

St. Pauli News in Detail



Greeting and Ushering

Feb. 1 Marc Haugen
 Feb. 8 Gary Iverson
 Feb. 15 Dennis Nelson
 Feb. 22 Jim Kotz

Cleaning: Clean *prior* to your Sunday to usher. Don't forget to check the wastebasket in the pastor's office.

Sunday Service:

- Light altar candles before service and put out flames after church.
- Act as Greeters and hand out bulletins.
- Usher for offering and communion.
- Tidy up pews after church to make it ready for the next Sunday's services.

Altar Preparation: Evie Johnson

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February Milestones

Birthdays

Feb. 17 Joanne Hurst
 Feb. 20 Gary Iverson
 Feb. 25 Arlo Rude
 Feb. 26 Evie Johnson
 Feb. 27 Edna Rondorf

Anniversaries

None that the editor is aware of



BASKETS OF PROMISE



Once again during Lenten season, our congregation will take part in collecting Personal Care Kits. When LWR distributes these kits, it's often to people who have lost everything. In the wake of an earthquake, or having fled from violence as their homes were overtaken, they clasp a towel from a faraway place, with a bar of soap, a toothbrush...and washing up, they know that they have not been forsaken by the world.

The very simple gesture of giving a Personal Care Kit can give someone the encouragement to start anew, starting with a bath. **You can share God's grace and love by providing that simple comfort.**

Feb. 22: Bar of Soap (4 or 5 oz. in original wrapper)
 March 1: Bath Towel (lightweight, max. size 27" x 52", dark color preferred)
 March 8: Toothbrush (adult size, in original packaging)
 March 15: Sturdy Comb
 March 22: Nail Clipper (metal, attached file optional)
 March 29: Bar of Soap

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Join the Quilting!

The WELCA ladies will quilt again on Wednesday, February 11th. You certainly don't have to be a seamstress or quilter to join the group. There is something for everyone to do.

This year, we are making child-sized fleece quilts (in addition to our regular quilts) that require nothing more than sitting, cutting a fringe around the edge, and knotting those fringed strips. Some of our confirmation students will be joining us in making these quilts.

And the conversation flows freely. Even if you can't come until after work, do so. After all, we don't eat supper until 6:00 pm! This will be followed by the regular February WELCA meeting at 7:00 pm.



Lutheran World Relief

WHERE DID LWR QUILTS & KITS GO IN 2014?

\$12.4 million to more than 571,480 people in 20 countries

Country	Shipping Warehouse	LWR Partner Agency	Quilts	School Kits	Personal Care Kits	Fabric Kits	Baby Care Kits	Soap (lbs.)
Angola	Minnesota	Hope for Angola	32,000	7,040	15,750	5,740	7,680	4,600
Armenia	Maryland	United Methodist Committee on Relief	12,375					
	Maryland	International Orthodox Christian Charities		5,500	4,600		1,200	
Burkina Faso	Minnesota	Catholic Organization for Development and Solidarity		14,720	12,250	3,854	8,000	4,600
	Maryland	Catholic Organization for Development and Solidarity	24,750					
Cambodia	Minnesota	International Relief & Development		7,360	7,700			
Chad	Minnesota	Lutheran World Federation	16,200	2,880			2,000	
Georgia	Maryland	United Methodist Committee on Relief	12,375					
	Maryland	A Call to Serve International	12,375			1,230	15,300	
India	Minnesota	Church's Auxiliary for Social Action	50,400					
Iraq	Maryland	International Orthodox Christian Charities			4,600		750	
	UNHRD Dubai	Irish Aid			2,000			
Jordan	Maryland	International Orthodox Christian Charities		13,125				
Lebanon	Minnesota	American Near East Refugee Aid	10,080	3,200	7,000		2,080	
Myanmar	Minnesota	International Relief & Development	3,600	2,720	3,500		2,000	
Nicaragua	Maryland	Sociedad de Productores de Café de Exportación	13,125					
	Minnesota	Sociedad de Productores de Café de Exportación	15,360					
Palestine	UNHRD Dubai	The Government of the United Arab Emirates	6,930					
Peru	Minnesota	CARITAS	24,750					
	Maryland	CARITAS		3,712	15,050	4,100	4,400	
Philippines	Maryland	Ramon Aboitiz Foundation, Inc.	26,400	3,500	11,500		3,900	
	Maryland	Mahintana Foundation, Inc.	12,375		5,520		3,600	
Serbia	Minnesota	International Orthodox Christian Charities	5,400	7,040				
	Maryland	International Relief & Development	8,580	5,508				
Syria	Maryland	International Orthodox Christian Charities		6,000	5,980			
Tanzania	Maryland	Christian Council of Tanzania - WAMA	7,260		6,900	1,640	2,700	32,120
	Maryland	Christian Council of Tanzania - WAMA	17,160		6,900			
	Maryland	Christian Council of Tanzania - WAMA	24,750					
Thailand	Minnesota	The Border Consortium	72,000				6,400	
Yemen	Minnesota	International Relief and Development		6,400	13,300		4,800	
TOTALS			408,245	88,705	122,550	16,564	64,810	41,320

