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- Weekly Bible Study Inserts (4)
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Calendar of Events

April

- 10—Good Friday, District Office Closed
- 17—Planting Seeds of Faith in Families, Camp Okoboji
- 18—"What Matters to Families" Symposium, Spencer
- 17-18—Clergy Wives Retreat, Camp Okoboji
- 17-19—Lay Leadership Institute, Fort Dodge
- 24-26—S.P.A. Retreat, Camp Okoboji
- 28—District Board of Directors, Fort Dodge



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CALLS ACCEPTED

The Rev. Philip Ritter, Port Angeles, Washington, to Corning.
The Rev. Luke Timm, Rochester, MI, to Clive.

CALL RECEIVED

The Rev. Marcel Kohlmeyer, St. Paul, Ireton, to Almena, WI.

CALL DECLINED

The Rev. Marcel Kohlmeyer, St. Paul, Ireton, to Prince of Peace, Fort Dodge.

COMMISSIONED MINISTERS

Call Declined

Principal Jon Baumgartel, Paullina, to Immanuel Lutheran School, Polk, NE.

Calls Received

Principal Jon Baumgartel, Paullina, to Christ Lutheran School, Juniata, NE.

Cory Emily, Overland Park, KS, to Mt. Olive Lutheran School, Des Moines.

Dawn Stacy, Pierce, NE, to Mt. Olive Lutheran School, Des Moines.

Fan Into Flame

Many congregations and member missionaries heard about “Fan Into Flame” at the District “Mission Ignition” events. Please consider the opportunities to join this LCMS Mission initiative in the Easter and Pentecost seasons of 2009. Contact District Missions Executive Assistant for more information and to receive additional support and direction from our “Fan Into Flame” consultants.

Lutheran Summer Music, the national, month-long music academy for choir, band and orchestra students in grades 8-12, is now accepting applications for 2009. This summer, LSM will be held at Lutheran College (Decorah, IA) from June 21 to July 19. To learn more and apply, visit www.lutheransummermusic.org or call 888-635-6583. Congregations, support your students by joining the Young Musicians Partnership!

Mission Trip Support

Thanks to District LWML mission grants rostered church workers and LWML members are eligible for one time grants for mission trips. Contact Ellie Menz (ellie.menz@idwlcms.org or 515-386-8420) for more information. The summer 2009 Los Angeles mission experience is scheduled for July 7-20. The Registration deadline is April 1, 2009. Information and registration forms are available at the District Wet site.

Golfing Day for Pastors!

A pastor's golf outing has been arranged for Monday, May 18, 2009 at the Ida Grove Country Club. Competition will begin at 9:30 a.m. with a nine-hole two-team best ball (teams will be drawn from a hat; the subsequent nine holds will be a medalist competition). Cost is \$20.00 per person which includes golf (with cart) and lunch. Register with Rev. Don Winterrrowd (stpaulig@netllc.net or 712-364-2918) by May 15, 2009.

“Joy In Serving” District Convention—June 21-24, 2009

If your congregation has not yet nominated a lay delegate to the Convention, please get that information to the District Office quickly. Convention delegates will receive the official workbook in mid-May. “Joy In Serving” will become a hands-on reality as Convention attendees participate in mission service projects on Tuesday evening of the Convention.

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