

News & Notes

September 18–24, 2011

Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free Church
763-391-6140

ALL-CHURCH CORNER

Parent Connect

A new class begins TODAY at 9:00 AM, in Room 112/113. *Parent Connect* exists to help parents raise their kids, using Biblical foundations of child-raising. This is for expectant parents through those raising grade school kids. Join us—no need to register.

Host Homes Needed For Homeless Youth

Oasis for Youth, along with a collaboration of many organizations, desires to find safe, stable host homes for homeless students in the Hennepin County area. Informational meetings will be held the week of September 15–22 in various locations. For specifics, visit www.suburbanhosthome.org or call 612-767-4658.

“Sharing Hope in Crisis”

The Billy Graham Rapid Response Team will hold a one-day seminar that will prepare you to respond helpfully and appropriately to hurting people, bringing the love and hope of Christ. Date: September 24. Location: Bethany Church in Bloomington. Cost: \$35. Register/Info: www.billygraham.org/rrt.

Former Brooklyn Park Mayor Memorial

The Brooklyn Park Community Foundation is hosting a Memorial Bike Ride and Stroll in honor of Steve Lampi on October 2. For more information, call 763-561-3607 or visit www.brooklynparkcf.org.

Immediate Lighting/Video Help Needed

Would you be interested in helping during our Sunday morning services, on a rotating basis? Basic computer skills needed. Training will be provided. Talk with Curt Harmon for more information: 763-428-0117.

In-Betweeners ABF Invites You

The ABF is starting a new teaching series, *The Coming Economic Armageddon*, by Dr. David Jeremiah, taught by Randy Russ. Class meets on Sundays at 10:30 AM in Room 112/113, for those ages 55+.

Celebrate Recovery Welcomes You

Do you feel that most people you know have it all together and that you are the only one who doesn't? Is that especially true of those you know at church? Have you ever felt:

- Helpless and hopeless in your circumstances?
- Overwhelmed, and that your life is unmanageable?
- Embarrassed and ashamed that you can't stop_____?
- No one could possibly understand your situation?

You are NOT alone! At *Celebrate Recovery*, there is HOPE and FREEDOM from your hurts, habits and hang-ups. Join us Tuesdays: Dinner at 6:00 PM, Worship at 6:45 PM, Groups at 7:00 PM. Questions? Stop by the table in the Foyer.

Life's Healing Choices

Celebrate Recovery is hosting a study at church on Sundays at 6:00 PM, beginning September 25. If you are looking for freedom from hurts, habits and hang-ups, this study is for you. Sign up in the Foyer today.

Katrina Work Trip This Fall

Trip Dates: October 28–November 5. If you are interested, talk with Scott Mannstedt or Pastor Jeff.

Men's Small Groups

The Tuesday 6:00 AM Bible studies will begin new studies on September 27. Stop by the table in the Foyer to check out the curriculum choices, or talk with Pastor Josh.

Our Sympathy to . . .

- Sharon Trucker on the passing of her father.
- Kevin & Laura Carlson-Smith and Ken & Jean Ruona on the passing of Laura's mother/Ken's sister.

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.

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

Support Groups This Fall

Groups just started last week, but you are still welcome to join us! Check out which one you should be a part of. You can come for dinner at 6:00 PM and worship at 6:45 PM. Groups start at 7:00 PM.

- **DivorceCare** is a video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on divorce and recovery topics as seen from a Biblical perspective. The video seminars are combined with support group discussion of the material presented during the video.
- **GriefShare** is designed to help you recover from deep hurt and loss. Your *GriefShare* experience also includes video seminars and a support group.
- **First Place** is a support group for healthy living, putting Christ first in caring for your physical body, emotional and spiritual well-being. You will learn to eat healthy and exercise your body, soul and spirit.

Stop by the Care Ministries Kiosk to pick up a brochure or talk with someone who can answer your questions.

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).



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.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Pastor David Durey, Ext. 13
Barbara Sweany, Leader

Women's Bible Studies Begin This Week

Ladies, pick up your Bible Study material in the Foyer TODAY. "Covenant" and "Jonah" start Wednesday night 6:30 PM and "Stepping Up" will start Thursday morning 9:30 AM. We look forward to seeing you in a study.

Friday Fun Nights

Mark your calendar for Friday, October 21, at 6:30 PM. We will be meeting at the church and having a game night! Bring along a friend and a snack to share.



LIVING PROOF

Student Ministries Pastor
Nate Miller, Ext. 15

Weekly Events

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

Upcoming Special Event

9/25 Paintball: 12:30—6:30 PM. Cost: \$35 for three hours of play. More details in Youth Room.

Small Groups Kickoff This Wednesday!

Join us on Wednesdays, from 6:30—8:00 PM, beginning this week. Don't miss it!

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



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

On Your Mark, Get Set, Go Register!

Register for *Awana* and Upward Sports Basketball TODAY at the Route 252 Kiosk! **Awana starts THIS Wednesday at 6:30 PM! See you there!**

Spots Still Open For Nursery Workers

We are looking for help in the Nursery for one Sunday a month at 9:00 and 10:30 AM. Would you be willing to cuddle and care for our special kids? Contact Leanne Klein to help.

Pre-School Class Alert!

As of today, two of our five classes have no teacher/helper! Next week the classes will be closed if the needs aren't met. Parents, please sign up to be a teacher or helper.

Soul Surfer Movie Showing

- Kids, invite a friend to join us TONIGHT for a picnic at 5:00 PM and the movie at 6:00 PM. Bring a friend, and you'll get a cool prize!
- Parents, the movie is rated PG, so you may want to preview it or read the review at www.pluggin.com.

Are You One of the Three?

We are in need of two men to teach on Sunday mornings (4th and 5th/6th grade) and one man for *Awana* on Wednesdays (6th grade). Talk with Leane to help.



MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK

The Persecuted Church in the Middle East

Pray as the Lord leads.

BPEFC Staff Phone Extensions:

Amanda Fluth	32	Judy Kadlac	23
Carol Carlson	28	Judy Petersen	30
Connie Hafar	24	Leane Gondek	27
Dan Carlson	12	Leanne Klein	38
David Durey	13	Luke Turner	37
Jeff Gagnon	22	Nate Miller	15
Jena Pietari	25	Receptionist	10
Josh Major	14	Rick Ensrud	11
Joyce Vagle	35	Theron Fraser	26

*"When you pass through the waters,
I will be with you;
when you pass through the rivers,
they will not sweep over you.
When you walk through the fire,
you will not be burned;
the flames will not set you ablaze.
For I am the Lord, your God,
the Holy One of Israel, your Savior..."*

Isaiah 43:1—3



ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIPS

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

Mosaic: Singles/Marrieds, 40s & 50s. 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.