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INFORMATION ~ DIRECTORY

Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Church School Activities 10:00 a.m.

David Lindsey, Minister
John Slothower, Associate Minister
Peggy Swalm, Choir Director
Jay Bruns, Organist
Ashley Anderson, Youth Director
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The Lynnhurst Voice

June 2011

Youth Sunday
Sunday, June 5, 2011
Confirmation
Sunday, June 12, 2011
Annual Meeting
Sunday, June 19, 2011
11:15 a.m.

You are welcome here!

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From The Minister...

Grace and peace to you!

The weather is unseasonably cool here at the moment, but summer is definitely coming. The spring blossoms are largely gone and daylight stretches deep into the evening. Open houses for high school graduates are on their way, and the school year is coming to its exciting conclusion!

This June brings several moments of excitement in worship at Lynnhurst. On June 5th, we will celebrate the children and youth in our midst. We'll be giving Bibles to our second graders; we'll be celebrating our graduates; and our youth will take on major leadership in worship. On June 12th, we will confirm several of our young people into membership in the church on Pentecost Sunday. In a truly special moment, I'll be assisting in worship on the 12th as we welcome Bishop Eliezer Pascua to our pulpit. Bishop Pascua has served as the executive of the United Church of Christ in the Philippines, and his presence at Lynnhurst is truly an honor for us. And on Sunday, June 19th, we'll be receiving new members into our fellowship before we have our congregation's Annual Meeting.

From Monday, June 20th, through Friday, July 8th, I will be in Chicago for my first round of classes in my Doctor of Ministry in preaching. This is an exciting time for me, as I'll be studying a variety of aspects of preaching (including scriptural interpretation, African-American preaching traditions, and the use of narrative from the pulpit). During my time away, our associate minister Rev. John Slothower will be providing pastoral coverage and overseeing worship on June 26th and July 3rd. Thank you all for your support of my continuing educational journey!

We wrap up another year in our church's life on June 30th, and in the coming year, we will be exploring some exciting new frontiers. This fall, for example, we will be doing some prayerful reflection about how best to organize ourselves in order to live out God's call for our congregational life. As we do so, I encourage you to begin prayerfully considering where God might be calling us as we enter our second century here at Lynnhurst. With 100+ years of momentum to our ministry, I am confident in all that God is unfolding before us in the years to come. May we be open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, that we may be ever-more faithful disciples with each passing year.

In Christ's peace,
David



LYNNHURST ANNUAL MEETING

Save the date for Lynnhurst's annual meeting on Sunday, June 19, following the church service. As we do every year in June, we will be reviewing and approving a budget for next year and electing church officers and committee members. The Church Council met on Tuesday, May 17 at 7:00 p.m. and will meet again on Tuesday, June 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the lounge

FAITH IN ACTION

2011 MN CONFERENCE OF THE UCC ANNUAL MEETING



Contact: Alison Bents, Minnesota Conference United Church of Christ, 612-871-0359 - alisonb@uccmn.org. When: Friday June 10, 2011 at 1:00 PM CDT -to- Sunday June 12, 2011 at 12:00 PM CDT. Where: College of St. Benedict, 37 College Avenue South, St Joseph, MN 5637

GRADUATES



If you know of a Lynnhurst member graduating from High School, College or Graduate School this spring, please contact the Church Office TODAY! We want to recognize them all at the June 5th Service.

DISASTER RELIEF



Recent tornadoes and floods have devastated communities in Minnesota and throughout the country. The need is great and a variety of groups have mobilized to help. If you would like to donate, you can head to: https://secure3.convio.net/ucc/site/Donation2?df_id=2141&2141.donation=form1 or write a check to Lynnhurst with the phrase *US Spring Storms Appeal* in the memo line. In any case, please hold the folks in these communities in your thoughts and prayers in the coming days.

LYNNHURST BOOK CLUB



The Book Club will meet at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, June 9 discussing *The Rape of Europa* by Lynn Nicholas, winner of the National Book Critics Circle Award. This non-fiction story reads like a thriller, telling of the fate of Europe's art treasures during the Third Reich and the Second World War. There is also a documentary film with the same title telling this story available at the library or through Netflix. We will be meeting at Joyce Prudden's home (contact the Church Office for directions). Please join us! Everyone is welcome. Call if you have questions: Carolyn Parsons or Jean McGuire.

