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**The Mission Statement of Hosanna
Lutheran Church:**

*"To initiate, nurture and empower
Spirit-filled relationships for God
and God's people"*

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Mark Your Busy Calendars Now!

All Saints' Day: Sunday, November 5

Voters' Meeting: Sunday, November 19, 9:15 a.m.

Thanksgiving Day Service: Thursday,
November 23, 10:00 a.m..

MISSION-BASED GIVING

Stewardship is woven into the very fabric of our faith. As fundamental as breathing, we live and thrive surrounded by God's loving abundance. As redeemed children of God, we seek to respond in love to the world around us. As a church, we do not exist for ourselves alone; we are gathered in order to be sent to serve.

Stewardship is all too often about number crunching. It's about meeting a budget. Sure we need to pay the mortgage, keep the lights on and compensate our employees. These are the line-item needs of Hosanna, obligations over which we have little or no control. But this is a stewardship campaign with a difference. Instead of asking you to fund the "bottom line," we ask you to imagine the possibilities of mission-based giving. Please read on.

Already we are seeing some changes. We have been talking about our purpose, both as individuals and as a community of faith. As followers of Jesus, we are called upon to bring new life wherever we can. Hosanna is already doing this in many ways. Recently Hosanna participated in 40 Days of Purpose, 40 Days of Community and 50 Days Ablaze! These were 20 weeks that changed our world. Hosanna's support of community food, toy and blood drives is a way of sharing God's light. Our support of Lutheran Family Services, the Lutheran High School Association, District and Synodical programs reach beyond the walls of Hosanna. A little closer to home, our support of youth and education programs touches the lives of countless unknown people.

By the grace of God and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, the congregation has chosen the following mission priorities to shape our life as a congregation for the year ahead:

Pastoral Leadership Institute – *Connecting People to Jesus* - is in its final year.
Commitment to Youth – budget funding for our new Youth Worker begins in 2007.
Ablaze! – A LCMS initiative to ignite hearts for the Gospel.
China Mission Trip – part of LCMS World Mission's global mission movement.

How do we prepare for the future? A Discipleship Minister? Elder Day Care? Planting a mission congregation? Think of the lives that will be changed because of the resources that will be gathered and shared over and above the line item needs of Hosanna. We are limited only by our dreams.

You are invited to pray about these priorities and to begin to think how you would like to be involved in them, financially and otherwise. How will they help you, personally, to put your faith into action in new and challenging ways? In a few weeks you will be invited to express your financial pledge to support them.

Regardless of what you give, the lights will stay on. How brightly the Gospel light shines out in the world depends on your response to God's love. Pray about it. This is an exciting time for Hosanna, full of promise. May God give us the courage of our convictions.

For the Stewardship Committee,

Brad Gillund
Chair

Greg Peters
Pastor

Thank You for the Fall Clean-Up

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the many people who showed up to help make the fall clean-up a success. Key projects were accomplished such as the play yard fence addition, the trenching for outdoor wiring, and getting the many planters ready for winter. All who volunteered did a great job!

Thank you,
Doug Bradshaw

Holiday Baskets

Hosanna's Community Outreach Committee is currently collecting non-perishable items and canned goods for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets for local senior centers and needy families. If you would like to nominate a needy family or if you would like to help with the food drive, contact Lori Keating at 303.972.8565 or lori.keating@jpl.com. Place items in the designated boxes in the narthex. Thanks for your generosity!

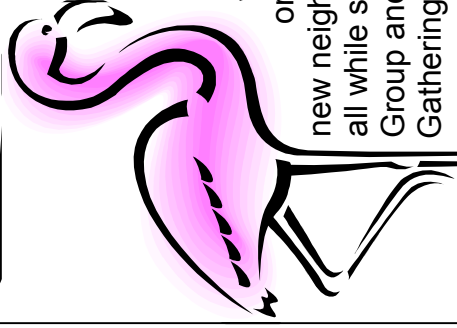
Can You Spare an Hour a Month?

Counters are desperately needed for an hour or so on Monday or Tuesday mornings to count the offerings in teams of two. This is a great opportunity for friends to volunteer together or we'll provide your teammate. With enough volunteers, this would require only one-two hours/month.

Call Elaine Koerwitz for additional information at 303.979.2589.

YOUTH NEWS...START SEEING PINK

It's Back!!!



The Youth Group will be putting those famous flamingos in yards (maybe even yours) once again. Flocking is a great way to celebrate birthdays or anniversaries, welcome new neighbors, or surprise friends all while supporting the Youth Group and the 2007 National Youth Gathering.

Look for details coming soon or for more information, call Erin Boettcher at 303.972.4514 or Shauna Booton at 303.972.2921 and . . .

prepare to start seeing pink!

