



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

**Weekly MPLC
Announcements
April 5, 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 or find us on facebook

www.spaceshipchurch.org

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Regular Worship Times at MPLC

Saturday: 5 p.m.

Sunday: 7:15 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 11 a.m.

In the Narthex Today...

Sign up for: Relay for Life, Japanese Cooking, two different concert events for youth, youth paint afternoon, Men's Softball and Nametag Replacement.

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

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Church Office Hours

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

Monday, April 6, the church office will be **CLOSED.**

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 Ric & Cindy Weiss who are rejoicing with love for their daughter, Katie Weiss Motycka, who was born on this day 26 years ago, and for our Savior who gave us the promise of everlasting life.

Today's fresh roasted coffee for Easter Breakfast is: Papua New Guinea Bauka Ginipa, Dark Brooding Molasses, but as cup cools – a hint of flowers. A Tomb Experience: Darkenss punctuated with a single Easter Lilly bloom. Easy to Miss - be attentive, to the coffee and the gift of a resurrected faith.

This weekend, we welcome into our baptized membership, **Stella Noel Rector**, daughter of Daniel & Anna Rector (Echelbarger). Stella's baptismal sponsors are Gary and Carla Kovacs. We also welcome into our baptized membership, **Christopher Joseph Dollar**, son of Christopher & Alex Dollar (Cuadra). Christopher's baptismal sponsors are Kevin Brown & Alicia Dollar.



NOISY OFFERING REVISED Total! We actually collected **\$1,110.77** from last weekend's noisy offering collection. All monies will be donated to Lutheran World Relief Water Projects. Thank you MPLC!



Adult Education with Pastor Dave Sundays, 10 – 10:35 a.m. in Fellowship Hall

Pastor Dave's Sunday adult education class continues with *Renewing Your Faith Understandings*. Each class is self contained. Stop in and give it a try! (*Note – there is no Adult education on Easter Day*).

Tuesday Bible Study Resumes April 14

Pastor Dave's Bible Study: *The Resurrection of the Son of God*, will continue on Tuesdays; April 14, 21, and 28. Times are 10-11:30 a.m. and 6:30-8:00 p.m. Join us for the conclusion as we study the gospel accounts of Jesus' Resurrection and its meaning for us today.

Mosaic Art Project Update

The Mosaic is coming to life! Please help us tile our RENEW Mosaic. Children and adults are all welcome to help with this project! Available during coffee hour.



New Member Class and Reception of New Members

The next new member class will be held Thursday, April 23, from 6:30-8:30 p.m. (If you would prefer to come that day to a class held from 10 a.m.-12 noon, contact the church office at 634-6704.) Reception of new members will be the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, May 2 and 3. (Exact service times will be discussed and selected during our class sessions.) For more information, or if you have questions or are interested in joining MPLC, please contact the church office at 634-6704 or see one of the pastors.



MPLC SCRIP...*make mission happen*

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

Remember SCRIP cards for your spring home projects, your gas, groceries and for your new spring clothes! Did you know? You can use Kohl’s cards from SCRIP to pay off your Kohl’s charge card!

WHAT IS ScripNow? It’s an eCard that you can print from home shortly after a purchase using your PrestoPay account. You don’t have a PrestoPay account? Please see the Scrip Team in the narthex for more information.



SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS 2015!
AUGUST 3 – 7, 9 A.M. – NOON AT MPLC
REGISTRATION OPENS APRIL 18/19



Relay for Life Racine ~ 2015
June 12 – 13, Racine Zoo

We are gearing up for another year of Relay for Life! Sign up in the narthex by Sunday, April 19 to be part of our team. Contact Gina Bartel at ginabartel@gmail.com or Denise Keller at mewskeller@milwpc.com if you have any questions or would like to be on the team committee. There will be a 15 minute informational meeting for those interested on **Sunday, April 19 at 10 a.m. in the narthex OR at noon in Mygatts.**

Japanese Cooking Class with Michie
Saturday, April 25 at 10 a.m.

Michie will demonstrate a Japanese cooking technique, then she will walk us through making a meal using that technique. At the end we all sit down to eat. Space is limited to 10 people. If we have enough interest Michie will stay for an afternoon session, which will begin at 1:00. Cost is \$20 – envelopes available at sign up table. Please sign up and pay for the class by **April 18**. Paying for this class is your reservation to attend.

Men's Softball Sign up

It's time for guys to sign up for our 2015 Men's Softball Team. Players must be 14 by May 1, 2015. Please put your name, phone, and position desired in the scorebook on the sign-up table in the narthex. **BE A SPORT! BE A PLAYER!** Questions, please call Rich & Naomi Miller at 632-8579. Opening Night... Tuesday, May 19.



Quilters News



The quilters will be meeting on Thursdays; April 9 and 23 from 9 a.m. to Noon. If anyone would like to learn more about our group and help tie quilts join us. Please continue to remember the quilting group if you have fabric to donate. If you have any questions please call Joyce Friend at 886-6676 or Linda Berger at 456-4779.



