.caroljoyholling.org), or see the brochures & poster in the Narthex.



February in preschool is starting off with "Fashion Parade", silly socks and our favorite hats. The next week is Valentine week with "Special Delivery". Then we will learn about taking care of our bodies with "Healthy Happy Me", followed by "From Here to There", our week of exploring transportation.

Everything is going well this year although the class numbers are low. We have already begun accepting registrations for next year and are looking forward to graduating another class of preschoolers.



**Sunday School  
for 3 –yr-olds thru 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
9:00 a.m.**

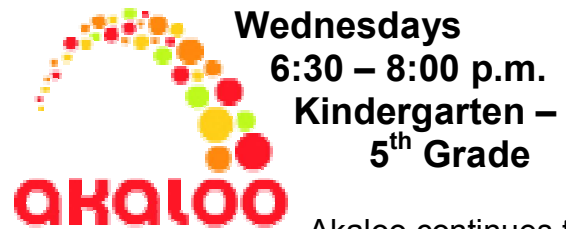
Come for the fun, the stories, the friends and to pray and play together! Bring a friend!

**Feb. 5, 12 - The Lord's Prayer**

**Memory Verse:** The Lord's Prayer & 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18 <sup>16</sup>Rejoice always, <sup>17</sup>pray without ceasing, <sup>18</sup>give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

**Feb. 19, 26, Mar. 4 - The Prodigal Son**

**Memory Verse:** Luke 15:32 <sup>32</sup>But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and has come to life; he was lost and has been found."



**Wednesdays  
6:30 – 8:00 p.m.  
Kindergarten –  
5<sup>th</sup> Grade**

Akaloo continues to have a great time on Wednesday nights! We'll take a break during Lent beginning Feb. 22 through Easter, April 8, so families can come to Lenten suppers and worship together!



**6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Confirmation  
Wednesdays  
6:15-8:15 pm**

This year is our Bible year in Confirmation! Last month we learned that Jesus, the Messiah, has come! We explored the Christmas story a little more deeply, Jesus' baptism and his temptation in the wilderness, and calling the disciples! Jesus is on a mission and inviting us to join in!

Cooks

**February—**

- 2/1 = "Feeding 5,000" Gerken/Benjamin
- Sun. 2/5 = Souper Bowl Sunday for World Hunger
- 2/8 = Parables of Lost and Found Flynn/Lehmkuhler
- 2/15 = Sheep and Goats Pastor Megan/Casper
- 2/22= Ash Wednesday
- 2/28= Lent



**Wednesday  
Night Senior  
High  
9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grades  
6:15-8:15 pm**

Sr. High has been busy planning and serving the Chili Cook-off and Pie Auction, as well as getting ready for New Orleans, gabbing, sharing and praying together! Everyone's welcome on Wednesdays!

Thank you to the congregation for helping us raise over \$1,000 on the Pie Auction! WOW!

# Making Christ Known Through Service...



## Food and beer

After your run, you'll be treated to a sandwich and soup combo from Lazlo's and two beers of your choice — including their special Luther Lager, brewed just for this event! Your lunch and two beers are included in the cost of registration. Of course, you can purchase additional food and drinks. Please be sure to carry your ID on you at all times to purchase your beer. (Sorry - no ID= no beer)

February 1: \$35  
 March 1: \$41  
 Registration. Sorry - no refunds.  
[www.caroljoyholling.org](http://www.caroljoyholling.org) or call 402-944-1111 for more information.



## February 4-5 at Grace!

Don't stop again be asking for people to help "change" the world! Please come to the soup bowl or check in the big soup bowl. All proceeds will go to the Carol Joy Appeal to provide relief, advocacy to end hunger around our own back yard!



## Mission Sunday February 11-12

### The Grace Mission Endowment Fund

Grace dreamed for a long time of an Endowment Fund to be able to extend the mission and ministry of God through Grace to others beyond our congregation! That dream has become a reality in the last few years and the Fund is helping us touch lives in all kinds of ways! Come learn what we're doing and how you can be part of it!

awarded in each category! Don't miss out on the chance to win Beer for a year!

NOTE: You do not have to be 21 to run. If you are under 21, obviously you can't partake in the beer or win beer products. You are eligible for the overall winner.



## **Servants of Song**

**An evening of music & fellowship**

Sponsored by  
**The Lexington Ministerial Association**

ors' Quartet, Solos &  
or and inspiration for the

ary 6th, 7:00 p.m.  
School Auditorium  
ngton, Lexington

*be received for the LMA  
Refreshments served  
wing.*



**Arts & Crafts Fair**  
**Monday, February 11**  
**10 am - 4 pm**  
**First Lutheran Church**  
**3315 G Avenue**  
**Kearney, NE 68847**

First Lutheran Church is excited  
to host this Arts and Crafts fundraiser for Nebraska  
Lutheran Campus Ministries!

~10% of vendor proceeds go toward  
supporting Nebraska Lutheran Campus  
Ministries at UNK.

~Come and enjoy the gifts and talents of local  
artists!

