



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

**Weekly MPLC  
Announcements  
September 5 & 6, 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. & 10:15 a.m.

***In the Narthex Today...***

**Sign up for:** Tuesday Bible Study, Women's Retreat, Action Territory, Atonement Community Meal, 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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- 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 NOON** 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.

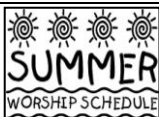
### Altar Flowers

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by Jim and Carla Wilks in honor of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on September 4.



The white roses on the altar are given by MPLC to the glory of God in celebration of: Hal and Liz Kravig, on the August 28 birth of a son, **Calvin Harold Kravig**; and also Michael and Andrea Zimdars on the September 1 birth of a daughter, **Ella May Zimdars**.

**Today's fresh roasted coffee for Coffee Hour is:** Ethiopia Muhradbawi Limu. How about a honey tangerine coffee to remind you of the wonders of summer? Here it is.



Saturday Service - 5:00 p.m.  
Sunday Services - 8:30 & **10:15 a.m.**  
Coffee Fellowship - 9:30 – 10:00 a.m.



On the weekend of **September 12/13**, we will return to our fall/winter worship times:

Saturdays: 5 p.m.  
Sundays: 8:30 and **11 a.m.**

**\*\*\*Volunteer schedules\*\*\*** for October/November/December, are in your narthex mailbox. Please pick yours up TODAY and help us avoid postage costs! Thank you.

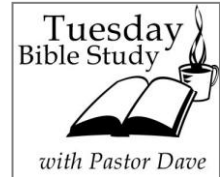


## Sunday Morning Adult Education

Adult Education will resume on Rally Day, Sunday, September 13. Pastor Dave will again lead the weekly class and will focus on the church year theme, *Refresh!* Grab a cup of coffee and join us Sundays; 10 – 10:35 a.m.

### 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.



*Messenger & Cherub Choirs* will meet on Wednesday evenings, beginning **September 16 from 6:30-7:00 p.m.** Messenger Choir is for any 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> graders and Cherubs is for any 3 year old – 1<sup>st</sup> 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](mailto: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](mailto:tsnyman@att.net) with any questions or if you are interested in joining.



## Sunday Church School begins September 13!

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

Sunday Church School Registration forms are now available on the sign up table in the narthex, or you can find a printable form on our website at [www.spaceshipchurch.org](http://www.spaceshipchurch.org). Please fill out a form for your child/ren ages 3 – high school, who will attend Sunday school this coming year.



**Acolyte training** will be held on Wednesday, September 23 at 6:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. This is a mandatory training for all 4<sup>th</sup> graders. If you are unable to attend, please contact the church office at 634-6704.

**Confirmation Class Begins Wednesday, September 16, 6:30 – 8 p.m.** There will be a parent meeting for all parents the same evening, from 7:30 – 8 p.m. in the sanctuary.



**Action Territory:** MPLC 6th-8th graders are invited to join us at Action Territory on Friday, September 25, 6:00-9:30 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!”

**Stop by the SCRIP table in the narthex today and ask about MyScripWallet!**

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



## **Containers 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. 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 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

## **St. Patrick's Community Meal Thursday, September 17**

Come to help prepare food for more than 150 people right here in the MPLC kitchen starting at NOON. We need help to chop, grate, mix, cook and clean up. Bring along a cake for dessert (labeled for St. Pat's) to go with the meal, which will be served at St. Patrick's Church later that evening. To help serve, meet Burt Blomgren here at church at 4:30 p.m. Call Burt with any questions at 835-2088.



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 13** - jelly, instant potatoes

**September 20** - pancake mix, syrup

### 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!



### Annual MPLC Women's Retreat

Register now and join us for the annual women's retreat at Lutherdale bible camp in Elkhorn, Wisconsin September 18-20. This year we are excited to welcome MPLC member, Pastor Susan Bowen, certified Interplay instructor. Susan will lead us through a session to refresh our bodies, minds and spirit. Retreat begins on Friday evening with dinner and wraps up on Saturday at 3:00. A second night option is available for extended refreshment. Cost for the retreat is \$60 for one night and \$35 additional for the second night. Call Holly Hess at 414-550-9461 or email [hollyhess@wi.rr.com](mailto:hollyhess@wi.rr.com) with questions. Register by calling the church office or sign up in the narthex. **Full payment is due by Thursday, September 10.** Payment envelopes are available on the sign up table. Join us!

### Crafter's Corner



The crafters group will meet again on Thursdays, September, 10 and 17, at 9 a.m. in Mygatts Corner. We will continue working on unfinished projects and some new ideas will be presented. If interested in making crafts for our fall sale, please come join this fun, small group!

### 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.





## 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:*

- \***74** Blunt scissors - safety scissors with embedded steel blades
- \***100** Spiral notebooks (70 pgs each)
- \***52** Pencil sharpeners
- \***52** Rulers with centimeters on one side and inches on the other
- \***202** Ball point Pens – **No gel ink pens please**

*The following are the items still needed for Health Kits:*

- \***94** Bath towels (52" x 27"), lightweight material, dark color preferred
- \***85** Metal nail files/nail clippers with files attached
- \***100** Combs, wide tooth - remove packaging
- \***60** Bath size (4-5 oz.) bars of soap in original packaging

## Project Night News

Come to work on any project (scrapbooking, stamping, painting, stitching, organizing) in Fellowship Hall on **Friday, September 11**, from 6:30-11 p.m. There is plenty of space and lots of tables to work on. Come join this great group for fun and fellowship.



### Worship Leadership (5 pm)

Rosie Johnson, Head Usher

### Worship Leadership (8:30 am)

Monica Zabel, Nancy Clausen, Welcome Center  
Cindy Green, Mary Lou Gallagher, Greeters – Alice Pennings, Lector  
Samuel Zuelke, Julian Mains, Elliott Reske, Acolytes  
Tom & Joyce Waldoch, Steve Ketterhagen, Communion Assistants  
Dawn Seeger, Cindy Skovsted, Rob & Peggy Zurawski,  
Sonja Wilson, Lynne Besaw, Coffee Hour Refreshments



Dave & Kurri Cecchini, Coffee Hour Hosts  
Lea Thompson, Ian Bischoff, Luke Mortensen, Nursery  
Frank DeCesaro, Team Leader  
Connie Mallwitz, Head Usher

**Worship Leadership (10:15 am)**

Kathy Heyse, Sherry Carrion, Welcome Center  
Donna Braaten, Lector – George & Pat Francis, Greeters  
Ella & Quinn Cimbalk, Krystal Johnson, Acolytes  
Ric Weiss, Brian Schalk, Patti Whitworth, Communion Assistants  
Andrew Luehr, Jasmine Cherry, Nursery  
Bea Olsen/ John Franklin, Team Leader  
Barb Rasmussen, Head Usher  
Peggy Prince, 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 6...**

Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Communion
Monday		Church Office Closed
Tuesday	Noon	Bulletin Deadline
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Senior Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Quilters / Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Writer's Group
	6:30 p.m.	Congregation Council
Friday	6:30 p.m.	Project Night
Saturday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Communion
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	10:15 a.m.	Holy Communion