Shipments listed are for LWR's 2014 fiscal year (October 2013 through September 2014).

*Lutheran World Relief is a ministry of U.S. Lutherans,
serving communities living in poverty overseas.*

In Memoriam

Rev. Lloyd Anthony Heroff

Rev. Heroff was ordained in 1977 and he and his wife, Doris, came to St. Pauli later that year as his first call. He served the St. Hilaire Parish until 1982 when he left to accept a call in West Fargo, ND. Their son, John Marshall, was born during their stay here.



Rev. Lloyd Heroff
1943-2015

Pastor Lloyd Anthony Heroff died on January 3, 2015 in Pelican Rapids, MN.

Born in St. Paul, MN to Lloyd A. Heroff, Sr. and Sylvia E. Heroff (nee Maki), he grew up in St. Paul's West 7th Street neighborhood. As an only child, he spent a significant amount of time enjoying the company of his cousins at his aunts' and uncles' homes located in Bohemian (Czech) and Finnish settlements. After graduating from Monroe High School in 1961, he attended Wartburg and Macalester Colleges, graduating in 1965. While majoring in English Literature at Macalester, he met Doris Jean "in the 17th Century" as he liked to joke. Doris introduced him to his love of the Boundary Waters Canoe Area and to fine cuisine. Eventually, he transitioned from mere connoisseur to excellent chef.

Despite his acceptance to graduate school at the University of Minnesota, he was drafted on Christmas Eve in 1965 and subsequently enlisted in the Navy. He married Doris Jean Ann Pyle after completing French linguist training in Washington DC. Lloyd served aboard the USS Oxford off the coast of Vietnam and then in Rota, Spain, where he and Doris learned to love Spanish food and culture. Here is a link to Lloyd and Doris making his favorite dessert, caramel flan: <http://prev.dailyherald.com/lifestyle/food/cookoftheweek/?id=367025>.

After being discharged from the Navy, Lloyd returned to the Chicago area with Doris to work as an Adolescent Counselor at Forest Hospital. Later, he decided to try his hand at teaching and returned to Macalester to obtain his certification, eventually working as an English teacher and coach of the Brooklyn Park Junior High School Gymnastic team.

In 1972, he claimed, "My car drove me to Luther Seminary," where he earned his Master of Divinity degree (1976). Later he attained a Master of Liberal Arts (1989) from Moorhead State University.

When not caring for his parishioners or leading a Boundary Waters expedition, Lloyd could often be found sailing or windsurfing on Lake Lizzie.

Pastor Heroff is survived by his wife, Doris; their son, John, and his recently adopted stray cat Black Silver; his extended family of Heroffs and Dandls; and his many dear friends.

He served parishes as solo, youth, interim, and Senior Pastor in these Midwestern churches: Calvary and St. Pauli, St. Hilaire Parish, MN; Faith, West Fargo, ND; Gustaf Adolf, Gwinner, ND; Trinity, Princeton, MN; Resurrection, Chicago, IL; Trinity; Evanston, IL; St. Mark, Mt. Prospect, IL; Bethel, Herman, MN; and Lake Park Lutheran, Lake Park, MN.