~If interested in displaying and selling your  
work, you may pick up forms at either  
First Lutheran or Campus Lutheran  
(2715 9th Ave) or download the registration form at  
[www.firstlutheran Kearney.org/artfair](http://www.firstlutheran Kearney.org/artfair).

Call 308-234-1828 for more information.

## **Mission Board Minutes**

**Thursday, Jan. 12, 2012**

**6:00-8:30 p.m.**

### **Treasurer's Report:**

Beginning Balance	\$1,304.39
Income	\$18,051.09
Expense	\$17,976.43
Balance as of 1/31/12	\$ 1,379.05

Present: Pastor Megan Morrow, Jerry Bergstrom, Joni Bennett, Scott Saunders, Craig Gibbons, Deb Hatfield, Norm Naylor, Carol Sheldon, Dave Schroeder

### **I. Gathering in God's Name --Devotions & Prayer**

1. Kyries & Glorias for prayer (Lows & Highs) during supper
2. Brief devotion/reflection
3. Prayer

**II. The Road Before Us** -- Our Mission at Grace and what we can see ahead of us in the coming months.

### **1. Business Tonight that Empowers Our Mission:**

**(Making Christ Known Thru W, E & S)**

(MSA = Moved/Seconded/Approved)

**Review the Agenda for tonight**

### ***Old & New Business***

**1) Minutes from Dec. mtg.** MSA to accept the minutes as printed

**2) Dec. & End-of-year Financial Reports & updates (Norm)**

MSA to accept the financial report as printed

**3) 2012 Budget Draft to present at Annual Mtg. (Richard)**

MSA to recommend that the church adopt the 2012 Budget as drafted

**4) Need to line up an Audit for the year**

+We have put this off for quite a few years now.

Richard Johnson will ask Jim Jones and Duane Phillipi to complete an audit for the church.

**5) Nominating Team update:**

+ The Nominating Team is proceeding to discern the 3<sup>rd</sup> nominee for Mission Board (Jeff & Jerry are willing to serve for a 2<sup>nd</sup> term) and 3 people to serve as Voting Members to Synod Assembly and the Cluster meeting (Sat., Feb. 4) to nominate a new Bishop (Scott & Jerry are willing. Need a female.) Suggestions were made and will be asked.

+Installation of new Mission Board members will be Sunday, Feb. 5 (this includes Jeff & Jerry for their second terms).

**6) Annual Meeting Agenda**

**7) Sponsor Chamber Teacher Appreciation Breakfast? -- Fri., Jan. 27, 7 a.m., \$50**

MSA to approve this sponsorship for the Chamber's Teacher Appreciation Breakfast

## 8) Other Old/New Business?

### 2. Celebrating God's Work in Progress (Mission Team Reports) –

-- Remember to e-mail your monthly report/update to the secretary to put in the agenda at Mission Board meeting.

**Pastor's Report** – Attached

**Education (Craig Gibbons MB, Nancy Brummet) –**  
Adult Bible Studies began this week on Wed. at 5:15 & Thurs. at Noon

**Fellowship (Joni MB, Marian Berke & Deb James TL)**

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Plan for the year was put together today: January – Soup and Pie Auction will be held after the annual meeting, Lenten Meals are being planned

**Mutual Ministry (Scott MB, Lauren Daberkow) – None**

**Outreach (Jerry & Deb MB, Lary Bomberger) – None**

**Property (Jeff MB, Tom Wisdom TL) – None**

**Stewardship/Finance (Dave MB, Richard Johnson TL) –** Proposed Budget submitted to be presented to the church at the Annual Meeting

**Worship (Pastor Megan MB, John Strackbein TL) –**

+Worship Team will meet on Jan. 17  
+We're trying 2 new lapel mics from Yandas. Any opinions?  
+Will be planning Lent and Easter seasons

**Youth (Carol MB, Cheri Saunders TL) –** Will be making pies and are doing an M&M canister exchange for change as a fund raiser...7 youth are going to attend the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans this year.

### III. Gifted for the Journey –

Next regular meeting: Thursday, February 9, 2012

### IV. The Lord's Prayer, Blessing, Passing the Peace

#### Grace Lutheran Church Annual Meeting Minutes January 29, 2012

**Call to Order** - Scott Saunders

**Devotions** - Pastor Megan Morrow

### Minutes of the 2011 Annual Meeting

MSA to approve the minutes as printed.

**Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Report** (Norm Naylor)

Pastor Megan explained the special gift we committed to in the NE Synod's "Feed the Roots, Grow the Forest

Campaign". Through this work, the church committed to giving around \$17,000 over 4 years to strengthen the ministries to youth and young adults around the state (Campus Ministries, Camping Ministries, Operation IDEA, Faith Formation, etc.). We have fulfilled our commitment. (As presented in the financial report.)

MSA to approve the Financial Secretary and Treasurer's Report as printed

**2012 Proposed Budget** - Richard Johnson presented this as printed in the annual report.

MSA to approve the budget as presented

### 2012 Ministry Highlights & Reports from Mission Board, Mission Teams & Task Forces

All reports are printed in the annual report:

Mission Board (Scott Saunders)

Education Team (Nancy Brummet, Craig Gibbons)

Endowment Team (Roger Pentz/Richard Johnson/Mary Bergstrom/Jim Jones/Deb Jensen)

MSA to accept Mary Bergstrom and Richard

Johnson as continuing members of the Endowment Team.

