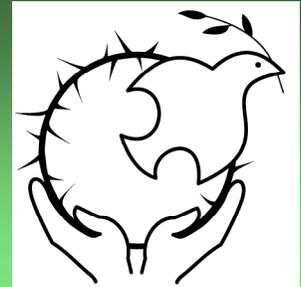


# The Vine



## Christmas Made Merry for our Burmese Refugee Family

It was a joyous, faith-filled Christmas for Prince of Peace's Karen refugee family from Burma. Barb and Holly Marsh and Anne Haugan brought them their first Christmas tree and helped them decorate it. That same evening they took the family to Hsinku's holiday concert at Edgerton School. Hsinku beamed as he sang with his class, and Father Poe Lay and Mother Cherry Paw were proud of their fourth grade son. The Saturday before Christmas, Father Poe was taken to the Salvation Army to get gifts for the children. Anne and Judy Florine were invited to join the Lay Family for their Christmas celebration. After a special Karen cuisine meal there were about 100 extended family members who joined in a home worship service. The Lay Family led much of the singing. Poe Lay accompanied on the guitar, and we are looking forward to having them sing at Prince of Peace. This moving worship experience of prayer, song, and message brought a whole new meaning to "Peace on Earth" at Christmas time when spoken by and to people who have faced war, refugee camps, and relocation to a strange culture.

During Christmas vacation, Barb and Holly Marsh brought an excited Hsinku and a friend to the Roseville "big" Library to check out books. Another day the entire family and several friends were taken to Como Zoo and Conservatory for a Sunday outing. The children kept saying, "We eat this in Thailand!" when they saw the tropical plants. They loved the animals and even got to see a training session for the new Sparky VII Seal.

The applications for the green cards have been sent in. Judy brought Poe to a doctor appointment for his back and nerve pain. He has disc and nerve damage from a fall several years ago. There will be continuing appointments with hopes of some relief for him. Please keep the Lay Family in your prayers, especially pray for relief of Poe's pain. If you are interested in helping to tutor English, please let Judy know.

*Judy Florine*, Social Concerns Chairperson

## Food for Friends – Changing Program

Beginning in January, our Food for Friends outreach will be serving a supper at Prince of Peace church on Thursday, January 24. This change has been approved and is supported by the church council and staff. The meal will be for the northern Ramsey county group of **Women Achieving New Directions** (WAND) which is going to be meeting at Prince of Peace on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month. WAND provides career exploration and job upgrading services to low-income, employed single mothers who are financially supporting their children and are a step away from poverty. The meal we serve will precede their evening workshop where they learn skills to improve their employment situations and live their dreams!

The years that we have served at the Salvation Army have been rewarding for all of us involved. A special thank you goes to Maria Larson who faithfully led this group for a number of years.

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Easter is early this year,  
March 23!

Those interested in ordering flowering plants in celebration of Easter may do so by filling out order forms that will be available beginning on February 15. Orders will need to be turned in to the office by March 9. Plants may be picked up after the 10:45 service on Easter Sunday, March 23.

## Prince of Peace Council Corner

Our society loves nostalgia, and as we boldly go forward into this new year, we innately desire to mark the passage of the year gone by. This past year for Prince of Peace has been a successful one, and of the many events at Prince of Peace, I would like to focus on two of particular significance to our past and future.

In October, Prince of Peace celebrated its 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. The event itself was wonderfully planned and executed, and everyone involved is to be justifiably commended. The celebration was a reminder of the sublime possibilities that are present when two or more are gathered in His name. I hope that this marker of our half-century of worship and community will serve as a harbinger of 50-year periods stretching for many generations. Our history is a rich one and our future can be similarly bountiful.