Memorial services:

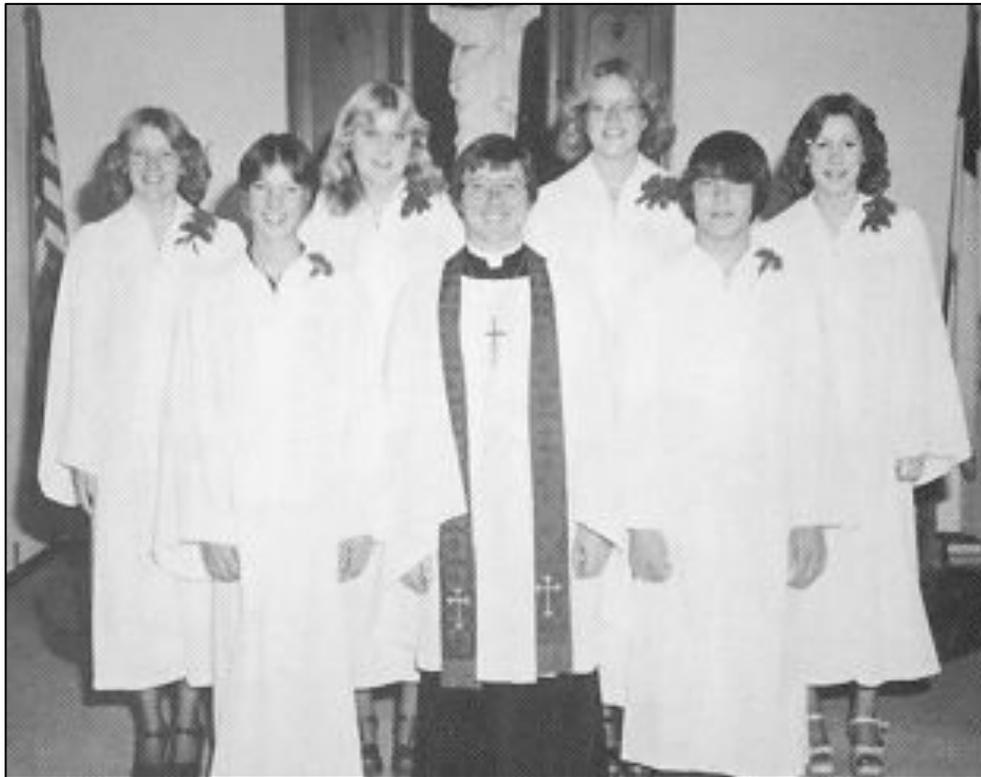
- 1) Zion Lutheran Church on Franklin Lake, Pelican Rapids, MN
- 2) Through Saint Mark Lutheran Church, St. Paul, MN at Little Sisters of the Poor, 330 Exchange St S, St. Paul, MN
- 3) St. Mark Lutheran Church, Prospect, IL
- 4) Peace Lutheran Church, Ft. Meyers, FL

Memorials may be sent to any of the following organizations:

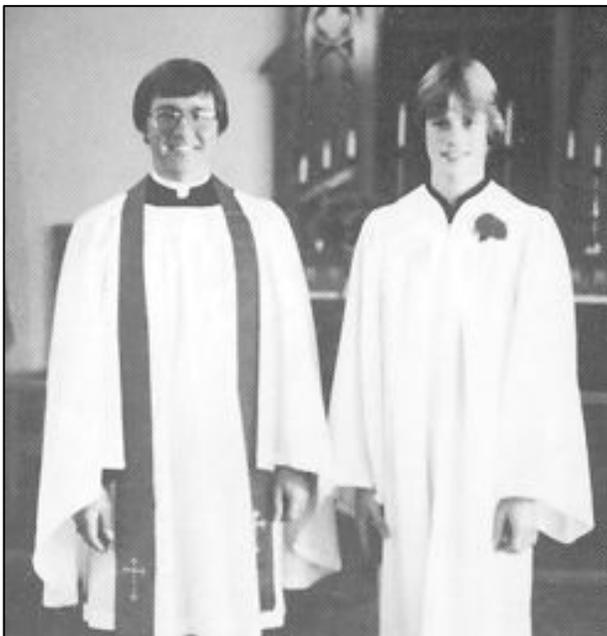
- 1) Reconciling Works, 1669 Arcade St, Suite 2, St. Paul, MN 55106
- 2) Lloyd's home church of Saint Mark in St. Paul, which was the victim of a devastating fire bomb on Friday, December 12th. Their neighbors on West 7th held a benefit fundraiser on January 17th. Donations can still be made to the St. Paul Area Synod, 105 University Avenue West, St Paul, MN 55103

REV. HEROFF'S ST. PAULI CONFIRMATION CLASSES

1978



1980



1981



In Memoriam



Gloria (Helgeland) Hesse

Gloria Hesse, 69, died January 15, 2015 at Pioneer Memorial Care Center in Erskine, MN with her loving family at her side.