Fellowship Team (Deb James, Marian Berke, Joni Bennett)

Grace4Haiti (Joe Miller, Jim Jones, Dave Stenberg, Mogens Knudson, Jerry Bergstrom)

Mutual Ministry Team (Lauren Daberkow, Scott Saunders)

Outreach Team (Lary Bomberger, Deb Hatfield)

Property Team (Tom Wisdom, Jeff Brummet)

Stewardship/Finance Team (Richard Johnson, Dave Schroeder)

In addition to the report, an "annual" audit will be completed this year

The Welcome Center Advisory Council (Mary Bergstrom, Linda Miller)

Worship Team (John Strackbein, Pastor Megan)

Youth Team (Cheri Saunders, Carol Sheldon)

**Report of the Pastor** (including 2011 Highlights PowerPoint)

**Nominating Team Report** (Jerry Bergstrom, Jeff Brummet, Dave Schroeder and member-at-large Judy Wisdom)

### Election of Mission Board Members, 2012 Nominating Team Members & Synod Voting Members

MSA to approve those nominated for Mission Board, and to serve as Voting members to Synod Assembly and to serve on the 2012 Nominating Team as presented by the nominating team.

2012 Nominees for Mission Board (terms expire Jan. of 2015 unless noted) =

Jerry Bergstrom Nominated for 2<sup>nd</sup> term on MB

Jeff Brummet Nominated for 2<sup>nd</sup> term on MB

John Strackbein Nominated for 1<sup>st</sup> term on MB

Returning Mission Board Members	Serves until January of...
Norm Naylor, Treasurer	2013
Scott Saunders	2013
Carol Sheldon	2013
Joni Bennett	2014
Deb Hatfield	2014
Craig Gibbons	2014
appointed to replace Marvin Loschen	

2012 Nominating Team  
 Norm Naylor  
 Scott Saunders  
 Carol Sheldon  
 Dave Schroeder, member at large

2012 Pony Express Cluster & Nebraska Synod  
 Assembly Voting Members  
 Scott Saunders, Jerry Bergstrom, Cheri Saunders

**Old Business** (No old business brought forward for consideration)

**New Business** (No new business brought forward for consideration)

**Other Business** - Jackson Penoh thanked the church for their acceptance of him and his family and for help the church has provided him. Jackson asked for prayers for the growth of the church. He also thanked the church for the financial help in caring for some African friends following a tragic accident that resulted in the death of some of his friends.

**Closing Prayer**  
 MSA to adjourn

## Classifieds

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Thank you to the Caring Cooks for the chicken noodle soup. Ken & Deb James

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Thank you to the Caring Cooks for the delicious chicken noodle soup. Nancy Kline

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To my dear church family,  
 Thank you again for all you have done for my family and me. Thank you to all who helped with the benefit, to those providing financial assistance during this time I am unable to work, to those who were a part of the t-shirt sales, to my friends helping transport Blake and to those caring for him in so many ways.

An awesome thank you to the Caring Cooks for their amazing meals and visits with Blake and me! Thank you to Pastor Megan for your visits and providing communion when I was too ill to attend church. For all the people who have held us up in prayer, bless you! Your faithfulness in the Lord has been such a blessing.

I know I have probably missed someone. Please know all the little and the big things have not gone unnoticed. In return we have prayed for you and for yours! May God raise all of us to become His servants and to pay it forward for those in need! We cannot imagine this journey without all the help we have received. God bless each and every one of you! In God's name and filled with His love,  
 Terri & Blake Casper, Curt & Meggan Casper, Eric Casper

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Thank you so much for the chicken and noodles; the veggie soup and the bread...very good food. --  
 Elberta Brummet

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Thank you, Pastor Megan, Ed & Joni Bennett and Kathy Neil, for your kind visits and prayers while I was in the Hospital. Pastor Don Wilken

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Grace Lutheran Church Endowment Fund,  
 Thank you so much for your generous donation to Campus Lutheran and for continuing to partner with us. We truly appreciate your generosity and support.

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## February Ministry Committee

### Assisting Minister Schedule

February 5 – Rich Kline  
 February 12 - Cheri Saunders  
 February 19 – Steve Steward  
 February 26 - Lary Bomberger

### Altar Guild Chairperson = Carol Hinrich

Cindy Benjamin, Genie Hawks, Deb Jensen  
 Sandy Mittelstaedt, Scott & Cheri Saunders

### February Serving Group Coordinators -

Joni Bennett and Deb Hatfield

### Serving Group

Irene Anderson, Karma Bomberger, Nancy Brummet, Shirley Burkhead, Adriana Carnes, Nancy Davenport, Judy Gibbons, Melanie Gomez, Nanci Hastings, Genie Hawks, Deb Jensen, Kristi Jergensen, Ann Luther, Mandi Lehmkuhler, Linda Miller, Linda Motzner, Jo Swartz, Carol Wilken