On a related note, 2007 also saw the unveiling of Prince of Peace's redesigned website. As our church looks to its next 50 years, our website will likely serve as an important part of that journey, as society reaches out to each other in ways both physical and ethereal. Working with the other members of the Website Committee — Lowell Benson, Raun Lauterbach, and Carol Garbisch — was a pleasure, permitting us to create a site that reflects our church's many outstanding activities, virtues, and members. Websites often serve as the primary source of information for young families looking for a church, and I am proud that Prince of Peace is presenting itself to that demographic in the best possible light. If you have not visited the website lately, please browse around (<http://princeofpeace.tc>) — passing along any suggestions to [webmaster@princeofpeace.tc](mailto:webmaster@princeofpeace.tc).

Taken with the day-to-day work of our pastors, lay ministers, and members of the congregation at large, our anniversary made it abundantly clear that Prince of Peace has a rich history upon which we can look back with fondness. And our website's invitation to the public at large, proclaiming that all are welcome in this place, reminds us that our history continues to be written.

*Damien Riehl*

A T T E N D A N C E	Date	Worship	Adult Ed	Youth/Adult	Children/Adult
	12/16	348	94	13/3	18/10
	12/23	150	No Education hour		
	12/24	558			
	12/30	151			
	1/6	223		7/3	22/13
	1/13	214	46	5/3	17/12

**Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, ELCA**  
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8:30am to 5:00pm Monday-Friday  
Saturday hours are available upon request

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Kristen Haakenson	Bells of Peace Director
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Leah Weiler	Children's Choir Accompaniment
Steve Andert	Custodian

The deadline for articles for the **March Vine is February 8**, **April Vine is March 7**. The deadline for bulletin announcements is Wednesday at noon of each week. Please e-mail your information to Carol at [office@princeofpeace.tc](mailto:office@princeofpeace.tc) or drop off the info in the church office

### Financial Information

#### Income Year to Date

Dec 2007 = \$222,365

#### Expenses Year to Date

Dec 2007 = \$209,111

**General Fund Bal** = \$13,254

**Building Fund Bal** = \$317,399

**Other Funds Balance** = \$71,851

#### Budget Benevolences paid in Dec.

ELCA Benevolence	\$913	Women's Shelter	\$750
Luther Seminary	\$400	Habitat	\$2,500
Lyngblomsten	\$300	\$1715 + 785 (designated gifts)	
Plymouth Christian Youth	\$500		
Chinese Hospitality House	\$1000		
Missionary Christmas Gift	\$100		
Missionary Sponsorship	\$675		
Chinese Service Venture	\$300		





## Prayer Chain Requests

If you have a prayer request please call the church office or e-mail office@princeofpeace.tc. On the weekend call or e-mail Linda Olson 651-482-8543, lmolson66@hotmail.com

**Reserve a room** for your meetings. PoP is used by many of our members and committees as well as a few outside groups. Contact the church office to reserve a room as soon as possible. See the calendar in this newsletter or go to the website to view the up-to-date calendar.

**Equal Exchange coffee sales**  
Coffee is sold at our cost. Please support the Lutheran World Relief Coffee project. Please remember to pay for the coffee you take.

**Meals on Wheels**  
February 11

**Prayer Shawl Knitting**  
Contact Donna Gramstad 651-407-2976.

**Interesting in Quilting?**  
Call Joyce Mallory 484-2523

**Library Cleaning day**  
3rd Tuesday of each month at 1:00pm

**Computer Class provided by Harris Mallory**  
3rd Wed. each month at 9:30

**Annual Meeting**  
Scheduled for January 27, 2008 at 12:00pm. Annual report with the agenda available in the office.



### Message from Pastor Anita Beste

During the weekend of February 7-8, 735 congregations across the country will participate in the third annual Evolution Weekend sponsored by the Clergy Letter Project. Twenty of these communities of faith are in Minnesota – nine of them are Lutheran.

