

† FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST †

August 29, 2010

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

- *The order of worship for each service is indicated in the bulletin. At 5:30 and 10:45 we will use the hymnal “Lutheran Service Book” (LSB), located in the pew racks in front of you. At the 9:00 service on the Great Porch we will use “All God’s People Sing.”*
- *We extend a special word of welcome to first-time visitors and invite you to take a welcome kit located by the Jesus Fountain in the church entrance.*
- *To register member and visitor attendance, provide updates or other information, or to submit comments/requests to the pastors or church office, please use the **Welcome Card with Sign-Up/Information Sheet** in the bulletin. Church offerings, welcome cards and any other information will be collected during the offering time or may be left in the wicker basket by the Jesus Fountain after the service.*

COMMUNION STATEMENT

- *The congregation of Village Lutheran Church welcomes to Holy Communion those baptized Christians who: †Know Jesus Christ as their Savior (John 20:31); †Recognize that the body and blood of Christ are truly present in the bread and wine (1 Cor. 11:29); †Are able to examine themselves and repent of their sins (1 Cor. 11:28); and †Look to God’s Holy Spirit for help in living the Christian life (Col. 1:10). Persons not receiving Communion may come forward to receive a blessing.*
- *Non-Alcoholic Fruit of the Vine: Persons who are sensitive to alcohol are welcome to receive the blood of Christ in the sacrament using non-alcoholic grape juice. The juice is located in the center circle of each individual tray and is lighter in color. Wine is always available with the Common Cup or Individual Cups.*
- *Gluten-free consecrated hosts (the bread of Holy Communion) are available for all those with allergies or intolerance to gluten. Simply say “Gluten-Free” to the minister or bring your bulletin forward and point to the Gluten-Free symbol prior to receiving the bread.*
- *Communion may be brought to those with limited mobility. Please alert a Pastor or usher if you wish to commune in this way.*



TO KNOW LIVE AND SHARE THE LOVE OF CHRIST

- *Under the blessing of God, the mission of Village Lutheran Church is a ministry of the Word and Sacraments. This ministry gives opportunities for mission, witness, nurture, fellowship, stewardship, and service. It focuses on the specific needs of individuals and groups within the congregation and extends to the church-at-large, the community, and the world.*
- *The Chapel School is an integral part of the congregation’s ministry directed specifically to children. It provides a distinctive Christian education enabling children to evidence a Christian lifestyle and to achieve academic success.*

TO GOD ALONE BE GLORY

SATURDAY - 5:30 p.m./SUNDAY - 10:45 a.m.
Spoken Divine Service

PRELUDE

O dass ich tausend Zungen hätte

- Klotz/Rinck

INVOCATION and CONFESSION (*Congregation rising*)

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, that we may prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mystery of the Lord's Supper.

(A brief pause for silence follows)

P: Have mercy on us, O Lord,

C: **for we have sinned against You.**

P: Show us, O Lord, Your mercy;

C: **and grant us Your salvation.**

P: May almighty God have mercy on us and lead us, with our sins forgiven, to eternal life.

C: **Amen. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

ENTRANCE HYMN

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

LSB Hymn #811

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

C: **O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Proverbs 25:6-7

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

EPISTLE

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL

Luke 14:1, 7-14

P: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 14th chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(The Gospel is read)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

LSB **Hymn #851**

SERMON

Rev. Roy Minnix

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

A: Lord, in Your mercy,

C: **hear our prayer.**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERING/VOLUNTARY

Beach Spring

- David Lowe

OFFERTORY (*Congregation rising*)

(LSB Hymn #955)

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.

Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life.

Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer now.

Grace our table with Your presence, and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

+HOLY COMMUNION+

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them up to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

P: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Therefore, with angels and archangels, and with all the company of heaven, we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

C: Holy, holy, holy Lord. God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD and MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

C: Christ has died, Christ is risen, Christ will come again.

P: Through Him, with Him, and in Him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor is Yours, almighty Father, for ever and ever.

C: Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name; Thy kingdom come; Thy will be done on earth, as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

SIGN OF PEACE

P: Our Lord Jesus Christ said to His apostles: "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you." This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world.