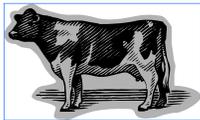


FAITH EXPLORATION

The Faith Exploration Group will meet on June 18 at 8 a.m. in the Sewing Room to discuss *Driftless* by David Rhodes. Published by Milkweed Press, the novel is about a town left behind by the "march of time." Rhodes won the Milkweed National Fiction Prize. All are welcome at this potluck breakfast with coffee provided.

HEIFER PROJECT REMINDER

A reminder to all parents of Lynnhurst kids that the Heifer Project fund-raising activities have concluded and money is due! We will announce what animals each class is buying during our Sunday School Finale Celebration on June 5. Help our kids feed families in need – thanks!



ATTENTION FACEBOOK USERS!

As we all know, Lynnhurst folks are very engaged in the world around them, from music and art, politics, social justice, faith exploration, family activities, hobbies and more. The **Lynnhurst Church Facebook** page is another opportunity for us to communicate, share and discuss ideas related to spirituality and our lives together. Of course, people at Lynnhurst are notoriously shy and unopinionated . . . NOT! You can access the Facebook page through this link: www.facebook.com/home.php#!/pages/Lynnhurst-Congregational-UCC-Church/87782114561; or search for Lynnhurst Congregational UCC Church. Once you're there, click on "Like". You can post videos, photos, and links to interesting or relevant sites or start a discussion thread. If you have suggestions for topics, please contact Rev. Lindsey. See you on Facebook!

THE MUSIC AND ARTS BOARD PRESENTS ARTIST ANNA MILLER

Her exhibit, "Alter Ego" will be on display in the Fellowship Hall Art Gallery from May 22nd through July 16th. Anna Miller is a Twin Cities artist who works mainly in acrylic, ink, watercolor, and oil pastel. Highly influenced by comic books, fashion photography, Frida Kahlo, and her own inner turmoil, she has developed a style of colorful self reflection with a twist. In describing her process, Anna states, "For me, painting can be a form of therapy where I can do and say whatever I want. It's an intimate catharsis where images and colors spill freely onto the canvas and it's my job as an artist to collect and arrange these ideas to form a finished, cohesive piece of art that others can relate to. My paintings are very particular to me, but my struggles are not unique. When someone else finds their own personal meaning in one of my paintings, that's when I know I've succeeded."



YOUTH FUNDRAISER

Car Wash on June 4 from 10 - 2 at Bethlehem Lutheran Church (4100 Lyndale Avenue South, Minneapolis). Help support the TRUST Youth going to DC and get your Car Washed! (Raindate June 11) Every Sunday you have an opportunity to hear about what the Youth are going to be doing on the Mission Trip and other Fundraisers coming up. Look for the Colorful Sign pointing the way to The Mission Trip Table. You also have the opportunity to support the Lynnhurst Youth going on the Trip. Purchase stock to invest in their experience of this trip. For people who have purchased stock there will be a Stockholder's Luncheon at St. John's Lutheran Church on Sunday, September 18.

LYNNHURST YOUTH FLY TO WASHINGTON, D.C.

In late July, six Lynnhurst Youth will join thirty-five youth from five TRUST churches in flying to Washington DC for a Faith and Advocacy Trip. The faith portion of this trip includes exploring other religions and denominations. We will visit a mosque and the National Cathedral. We will also worship at a Shabbat service and a large church called Church of the Savior. Church of the Savior is a congregation that is very active in social justice issues. We will visit with Senators Amy Klobuchar and Al Franken as well as Congressman Keith Ellison. Not only do we hope to find out what these Minnesotans are doing but also what our denominations are lobbying for by meeting with Representatives from UCC and ELCA churches. We will be touring the city and visiting the Smithsonian, Holocaust Museum, Arlington Cemetery and many other sites. We hope to learn from other traditions and to advocate for what we are passionate about.



PILGRIM POINT CAMP NEWS

Are you itching to get out of the hustle and bustle of city life? Want to spend a little time reflecting on God? Eager to get out to the lake and just be in nature? Pilgrim Point on Lake Ida may just be the place for you! There are several camps happening this year. Here's a list of them:

- Quilt Retreat: June 16-19
- Senior High Weeks: June 11-17; July 31- August 6
- Middle School Week: June 18-23; July 10-16
- Children's Week: June 24-27; June 27-30
- Cross-Generation Week: June 30-July 2
- Family Camp: July 17-22; August 7-12
- Men's Retreat: September 9-11
- Women's Retreat: September 16-18

For more information, go to www.pilgrimpoint.org. Happy camping!





