

# News & Notes

## May 8–14, 2011

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church  
763-391-6140

### ALL-CHURCH CORNER

#### **Taste of Brooklyn Park Help Needed**

On Saturday, May 14, to celebrate the many cultures represented in our church, we will be hosting an ethnic food sampling with a Celebration Jam Concert to follow. We are looking for families willing to donate food or time to make this event a success. To help, sign up at the Information Desk or talk with Judy Kadlac or Pastor Jeff.

#### **Attention 2011 Graduates!**

On Sunday, May 22, we will be recognizing high school and college graduates during the services. We are collecting the following information: graduate name, school, future plans, degree, open house plans. Email info to Jena at [jpietari@bpefc.org](mailto:jpietari@bpefc.org), by Wednesday, May 18.

#### **Weekend Fishing Adventure**

Need a weekend away to fish? Join the group heading to Camp Lebanon June 3–5. Everyone is welcome; kids must be accompanied by an adult. For more details, pick up a registration form at the Information Desk.

#### **EFCA Night with the MN Twins**

On Tuesday, June 14, local free churches are heading to Target Field. The church has purchased some tickets. If you are interested in going, please sign up at the Info Desk. Two options are available: Home Run Porch \$19, or Skyline Deck \$28 (very limited number). PAYMENT reserves your tickets. Questions? Talk with Amanda in the Church Office.

#### **Imagine Yourself Debt-Free!**

Our winter *Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace University* class members cut \$56,500 in personal debt and saved over \$24,000! You are invited to attend our next session on Wednesdays from 6:30–8:30 PM, beginning June 8. If you're in debt, you'll learn how to get out and stay out for the rest of your life. But whether you have tons of debt or none at all, this class has something for you.

- **June 1:** Free Class Preview—Learn more about what topics will be discussed.
- **June 8:** Free Lesson #1 "Super Saving" Class

It's not just a money class. It's about learning to manage everything God has given you—His way. Sign up on our church website: [www.BrooklynParkChurch.org](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org) or at the Information Desk. This will be a great event to bring friends and visitors. It's going to be a blast!

#### **Second Harvest Donations**

Each month, we hand out over 35,000 pounds of food to hurting people in our community. With more funds, we could provide better quality food in larger amounts. Please consider giving a donation. Your \$1 gift purchases \$9 worth of food! That means a \$100 gift is like a \$900 gift! On your check memo line, be sure to designate "Second Harvest." Thank you!

#### **Congratulations to . . .**

Timothy and Jennifer Geisinger on the birth of a daughter, Larkin Ruth, born April 26.

#### **Our Sympathy to . . .**

Billy and Kelli Bishop and family on the passing of Kelli's sister.

#### **Need a Gift?**

If you're looking for a graduation or wedding gift, purchase a BPEFC cookbook for just \$10. Stop by the Information Desk today.

#### **Remembering Our Military Family**

A bulletin board is posted in the church to remind us to pray for our service men and women. If you know of someone to include, please contact Laurel Jenson at 763-424-5685 or [laurelaj@comcast.net](mailto:laurelaj@comcast.net).

#### **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 Kiosk—we'll reuse it! Thanks.

#### **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.



#### **CARE MINISTRIES**

Parish Nurse, Judy Petersen  
Ext. 30, [jpetersen@bpefc.org](mailto:jpetersen@bpefc.org)

#### **First Place 4 Health**

This all-new Christ-centered healthy-living program focuses on the four essentials of health and well-being: the mind, emotions, body and spirit. Learn how God calls Christians to be physically fit. Understand the positive effects good nutrition and exercise have on our emotions and spirit. Orientation for new members is May 10 at 7:00 PM. Weekly meetings begin on May 17.

#### **Domestic Violence Conversation**

Domestic Violence is extremely detrimental to our community. The Brooklyn Park Police Department is inviting members of the community to join them Thursday, May 12, from 3:00–6:00 PM at Brooklyn Park City Hall (5200 85<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.) in the fight against domestic violence. The purpose of this meeting is to begin the process of designing and implementing strategies to reduce domestic violence.

#### **May is National Nurses Month**

Take this opportunity to pray for nurses/nursing students—that they will experience God's encouragement as they face challenges and opportunities in caring for others in the name of Jesus. Pray that God would equip and empower them to be Jesus' representatives to those who are experiencing illness.