C: Lord, have mercy upon us and grant us peace.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

(10:45) **DISTRIBUTION HYMN** I Leave All Things to God's Direction LSB **Hymn #719**

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A: Almighty God, You gave Your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive Him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to His; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN Lord, Whose Love Through Humble Service LSB **Hymn #848**

SILENT MEDITATION (*Congregation seated*)

POSTLUDE

Hyfrydol

- Flor Peeters

SUNDAY - 9:00 a.m.
Family Service with Holy Communion

PRELUDE

Beach Spring

- Timothy Shaw

INVOCATION and CONFESSION

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

C: **Almighty God, we confess that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus, our Savior, have mercy on us, forgive us, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for us and, for His sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

OPENING HYMN

AGPS Hymn #190

Oh, That I Had a Thousand Voices

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray:

C: **O Lord of grace and mercy, teach us by Your Holy Spirit to follow the example of Your Son in true humility, that we may withstand the temptations of the devil and with pure hearts and minds avoid ungodly pride; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

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CHILDREN'S BIBLE READING

“Finding Treasure”

Prayer: Dear God, You are the true treasure. Help me to put You first in all things.
I love You, Jesus. Amen.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Lord of Glory, You Have Bought Us

AGPS **Hymn #169**

SERMON

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I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Sung by Abby and Hannah Geiling

†HOLY COMMUNION†

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray. Blessed are You, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Send now Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as He comes to us in His life-giving body and blood.

C: **Amen.**

LORD'S PRAYER

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen. (*Matt. 6:9-13*)

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION and SHARING OF THE PEACE

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

DISTRIBUTION (*Hymns from All God's People Sing*)

POST-COMMUNION COLLECT

A: Almighty God, You gave Your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive Him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to His; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service

AGPS Hymn #172

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VLC NEWS AND NOTES

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of William G. Podszus in honor of our 55th Wedding Anniversary with love Louise.

PLEASE JOIN US after the 9:00 a.m. worship service for refreshments and fellowship. Thanks to the Fellowship Action Group for providing the refreshments.

PRAYER LINE: Please remember those members or friends who are hospitalized or recovering from an illness especially Agnes Anderson, Rosemarie Boecker, Lydia Chao, Opal Coker, Charlie Hunter, Justin Puccio, Linda Voelk. Also keep our shut-in/ homebound members & friends in your prayers.

Names are listed for 3 weeks.

PASTORAL VISITS TO THE SICK: HIPAA legislation prohibits hospitals from sharing names of those receiving care, even to clergy. If you are hospitalized or learn of a fellow VLC member who is hospitalized, please call the church office at 914-337-0207 x 1003, so a visit can be made.

BEREAVEMENT PRAYER LINE: We include in our prayers all those in our community that have recently lost a loved one, especially: The family of Denise Caruso Montaruli, daughter of Frank & Ann Caruso, who passed away on August 16, 2010. Put information on the tear-off sheet in the bulletin or call the church office 337-0207 x1003.

Let us continue to pray for the soldiers, Marines, airmen, sailors and special forces who put their lives in harm's way, especially Joshua Alvarado AFSOS, Maj. Daniel Cahill, Sgt. Marco Cerbone, James Evans, Chris Finocchio, Andrew Flink AFSOS, Bill Kavanagh, Nick Lion, Olivia Lion, Ben Millarch, Dan Miller, Gregory Olsen, Michael Porter, Maj. Bradley Rakov, LCDR Christopher Rakov, Brent Smith, Aaron Tiso.

CHURCH NEWS

Today a Pastor's Discretionary Fund Offering is received. The Discretionary Fund allows our Pastors to reach out with the love of Christ in the name of our congregation as needs arise. With the present economy, we have seen a rise in people from our community and our own congregation who need a little assistance to make it through these times. If God has blessed you, won't you consider a gift to the Discretionary Fund? Use the "Love Offering" envelope. Gifts of any size are appreciated and help us to share the Love of Christ.

Our last outdoor summer Family Worship at 9:00 a.m. will be next Sunday, September 5 (Labor Day Weekend, weather permitting). The Saturday 5:30 and Sunday 10:45 services continue in our beautiful, air-conditioned sanctuary.

WELCOME BACK, CONCORDIA! Classes begin on Monday, August 30, and we ask God's blessings on all of the students, faculty and staff at Concordia, especially those who are new to the campus and are still getting adjusted. Please also note that **Pastor Minnix will be installed as Campus Pastor on Tuesday, August 31, at 10:45 as part of the Opening Service.** Members of the congregation are cordially invited to attend.