Gloria Mavis Helgeland was born at Mercy Hospital in Thief River Falls on October 25, 1945, the daughter of Arnold and Sophie (Torkelson) Helgeland. She was baptized on February 1, 1946 at Bethany Lutheran Church, rural Thief River Falls, and confirmed on November 6, 1960 at St. Pauli Lutheran Church. Gloria attended Knox Elementary School and graduated from Lincoln High School with the class of 1963.

On September 6, 1963, Gloria was united in marriage to Vincent B. Hesse in Thief River Falls. They made their home in Climax, MN for a short time, then moved to California where their two sons, Vincent J. and Scott, were born. In 1965 the family returned to make their home in Thief River Falls where they have continued to reside. Gloria worked for Arctic Cat for a short time and then decided to stay home to raise their two wonderful boys. In the late 1980s, Gloria went to work at Super 8 Motel, where she worked until retiring.

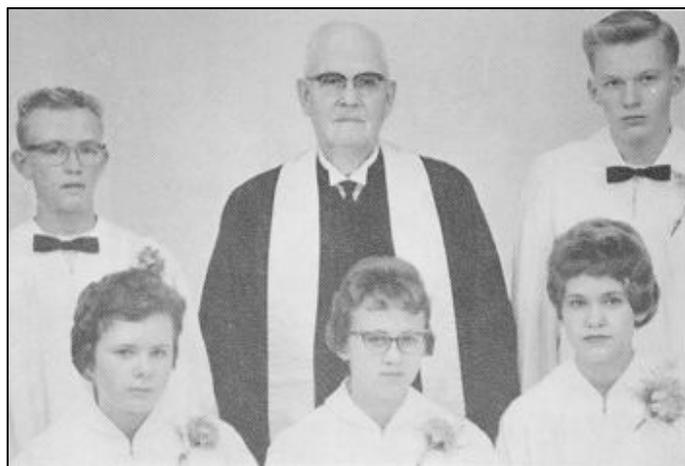
She liked to do ceramics, reading, traveling, and spending time with her grandchildren. Gloria had a love for country music, especially Elvis, Boxcar Willie, and Charlie Pride.

Gloria attended Bethany Lutheran Church.

Survivors include her loving husband of 51 years, Vincent B. Hesse; sons, Vincent J. (Doretta) Hesse and Scott (Christina) Hesse, all of Thief River Falls; grandchildren, Nathan Hesse, Ashley Hesse, Pascale (Bud) Nelson, Todd Hesse, and Vincent Hesse III; great-grandchildren, Beau and Charley Nelson; sisters, Donna (Dan) Kukowski and Diane Gilbertson; brothers-in-law, Joe Hesse, John (Pat) Hesse and Jerry (Connie) Hesse; and many other relatives and friends.

She is preceded in death by her parents, Arnold and Sophie Helgeland; mother- and father-in-law, Clarence and Bertha Hesse; sisters-in-law, Rosanne Holen, Joanne Quam, Dorothy Hesse and Betty Hesse; and brother-in-law, Dwayne Hesse.

Funeral services were held on January 21, 2015 at Johnson Funeral Service in Thief River Falls with Rev. Robert Dahlen officiating. Burial took place at Greenwood Cemetery, also in Thief River Falls.



*Gloria Helgeland Hesse, front row left,
was confirmed at St. Pauli in 1960 by Rev. A. E. Berg.*

Minutes of the 2014 Annual Meeting

(approved January 25, 2015)

February 2, 2014

The St. Pauli Annual Meeting was postponed from January 26, 2014 to February 2, 2014 because of bad weather.

Arlo Rude called the meeting to order at 11:40 am, with 29 members present. Arlo asked for additions to the agenda. Added to the agenda was a Mission Project and Pew Arrangement.

Janet Strandlie made a motion to accept the agenda with the additions. Seconded by Andrew Halvorson. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's report was presented. Jim Strandlie made a motion to accept the minutes for the annual meeting and the special meetings as printed. Virginia Anderson seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Total offerings and other deposits: \$ 45,149.76
Operational expenses: \$ (48,862.18)
Use of reserves \$ 3,712.42
(Caused by additional \$3,500.00 transfer to the Cemetery Fund and \$300.00 for septic tank blanket. Taking those items into consideration, we were \$87.58 under budget.)