LYNNHURST CAR CAMPING

We're all set! This year we will be going to Gooseberry Falls State Park July 21st through July 24th, Thursday through Sunday. We have a group site with its own private beach on Lake Superior. The site holds up to 50 people. Vault toilets and drinking water are available by the parking area. The park also hosts multiple alternatives to tent camping. Besides the awesome, not to be missed pot luck on Saturday evening, the North shore offers many different activities, shops, and points of interest. We would like to extend an invitation to one and all on this trip, and look forward to seeing everyone. For any other questions please email Derek Nord.

BWCA TRIP SIGN UP

Now that spring has arrived, it's time to plan one of our Lynnhurst summer traditions – the Boundary Waters canoe trip. We have reservations for August 6-9, going in at the Lake One entry near Ely. We made two group reservations, meaning we'll have room for up to 18 campers. We'll use the Canoe Country outfitters in Ely for canoes and rooms for the night before (Friday, August 5). If you are interested in coming, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. We especially welcome any of you who have never been on a canoe camping trip to consider it. We car pool to the location, share notes on packing and cooking lists, rent canoes for everyone, and paddle into the campsite together, making it an easy way for newbies to learn the ropes! Early August has been an ideal time for both weather and lack of bugs (knock on wood). If you have questions, please call Douglas Meisner.



CALLING ALL MUSICIANS AND SINGERS!

Are You Musically Talented? As in the past, the Music and Arts Board invites members and friends to volunteer their talents and provide musical offerings to the summer services. A Flyer and sign-up calendar will soon be handed out and posted on the message board in the Lounge.



KEEP THINKING THREE

Think Three Sunday continues to be a monthly opportunity to donate to the local food shelf. Local food shelves need your help all year long! Here is how it works: on the third Sunday of every month we ask people to bring in three food items or a cash donation to help those in need. Of course you're not limited to three food items; it just becomes an easy way of remembering. So Think Three on June 17!



FLOWERS ON THE COMMUNION TABLE

The flower sign-up sheet is posted outside the church office. Now is the time to sign up to sponsor flowers on Sundays for your special occasions and remembrances. Flowers cost \$33.00 and are yours to take home after the service. Flower sponsors needed June 12 and 19; July 3, 10, 24 and 31; all of August.

COFFEE HOUR

Hosts are needed each Sunday following our worship service. Besides the good company spent in fellowship with one another, the proceeds on the 2nd and 3rd Sundays of each month are given to Loaves & Fishes and Sabathani, so consider this another opportunity to donate your time to these valuable causes! Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lounge or contact the office at 612-827-6157.



Hosts are needed throughout the summer.

GIVE THE GIFT OF INDEPENDENCE!

You can help Meals on Wheels by volunteering to deliver meals in your neighborhood once a week or once a month. It only takes about an hour to bring a hot meal and a warm greeting to homebound individuals who currently cannot prepare meals on their own. Please consider donation your lunch hour and give the gift of independence. Contact TRUST Meals on Wheels at 612-822-6040.

DUANE A. LOOKINGBILL INSTALLATION

Northeast Association Iowa Conference United Church of Christ – Service of Installation - Sunday, 19 June 2011 at 3:30 P.M. Osage United Church of Christ, 630 State Street, Osage, Iowa 50461. By instruction of the Committee On Ministry, this is a special notice and invitation to all members of the Northeast Association for the purpose of installing **The Reverend Duane A. Lookingbill** as Pastor of the Osage United Church of Christ on Sunday, 19 June 2011 at 3:30 P.M. 641-732-3452 (osageucc@osage.net or lookingbill@osage.net).



PRAYER LIST

The Diaconate would like to remember those who may be hospitalized, recovering from surgery, have a relative or friend in the military or other circumstance, by creating a prayer list as part of our weekly bulletin. Please contact Jo in the church office by Wednesday morning to have your information in the following Sunday bulletin or weekly e-news.





USHERS

When a visitor comes to our Church, the ushers are often the first people that the visitor meets. They give that very critical, welcoming first impression. There is hardly a more important role to be played. If you would be interested in participating as an usher, please add your name to

the sign-up sheet in the lounge.