RALLY DAY WEEKEND "Plus" will take place on Sept. 11-12. Our annual kick-off for Christian education is going to be enhanced this year with the addition of a special 9/11 remembrance and the installation of Pastor Minnix as Associate Pastor at VLC. Please join us in worship as we thank God for His blessings and rededicate ourselves to His mission:

Saturday, Sept. 11 - 9/11 Remembrance at 5:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 11 - Good News Christian Coffee House at 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 12 - Sunday School start-up and faculty/staff installations at 9:00 & 10:45 a.m.

Sunday, Sept. 12 - Installation of Rev. Roy Minnix as Associate Pastor at 4:00 p.m.

The next **Good News Christian Coffee House** will be held at VLC on **Saturday, September 11, 2010**, featuring HIS (Diane and Doreen). The Coffee House opens at 7 p.m. with gourmet coffee and pastries, and the concert begins at 7:30 p.m. Cost is \$10/Adults, \$5 Students. Children \$3 (ages 5-12).

MISSING ITEM - Have you seen them?? If so, please contact Kim Rapillo in the church office at 914-337-0207, x 1003 or Kgrap@vlc-ny.org:

- **Several of the fabric burgundy tablecloths** are missing from the closet in the MPR. They are needed for fellowship events and the monthly Coffee House.

MUSIC MINISTRY - We look forward to having all of our musical ensembles back in action and invite you to join us in making music this year. There is a group for every age level and many different ways to share your talents in worship. Come and help us praise God "With One Heart":

Youth Choir - Thursdays at 7:00 p.m., beginning Sept. 16

Chancel Choir - Thursdays at 8:00 p.m., beginning Sept. 16

High School Choir - Sundays at 10:15 a.m., beginning Sept. 19

Village Bells - Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m., beginning Sept. 29

Village Brass - Rehearsals TBD (contact Director George Heath)

FaithWalk - Rehearsals begin in October

Wednesday Bible Study will reconvene on **Sept. 15 at 10:45 a.m.** in the Friendship Room. We will review some of the major themes and characteristics of Isaiah (to knock out the cobwebs!) and then continue with chapter 54.

Women's Bible Study/LWML - Begins on Saturday, September 18, 2010 and will be held the third Saturday of every month September through May from **8:30 - 10:30 a.m.** Coffee and juice will be provided. Please bring a breakfast item to share. Women worry a lot. Imagine what your life would be like without worry. With *Calm My Anxious Heart* by Linda Dillow, you can find encouragement and practical help to let go of your anxiety and experience the contentment that comes from trusting God. The book is now available for sale (\$15) from the Piano Bookstore. Please read chapter 1 for our first meeting. Join Deacon Wendy Haddad and Sharon Peterson for bible study, breakfast and fellowship. Questions, please call Deacon Wendy 914-391-9356.

PRAYER SERVICES are held regularly on the last Saturday of the month. Beginning at 6:30 p.m. (after the regular Saturday service), these brief moments for meditation & prayer offer personal prayers at the altar and the ancient tradition of anointing with oil. **The next service is Sat., September 25, at 6:30 p.m.**

Deacon training classes begin Tuesday, September 28 at 7:30 p.m. Call Pastor Hartwell at 914-337-0207 (1022) for additional information.

New at the Piano Honor Bookstore in the Friendship Room: "The Boy Who Came Back from Heaven" (dvd); Reflections on the Movies; The Soul of the Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe; Our Song: Meditations on Love and Marriage and lots of Bible Coloring Books for children. Check it out!

Join our PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY. A Prayer Shawl is knitted or crocheted and given to persons who are ill, have suffered a loss, or are in the midst of a crisis. For information, please contact Shawl Coordinator, Erika Doherty, at 914-337-1080 or see the pamphlets in the Tract Rack, in the Narthex of the church.

Mite boxes are still being collected on the piano in the MPR. So if you can, you might want to stop inside and pick one up! The LWML appreciates every contribution. Keep cool and God Bless!

Lutheran World Relief Parish Project - School Kits! Remember the Health Kits we supplied Lutheran World Relief last winter for Haiti and other countries? On a much smaller scale we would like to supply School Kits this fall for children around the world through Lutheran World Relief's School Kit program. Haiti will be a new recipient of School Kits this year. If you can help out, please see the special bulletin insert with the shopping list of school supplies needed. This is the perfect time of year to shop with many local stores stocked with supplies at good value prices. For as little as \$10 you can get all the supplies on the list. **We will collect until the end of September.** Please place in the white bin marked SCHOOL KITS in the reception area. A sample completed kit is there for you to see. As kits are completed with hand-made cloth bags throughout the fall months, we will ship them out with the help of LWML ladies. Because these kits need machine sewn cloth bags, if you or someone you know sews, please contact Sharon Peterson (SimpkinP@aol.com or 914-337-3202 x 1007) for details. **A special THANK YOU** to the ladies who last Sunday stepped forward and offered to sew bags. **A thank you too** for the total of \$90 received from members to purchase school kit supplies. 12 kits were purchased. Sponsored by the VLC Women's Bible Study.