General Fund Balances as of 12-31-13:

Checking Account: \$ 10,494.06
Investor Savings Account: \$ 35,757.87
Investments through Edward Jones: \$ 38,257.08
Total General Fund Balance: \$ 84,509.01

Special Funds and Accounts (Memorial Funds):

Investor Savings Account \$ 3,355.70
CD \$ 7,729.00
CD \$ 7,273.56
Total Memorial Fund balance: \$ 18,358.26

Total General Fund and Special Accounts as of December 31, 2013: \$ 102,867.67

Motion made by Ron Anderson, seconded by Wahna Smith to approve as presented. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report:

The congregation is wonderful to work with. It is a privilege to be here. Pastor Hansen made a few comments regarding examples of invitations to others to join our congregation.

Arlo Rude said on behalf of the congregation, "We are pleased to have you here as our Pastor."

Board of Education and Sunday School Report: Sunday School starting time was changed from 9:30 am to 9:15 am to give them the full hour before church services start. It is working well. We are thankful for all the teachers and volunteers, also to Valarie Torstveit for taking charge and planning the Christmas program. It was a huge success. Janet Strandlie suggested that perhaps the Sunday School would like to look into using ELCA Good Gifts for their donations. They could possibly get more for their money.

David Lee made a motion to accept the report, seconded by Evie Johnson. Carried

WELCA Report:

Total income: \$ 5,100.25
Total expenses: \$ (5,377.30)

Balances as of December 31, 2013:

Checking account: \$ 1,663.97
Savings account: \$ 2,753.93
Certificate of Deposit: \$ 5,953.03
Total Balances: \$ 9,410.53

Faye Auchenpaugh made a motion to accept, seconded by Valarie Torstveit. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Steeple Report: Arlo Rude said he still has to replace the base under the bell and a cross. He also will try to put a light and possibly a microphone up there so we can hear the bell inside the church.

Carpeting and Flooring: Well satisfied.

Altar Rail Base: There was some discussion regarding the base of the altar rail needing refinishing. Arlo is looking into this.

New Liturgy: Going well. Pastor Hansen said, "This group makes a joyful noise at all times."

Constitution and By-Laws: Review will start and have a complete constitution in place. The committee is Arlo Rude, Bruce Mathson, Wahna Smith, Valarie Torstveit, Faye Auchenpaugh, Gary Iverson and Virginia Anderson.

Growth of Congregation: Committee to work on this is Andrew Halvorson, Jim Strandlie and Arlo Rude.

New Business:

Cemetery Association:

Balances as of December 31, 2013: \$ 14,280.13

Included is \$5,000.00 transferred from the congregation's general fund. Church council is supposed to act as executive board for the cemetery association. No general membership is listed. Arlo Rude is looking into that.

Discussion regarding the charge for plots. Some said \$200.00 for members and others said \$200.00 each for everyone. Arlo Rude will check on this.

Purchase Organ: Our organ is outdated and needs to be replaced soon as no parts are available if anything breaks. Faye Auchenpaugh is not in favor of a digital keyboard. She would like a "new" organ but the one we have is working fine unless someone tries to use other stops. A committee was set up to look into organs. They are Faye Auchenpaugh, Deone Cerny, Wahna Smith and Michele Halvorson.

Mission Project: Faye Auchenpaugh suggested we set aside a separate account for funds for a mission project. There was discussion about the type of project. The suggestion was to help someone like Kari Torkelson if she were to go do the eye exam trip again.

Janet Strandlie made a motion to set aside \$1,000.00 each year into a separate savings account for mission projects, to be applied for by anyone who would like to be able to go on a mission trip. Seconded by Faye Auchenpaugh. Motion carried.

Pew Arrangement: Arlo Rude will check into spacing the pews a little further apart for more comfort.

Budget: Proposed 2014 budget was amended to add \$1,000.00 for the Mission Project.

Motion by Jim Strandlie, seconded by Faye Auchenpaugh to accept the budget as presented. Motion carried.

Special Projects: Keep monitoring the back yard of the church for vandalism. We have had a couple of times where garbage has been left and someone pulled the stakes holding the septic tank blanket this fall.

A motion was made by Bruce Mathson to pay for a new table by the altar from the memorial fund.

Seconded by Tammy Haugen. Carried.

Synod Assembly will be held May 16-17, 2014. Arlo Rude asked for volunteers to go. He may go, but would like other volunteers.

The Bishop's report is in our booklets to read at our convenience.