In 2004, Michael Zimmerman, Dean of Arts and Sciences and Professor of Biology at Butler University, was watching early media coverage of the Dover intelligent design trial, which broadcast several fundamentalist ministers condemning evolution, and he felt frustrated. What he saw was a war between science and religion, and science was losing. So Zimmerman decided to call for a truce. He asked a clergy friend of his to draft a letter to religious leaders, declaring that science and religion should not be at odds. To date over 11,000 Christian clergy have signed, contending that for too long, the misperception that science and religion are inevitably in conflict has created unnecessary division and confusion, especially concerning the teaching of evolution. The public should know that numerous clergy from most denominations have tremendous respect for evolutionary theory and have embraced it as a core component of human knowledge, fully harmonious with religious faith.

In the fall of 2006, Prince of Peace's Adult Forum series exploring various issues in religion and science (including intelligent design and evolution), generated some genuine interest. We hope that a book study exploring the conversation between religion and evolution will continue in that same vein. And we hope that members of the broader community will also be interested in this discussion and feel welcome to attend. Please extend the invitation to someone you know.

The book that will help frame our discussion is *Thank God for Evolution* by Michael Dowd. (2007, Council Oak Books) Two times are offered that weekend – Friday evening and Saturday morning – in order to accommodate as many schedules as possible. Come to either one or both sessions.

*Pastor Anita Beste*

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### (Continued from page 1) **Food for Friends – Changing Program**

Perhaps with a change of time and location we can involve more members of our congregation in this outreach. Once we become accustomed to this new program we will be asking for additional volunteers. As of now, if you have questions or are interested in being involved please contact the church office, Tom Frantz (651-631-1253) or Marie Hanson (651-631-3565). Thank you!

**Thank you Corner**

*Dear Knitters,  
Thank you for the beautiful assortment of hand made hats you gave to our school, Prosperity Heights Elementary. We appreciate your kindness in remembering the children of this school who may be in need of a good winter hat.  
Sincerely,  
Marilyn Lindstrom  
Family & Community Involvement*

*Thank you to the Martha Circle who gave \$100 to the Pastors' discretionary fund.*

*Thank you to Dan and Ron Neujahr who donated cabinets that were installed in the reception room and three of the childcare rooms. It gave the office and the childcare much needed storage and countertop space.*

*As I read your January Vine, I was inspired to add our thank you for your hospitality during the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration. Birgitta and I thoroughly enjoyed the Saturday banquet and the Sunday service. Our hearts are stirred as we remember with thanksgiving our interesting years with you. Our prayers are with your fine pastors and all of you as you continue in Christ's mission.*

*Vern and Birgitta Rice*

*Don & I want to thank all our dear friends at Prince of Peace for their concerned calls and cards and the many personal visits, rides to appointments, hand delivered bulletins, Christmas hanging with all the signatures, and a plate of goodies from the youth group. We are gaining on our health problems and your kindness has been greatly appreciated.*

*Don & Maureen Dudley*

**ELEVEN WHO CARE**

You are invited to join the Befrienders to honor these "Eleven Who Care" on Tuesday, March 4 at 7:00 pm in the Prince of Peace reception room



*Jesse Glommen, Jim Goepfert,  
Gus Haugan, Alex Johnson,  
Kay M. Johnson, Joyce Mallory,  
Jerene Mortenson, Betchen  
Oberdorfer, Don Oberdorfer,*

*Paul Thompson and  
Natalie Tungsvik*

## Greetings from the Music Ministry Coordinator—Milt Warkentien

February starts out with the last Sunday of Epiphany and then goes into Lent. Lent begins with the Ash Wednesday services on February 6 and will have communion and ashes at both services. The Ash Wednesday Services are at Noon and 7:00 pm.

Our Wednesday evening services in Lent begin February 13 at 7:00. We will be using the Holden Village Service again. I'm looking for people to help lead worship for these services, so if you're interested please give me a call.

On Feb. 10 and 24 we will be using Setting 10 from the ELW. This is a setting that uses familiar tunes in the liturgy. Feb 17 will be a band-led service. We will be using Setting 10 through at least Palm Sunday, March 16.