STEWARDSHIP NEWS

Stewardship Appeal 2010 - 2011: The Lifestyle of Faithful Stewards. A life of stewardship is a life characterized by receiving God's grace through Word & Sacraments and then freely sharing what God has first given us. Prayerfully consider how you might live the lifestyle of a faithful steward for the praise and glory of our Lord. Bring your Commitment Form with you to church, drop it off in the church office or return it in the envelope enclosed in the Stewardship Appeal you received by mail.

If God's grace is our power source to live as God-leasing stewards, love is the basis. *"We love because He first loved us"* (1 John 4:19). Love begins with God. We can love Him and others because He first loved us. God is love, and He loves us more than our minds can imagine. *"For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life"* (John 3:16). What greater love can be received than that Jesus laid down His life for sinful people like us?

The Simply Giving Program - Just as you rely upon receiving income on a regular basis, Village Lutheran Church relies upon your regular contributions. Village Lutheran Church deeply appreciates the efforts of congregation members to make consistent donations throughout the year. To assist you, the church provides a convenient electronic giving option for setting up regular contributions: This program is offered by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Contact Jeanette Van Duyne (914) 337-0207, x1040.

FELLOWSHIP NEWS

New Church Family Pictorial Directory - A directory is a very valuable tool that helps everyone to place names with faces and enhances the sense of fellowship. The Fellowship Action Group has invited Lifetouch Church Directories to produce a Church Family Album for us. Each participating family will receive a complimentary 8 x 10 portrait and a FREE Church Family Album. All we need to make our new directory a success is you! Whether you are single, a couple or family with children, please help by scheduling a sitting for the directory. Remember: The more members photographed, the more useful our directory will be. **Photos will be taken at church from Wednesday, Sept. 15 through Saturday, Sept. 18.** Outside photos may also be submitted by those unable to attend the photo shoot.

Sign up for an appointment now (Saturdays after the 5:30 p.m. service or on Sundays after the 9 a.m. service & before and after the 10:45 a.m. service). Sign-ups will run each Saturday & Sunday until the photo date. You can also sign-up online at www.vlc-ny.org and click on the link on the Home Page. Questions, call the church office 914-337-0207 x 1003.

Fellowship Social Luncheon on Sunday, September 26, 2010 at 12:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. Mix & Mingle with the leaders of our church's various ministries. We will give an overview and discuss the various ministries at VLC. For additional information contact Event Chair Chuck Horvath at Chuck.Horvath@americas.ing.com for call Morris Mayer (914) 906-3323. **Please fill out the sign-up sheet if you are interested.**

On Sunday, October 3, 2010, a hike is planned of all ages in the nearby Hudson Valley. We leave the church at 12:15 and will return by 6:00. Bring a lunch, shoes adequate for moderate hiking, and something to drink. Please call Dick Forliano at 914-725-8035 or e-mail him at clancy5@optonline.net if you are interested.

PARISH HEALTH NEWS

Health tip from your Parish Health Practitioner Joy Elwell - Listening to music while exercising is proven to extend your workout. But most people set their iPod (or other music player) too high, which results in hearing loss. As a rule, set the volume on your music player no higher than 70% of the maximum volume. If you are going to be listening for longer than 30 minutes, set it no higher than 50% of the maximum volume.

St. Monica's Circle: St. Monica (b.333, d.387), the mother of St. Augustine, is a patron saint of mothers. A caring initiative for families growing through childbirth and adoption, St. Monica's Circle will provide 5 meals to benefit the growing family.

If you are expecting a child through pregnancy or adoption, please notify the church office at 337-0207 when your child is expected to come home, so that we may coordinate volunteers.

AED: Village Lutheran Church and The Chapel School have three **Automated External Defibrillators (AED)** located on each level of our campus: by the lunchroom, outside the gym and outside the sanctuary (in the closet marked AED) in the Friendship Room. These life saving devices are easy to use in the event that someone on our campus experiences distress and their heart stops beating.