Election of Officers: The nominating committee consisted of Wahna Smith, Edna Rondorf and Wally Torkelson. They presented the slate of officers for 2014:
Council members:

Kathy Alberg (1 yr)
Wahna Smith (3 yr)
Arlo Rude (3 yr)

Secretary: Barb Nelson (2 yr)

Treasurer: Evie Johnson (2 yr)

Co-Treasurers: Bruce and Shelley Mathson (4 yr)

Board of Education:

Eunice Grove, Valarie Torstveit, Kari Torkelson

Church Recorder: Valarie Torstveit

Heat Caretaker: Myles Alberg

Cemetery Sexton: David Lee

Organist: Faye Auchenpaugh

Skip Swanson made a motion to approve the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for the above slate of officers. Seconded by David Lee. Motion carried.

Arlo Rude expressed thanks to all for the work done in the church this last year. Barb Nelson added a special thanks to Arlo also.

We prayed the Lord's Prayer and sang table grace, as potluck lunch was being served following the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at 1:10 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Nelson, Church Council Secretary

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Minutes of Special Congregational Meeting

(approved January 25, 2015)

June 29, 2014

The special meeting of St. Pauli Congregation was held on Sunday, June 29, 2014 at St. Pauli Church following regular services. The meeting was called to order at 11:30 am by Chairman Arlo Rude, who presented the agenda. Andrew Halvorson made a motion to accept the agenda, seconded by Wahna Smith. Motion carried.

Faye Auchenpaugh gave a report on behalf of the Organ Committee. The organ they have looked at and are recommending we purchase belonged to Dee Forney. She has since passed away, so her family needs to sell the organ. It is in excellent condition as she only had it for about three years. It is a Johannus Organ, Sweenlich 20,

built in Holland. It has provisions for external speakers and also a sequencer. The asking price is \$12,000.00

Discussion followed regarding our present organ. There are several things on our organ that don't work now. Faye just doesn't use those things, but a visiting organist felt it was in really bad shape. Also, if anything goes wrong with it, parts are no longer available for it.

It was recommended by the council if we are to purchase this organ we should ask for donations from the congregation. We have \$1,000.00 that was given for the purchase of a organ and use Memorial funds for the rest.

The congregation could give either in memory or honor of someone.

Jan Strandlie made a motion to purchase the above-mentioned organ for \$12,000.00 from the Memorial funds. Virginia Anderson seconded.

Discussion followed regarding moving the organ. Arlo Rude reported he is checking into an enclosed trailer, etc. and he will need some manpower to help get it up the stairs, so there would be no extra cost for moving. Motion carried.

Discussion followed concerning speakers and a sequencer. It was decided we will get the organ, use it for a while and see what else we need and want.

Evie Johnson made a motion to adjourn. Seconded by Gary Iverson. Carried.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Nelson, Church Council Secretary

Minutes of the Church Council December 18, 2014

The St. Pauli Church Council held its monthly meeting on Thursday, December 18, 2014 at the church.

Members present: Pastor Carl Hansen, Evie Johnson, Arlo Rude, Wahna Smith, Kathy Alberg and Barb Nelson.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Arlo Rude at 7:00 pm. Pastor Hansen led us in opening prayer.

Agenda was presented by Rude. Nelson made a motion to approve, seconded by Smith. Motion carried.

Secretary's Report: Secretary's report was presented by Nelson. Johnson made a motion to approve, seconded by Alberg. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Treasurer's report was presented by Johnson.

Income for November 2014: \$ 2,866.00
Expenses for November 2014: 12,605.15 Includes transfer of \$10,000.00 to a certificate of deposit (Memorial funds)

Account balances as of November 30, 2014:

Checking:	\$ 16,564.03
Investment savings:	35,824.05
Mission Grant savings:	1,000.71
Memorial Fund CD:	10,000.00
Edward Jones:	41,602.26
TOTAL:	\$ 104,991.05

St. Pauli Cemetery Association as of Nov. 30, 2014:

Donations:	\$ 580.00
Balance:	\$ 20,300.13

Alberg made a motion to approve, seconded by Smith. Carried.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Carl found the Christmas Family Day very enjoyable. He found the presentation both enjoyable and challenging.

One of the highlights of the year was the joint Thanksgiving service. It was well attended and the music was wonderful.

Pastor Carl will be leaving December 26 to drive to Seguin, TX to spend some time with his son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter. He plans to return home on January 21st, barring a blizzard. His plan is to be home for the annual meeting.

The IRS auto mileage rate for 2015 is \$.575 per mile.

Pastor Carl was wondering about some means of assisting people from the entry to the sanctuary. Rude said it was discussed before but he would do some more checking into this.

There are a couple of families who have expressed interest in joining St. Pauli.

