

News & Notes

December 25—31, 2011

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church
763-391-6140

ALL-CHURCH CORNER

Interested in Being a Snow Blower?

CEAP is in need of snow blowers for its Senior Chores Program. \$15 per hour. Must be 18 years of age or older. For more information, or questions, please call Diane at 763-450-3667. There is a flyer posted in the back hall display case.

Reminder About Second Harvest

We will not hold a food giveaway in December. Mark your calendar for January 27, 2012.

2012 Calendars For Sale

The Student Ministries is selling beautiful calendars for just \$6.00. Be sure to stop by the Kiosk in the Foyer to purchase yours today. Support our youth!

Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers are caring people who have received training to walk alongside you in a confidential way during your time of crisis. If you are experiencing grief, job loss, difficult family/work relationships, depression or other tough issues, you may request a Stephen Minister. Call the Church Office at 763-391-6140 to talk with Pastor Dan (ext. 12) or Theron Fraser (ext. 26).

Congratulations to . . .

- Ryan and Heather Bittle on the birth of a son, Blake Andrew, born December 12, 2011.
- Ryan and Kelly Sturges on the birth of a son, Austin Lee, born December 14, 2011.

Cookbooks

Church cookbooks are available for \$10. Stop by the Information Desk.

Please Let Us Know

Please fill out a Prayer Card or notify someone in the Church Office if there is a birth/death in your family, if someone is hospitalized, or if someone is having surgery.

Extra Offering Envelopes?

If you don't use the offering envelope found in the Bulletin, please drop it off in the basket at the Information Desk—we'll reuse it! Thanks.



CARE MINISTRIES

Parish Nurse, Judy Petersen
Ext. 30, jpetersen@bpafc.org

Deliver Gifts

Joni and Friends has again provided us with gifts this year for those in our congregation who deal with chronic illness, being shut in, and other health issues. Please help us deliver these gifts at your convenience. Pick them up TODAY at the Care Ministries Kiosk.

'Tis the Season to Pass Viral Infections

There have been recent outbreaks of Norovirus across Minnesota. Early symptom identification is needed (onset of nausea, vomiting and diarrhea) as well as vigilant attention to infection control measures. That is essential to reduce the risk of transmission. Infection control consists of hand-washing with soap and water, and disinfecting surfaces that come in contact with bodily fluid. May you have a HEALTHY and MERRY CHRISTMAS.



YOUNG ADULTS

(Ages 18—20—Somethings)

Pastor Josh Major, Ext. 14

20—30 Somethings ABF

Join us Sundays from 9:00—10:15 AM in Room 112/113. Enjoy breakfast, fellowship, prayer and a study before the 10:30 AM Celebration Service. (Focus: Parenting)



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Pastor David Durey, Ext. 13
Barbara Sweany, Leader

Mom's Group

Moms of kids ages birth—high school are invited for a time of fellowship, a short devotional, and connecting with other moms. Join us on Tuesday, January 3, at 6:30 PM, in Room 108/109. Nursery is available for \$3 per child. If you have questions, contact Holly Jenson at 763-424-7677 or hollyjenson@gmail.com.



LIVING PROOF
Student Ministries Pastor
Nate Miller, Ext. 15



**MISSIONARY
OF THE WEEK**

Weekly Events

Living Proof—Sundays, 10:30 AM, Youth Room
Small Groups—Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Youth Room
NOTE: There will be no Youth Group today, December 28 and January 1.

Upcoming Special Events

1/13-14 All Youth Lock-In: 9:00 PM—6:00 AM.
Comedy, Inflatables, Games, Food, Friends & FUN! Who can you invite? Cost: \$20.
1/29 Snow Tubing at Elm Creek
2/17-19 Grades 10—12 Winter Retreat: Have fun at Camp Lebanon.

Lock-In Donations Needed

Don't want to stay up all night and run around with 100 teens? You can still help by donating food items and large cardboard boxes. Stop by the Student Ministries Kiosk to see a list of items needed. Thanks!

Challenge 2012: July 1—6

Sign-up is now open. There are 12 spots available for students Grades 9—12. Hold your spot with a \$50 deposit, due January 1, 2012.

For the current Youth Events, see a Calendar or www.BrooklynParkChurch.org/youth.



Pastor Leane Gondek, Ext. 27
Leanne Klein,
Assistant Director, Ext. 38

TODAY

There will be no classes for children ages 5 through Grade 6 today. We invite all children to attend the main service with their families in the Sanctuary.

New Year's Sunday, January 1

There will be no classes for children in Grades 1—6 at either worship services. We invite all children to attend the main service with their families in the Sanctuary.

Awana Calendar

December 28 — No Awana, Christmas Break
January 4 — Crazy Sock Night

Upward Sports is Almost Here!

Kids—It's not too late to register! Scholarships are still available. Youth & Adults—We still have volunteer positions available, i.e. coaches, greeters, concession stand, host families, referees. We're also still taking scholarships! See Leane Gondek at the Route 252 Kiosk or contact her at the Church Office for details.

Katie Smith

Campus Crusade for Christ—Twin Cities

Winning, Building & Sending College Students in the Twin Cities

Praise God For:

- The 3,515 students who came to our outreach in November. Praise for the 376 college students who prayed to receive Christ that night!

Pray For:

- The follow-up of these 376 students. Pray that they will get plugged into a Bible study and church and that they will walk with the Lord.
- Our regional conference in downtown Minneapolis December 28—January 1, with over 1,500 college students. Pray for them to hear from the Lord, grow in their walks with Him and be changed by Him in four short days. Pray for our speakers (Crawford Loritts, Candice Siewert and Tom Henderson), all others giving seminars, the Day of Outreach to the inner city, and many other elements of the conference. Pray that amidst a busy schedule of fulfilling job responsibilities, that CCC staff will experience and hear from the Lord, as well.
- The evening of December 29 when the students will be challenged to go overseas for a summer or a year. Pray the Lord would use these times to raise up laborers. Eric and I will be leading a time on December 30 to cast vision for students to come to France with us next summer on a summer project. Pray for God to move in students' hearts.
- January 5—13 when I will be in Colorado for a training conference. Pray for safe travels and for God's wisdom and insight as we begin to plan our summer project to France.



**ADULT BIBLE
FELLOWSHIPS**

20—30 Somethings: Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 112/113.
Fall Topic: *Parent Connect*.

Mosaic: Singles/Marrieds, All Ages. Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 108/109.

Salt: Parents of pre-teens through young adults. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 114.

In-Betweeners: Singles/Marrieds, 55+. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 112/113.

Prime Timers: Singles/Marrieds, 70+. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 108/109.