**Lent:** What do we do during Lent? Some people fast, some people make resolutions to give up something, and some people don't do anything different in their spiritual lives. I, personally, think it is important to take time to reflect on what Christ did for us. Take time to reflect on what it must have been like for Mary and Joseph, for the disciples and all of

Christ's followers. For me, many Lenten services are almost overwhelming, even though I know that Christ arose on the third day. I just can't imagine what must have been going through the minds of all those that witnessed the crucifixion. Some people tell me that we should reflect on these things all through the year, which is true, but for me, reflecting on these things during Lent makes the season so meaningful.

We've just celebrated the birth of Christ and the Light of Christ that came into the world and now proceed onto Christ's journey to the cross. What a difference in atmosphere. It is my hope that the music this Lenten Season helps the stories and scripture heard throughout Lent, come alive in your hearts.

Some dates to mark on your calendar are Holy Week, with services Thursday March 20, Friday March 21 and Easter March 23. April 13 is the Children's Musical featuring the Joyful Noise! Choir. April 27 is the Chancel Choir's masterworks service. May God bless us all.

Milt

### Jan—May Schedule

#### Jr. / Sr. High Youth Practice

##### Practice at 7:15

**Wed. Jan 16 and 23** to sing at the 8:30 service Jan 27 and **Wed. Feb. 13** for the 7:00 Lenten Service.

**Feb. 6 short practice** after Ash Wed. Service to go over piece we're singing Feb. 13.

##### No practice after Lenten Service Feb. 13

**Practice Wed. Feb. 20 and 27** after Lenten Services to sing at the 8:30 service Mar. 2.

**Practice Wed. Mar. 5 and 12** after the Lenten services

**Wed. Mar. 26 at 7:15** to sing at the 10:45 service Mar. 30.

**No rehearsal Mar. 19.**

##### Practice at 7:15

**Wed. Apr. 2, 9 and 16** to sing at the 10:45 service April 20

##### No practice Wed. Apr. 23

##### Practice at 7:15 Wed. April 30

**7:45 May 7 and 14** to sing at **BOTH** services May 18.

##### POP Ensemble Practice

**May 7 and 14 at 7:15** for **BOTH** services May 18

**No practices after May 18** unless something else comes up.

There may be opportunities for instrumentalists during the year, too. See me if you're interested in soloing or playing in a small ensemble.

##### \*\*Wed. and Sunday we Sing\*\*

Sun. Jan. 27 8:30 service  
Wed. Feb. 13 7:00pm Lenten Service  
Sun. Mar. 2 8:30 service  
Sun. Mar. 30 10:45 service  
Sun. Apr. 20 10:45 service  
Sun. May 18 BOTH services (POP Ensemble both services, too)

### December 29, 2007 Benefit Concert with Milt and Friends



*Thank you to all those that supported the benefit concert that was held at Prince of Peace on December 29, 2007. Over \$2300 and 175 lbs of food were collected. The money will be given to Central Asia Institute (\$800), Rwanda Orphanage (\$800) and the remaining amount will be given to Minnesota Foodshare (approximately \$750).*

## Children and Family Ministry

### Some Dates to Note!

#### Winter Fun Day

For folks of All Ages—Saturday, February 16 we will go to Green Acres—Sliding from 2—4pm. We will come back to church for Chili and hot chocolate. Cost: \$9—\$13/person depending on numbers. We need 25 for a group rate.

Lent is early this year; **Ash Wednesday** is Feb 6. We will once again offer a special Ash Wednesday service designed for families with children at 5:45 p.m. in the sanctuary.

#### Planning for Summer

- Vacation Bible School will be the week of June 9 – 13.
- Family Camp is the weekend of June 20-22.



Look for more info in the Summer Brochure. Available in rack outside the office.

### First Communion for Children

Children of all ages are welcome to receive communion at Prince of Peace. Parents – together with their children – decide when their children will first receive this sacrament based on several factors including interest expressed, child development, family tradition, siblings, etc.