Other Reports:

WELCA: The handbook is finished and will be distributed.

Board of Education: Sunday School Christmas program will be held on December 21, 2014 at the 10:30 am.

Old Business: None.

New Business: Budget was reviewed with a few changes.

Arlo Rude read a letter of resignation from Wahna Smith. We thanked Wahna for her time served. Nelson made a motion to accept, seconded by Johnson. Carried.

Alberg made a motion to fill the one-year position at the annual meeting, since there will only be one meeting before that. Seconded by Smith. Carried.

Fall Supper date for 2015 will be set by WELCA.

Meeting closed with Lord's Prayer. Adjourned at 8:35 pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Barb Nelson, Church Council Secretary



**PENNINGTON COUNTY MASTER GARDENERS
PRESENT:**

**“Gardening & Beyond”
Saturday, February 28, 2015**

Featuring Melinda Myers

Evangelical Free Church
211 Arnold Ave N
Thief River Falls, MN 56701
9:00 a.m. — 3:00 p.m.
\$25.00 (includes lunch)

Pre-registration required by Feb. 20, 2015

To request additional information or brochure, contact Kim Swanson at 218-683-7030 or 1-800-681-2116 or by email: swans144@umn.edu.



Workshop Topics

“Easy and Affordable Landscape Makeover” – “Building a Beautiful Garden”
“Strawbale Gardening” – “Pruning Trees & Shrubs”

Melinda’s books will be available for sale at the conference.

Other books & merchandise will be available for purchase from area vendors plus many door prizes.

Melinda Myers

Nationally known gardening expert, TV/radio host, author & columnist Melinda Myers has more than 30 years of horticulture experience and has written over 20 gardening books, including *Midwest Gardener’s Handbook* (2014), *Minnesota & Wisconsin Month-by-Month Gardening* (2014), *The Minnesota and Wisconsin Getting Started Garden Guide* (2014) and “Can’t Miss Small Space Gardening.” She hosts The Great Courses “How to Grow Anything” DVD series and the nationally syndicated Melinda’s Garden Moment TV & radio segments. Myers is a columnist and contributing editor for *Birds & Blooms* magazine and writes a regular column for *Gardening How-to* magazine. Her web site, melindamyers.com, features gardening videos, monthly tips and podcasts.

BONUS: Chris Burgess & Greg Wilson

Chris & Darcene Burgess are the new owners of Burgess’s Greenhouse in Hallock, MN (formerly known as Wilson’s Greenhouse). Chris and the former owner Greg Wilson will team up to give you an afternoon of insightful information to get the spring started.



How to be More Beautiful

by Audrey Hepburn

For attractive lips,
Speak words of kindness.

For lovely eyes,
Seek out the good in people.

For a slim figure,
Share your food with the hungry.

For beautiful hair,
Let a child run his/her fingers through it once a day.

For poise,
Walk with the knowledge that you never walk alone.

People, even more than things,
Have to be restored, renewed, revived, reclaimed,
And redeemed; never throw out anyone.

Remember, if you ever need a helping hand,
You will find one at the end of each of your arms.

As you grow older, you will discover that you have two hands;
One for helping yourself, and the other for helping others.



Audrey Hepburn in 1954

Audrey Hepburn was born in Brussels, Belgium. Her father, Joseph Ruston, was a British subject. Although born Ruston, he later hyphenated it to the more "aristocratic" Hepburn-Ruston, mistakenly believing himself descended from James Hepburn, third husband of Mary, Queen of Scots. Audrey's mother, Baroness Ella van Heemstra, was a Dutch aristocrat.

Because of her mother's family in the Netherlands and her father's British background and job with a British company, the family often traveled among the three countries. Audrey went on to speak five languages; she picked up French, Spanish and Italian in addition to her native English and Dutch.

Audrey's parents were members of the British Union of Fascists in the mid-1930s, with her father becoming a true Nazi sympathizer. The marriage began to fail in 1935 and Joseph settled in London following the divorce. (In the 1960s, Audrey would finally locate him again through the Red Cross. Although he remained emotionally detached, she remained in contact and supported him financially until his death.)

In 1937, Hepburn and her mother moved to England. When Britain declared war on Germany in 1939, Hepburn's mother relocated with her daughter back to Arnhem, in the belief that (as during WWI) the Netherlands would remain neutral and be spared a German attack. While there, Audrey trained in ballet. After the Germans invaded in 1940, Audrey adopted the pseudonym Edda van Heemstra, because an "English sounding" name was considered dangerous.