Crafter's Corner



Our crafting dates in April will be Thursdays; April 9 and 16 in Mygatts Corner, from 9 – 11:30 a.m. Any questions, please call Donna Mullikin at 554-8872. A big thank-you to the individuals who donated craft supplies to us in the past few months



Project Night (and day) News

Come to work on any project (scrapbooking, stamping, painting, stitching, organizing) in Fellowship Hall on **Friday, April 17**, from 6:30-11 p.m. Then, come back for project day on **Saturday, April 18**, from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m. There is plenty of space and lots of tables to work on. Come join this great group for fun and fellowship!

New Small Group Forming

MPLC member Carol Hogue is hosting a new small group at her home each third Thursday of the month. The topic of discussion will be Proverbs. The next get-together will be Thursday, April 16 at 1 p.m. The address is 6737 Explorer Drive, Racine. All are welcome. Any questions, please call Carol at 930-0955.

RUMMAGE



We are having our annual rummage sale on **Saturday, July 18!** Please save all your treasures, as well as boxes and brown paper bags for the MPLC Rummage Sale. Mark your calendars! We need lots of help to make the day go smoothly! Our rummage sale benefits

non-profit agencies in our Racine community. You can start dropping off your rummage sale donations at the 16th Street entrance **after** Memorial Day. Bring big items the week of the sale. Questions? Contact Kate Lingsweiler at 456-7443, Shirley Kerkman at 634-6568 or Judy Smith at 497-2363.

Hunger Never Takes a Vacation

Feeding the hungry is a daily ministry. Thank you all for your generosity! We could not do this without you! Holy Communion Food Pantry is asking for the following items:



- April 12 15 oz. canned pasta, 15 oz pork n' beans
- April 19 1 lb. bags of rice, saltines



iPod Collection to benefit Alzheimer’s and Dementia Patients

Habitat ReStore is collecting new and used iPods to reclaim lives affected by Alzheimer’s and dementia. Exploration of music's capacity to reawaken the souls of those who no longer can communicate has produced amazing results. iPods can be dropped off at Habitat ReStore, 2302 DeKoven Ave., Tuesday and Thursday, 10 - 4, Saturday 9 - 4. These will be donated to residents in local nursing homes. For more information, Google "Alive Inside" for a short documentary.

Middle AND High School Activity...Paint Afternoon!

On Sunday, April 26 from 3-5 p.m., come paint a fun picture (picture TBD) with other middle and high school youth from MPLC! \$15/person includes canvas and supplies! Bring a snack or drink to share! Sign up in the narthex.

Concert for All Ages

Come see Rachel Kurtz in Concert on Wednesday, April 22, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. at Holy Communion Lutheran Church - 2000 W. 6th St Racine. All ages are invited! We will be taking a group from MPLC. Please sign up in the narthex!

Our Congregation Council

- Bob Kolesar (989-8928 or bobnrobk@yahoo.com).....President
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- Karen Kromm (909-0166 or karenkromm@wi.rr.com).....Education
- Chris Ryshkus (945-8403 or chris.ryshkus@gmail.com)..... Welcome



Worship Leadership (7 am)

Karen Magee, Lector
Karen Magee, Communion Assistant
Paul Taylor, Trombone
Frank DeCesaro, Team Leader
B. Olsen/J. Franklin, Co-Team Leaders
Connie Mallwitz, Head Usher

Worship Leadership (9:15 am)

Ron & Pat Jensen, Greeters – Kenda Haffner, Lector
Kyle & Erin Ketterhagen, Matt Rossman, Acolytes
Carol Wiechers, Elaine Klandrud, Chip Lutz,
Ralph, Jill, Rachel & Jack Gentile, Communion Assistants
Grace & Ben Brussat and Alex Dollar, Nursery
Eric Weiss, Chris Bresette, Curt Hubmann,
Paul Taylor, Quartet Members
Bob Syslack, Team Leader
Connie Mallwitz, Team Leader/Head Usher

Worship Leadership (11 am)

Robert & Kristi Gilkerson, Greeters – Lynn Landish, Lector
Rose White, Owen Sell, Acolyte
Sherry Carrion, Kenn Spatz, Kari & Bitta Gordon, Communion Assistants
Emma Fleming and Malary Reynolds, Nursery
Eric Weiss, Chris Bresette, Curt Hubmann,
Paul Taylor, Quartet Members
Chuck Svoboda, Team Leaders
Bob Kolesar, Team Leader/Head Usher
Janice Johnson & Rebecca Cairns, 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 April 5...

Easter Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Holy Communion
	8:00 a.m.	Easter Breakfast
	9:15 a.m.	Holy Communion
	11 a.m.	Holy Communion w/ 2 Baptisms
Monday		Church Office CLOSED
Tuesday	7 p.m.	Men's Softball Coaches Meeting
Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	Senior Choir
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Quilters/Crafters
	12:30 p.m.	Writer's Group
	6:30 p.m.	Congregation Council Meeting
Friday		Lutherdale Elementary Retreat Leaves
Saturday		Lutherdale Elementary Retreat Returns
Sunday	5:00 p.m.	Holy Communion
	7:15 a.m.	Holy Communion
	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion
	9:30 a.m.	Coffee Fellowship
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday Church School
	10 a.m.	Little Lambs/Adult Ed
11 a.m.	Holy Communion	