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DEVELOPING MISSIONAL LEADERS IN CONGREGATIONS AND SCHOOLS

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NEWS

Faith Community Crime & Safety Symposium, CSP, Friday, April 29, 2011.

Dave Roth Retirement Recognition. The Minnesota South District and St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Edina, will recognize the retirement of Dave Roth in a worship service on May 22nd at 9:30 AM. A reception will follow. If you would like to send your personal greetings to be included in a book, please send to: Minnesota South District-LCMS, **Attn: Gae Ash,** 14301 Grand Avenue South, Burnsville, MN 55306. Deadline May 4, 2011.

LYF Day at Valleyfair, June 27, 2011.

DCE Conference- Ministry Safety & The Social Network. June 2, 2011, Crossview Lutheran, Edina.

CITI 2011, July 24 – Aug. 5, 2011, Concordia Fort Wayne. CITI is a two-week, fast-paced institute where you can learn sign language skills, focus on interpreting Christian concepts and develop skills to interpret the worship service. For more info.: (260) 452-2283 or CITI@ctsfw.edu.

Networking Resources. (Refreshed 04-21-11) Events in and around the MNS District. Trinity First Spring Musical, Vine And Branches Conference; Continuing Education Workshop: Formative Preaching; Servant Leadership During Challenging Times; VA Clergy Outreach Event; Money Savvy Women; Grace Place; Glencoe Mission Sunday; more…

Weekly Classifieds. (Refreshed 04-21-11) Chaplaincy opportunity, Jobs, Mission opportunity. Would you like to get an item included? Debra.Connolly@mnsdistrict.org

District website **District Calendar** **Camp Omega Events**

HELP! Help is needed to restore the Gamma cabin at Camp Omega BEFORE the main camping season. If you can help with some general restoration, please contact Bob LaCroix, 507-685-4266.

HAMMOND, MINNESOTA FLOOD RECOVERY. Crews are being lined up and are working. Further questions? Contact Vicki Strong, 651-730-5049.

Japanese Earthquake relief. To learn more or to give, click here.

Change of address, e-mail address, contact information? Contact the Minnesota South District

STEWARDSHIP CORNER- (CAN BE INCLUDED IN YOUR SUNDAY BULLETINS OR NEWSLETTERS)

Christ's death on the cross assures us of our salvation. Likewise, His Resurrection assures us that we, too, will rise again. In 1 Corinthians 15:17 and 19, Paul writes, *"And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile . . . If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men."* Certainly for the Christian, eternal life has begun already, and the passing from this life to the next is just a blip on the screen. In the confidence of such a sure hope, let us spend our time here in carrying on the work of Christ that the lost may be found and restored to their Savior.

"God's Draft Choices" -A stewardship newsletter article is available for your use on the MNS District website.

Resources

Lectionary Illustration: Second Sunday of Easter: John 20:19-31
"The Lord is risen!" "He is Risen indeed!"
There's an old story about the four-year-old son of an undertaker who was perplexed after hearing the story of the resurrection in Sunday School. *"Do you mean Jesus really rose from the dead?"* he asked. *"Yes, Jesus really rose from the dead,"* the Sunday School teacher said. Shaking his head in wonder the boy said, *"Well, I know my daddy didn't take care of Him then, cause his people never get up again!"* Maybe that boy was related to Thomas. He needed more proof. He knew what he believed and what the others were telling him was contrary to all he'd ever seen or believed could ever happen. Thomas needed to touch and feel before he could believe. He needed to see it with his own eyes.

Free prayer cards are available. To request Click here.

Frequently Asked Questions. Learn LCMS views on contemporary and doctrinal issues.

MNS Lutheran Witness **The Lutheran Witness on-line** **Feb./March 2011 LCEF Update**

Health

Hot Weather Exercise: How To Keep Cool
Heatstroke: First Aid
Be Well Rewards Program Coming Soon! from Concordia Plan Services

Educators and Administrators Notebook

Project School Zone. Effective marketing for Lutheran Schools.
Financial Development Primer For Lutheran Schools.
National Admissions Counselor Conference, June 21-23, 2011
Funding Academy II, June 8-9, 2011, Wisconsin Dells, WI

Mission News

Mission Prayer List for April 2011 **Mission Vision News Spring 2011**

Do you have a brief story of a new ministry in your church? An event happening? We would love to hear about it. **Contact the MNS District.** Attach your story to your e-mail.

In Our Prayers

-Please join us this week in praying for the congregations of Circuit 17, Litchfield, Circuit Counselor: Rev. Martin Schoenfeld. Please click here for maps of the District and all Circuits.
-Please pray for Rev. John Fuchs, (Potsdam/Hammond) who is undergoing hip surgery on Wednesday.
-Please pray for Rev. Robert Jarvis, recovering from bone marrow transplant.

"How good and pleasant it is when brothers live together in unity! It is like precious oil poured on the head, running down on the beard, down upon the collar og his robes. It is as if the dew of Hermon were falling on Mount Zion. For there the Lord bestows His blessing, even life forevermore." Psalm 133

Call Update Information

Commissioned Ministers *(as of 04-21-11)* ***Ordained Ministers*** *(as of 04-21-11)*

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