



Grace Notes

Springs of Grace Lutheran Church

One Year Later

June falls between two anniversaries for Springs of Grace. First of all, it was May 20th when the congregation met to vote on calling me as your Pastor. July 1st will be the first anniversary of us doing ministry together.

So what has happened in a year? Or what has changed? First of all, you are reading one of the changes. 2008 brought about the addition of a monthly newsletter, which hopefully is keeping you more informed about what is going on at the church. But the newsletter could not be done without the addition of new computers at the church. Both a new laptop for me and a new finance computer have brought us up to date with our technology, allowing us to work more efficiently and quickly.

Second, there are many new forms of ministry happening at Springs of Grace. The women's group has grown and completed numerous service projects, Lutheran Men was started, New Generation had its second successful meeting, two Bible Studies were added, and Sunday School was started. Also, Santa Sitters was successful for a second year in a row and VBS is right around the corner (WE STILL NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET!!!). In addition to these things, Springs of Grace opened its doors to Girl Scout troop 106, which has been meeting twice monthly and has participated in Girl Scout Sunday. We have had great meals together and worshipped in new and exciting ways during Advent and Lent.

But these things are not all that has happened. Our membership is up, as is our giving and attendance. However, a worship service on Sunday morning is not what makes the church thrive. Instead it is doing mission, opening our doors to the community and teaching them about our Christian faith as we are called. Along with that is our own education. We can't expect to be able to teach if we ourselves are not willing to be taught.

These next few months are going to be critical for the congregation. I hope that we can have cottage meetings like the ones we had last year to discuss the future of this congregation and review this past year. If we are going to move forward, build on the property, and really become a Lutheran presence in the community, we need to make sure we are all on the same page. I hope you will consider how you can continue to enrich your own life by being active in the ministries and educational opportunities that are happening at the church.

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In our Prayers

- *Linwood and Gail*
- *Alma*
- *Doris*
- *Continued Prayers for Gail's mom and Doris' mom*
- *Deborah Steed*

June 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 3rd Sunday after Pentecost VBS setup-5:00	2 VBS 6:00 pm- 8:30 pm _____→	3	4	5	6	7
8 4rd Sunday after Pentecost VBS Closing	9 Women's Dinner at Copper River 6:30	10 Council Meeting 7:00 pm	11	12 Council Meet- ing moved to June 10	13	14 Richard Van Wagoner 80th Birthday Party 2-5pm
15 5rd Sunday after Pentecost Father's Day	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 6rd Sunday after Pentecost	23	24	25 New Generation 12:00 noon	26	27	28
29 7rd Sunday after Pentecost - Peter and Paul	30					

Dear Friends,

I want to express my heartfelt gratitude for everyone's concerns and prayers for my Mom and me during our recent bout with her health. She is better now and is back at her home in Ellore . Thank you so much.

Doris Giese

June Flower List:

- June 1: Norm and Jane Lewis
June 8: Ann Kelley - To the Glory of God and in memory of Buddy on the occasion of their 60th wedding Anniversary.
June 15: Gere and Diane Ablett
June 22: Gail Hackett
June 29: Gere and Diane Ablett

NOTICE:

The Women of the ELCA and Lutheran Men will resume meeting in September.

Bible Study will begin again in August.

BIRTHDAY PARTY!!!

The Congregation is invited to an 80th Birthday Party for Richard Van Wagoner on Saturday June 14th. The party is at Glen Lake Clubhouse in Boiling Springs from 2:00 to 5:00 pm. Please call Marianne at 599-1869 or Bobby at 599-1063 for directions. They also ask that you please omit gifts.