We do ask that children receive some preparation in anticipation of their first communion as a way of welcoming them to the table and fostering an age-appropriate understanding of participation in communion as one of God's means of grace.

This can be done in one of two ways:

1) Speak to one of the pastors, arrange to meet as a family for instruction and preparation, and then participate any communion Sunday throughout the year; or

2) Attend on Wednesday, March 5 at 5:30pm— as a family – the *First Communion Class* offered during Lent and receive first communion at the Maundy Thursday service together with others from the class.

First Communion on Maundy Thursday will be March 20.



# JOYFULNOISE!



A great big THANK YOU to everyone who has participated in Joyful Noise this past fall. I have enjoyed the energy and sound that comes from this wonderful group of kids! I also want to say a big THANKS to all parents/others who drive and support these musicians – we could not do it without all of your help. Now I want to send a special invitation for any 2<sup>nd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders interested in being in the spring musical to join us for rehearsals Wed. evenings 6:15-7pm (changing to 6-6:45pm 2/6-3/12 due to services throughout Lent). A reminder that choir practices *15 min. before* the service at which we sing. Let's get ready for a busy and JOYFUL spring...

January 20 at 10:45 service

February 17 at 8:30 service

March 2 at 10:45 service

April 13 at both services - MUSICAL

May 4 at 10:45 service

May 18 at both services – Music Celebration

Also note EXTRA REHEARSAL date:

Sat. April 12 at 9am-11am

Thank you for your dedication to JOYFUL NOISE!!!

*Melissa Burke*

## *Thoughts from Audrey*

Ash Wednesday is just around the corner. We will burn the palms we waved on Palm Sunday—the palms we used to praise Jesus our King. But like our promises to honor Jesus as King of our lives, we have failed. It is with this acknowledgement that we begin the Lenten season.

I grew up attending every Lenten service my congregation had. My father believed that when there was church our family would be there—all of us. Worship was what my family did. I liked church—worship. But I did not like Lenten services and had a list of reasons why Dad should let me stay home. The sanctuary was dark and poorly lit. The music was anything but uplifting. And then there was the sermon. It didn't seem to matter who was preaching, the message was the same. I hated hearing how sinful I/we were, that there was no good within us—that we could do nothing good. By the end of lent I felt worthless. I feared that God couldn't forgive such a sinful person.

Over the years, I have come to understand that our God is a God who loves us. God created us and does not create anything that is not good. God deeply loves us and takes us unto himself, only because he loves us and cares for us. I believe that above all, God wants us to understand his great love for us, more than how sinful we are. God does not want us to be in relationship with him because we are afraid of what might happen to us, but because he loves us.

Today, I am thankful for Lenten worship that helps me focus on God's great love for us. I take lent as an opportunity to spend more time in meditation. At the end of the Lenten season, we celebrate God's great gift of love—the sacrifice of his Son on our behalf. His Son has conquered death so that we do not need to. His resurrection gives us eternal life with him.

May we use this lent as a time to praise God for all he has given us. May this be a season in which we may grow in our relationship with God and our love and care for his people and world. May we celebrate his great love for us.

### **Junior High Youth Events**

#### **Confirmation Retreat**

Friday, February 29—Sunday, March 2.

We will gather at Audrey's at 7:30 PM Friday.

We will return to church in time for the 10:45 worship service. Mark your calendars.

More details will follow.

### **Jr. and Sr. High Youth Events**

**Youth Dinner with Auction** Sun., March 30, 2008. Mark your calendar now!

#### **Winter Fun Day**

For folks of All Ages—Saturday, February 16

We will go to Green Acres—Sliding from 2—4

We will come back to church for Chili and hot chocolate. Cost: \$9—\$13/person depending on numbers. We need 25 for a group rate.

#### **Youth Fundraising Dinner & Auction**

Mark your calendar for

Sunday, March 30, 5:00 PM.

