



*Blessed to Welcome,
Worship and Serve
262-634-6704*

**Weekly MPLC
Announcements
September 19 & 20, 2015**

A warm welcome to all! We're glad you are here. Visitors, please see the visitor information card in the pew rack. To learn more about us, visit our website, find us on facebook or follow us on twitter!

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**Regular Worship Times
with Holy Communion at MPLC**

Saturday: 5 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

In the Narthex Today...

Sign up for: Tuesday Bible Study, Action Territory, Dining Out, SCS Registration, Nametag Replacement

SCRIP: Stop by the SCRIP table in the narthex for SCRIP sales and MAKE MISSION HAPPEN at MPLC!

Refresh! MPLC Water Bottles for sale at the SCRIP Table!

Our Staff:

- David Echelbarger (DEchelbarger@mplc.us) Pastor
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- Rebecca Cairns (rcairns@mplc.us) Director of Children's Education
- Stephanie Szabo (sszabo@mplc.us) Parish Administrator
- Becky Litwin (blitwin@mplc.us) Church Secretary
- Julie Rossman (jrossman@mplc.us) Publications Director



Church Office Hours

Church office hours are: **Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Fridays 8:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.** Appointments can always be made for other times by calling the office or the pastors.

MPLC Bulletin Announcements

Announcements are due Tuesdays by Noon. Please send any announcements to Julie Rossman. Indicate the start date and how many weeks you would like it to remain in the bulletin. Thank you.

Altar Flowers



The white roses on the altar are given by MPLC to the glory of God in celebration of: Andrew and Emily Sweetman, on the birth of a son, William Forbes Sweetman; and also to Greg and Katie Brockway on the birth of a daughter, Aubrey Jane Brockway. Aubrey joins big sister Payton, and Grandparents are Kurt and Karen Kromm.

Today's fresh roasted coffee for Coffee Hour is: Honduras San Fernando Rodriguez Pacamara. Pacamara is a very large coffee bean, but gentle in flavor – dried date with a honey sweetness.

We have returned to our fall/winter worship times:

Saturdays: 5 p.m.

Sundays: 8:30 and 11 a.m.



Sunday Church School (9:45 – 10:45 a.m.)

“Refresh [our] heart[s] in Christ” Philemon 1:20b

All are welcome, any time! Sunday Church School Registration forms are available on the sign up table in the narthex, in the education wing, or you can find a printable form on our website at www.spaceshipchurch.org. Please fill out a form for your child/ren ages 3 – high school, who will attend Sunday school this coming year.

Sunday Morning Adult Education



Join us for Adult Education, 10 a.m. on Sundays in Fellowship Hall. Pastor Dave is again leading the weekly class and is focusing on the church year theme, *Refresh!* Grab a cup of coffee and join us!

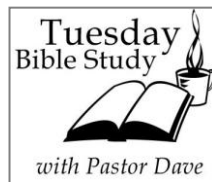


Spirit Alive!

A Study of the Book of Acts and a Rediscovery of the Holy Spirit

Tuesdays, beginning September 29

10 – 11:30 a.m. and 6:30 – 8 p.m.



Pastor Dave will lead a thorough study of the creation of the church and Christian Community as it is portrayed in the book of Acts. There will be guided questions about the Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts. Sign up in the narthex or by calling the church office at 634-6704.



Do you have a prayer request you would like taken to the Holy Land? A member of our congregation will be going to Jerusalem and visiting the Wailing Wall. You may write a prayer on the small pieces of paper provided on the top of the ramps and place it in the box. We will be collecting prayers September 19-September 27. Stay tuned to the Teaching Moment for more info!

Messenger & Cherub Choirs meet on Wednesday evenings, **from 6:30-7:00 p.m.** Messenger Choir is for any 2nd – 5th graders and Cherubs is for any 3 year old – 1st grade.