During her wartime struggles, Hepburn suffered from malnutrition, developed acute anemia, respiratory problems, and edema. In a retrospective interview, she commented, "I have memories. More than once I was at the station seeing trainloads of Jews being transported, seeing all these faces over the top of the wagon. I remember, very sharply, one little boy standing with his parents on the platform, very pale, very blond, wearing a coat that was much too big for him, and he stepped onto the train. I was a child observing a child."

By 1944, Hepburn had become a proficient ballet dancer and secretly danced for groups to collect money for the Dutch resistance. "The best audience I ever had made not a single sound at the end of my performances," she remarked. She also occasionally acted as a courier for the resistance.

After the Allied landing on D-Day, living conditions grew worse and Arnhem was subsequently devastated in the fighting. During the Dutch famine that followed in the winter of 1944, the Germans had blocked the resupply routes of the Dutch already-limited food and fuel supplies as retaliation for railway strikes held to hinder German occupation. People starved and froze to death in the streets; Hepburn and many others resorted to making flour out of tulip bulbs for baking.

When the country was liberated, United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration trucks followed. Hepburn said in an interview that she fell ill from putting too much sugar in her porridge and eating an entire can of condensed milk.

Grateful for her own good fortune after enduring the German occupation as a child, she dedicated the rest of her life to helping impoverished children in the poorest nations. She began doing work for UNICEF in the 1950s and was later appointed Goodwill Ambassador for UNICEF. Her family say that the thoughts of dying, helpless children consumed her for the rest of her life.

President George H.W. Bush presented her with the Presidential Medal of Freedom in recognition of her work with UNICEF, and the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences posthumously awarded her the Jean Hersholt Humanitarian Award for her contribution to humanity, with her son accepting on her behalf.

In 2002, at the United Nations Special Session on Children, UNICEF honored Hepburn's legacy of humanitarian work by unveiling a statue, "The Spirit of Audrey", at UNICEF's New York headquarters. Her service for children is also recognized through the U.S. Fund for UNICEF's Audrey Hepburn Society.

The Back Page

Wonderfully Described Definitions

- Cigarette:** A pinch of tobacco rolled in paper with fire at one end and a fool at the other.
- Marriage:** An agreement wherein a man loses his bachelor's degree and a woman gains her master's.
- Lecture:** The art of transmitting information from the notes of the lecturer to the notes of students without passing through the minds of either.
- Conference:** The confusion of one man multiplied by the number present.
- Compromise:** The art of dividing a cake in such a way that everybody believes he got the biggest piece.
- Tears:** The hydraulic force by which masculine willpower is defeated by feminine water-power!
- Diplomat:** A person who tells you to go to hell in such a way that you actually look forward to the trip.
- Optimist:** A person who while falling from the Eiffel Tower says in midway, "See, I'm not injured yet!"
- Miser:** A person who lives poor so that he can die rich.
- Boss:** Someone who is early when you are late and late when you are early.
- Politician:** One who shakes your hand before elections and your confidence later.
- Father:** A banker provided by nature.
- Ecstasy:** A feeling when you feel you are going to feel a feeling you have never felt before.
- Classic:** A book which people praise, but never read.
- Conference Room:** A place where everybody talks, nobody listens, and everybody disagrees later on.
- Smile:** A curve that can set a lot of things straight!
- Office:** A place where you can relax after your strenuous home life.
- Yawn:** The only time when some married men ever get to open their mouths.
- Experience:** The name men give to their mistakes.

TELLING THE TRUTH

Our teacher asked what my favorite animal was, and I said, "Fried chicken." She said I wasn't funny, but she couldn't have been right because everyone else laughed. My parents told me to always tell the truth. I did. Fried chicken is my favorite animal.

I told my dad what happened, and he said my teacher was probably a member of PETA. He said they love animals very much.

I do, too. Especially chicken, pork and beef. Anyway, my teacher sent me to the principal's office.

I told him what happened, and he laughed, too. Then he told me not to do it again.

The next day in class my teacher asked what my favorite *live* animal was.

I told her it was chicken. She asked me why, so I told her it was because you could make them into fried chicken.

She sent me back to the principal's office. He laughed, and told me not to do it again.

I don't understand. My parents taught me to be honest, but my teacher doesn't like it when I am.

Today, my teacher asked me to tell her what famous person I admired most.

I told her, "Colonel Sanders." Guess where I am now...