#### **Soup Suppers**

Youth and families serve the soup suppers.

All proceeds go to the youth trips fund.

Sign-up to bring dessert

And to help serve.

#### **Youth Grades 8<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup>**

Join us for an informational meeting for

ELCA Gathering in July 2009

Sunday, February 17 @ Noon.

We will meet in the youth room.

Contact Audrey with questions.

#### **Basketball**

Our Sr. High Boys team plays Sunday afternoon. Come cheer them on.

**Women's Bible Study at Prince of Peace** - Please join any of the bible studies at any time. Everyone is welcome.

**Martha Circle**

Second Monday at 12:30pm, February 11  
Hostess: Carol Thompson 484-6874  
Leader: Pastor Andrew

**Rebecca Circle**

Second Monday at 7:30pm, February 11  
Hostess: Patti Rogness  
Leader: to be decided

**Lydia Circle**

Second Tuesday at 9:30am, February 12  
Hostess: Judy Cady 501-7807 at church library  
Leader: Emy Jacobsen

**Ruth Circle**

Second Tuesday at 7:30pm February 12,  
Hostess: Bev Bail 483-9498  
Leader: to be decided

**Women of the Well Circle**

Second Tuesday at 9:30am, February 12  
Hostess: Nell Sponheim 787-0730  
Leader: Kay Johnson

**YogaDevotion—next session**



YogaDevotion combines the fitness of yoga with the spiritual practice of Christian devotions.

Mondays 6-7 pm in the gym.  
8-week session - Jan 7 - Feb 25 Cost: \$50  
Instructor: Jessica Ostendorf  
More info at [www.yogadevotion.com](http://www.yogadevotion.com)  
Next session will begin March 3.

**Building Renewal Committee**



Prince of Peace Building Renewal

The Building Renewal Committee continues to meet weekly to develop a plan for the renewal of the Prince of Peace campus. Notes from meetings are available in the church office and on the website.

**Luther Seminary FRIENDS' 2008 Women's Winter Retreat**

February 9 - **9:00a.m. - 2:30p.m.** at Luther Seminary  
**"Living in God's Love" – A study of the parable and art of the Prodigal Son.**

This year's FRIENDS retreat will feature a study and slide presentation of selected pieces of the **Prodigal Son collection** and a guided tour of the campus exhibit.

Cost: \$30 per person, includes coffee breaks, lunch, worship and program.

Advance registration is due by Feb. 4. Please call 651-641-3419 for more info.

**Ok's Older Kids Ok's**

Please join the OK's on February 14 for a music and magic show with Don Carlson! Two of the featured songs are *Love is a Many Splendored Thing* and *Ain't She Sweet?*

And ....don't forget to bring your VALENTINE!!!

**Spring All Women's Event—April 17, 2008**

Save the date of April 17 for a Spring All Women's Event! The theme of this Thursday evening will be "Celebration of Generations" commemorating Prince of Peace's 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Minnesota's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Social hour will be at 5:00pm with dinner served at 6 o'clock.

Your help is needed. We are looking for old-fashioned clothes for a style show, antique artifacts which can be used in a skit and as table decorations, and some young women to model the clothes. If you have any articles that could be used in a program depicting church women's work and life anytime during the last 150 years and if you would like to volunteer to help, please contact one of the Ruth Circle members: Diane Syverson, Sharon Stillings, Dee Nelson, Gail Meier, Jean Knaak, Anne Haugan, or Bev Bail.

## Prince of Peace Sunday Forums 9:30am

### February 3 – Crossing Bridges to New Church

**Leaders:** Patricia Lull, Dean of Students at Luther Seminary. The challenges our seminarians face, and how the church can help.

### February 10 – Crossing Bridges to New Missions:

Gary Anderson, Crossing Bridges Director.

### February 17 – People Coping with Change:

Kent Olson addresses the goal of moving people out of the cycles of hunger and poverty.