Senior Choir Rehearsals 🎵

Senior choir rehearsals are held each Wednesday starting at 7 p.m., in the choir room. All voices are welcome to join the senior choir! The senior choir sings each week during the 8:30 a.m. service of worship. The choir is directed by Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Novelli. egarcianovelli@carthage.edu

Our bell choir needs a few new ringers! If you read music we'll teach you all of the techniques you'll need to know. We're always glad to have some of our older youth with music skills to come and join us. It's a fun time and you get to help make wonderful music. Practice is Tuesday evenings, 6:30 - 7:30. Please consider joining us this year. Our first rehearsal will be **Tuesday, September 22**. Contact Tom Nyman; 262-634-7818 / tsnyman@att.net with any questions or if you are interested in joining.





Acolyte training will be held on Wednesday, September 23 at **7:15 p.m.** (previous announcements indicated a 6:30 start time) in the Sanctuary. This is a mandatory training for all 4th graders. If you are unable to attend, please contact the church office at 634-6704.

Confirmation is back in session! We had a great night on our kick-off night last Wednesday. This week, September, 23 we will begin confirmation suppers from 6 – 6:30 p.m., with confirmation class beginning at 6:30 p.m.



High School Summer Trip 2016 Info Meeting! On Sunday, October 4 at noon there will be an information meeting about our Summer Trip for July 2016! It will be a wilderness/outdoor adventure trip through Camp Amnikon in South Range, WI. (Not far from Duluth, MN on Lake Superior) Come hear more, give input on tailoring our trip and show your interest! Those in 8th -12th grade are welcome with their parents!

Action Territory: MPLC 6th-8th graders are invited to join us at Action Territory on Friday, September 25, 5:30-9:30 pm. Sign up in the narthex!

MPLC SCRIP...*make mission happen*

As Pastor Dave likes to say... “You’re going to spend the money anyway: Make Mission Happen!”

**Starting TODAY – New SCRIP Hours: Sundays,
9:30 – 11 a.m. and each first Saturday of the month.**

The Great Lakes SCRIP program provides a very SIMPLE way to raise money for youth and adult missions here at MPLC. To participate, just buy gift cards for things you purchase every day, like groceries or gas. For each purchase, the church earns a rebate on your purchase, from that company. It’s that easy! Stop by the SCRIP table in the narthex today! Thank you for your support!



MPLC Water Bottles for Sale!

We have just **10** MPLC water bottles left! Get one while they last! \$10 each and available at the SCRIP table.

Containers AND a Volunteer Needed for Atonement / Our Savior's Community Meal

The Atonement/Our Savior's Community Meal site is in need of empty containers! Any leftover food is sent home with people in need. **Please bring any clean, empty containers, with lids.** Plastic containers are preferred. Please place them in the large "Container" labeled box in the narthex. Thank you - every bit helps! **We are looking for a high school youth or volunteer** who would like to bring the containers in to Atonement 1 – 2 times a month. If interested, please call Louise Larsen (262-721-7701) for more information.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church Community Meal Has been MOVED to Atonement Lutheran Church 2915 Wright Avenue

Next Meal is TODAY, Sunday, September 20

Please consider helping others in our community by volunteering to prepare food at the **September 20** community meal at Atonement Lutheran Church. Our youth will help to serve that day, but we still need donations of food. Donations of food can be left in our church kitchen by 3:00 p.m. (please make sure you mark them for Atonement), or hot dishes can be dropped off at Atonement Lutheran Church at 4:30 p.m.

Don't cook? Easy donations include:

- * A bucket of fried chicken
- * Heated pizzas
- * Coleslaw or potato salad
- * Cut up fresh vegetables or fruit
- * A hot entrée from Sam's Club
- * Bagged salad/bottled dressing
- * 1-3 gallons of milk
- * Ready-made lasagna

Sign up in the narthex if you can donate food. If you have any questions, please contact MPLC community meal coordinators, Mike and JoAnn Brown at 262-619-1216 or email: michael_and_jo_ann_brown@yahoo.com

Quilters News

Quilting will resume in September for the 2015-16 year. We will again be meeting on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month. We will begin on September 10, 9 a.m. – Noon. We will also meet on September 24 from 9 – Noon.