Lutheran Counseling Center provides caring, Christian professional counseling right on our campus. Under LCC's Membership Assistance Program (MAP), VLC members & friends can access these services at the rate of only \$25 per session (for up to 4 sessions). Major health care insurance companies reimburse for LCC services and LCC uses a sliding scale. Call Pastor Hartwell at 337-0207 (1022).

SENIORS NEWS

On **Tuesday, September 14** at 11:30 a.m. we will kick off the fall season with our annual picnic at the Wartburg, Mt. Vernon. Our September event is always a great way to ease back into fall activities and events after a relaxing summer. **Sign up on the tear-off sheet today or call Charlotte Vogt at 914-793-1264.**

SOCIAL MINISTRY NEWS

The **Blessing Basket** collection will continue under the piano in the Friendship Room. Non-perishable items will be taken to ECAP.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

There will be a **Sunday School staff meeting** on **Tuesday, September 7th at 7:30 p.m.** in the Multi-Purpose Room. **Please sign up on the tear-off sheet if you plan to attend.**

The VLC is looking for Sunday School teachers for the fall. Teachers Needed: Teachers Needed: Nursery 3 & 4, Kindergarten and a co-teacher for 2nd grade. Teachers must be in High School or older. Contact the church office or fill out the tear-off if you would like to be contacted to serve. Call 914-337-0207 (1003).

YOUTH NEWS

Voyagers (3rd-6th) - Meetings are held from 6 - 7 p.m. on Thursdays. The next meeting will be on **September 16, 2010**. Questions, call Erika (914)395-1954 or e-mail tyandbash@aol.com.

Lifers (7th-8th) - On Thursday evening, Sept. 16 at 6 p.m., the Village Lutheran Church's Confirmation program will begin with a brief orientation meeting for children, parents and caregivers. It is open to all community members and provides weekly Christian education programming for students in grade 7 and 8 leading to The Rite of Confirmation (in the spring of the 8th grade year). Cost for the program is \$125 and includes a weekend winter retreat for the students (and interested parent chaperones) in January each year. Confirmation/CCD is held Thursday evenings from 6-7 p.m. Contact Kate Porter at Kporter@VLC-NY.org or at 914-337-0207 for more information.

Crusaders (9th-12th) - Are you bummed that you missed the Lifer/Crusader Youth Group trip to Lake Compounce? Well, here's your second chance! The trip to Lake Compounce Amusement and Water Park has been rescheduled for Friday, September 3rd from 9 a.m. - 11 p.m. Admission to the park for the whole day is \$35 and that includes all you can drink soda all day long! Please RSVP to kporter@vlc-ny.org by August 29th if your interested in coming along on this fun packed day. (Adult drivers will be needed for this trip. Contact Kate Porter 914-337-0207 x 1039 for more information.) **Sign up on the tear-off sheet.**

Come experience a "Taste of New Orleans" with the Crusader youth who attended the 2010 National LCMS Youth Gathering. **See** pictures of the Gathering, **Hear** music and praise from the events. **Listen** to youth as they share memories, and **Taste** a little Cajun Cuisine. On **Saturday, September 18** from **6 - 8 p.m.** in the MultiPurpose Room. Come join us in reliving the Gathering. **Please RSVP** to kporter@vlc-ny.org or on the sign-up sheet by **Sept. 5**.

Don't miss the Crusaders encore presentation of a "Taste of New Orleans" in all worship services the weekend of **September 25 & 26**. During the services, see for yourself the fun and fellowship that was shared by friends at the 2010 National LCMS Youth Gathering. Contact Kporter@VLC-NY.org or at 914-337-0207 for more information.

CHAPEL SCHOOL NEWS

Community Night at Blue Moon Mexican Café, Bronxville NY, 11:30 a.m. - 9:00 p.m. for **The Chapel School** on **Tuesday, August 31, 2010**. Please use a printed coupon (enclosed in the bulletin) and 20% of your bill (excluding tax and gratuity) will be donated to The Chapel School.

Save the Date: The 10th Annual Chapel School Golf Outing on **Monday, Oct. 4, 2010** at Leewood Golf Club.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Eastchester Senior Citizens Cruising on the Italian lines ship "Poesia" from New York on **Wednesday, September 22 through Saturday, October 2, 2010**. Port of calls - Sydney Canada, Prince Edward Island, Quebec, Halifax & Newport. Cabins range \$1430 - \$1880. Including cancellation insurance. Complete itinerary available at the Senior Center at Lake Isle. For more information call (914) 337-0390.