### February 24 – People Coping with Change:

Sheila White Eagle, Director of Indian Affairs for the St. Paul Council of Churches, speaks to the history of boarding schools and current issues among Native Americans in the metro area.

### March 2 – People Coping with Change:

Our Social Action Committee shares the background of the Karen refugees and our church's involvement with resettlement.

### March 9 – People Coping with Change:

Lois Farag, Assistant Professor of Church History at Luther Seminary, and a nun in the Coptic Orthodox Church, will give a history of the Coptic Church and the experience of being Christian in a Muslim country.

### March 16 – Artists Show us the Bible

Sarah Henrich, Luther Seminary Professor of New Testament looks at how art conveys the Gospel story, focusing on Mary and Elizabeth before the births of John and Jesus.

### BIBLE STUDY – *The Gospel of Matthew*

**Wednesdays of Lent: Feb. 6 – March 12**

**11:00am and 8:00pm – Library**

Led by Pastor Andrew Rogness

Week 1: Chapters 1 – 4: Jesus, Prophetic Fulfillment

Week 2: Chapters 5 – 7: Jesus the Teacher

Week 3: Chapters 8 – 11: Following Jesus

Week 4: Chapters 12 – 16: The Steady Hand of Jesus

Week 5: Chapters 17 – 20: Jesus' Q & A

Week 6: Chapters 21 – 28: Jesus' Tragedy and Triumph

## Book Study

### Book Study participating in Evolution Weekend

on *Thank God for Evolution: How the Marriage of Science and Religion Will Transform Your Life and Our World*

By Michael Dowd

2007 Council Oak Books, \$24.95

(10 copies in the narthex for \$15)

Led by Pastor Anita Beste

Friday, Feb 7: 7 – 8:30 pm

Saturday, Feb 8: 10 – 11:30 am

Come to either or both sessions.

Community invited – Scientific thinkers in particular.

**More Info:** on Michael Dowd and *Thank God for Evolution* at: <http://www.thegreatstory.org>

**Praise for Michael's 2007 book from NOBEL LAUREATES.**

- "The universe took 13.7 billion years to produce this amazing book. I heartily recommend it." — JOHN MATHER, NASA CHIEF SCIENTIST, 2006 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS
- "The science vs. religion debate is over! Michael Dowd masterfully unites rationality and spirituality in a world view that celebrates the mysteries of existence and inspires each human being to achieve a higher purpose in life. A must read for all, including scientists." — CRAIG MELLO, 2006 Nobel PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE
- "If anyone can persuade a monotheist that the science of evolution — biological, geological, or cosmological — can enrich his or her faith, I'm betting on Michael Dowd." — THOMAS C. SCHELLING, 2005 NOBEL PRIZE IN ECONOMICS
- "At last, someone who understands that all of reality is sacred and science is our method of comprehending it." — LEE HARTWELL, 2001 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSIOLOGY OR MEDICINE
- "Honest students of God should welcome the revelations of science as insights, not fear them as threats. Here is a book in that spirit by an ardent believer, who takes evolution to heart, and celebrates it." — FRANK WILCZEK, 2004 NOBEL PRIZE IN PHYSICS