Feeding the hungry is a daily ministry. Thank you all for your generosity! We could not do this without you! The Holy Communion Food Pantry is currently very low on food, please remember the food pantry when you shop.

Monetary donations are always welcome.

September 27 – Jelly, Instant Potatoes

October 4 - 15 oz. cans of pears, 15 oz. cans of fruit cocktail

Joseph’s Granary at MPLC

Bring your extra garden produce to MPLC! Look for the table in the narthex. Leave your extra produce there. MPLC members and guests are welcome to take produce in exchange for a donation to the food bank. Any leftover produce after the weekend will be donated to the food bank. It’s a win-win!



Lutheran World Relief School/Health Kits



You can make a difference. Envelopes are available at the Welcome Center to help purchase items for the Lutheran World Relief School/Health Kits. Envelopes may be placed in the offering plate during worship or turned in to the office. Items should be placed in the box in the narthex. Our goal is to send **100 school kits** and **100 health kits**.

The following are items still needed for School Kits:

***11 Erasers**

The following are the items still needed for Health Kits:

***33 Bath towels** (52” x 27”),
lightweight material, dark
color preferred

***86 Metal nail files/nail clippers**
with files attached

***76 Combs**, wide tooth -
remove packaging

***32 Bath size** (4-5 oz.) bars of
soap in original packaging

Little Lambs Begins October 4

Parents with children who are under 3 as of August 31, 2015 are invited to come with their children to our Little Lambs Class, starting Sunday, October 4. This is held in the library and begins at 10 a.m. each Sunday. Parents and children hear a story, do a craft and enjoy a snack together with other families each week. It is fun for both parents and children! No need to sign up – just come!



Worship Leadership (5 pm)
Shirley Jasperson, Head Usher
Audrey Blomgren, Lector

Worship Leadership (8:30 am)
Judy Smith , Kristi Barrett, Welcome Center
John & Lila Berge, Greeters
Dave Pennings, Lector
Tad Larson, Grace Brussat, Paige Gulbrandson, Aaron Syring,
Acolytes
Candy Zicarelli, Kenda Haffner, Phil & Sandy Lyden,
James Broetzman, Communion Assistants
Tony Betko, Kirsten Graves, Kara Reske, Candy Zicarelli, Becca
Cairns, Coffee Hour Refreshments
Dinah Harner, Allen Filloon, Eric Bartel, Joe Silvius,
Coffee Hour Hosts
Ralph Gentile, Larry Olson, Erin Ketterhagen, Nursery
Chuck Svoboda, Team Leader
Connie Mallwitz, Head Usher

Worship Leadership (11:00 am)
Robb & Laura Luehr, Welcome Center
Sharon Johnson, Lector
Cherise Hart, Dana Lambert-Wittkowske, Greeters
Evaline Mitchell, Abby Gonzalez, Julia Donaldson, Skylar Hoornstra,
Acolytes
Holly Hess, Andrew Luehr, Sherry Coburn, Dick Zimmermann,
Communion Assistants
Rachel Brown, Tiffany Johnson, Joshua Mains, Nursery
Bob Kolesar, Team Leader
Bob Kolesar, Head Usher
Jim & Jean Richio, Communion Bread
Michael Becker, Organist
Dr. Eduardo García-Novelli, Senior Choir Director
Rev. Christine A. Thomas-Echelbarger, Pastor
Rev. David L. Echelbarger, Pastor
Rev. Krista M. Zimmerman, Pastor



What's Happening the Week of September 20...

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	9:45 a.m.	Education Hour
	10:00 a.m.	Adult Education
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	Noon	9 th Grade Confirmation Retreat
Tuesday	Noon	Bulletin Deadline
Wednesday	6:30 p.m.	Cherub & Messenger Choirs
	6:00 p.m.	Confirmation Supper
	6:30 p.m.	Confirmation
	6:30 p.m.	“Saying Goodbye to Adult Children”
	7:00 p.m.	Senior Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Quilters
Friday	12:45 p.m.	MPLC Newsletter Collating
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