SUPPORT THE EARLY LEARNING CENTER...

by collecting Campbell's UPC and box tops for education labels and placing them in the Campbell's bin downstairs. Check the narthex bulletin board for details or call Lori Meidal at 303.972.8169 for more information.

CALENDARS AVAILABLE

Hosanna's Youth Group is again selling calendars. They are available at the table in the narthex or at the Information Desk at all three services.

Please call Cathy Utecht at 303.933.1654 for more information.

NAME OUR WEB SITE

Witness and Outreach would like your thoughts on selecting a new and "catchier" URL for Hosanna's website.

The current URL, www.hosanna-lutheran.com, is a bit long and definitely not easy for potential visitors to remember.

One suggestion is www.VisitHosanna.com.

What is *your* suggestion?
Contact Guy Larson at 303.978.1733.

A TIME FOR RESPONSIVE ACTION AND THANKSGIVING

It is interesting to observe how society parallels church, or how state and church match up. In November, parallels are evident in elections, budget setting and Thanksgiving. In some areas such as elections, the state or government works much harder and is much louder than the church. Remember it is our duty and privilege to vote as good citizens of the United States and to vote as good citizens of the Kingdom of God at Hosanna. We have the government beat in the area of thanks and praise to God and one another.

Our **2006 Annual Voters' Meeting will be Sunday, November 19, at 9:15 a.m.** between worship services. This provides the prime time for those attending both Sunday services, 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m., to blend into one community and make healthy decisions for our future. We will set a vision for 2007 based on the budget that we approve. We will reinforce that vision with the election of new officers. It appears that we may have a few new proposals to discuss and decide to realign our priorities.

After our Voters' Meeting, our nation joins in giving thanks for our freedoms, our country and God's blessings. As Christians, let us reflect thankfully on what we have been given through God's grace this year. We began the year with a fundraiser to provide salary for a part-time youth worker. God directed the members of the team to Chris Asta, a seminary student, who joined our staff in August, just in time to start the school year.

Our insurer's inspection of our facility alerted us to the need to choose a wise plan to repave our parking lot. You, our faithful members, embraced our "Sponsor-A-Spot, Pave-The-Lot" campaign enthusiastically—upgrading our property, assuring our safety and expanding our outside activities by the addition of a basketball area.

The Early Learning Center, formerly known as Hosanna Preschool, has opened with an expanded day schedule and a new toddler program for two-year-olds.

Our web site is providing a broad array of information for our members, for visitors and for those who have few prayer resources. We regularly receive international prayer requests through the Hosanna web site from India, Brazil and throughout the United States. Our prayer chain is a very active resource to ask God's healing and blessings upon us.

Copies of the Annual Report will be available in the narthex. You will find an overview of our mission and ministries through the eyes of your leaders and the hard work of our members.

May God remind us of His abundant blessings that we may humbly thank and praise Him this day and every day.

Pax Christi,
Jude

NEW MEMBER CLASS

Are you new to Hosanna or have you been attending awhile and would like to know more about the Lutheran Church and, more specifically, Hosanna? If so, please plan on attending our New Member Class on Saturday, November 18 from 9:00 a.m. to noon.

This is a no-obligation, casual class. If you would like additional information, please call Pastor Greg at 303.973.1706.

ALL SAINTS' DAY

Sunday, November 5, is All Saints' Day. If you have a *loved one to be remembered*, please print the name clearly on the member/guest card when attending services or call/e-mail the church office by Tuesday, October 31. Also, please indicate your relationship to the person being remembered, e.g., father, brother, etc.

ANNUAL MEETING

The 2006 Annual Meeting will be held **Sunday, November 19 at 9:15 a.m.** between worship services. The election and the 2007 budget will be on the agenda. Please plan to attend. Sunday School and nursery will be provided to care for your children during the meeting.

If you have any items to be placed on the agenda, please submit them by Sunday, November 5. Thank you.

ANNUAL REPORT

Watch for our annual report which will be published in early November. It will be similar to the one we distributed last year and will summarize our activities during 2006. This annual report will include reports from our pastor, Council Ministries, Committees, Elders, Officers, Early Learning Center, Youth Team and all those important components of Hosanna that make our community *warm and wonderful*.



LHS NEWS

FALL MUSICAL: "THE MUSIC MAN" will be presented on November 10, 11, 17 and 18 at 7:00 p.m. A special matinee is planned for Saturday, November 11, at 1:00 p.m. Call Bethany Ritchie for tickets at 303.934.2345, Ext. 1104.

ANNUAL ASSOCIATION AUCTION

Planning has begun for the 2007 CLHSA Auction! We are currently researching locations that will bring the auction into a more central location to make the event more accessible for our families in Parker. This is the Association's largest fundraiser and our goal is to raise \$75,000 this year.

