

The Newsletter

NOVEMBER 2006

Consecration Sunday is Coming

Congregations that approach financial stewardship from a biblical perspective do not view the money Christians give to their church merely as a way to pay its bills. Rather, such congregations see financial contributions as a way to help people grow spiritually in their relationship with God by supporting their church's mission and ministry with a percentage of their incomes.

Our congregation's finance committee has selected the *New Consecration Sunday Stewardship Program* as a way to teach the biblical and spiritual principles of generous giving in our stewardship education emphasis this year.

New Consecration Sunday is based on the biblical philosophy of the need of the giver to give for his or her own spiritual development, rather than on the need of the church to receive. Instead of treating people like members of a social club who should pay dues, we will treat people like followers of Jesus Christ who want to give unselfishly as an act of discipleship. *New Consecration Sunday* encour-

ages people toward proportionate and systematic giving in response to the question, "What percentage of my income is God calling me to give?" During morning worship on Consecration Sunday, we are asking our attendees and members to make their financial commitments to our church's missionary, benevolent, and educational ministries in this community and around the world.

Every attendee and member who completes an *Estimate of Giving Card* does so voluntarily by attending morning worship on Consecration Sunday. We urge people to attend who feel strongly opposed to completing a card. This procedure is done in such a way that no one feels personal embarrassment if he or she chooses not to fill out a card.

We will do no home solicitation to ask people to complete cards. During morning worship our guest leader will conduct a brief period of instruction and inspiration, climaxed by



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members making their commitments as a confidential act of worship.

We will encourage participation in Consecration Sunday events through the Consecration Sunday team and governing board members. Since we will make no follow-up visits to ask people to complete their cards, we will make every effort to inform, inspire, and commit everyone to attend Consecration Sunday Worship.

Thanks in advance for your enthusiastic participation in Consecration Sunday events.

*Scandia Stewardship
Committee*





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This Month at Council

The Scandia Church Council met Wednesday, October 18, 2006 at 8:00 PM with the following members present: Tim Ostrem, Ron Lounsbery, Dale Petersen, Chuck Oster, Roger Blake, Steve Knutson, Mike Satter, Jim Nelson, Paul Buckneberg, Tim Eide, Philip Christofferson, Judy Hansen, Joyce Vasgaard, Richard Vasgaard and Pastor Fedde.

President's Report

Scandia received a call from a Pastor who is interested in interviewing for our pastor.



Pastor Fedde spoke on the upcoming ballot issues about abortion and marriages. He passed out literature from Focus on the Family. After a lengthy discussion, it was the general consensus of the council not to put this particular literature in the Sunday Bulletin but instead if Pastor Fedde wanted to put together scripture based resources, he could do so. He also spoke on his concerns about the new hymnals and the changes in the wording in them.

Board Reports

Stewardship

Finalizing the plans for the Dave Ramsey program that will be offered to the congregation.

Property

The work on the parsonage is almost complete. General discussion was held about the rain gutters. The furnaces have been serviced this fall. Need to check if the furnaces for the Fellowship Hall were also checked.

Mission & Outreach

A representative from the Gideon's will speak at a Sunday worship service this fall.

Music & Worship

October 29 is Reformation and Confirmation. The Confirmations Faith Statements will be heard on Wednesday evening, October 25 at 7:30PM. The Deacons and President need to be present that evening.

Old Business

Tim made a motion to give LSS \$200 for their fund raising drive. Judy seconded it and motion passed. General discussion was held regarding World Hunger Appeal and giving to missions in general. We should be doing more.

After reviewing both bids for leasing a copier, Jim made a motion to accept the bid from A & B Business to lease the copier for about \$80.00 per month. Motion was seconded by Tim and motion passed.

New Business

Sarah Thompson has re-

quested to become a member of Scandia. Will need more information and then will act on request.



Prayer Concerns:

Abby Logue, Joel Vasgaard, Cheryl Polley, Sharon Johnson, Stanley Knudson, Verda Erickson, Lucille Hisel, Fern Knutson, Dana Knudson, Jenny Peterson and Ron Peterson.

A motion was made by Ron and seconded by Mike to adjourn. Motion passed.