Congratulations



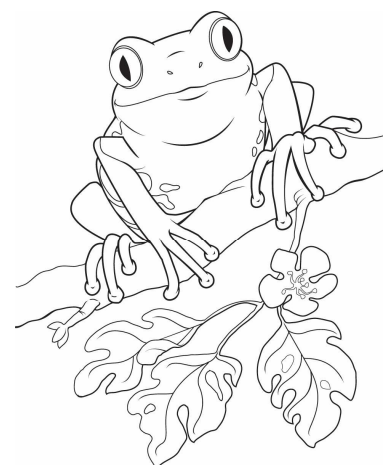
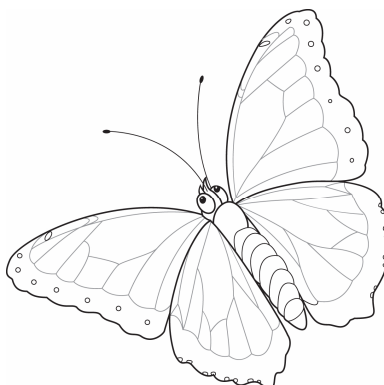
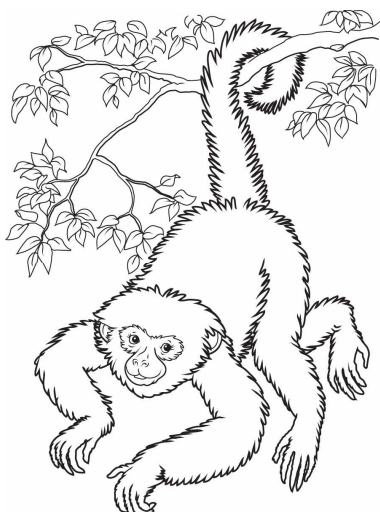
Graduates!!

Congrats to Liz Crawley who graduated from the University of South Carolina with her Master's Degree and to Sydni Kallam who graduated from Boiling Springs High School. Sydni will be attending USC in the fall. Liz is employed by Rosecrest.

RAINFOREST ADVENTURE



Vacation Bible School
June 2– June 6
Dinner begins at 6 pm
Program/Activities begin at 6:30
For all ages (including adults!)
Mark your Calendars now!



Those Who Serve

Date	June 1	June 8	June 15	June 22	June 29
Canter	Pastor Judson	Norm Lewis	Norm Lewis	Norm Lewis	Norm Lewis
Ushers	Rich Van Wagoner John Fancher	Gere Ablett Todd Kallam	Larry Cantrell Ron Crawley	Gere Ablett John Fancher	Melton Roof Bob Faulks
Greeter	Barbara Cantrell	Olga Larson	Dianne Ablett	Ann Kelley	Kay Otten
Worship Assistant	Bob Faulks	Boyd Cook	Norm Lewis	John Fancher	Gere Ablett
Counters	Doris Giese Evelyn Swain	Bob Faulks Rich Van Wagoner	Gail Hackett Robert Smith	Jane Lewis Marjorie Berkley	Gail Hackett John Fancher
Altar Guild	Marjorie Berkeley	Doris Giese	Diane Ablett	Diane Ablett	Marjorie Berkeley
Lector	Evelyn Swain	Wendi Gowan	Tara Kallam	Marianne Van Wagoner	Carrie Merrell
Acolyte	Jessie Faulks	Robert Faulks	Hunter Crawley	Robert Faulks	Jessie Faulks
Crucifer	Hunter Crawley	Jessie Faulks	Jessie Faulks	Hunter Crawley	Robert Faulks



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Bob Faulks, Chair-Property
Richard Van Wagoner, Chair-Education

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June Birthdays

Carrie Merrell 1
Jacob Quinton 13
Gere Ablett 15
Richard Van Wagoner 24
Doris Giese 27
Ann Kelley 29

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The Merrells 18

Upcoming Services:

June 1: 3rd Sunday After Pentecost
June 8: 4th Sunday After Pentecost/
VBS Closing
June 15: 5th Sunday After Pentecost/
Father’s Day
June 22: 6th Sunday After Pentecost

VBS is JUNE 2– JUNE 6. Mark your
calendars now!

Dinner at 6:00— program/activities
begin at 6:30 and go until 8:30.

May Council Meeting Notes

- Synod Convention delegates are Sydni Kallam, Ron Crawley, and Liz Crawley.
- A new contract will be written for Carol Starnes and put into place soon.
- Emphasis right now for the congregation should be on Christian education and evangelism

Attendance and Giving

May 4:	49	\$1,599
May 11:	37	\$2,240
May 18:	24	\$820
May 25:	36	\$2106.00