There are many fun pieces involved in planning this type of event...decorations, food/beverage, gift acquisitions, live auction, silent auction, entertainment, video production, marketing, administrative assistance, etc. If anyone would be interested in assisting, please contact Julie Jacoby @ 303.934.8611.

LIKE A GOOD NIGHT'S SLEEP

Every now and then we all suffer from lack of sleep. Maybe for some, a sleepless night happens all too often. Without the rest we need, we feel exhausted, lifeless, down, and just plain worn out. Instead of a can of pop, a cup of "joe" or the ever-popular energy drink, why not rely on Jesus? As it states in Matthew 11:28, "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."

If we unload on Him, let Him guide us and allow Jesus in our lives through prayer, we can feel rested and rejuvenated just like a full eight hours of sleep. Offer up your worries and cares to Jesus Who wants to give us rest in His everlasting love and grace!

If you have a Prayer Chain request, please call Heidi Boettcher at 303.972.4514 or email hboettcher@aol.com.

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COMBINED DECEMBER/JANUARY HERALD

The deadline for submitting articles for publication in the next two-month holiday issue will be **November 12**.

Please note: there will not be a separate Herald published for the month of January, so please submit your articles on or before this deadline.

WANTED New Hosanna Caregivers Coordinator

Due to personal reasons, Lori Keating will be resigning as Coordinator of the Caregivers Committee. The person in this position coordinates volunteers and activities in providing meals to families of our congregation in time of need.

To volunteer or to obtain further info, contact Lori, lori.keating@pl.com, or 303.972.8565.



SEPTEMBER FINANCIAL STATEMENT

Income \$ 39,000
Expenses \$ 46,000
Loss (\$ 7,000)



THANKSGIVING DAY AT HOSANNA

The family of Hosanna will gather on Thanksgiving Day, November 23, at 10:00 a.m. to give thanks to the One to whom *all thanks is due.*

ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

November 4	6:00 Dillon Gabehart	10:30 Luke Powers
November 5	8:00 Nathan Sherak	
November 11	6:00 Adam Davis	
November 12	8:00 Jordan Gehring	10:30 Katy Brown
November 18	6:00 Garret Koerwitz	
November 19	8:00 Katie Ferguson	10:30 David Kozak
November 25	6:00 Katy Brown	
November 26	8:00 Billy Bradshaw	10:30 Shane Ford

USHER SCHEDULE

November 4	6:00 Lois & Don Umholtz	
November 5	8:00 Gary Winkler, Maxine Wightman	10:30 Randy and Eric Booton
November 11	6:00 Anita and Dave Baresel	
November 12	8:00 Gary Winkler, Maxine Wightman	10:30 Randy and Eric Booton
November 18	6:00 Ed Chitwood	
November 19	8:00 Gary Winkler, Maxine Wightman	10:30 Dale Andersen, Chris and Tim Winkler
November 23: Thanksgiving Service	10:00	
November 25	6:00 Fred Kreuch	
November 26	8:00 Gary Winkler, Maxine Wightman	10:30 Charley and Luke Powers, Barbara Schelling

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 7:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Jr/Sr Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Council	2 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Choir	3	4 7:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast 11:00 a.m. Stevenson Wedding 8:30-4:00 p.m. Women's Retreat 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion
5 ALL SAINTS' DAY TASK SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Studies 10:30 a.m. Fargo Dedication with Reception to Follow Service 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth	6 7:00 p.m. Scouts-(FH)	7 7:00 p.m. Witness/Outreach 7:30 p.m. Praise Band	8 7:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Jr/Sr Confirmation	9 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Choir	10	11 LSB Workshop: Mt. Olive Troop 47 (FH) 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion
12 CELEBRATION SUNDAY 8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Studies 6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth	13 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at Nahales 7:00 p.m. Scouts-(FH)	14 7:30 p.m. Praise Band	15 7:00 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Jr/Sr Confirmation	16 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Choir	17	18 8-4:00 p.m. Craft Fair 9:00 a.m.-noon New Members Meeting 6:00 p.m. Service of the Word
19 8:00 & 10:30 Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Studies 9:15 a.m. Annual Voters Meeting 6:30 p.m. Bible Study 6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth	20 7:00 p.m. Scouts-(FH)	21 6:30 Choir 7:30 p.m. Praise Band	22 7:00 a.m. Bible Study No Confirmation	23 10:00 a.m. Thanksgiving Service	24	25 6:00 p.m. Holy Communion
26 8:00 & 10:30 Holy Communion 9:15 a.m. SS & Bible Studies 6:30-8:00 p.m. Youth	27 6:30 p.m. Bible Study at Nahales 7:00 p.m. Scouts-(FH)	28 7:30 p.m. Praise Band	29 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Jr/Sr Confirmation 7:00 p.m. Bible Study at Winklers 7:00 p.m. School Board	30 9:15 a.m. Bible Study 7:00 p.m. Choir		