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Joyce Vasgaard, Secretary





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Confirmation

We welcome these Confirmands as adult members of Scandia Lutheran Church.

Kelsey Pearl Brue
Chase Ryan Crelly
Cory Daniel Cunningham
David Erik Diercks
Ashley Nicole Eilmes
Jeremy Benjamin Nelson
Chelsey Jo Rist



New Member

We welcome Sarah Thomson as a new member of Scandia Lutheran Church.

Sarah plans on attending Seminary School to become a Minister.

Sarah is the daughter of Jim & Kathy Thomson of Centerville.

Baptized in Christ

Brooke Helen Pingrey

October 15, 2006

Daughter of

Tony & Jessica Pingrey

Sponsors:

Jenny Johnson

Nick Pingrey

Gregory & Kristen Birgen

Ciara Kimberley Velasquez

October 29, 2006

Daughter of

Kara & A.J. Velasquez

Sponsors:

Dereck Rederth

Kirsten Rederth

Derek Velasquez

Darren & Jodi Tieman

Kara Rae Velasquez

October 29, 2006

Daughter of

Kara & A.J. Velasquez

Sponsors:

A. J. Velasquez



Announcements & Thanks

Bridal Shower for HEIDI SHUBECK on Saturday,



November 11 from 9:30—11:30 AM in the Fellowship Hall. Heidi is the bride to be of Chris Wentzlaff. Please bring your favorite recipe.



Scandia Women Christmas Luncheon

December 6 @ 12:30PM

Hostess—All Circles

Location—Fellowship Hall

Bring a Guest!



Thanks to the Scandia Angels who are cleaning the church during this time when we do not have a custodian. We don't know who your are...but your work is so much appreciated! We are still looking for a part-time custodian. If you are interested, please contact the office.



100th Anniversary Cookbook
Looking for all cooks interested in making a keepsake cook book to commemorate our church's 100th Anniversary. Recipes should be printed or typed, no abbreviations and be sure to include your name. A drop off bag is located in the Church Library to collect your church recipes. What a great way to celebrate cooking traditions for generations to come! If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Joyce Vasgaard (238-2969) or leave a message at the church office.



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*Gather in Faith,
Celebrate God's Love
Serve in Jesus' Name*

TIME DATED MATERIAL



November Birthday's and.....

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| 3. | Jon Eide | 16. | Callie DeBondt |
| | Ronald Lounsbery | | Jessica Pingrey |
| | Marissa Meyer | 17. | Mariam Begeman |
| 6. | Rebecca Roth | 18. | Tammy Bobzin |
| 7. | Lisa Vasgaard | | Adam Buckneberg |
| 8. | Ryan Evans | | Dorothy Hanson |
| 9. | Sandra Pederson | 19. | Chelsey Rist |
| 10. | Justin Schoepf | 22. | Merle Nelson |
| | Jean Smith | | Shane Nelson |
| | Brenda Jensen | 23. | Christian Krohg |
| 11. | Jamey Hult | | Shane Rist |
| | Sharon Johnson | 25. | Dean Austin |
| | Dana Knudson | 26. | Esther Hybertson |
| | Virginia Peterson | | Jane Knutson |
| 13. | Ethan Cunningham | 27. | Peter Diercks |
| | Rachel Evans | | James Nelson |
| | Scott Hookie | 28. | Annabelle Andal |
| | Diane Kieffer | | Mary Gilmore—86 |
| 14. | Jana Hult | | Thomas Jensen |
| 15. | Ruby Knutson | | John Stuntebeck |

& Anniversaries

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| 6. | Roger & Jackie Hofer |
| 8. | John & Patty Vasgaard—59 Year |
| 10. | Dean & Mavis Austin |
| 12. | Todd & Shawn Johnson |
| 13. | Larry & Susan Overgaard |
| 14. | Jeff & Janice Nelson |
| 15. | Greg & Sue Nelsen |
| 18. | Allen & Kathleen Skotvold |
| 23. | Paul & Carol Shubeck |
| 27. | James & Glenda Carlson |
| 28. | Boyd & Loreen Knudson—59 Years |