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>3 Transfiguration Sunday</b> Basketball Games (boys) <b>Boy Scout Sunday</b> Super Bowl 8:30 AM Worship with Communion 9:30 AM Education Hour 9:30 AM Sunday School Parents 10:45 AM Worship with Communion 5:00 PM Lithuanian Worship</p>	<p><b>4</b> 11:00 AM Staff Meetings 6:00 PM Yoga devotion 7:30 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>5</b> 6:00 PM Bible Study Leaders 7:00 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>6 Ash Wednesday</b> 10:00 AM Prayer Shawl Knitting 12:00 PM Worship 5:30 PM Soup Supper served by the Youth 5:45 PM Children's Worship 6:00 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM Joyful Noise! 7:00 PM Confirmation - Worship/Group 7:00 PM Worship 7:45 PM Boys' Basketball 7:45 PM Chancel Choir 7:45 PM Jr/Sr High Music</p>	<p><b>7</b> 5:30 PM Basketball- outside group 7:00 PM Building Renewal Committee Mtg 7:00 PM Tanzanian Mission Partners Meeting</p>	<p><b>1</b> 10:30 AM Preschool Playgroup</p>	<p><b>2 Groundhog Day</b> Council Retreat</p>
<p><b>10 First Sunday of Lent</b> Basketball Games (boys) 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Worship 5:00 PM Lithuanian Worship</p>	<p><b>11</b> Meals on Wheels 11:00 AM Staff Meetings 1:00 PM Martha Circle 6:00 PM Yoga devotion 7:30 PM Open Basketball 7:30 PM Rebecca Circle</p>	<p><b>12</b> 9:30 AM Lydia Circle 7:00 PM Open Basketball 7:00 PM Personnel Committee 7:30 PM Ruth Circle</p>	<p><b>13</b> Jr/Sr High Music - Cancelled 5:30 PM Soup Supper served by the Youth 6:00 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM Joyful Noise! 7:00 PM Confirmation - Worship/Group 7:00 PM Social Concern Committee 7:00 PM Worship 7:45 PM Boys' Basketball 7:45 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>14 Valentine's Day</b> 11:30 AM OK's (Older Kids) 5:00 PM Food for Friends 5:30 PM Basketball- outside group 7:00 PM Building Renewal Committee Mtg</p>	<p><b>15</b> 10:30 AM Preschool Playgroup</p>	<p><b>16</b> 2:00 PM Family Event- Tubing and Sliding</p>
<p><b>17 Second Sunday of Lent</b> Basketball Games (boys) Second Sunday of Lent 8:30 AM Worship with Communion 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Worship with Communion 12:00 PM ELCA Gathering 2009 meeting 5:00 PM Lithuanian Worship</p>	<p><b>18 Presidents' Day</b> 11:00 AM Staff Meetings 6:00 PM Yoga devotion 7:30 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>19</b> 1:00 PM Library/Cleaning Day 7:00 PM Council Mtg 7:00 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>20</b> 9:30 AM Computer Class 9:30 AM League of Women Voters 5:30 PM Soup Supper served by the Youth 6:00 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM Joyful Noise! 7:00 PM Confirmation - Worship/Group 7:45 PM Boys' Basketball 7:45 PM Chancel Choir 7:45 PM Jr/Sr High Music</p>	<p><b>21</b> 1:00 PM Quilting 5:30 PM Basketball- outside group 7:00 PM Building Renewal Committee Mtg</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b> 7:30 AM Lakeland Support Group</p>
<p><b>24 Third Sunday of Lent</b> Basketball Games (boys) Third Sunday of Lent 8:30 AM Worship 9:30 AM Education Hour 10:45 AM Worship 5:00 PM Lithuanian Worship</p>	<p><b>25</b> 11:00 AM Staff Meetings 1:00 PM Mad Hatter Knitters 6:00 PM Yoga devotion 7:30 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>26</b> 7:00 PM Befriendeds 7:00 PM Open Basketball</p>	<p><b>27</b> 5:30 PM Soup Supper served by the Youth 6:00 PM Bell Choir 6:15 PM Joyful Noise! 7:00 PM Confirmation - Worship/Group 7:00 PM Worship 7:45 PM Boys' Basketball 7:45 PM Chancel Choir 7:45 PM Jr/Sr High Music</p>	<p><b>28</b> 5:00 PM Food for Friends 5:30 PM Basketball- outside group 7:00 PM Building Renewal Committee Mtg</p>	<p><b>29</b> 7:30 PM Confirmation Retreat</p>	

If there is an event missing or a change required, please contact Carol. 651-484-4144 or office@princeofpeace.tc



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