#### **YOUNG ADULTS**

(Ages 18–20-Something)

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 Worship Service.



**LIVING PROOF**  
Student Ministries Pastor  
Nate Miller, Ext. 15



**MISSIONARIES  
OF THE WEEK**

**Dave and Cathrin Osterhus**

**Jakob and Jana  
EFCM Austria**

**They work with the Austrian youth.**

**Praise God For:**

- Bringing more and more kids to the tutoring ministry and for the “problem” of too little space! Praise God that kids are connecting well with each other and with the leaders!
- Providing all the speakers for English camps.
- LIGHTHOUSE developments and teams, for equipment, monies and help needed to outfit LIGHTHOUSE! Pray for the continuing need for more funds.
- A great family vacation in Vienna, and that our family is healthy and happy together.

**Pray For:**

- The English Camps in Austria this summer (July 5–26 and July 20–August 18). We are in need of English speaking staff. If you would like to help, contact Judy Kadlac at the BPEFC Office.
- God to send us the right counselors, cooks, SWAT team leaders, SWAT teams and youth group for English camps. Pray that God would repeat last year in filling all the beds for all five weeks of camp.
- Our Innsbruck youth groups and children’s ministry. Pray for the leaders already there and for those needed for next year, that the Lord will send the right people to the right groups.
- Our support—for the \$450 that is lacking. We do praise God for the new \$50/month supporter!
- Our evangelistic relationships with neighbors and friends—that people would truly come to Christ.

**Weekly Events**

**Living Proof**—Sundays, 10:30 AM, Youth Room

**Upcoming Special Events**

- 5/8 Mother’s Day Plant Fundraiser TODAY**  
Potted plants available for \$5. Grab one for mom, grandma, or for all the empty pots in your house. This is a great way to support youth missions!
- 5/11 Youth Missions Teams Meeting:** 7:00–8:00 PM.  
Youth Room
- 5/22 Youth Sunday:** Youth will lead worship services in the Sanctuary. *No Living Proof in the YR.* Graduates will be recognized during the services.

**Summer 2011 Brochures**

Pick up a brochure and find out what’s going on this summer! You won’t want to miss out! Return the registration form to save your spot.

**For the current Youth Events, see a Calendar or [www.BrooklynParkChurch.org/youth](http://www.BrooklynParkChurch.org/youth).**



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

**Teaching Help Needed For One Class**

Thanks to those who have stepped forward to teach in the kids’ classes! What a blessing. We are still looking for one more teacher for the **three-year-old class, every other week.** Contact Leanne Klein if you can help.

**Check Out What’s New This Summer!**

Are you getting excited for SUMMER?! Brochures are available today in the foyer! Payment options and transportation are available for some of the events.

**Transportation Help This Summer?**

We may be looking for some helping driving kids to and from activities this summer. If interested, contact Leanne Klein at [lklein@bpefc.org](mailto:lklein@bpefc.org).

**Summer is Right Around the Corner!**

Even though many ministries take a break over the summer, Children’s Ministry does not! We need YOUR HELP in teaching our kids, Ages 2–Grade 6, while the regular school-year teachers take some much deserved time off. Please see the insert in the bulletin and/or sign up by the Fellowship Hall. Questions? Contact Leanne Klein (pre-school) or Leane Gondek (elementary).



**ADULT BIBLE  
FELLOWSHIPS**

**20–30 Somethings:** Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 112/113.

**Mosaic:** Multi-ethnic, multi-generational, for singles and couples. Meets at 9:00 AM, Room 108/109.

**Salt:** Those raising elementary-age children and students Grades 7–12. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 114.

**In-Betweeners:** Singles and couples, 50’s and up. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 112/113.

**Prime Timers:** Senior adults. Meets at 10:30 AM, Room 108/109.

**BPEFC Staff Phone Extensions:**

Amanda Fluth	VM 32	Judy Petersen	30
Carol Carlson	28	Leane Gondek	27
Connie Hafar	24	Leanne Klein	38
Dan Carlson	12	Luke Turner	37
David Durey	13	Nate Miller	15
Jeff Gagnon	22	Receptionist	10
Josh Major	14	Rick Ensrud	11
Joyce Vagle	35	Shannon Trunk	VM 31
Judy Kadlac	23	Theron Fraser	26