Mill Neck Manor's Fall Harvest Festival - Saturday, October 9 & Sunday, October 10, 2010 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Two days of excitement over Columbus Day weekend, filled with activities and bushels of fun! Treat your family to a beautiful day on our 86-acre campus, dressed in Autumn's most gorgeous colors. For more information call (516) 922-4100 or www.millneck.org.

PARTICIPANTS IN THE SERVICES

Assisting Ministers:	5:30 p.m.	Deacon Ann Terenzio
	9:00 a.m.	Deacon Faith Forliano
	10:45 a.m.	George Pietarinen
Organist:	5:30 p.m.	Deborah Reiss
	9:00 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.	Deborah Reiss
Lectors:	5:30 p.m.	Andrea Maxeiner
	9:00 a.m.	Ralph Schoene
	10:45 a.m.	Paul Grand Pre
Children's Bible Story	9:00 a.m.	Sarah Gleason
Comm. Assts:	5:30 p.m.	Andrea Maxeiner
	9:00 a.m.	Ralph Schoene
	10:45 a.m.	Paul Grand Pre
Youth Wor. Assts:	5:30 p.m.	Kaitlyn Gotte
	9:00 a.m.	Andrew Snyder
	10:45 a.m.	Luke Geiling
Ushers:	5:30 p.m.	Chuck Horvath
	9:00 a.m.	Deacon Betty Roberts
	10:45 a.m.	Mickie Hover, Dan Chao, Carol Raff, Robert Hehn
Altar Guild:	5:30 p.m.	Deacon Ann Terenzio
	9:00 a.m.	Deacon Betty Roberts
	10:45 a.m.	Deacon Intern Joan Condon, Joan Deery
Altar Flowers:		Kim Rapillo
Child Care:		Jennifer Pinto
Sexton:		Hannah Geiling

NEXT WEEK IN WORSHIP

<i>SAT., Sep. 4, 2010</i>	<i>5:30 p.m.</i> Spoken Divine Service (Sanctuary)
<i>SUN., Sep. 5, 2010</i>	<i>9:00 a.m.</i> Family Service with Holy Communion (Great Porch)
	<i>10:45 a.m.</i> Worship Service with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

LESSONS:	Deuteronomy 30:15-20
	Philemon 1-21
	Luke 14:25-33

Stewardship Update

Amount received last week: \$3,162

Amount received to date: \$42,408

Amount needed to date: \$54,920

\$6,865 average weekly need to meet our 10-11 commitment

Have you been away this summer? Please catch up your giving so we can meet our needs.

2010 -2011 Stewardship Pledge Report

62 pledges totaling \$188,485.00 Received to Date!

Please hand your Stewardship Pledge card to the usher during the offering or you may place it in the wicker basket by the Jesus Fountain as we dedicate our commitments to God.

Additional Pledge cards are available at the Tract Rack.

Proverbs 25:6-7

⁶Do not put yourself forward in the king's presence or stand in the place of the great; ⁷for it is better to be told, "Come up here," than to be put lower in the presence of a noble.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16

¹Let mutual love continue. ²Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. ³Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured. ⁴Let marriage be held in honor by all, and let the marriage bed be kept undefiled; for God will judge fornicators and adulterers. ⁵Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have; for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." ⁶So we can say with confidence, "The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can anyone do to me?" ⁷Remember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way of life, and imitate their faith. ⁸Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.... ¹⁵Through him, then, let us continually offer a sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of lips that confess his name. ¹⁶Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

¹On one occasion when Jesus was going to the house of a leader of the Pharisees to eat a meal on the sabbath, they were watching him closely.... ⁷When he noticed how the guests chose the places of honor, he told them a parable. ⁸"When you are invited by someone to a wedding banquet, do not sit down at the place of honor, in case someone more distinguished than you has been invited by your host; ⁹and the host who invited both of you may come and say to you, 'Give this person your place,' and then in disgrace you would start to take the lowest place. ¹⁰But when you are invited, go and sit down at the lowest place, so that when your host comes, he may say to you, 'Friend, move up higher'; then you will be honored in the presence of all who sit at the table with you. ¹¹For all who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted." ¹²He said also to the one who had invited him, "When you give a luncheon or a dinner, do not invite your friends or your brothers or your relatives or rich neighbors, in case they may invite you in return, and you would be repaid. ¹³But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, and the blind. ¹⁴And you will be blessed, because they cannot repay you, for you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Luke 14:1, 7-14