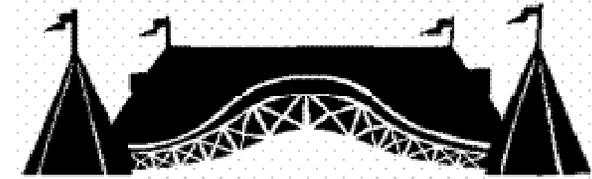
5K//10K// TO BENEFIT TRUST PARISH NURSING AND WALKER METHODIST

Join us on Saturday, June 11 at the Lake Harriet Band Shell – 8 a.m. registration, 9 a.m. 10K starts, 9:05 a.m. 5K starts. Preregister by June 4 or the day of the race. For more information and entry fees go to <http://www.active.com>. Click on “find an event.” Or call TRUST for a registration (612-827-6159). Questions? Call Leah Rice 612-827-8361 or email lrice@walkermethodist.org. *Complimentary race t-shirt, chip timing and refreshments.*

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH PEW POSTCARDS

Pew postcards are available in the pews. The postcard offers an opportunity for congregation members to keep in touch with one another, especially with someone who has been absent from Church due to illness or other circumstance. Feel free to write a note to a Lynnhurst member or friend and place it in the offering plate or drop it off at the Church office. The postcard will be addressed and stamped and mailed from the office.

Please take advantage of this wonderful way to “keep in touch”.



LAKE HARRIET BANDSHELL SERVICES CELEBRATING SUMMER SUNDAYS at 10 AM

May 29	Judson Memorial Baptist
June 5	Richfield United Methodist
June 12	Good Shepherd
June 19	Lake Harriet UMC
June 26	Christ the King/St. Thomas the Apostle
July 3	St. John’s Lutheran Church
July 10	Lake Harriet Spiritual Community
July 17	Bethlehem Lutheran Church
July 24	Spirit Garage
July 31	Knox Presbyterian
August 7	Linden Hills UCC
August 14	First Universalist Church
August 21	Lynnhurst UCC
August 28	St. Joan of Arc
September 4	Mount Olivet

HAPPY BIRTHDAY GREETINGS!

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE



JULY NEWSLETTER

Information is due in the church office by noon on Friday, June 17th.

LYNNHURST WEEKLY E-NEWS

The e-News update is sent out at 1 p.m. every Thursday. Information to be included is due before 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

SUNDAY BULLETIN

The Sunday Bulletin is printed Thursday afternoon. Information for the bulletin insert is due in the church office before 2 p.m. on Wednesday.

Happy Birthday greetings to the following Lynnhurst members and friends who are celebrating their birthdays in June:

June:

4	Cordelia Johnson
4	Michael Kosse
5	Andrew Erstad
5	William Olson
6	DeEtte Theisen
7	Maura Barbour
7	Cheryl Brockman
12	Steve Wold
14	Jean Larson
14	Crosby Reisch
14	Maren Peterson
15	Eric Erstad
16	Paul Olson
18	Eric O'Connell
19	MacKenzie Doyle
19	Becky Kruse
21	Lori Nicol
24	Andrea Rauser
27	Cortney Mills
28	Bill Cutler

Please call the church office at 612-827-6157 or e-mail church.office@lynnhurstucc.org with any missed birthdays.

June 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 12pm Piano Tuning	2	3	4 <i>TRUST Youth Carwash (rain date June 11)</i>
5 — <i>Youth Sunday</i> — 10am Worship and Church School—Youth Choirs	6	7 9:30am Bible Study <i>Committee reports due in office</i>	8 7:30pm Adult Choir Rehearsal	9 7pm Book Club (Prudden)	10 <i>June 10-12—UCC MN annual meeting at St. Ben's in St Joseph, MN</i>	11
12 — <i>Confirmation Sunday</i> — 10am Worship & Communion <i>Coffee Donations to Loaves & Fishes</i>	13	14 9:30am Bible Study 7pm Church Council	15	16	17 2pm Betty Martin Memorial	18 8am Faith Exploration
19 — <i>Father's Day</i> — 10am Worship 11:15am Lynnhurst Annual Congregational Meeting <i>THINK 3 & Coffee Donations to Sabbathani</i>	20 <i>Rev. Lindsey in Chicago (June 20-July 8)</i>	21 9:30am Bible Study <i>Newsletter Articles Due in Office</i>	22	23	24	25
26 10am Worship	27	28 9:30am Bible Study	29	30		