



# The Good News

Abiding Presence Lutheran Church



## Sunday School Offering Helps Six Ministries

The 2010-2011 Sunday School year came to an end in May with a celebration and recognition of the \$1,327.70 in offering that was collected since September of last year. About every other month our Sunday School classes, age 2 through 8th grade, voted on suggested ministries and charities for where they wanted their offering to go to. Below is a list of where the offering money was distributed.

- \$214.00 — Fuquay-Varina Emergency Food Pantry
- \$398.79 — UNICEF (United Nations Children’s Fund)
- \$194.50 — SPCA of Wake County (Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Animals)
- \$229.00 — Abiding Presence Lutheran Church Day Camp Scholarships
- \$140.66 — Duke’s Children’s Hospital
- \$150.55 — Relay for Life (American Cancer Society)

Our children and youth have touched so many lives this year through their support of our Sunday School by giving an offering every Sunday. They have helped support organizations both locally and around the world.



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### Special points of interest:

- July 2 — Shrimparoo
- July 3 — Ministry Program Concepts Meeting
- July 4-7 — APPLE Seedlings
- July 9 — Work Day, Altar Guild Team
- July 10 — Blood Drive
- July 11 — Evangelism & Publicity Team
- July 11-14 — APPLE Seedlings
- July 11-15 — Agapé Day Camp
- July 18 — Church Council
- July 18-21 — APPLE Seedlings
- July 24—AoB Parent Meeting
- July 25-28 — APPLE Seedlings
- July 26— Memorial Garden Team
- July 27-29 — Lutheran Youth Organization
- July 30 — Anew Women’s Group, Work and Service Task Force
- July 31— Migrant Dinner

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## Reminder — Summer Worship Times

- 9:00 a.m. – Contemporary music style
- 10:45 a.m. – Traditional music style

## The Time after Pentecost

This church year we celebrated the Day of Pentecost on June 12<sup>th</sup>; on that day we received the gift of the Holy Spirit — the Advocate — the Holy Comforter. The festival of Pentecost occurs as one day within the church year while the season that follows is referred to as the Time after Pentecost. This season is the longest of our church year, beginning after Day of Pentecost and continuing through the end of the church year until a new church year begins in Advent.



The Time after Pentecost is considered an ordinary time; when we enter autumn later in the year we will celebrate the festival days of the Reformation, All Saints', and Christ the King, but the underlying season remains the Time after Pentecost until the new church year begins with Advent. The festive days/seasons such as Easter and Day of Pentecost draw upon Christ's divinity while the ordinary time throughout the church calendar year focuses on Christ's ministry and the church carrying out that ministry.

The liturgical color during the Time after Pentecost is green — green is reminiscent of living plants and suggests spiritual growth. During this ordinary Time after Pentecost, we are encouraged by the lectionary scriptures to grow in our faith and carry out Christ's mission to all the world. Enjoy sharing this extraordinary news in everyday and ordinary ways.

## More Family Friendly and Fun Prayers

**Lord's Prayer** – Stand in a circle, then go around the circle and say the Lord's Prayer. Have one person begin with "Our Father who art in Heaven" then squeeze the hand of the person next to him or her. The next person should say a phrase (as much as he or she wants) and squeeze the hand of another person, etc. This one is good even for young children.



**Map Prayer** – Open a map. The map can be as local as your neighborhood or as big as the world. Mark locations of people who need prayers. Pray for these people.



## Independence Day

## Lids for Agapé

One of the ways we care for God's creation is to re-use things for educational purposes as much as possible. They eventually wear out, and we're finding that we need to replace some of the lids we have for some of our displays and activities.



Specifically, we need circular lids that are 4-6" diameter -- Clorox wipes lids, Baby Wipes, or similar products. We're also in need of lids for frosting containers: 3.5" diameter.

If you happen to have any lids that fit the bill, please bring them to church. It's fine to leave them beside the praise band keyboard; I'll be sure to get them there. Thank you so much for those who have already provided lids. Keep them coming!

Mir Youngquist-Thurrow  
Environmental Education Director

# S.T.O.R.M. CENTRAL

Service To Others Resource Ministry



*S. T. O. R. M.*  
*Service To Others Resource Ministry*

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## Blood Drive

We will be hosting our next blood drive in the fellowship hall on Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am to 1:30pm. Please consider giving blood as supplies are always low in the summer. Because the drive will be held in the fellowship hall we will have homemade treats in the canteen after you give blood. The Red Cross will be giving free t-shirts to donors and holding a drawing for a \$3,000 gift card or Delta tickets.



**American  
Red Cross**

*Together, we can save a life*

Sign-up online at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/> and then click on enter sponsor code and enter 11205. If you have any problems you can contact Beth Hartzell at [bethhartzell@aol.com](mailto:bethhartzell@aol.com) or at (919)5557-0778 (leave a message) and I will sign you up.

## Migrant Worker Dinner

The APLC S.T.O.R.M. team will once again sponsor a migrant worker dinner for up to 110 people at St. Bernadette's Catholic Church on Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup>. We will be supplying hamburgers, hot dogs, and all of the fixings for a complete meal.



Volunteers will be needed to supply the food, transport local workers to and from the Church, provide blood pressure screenings, and set up, serve and clean up after the meal.

A sign-up sheet will be posted in the narthex in July for this community ministry.

Donations to purchase food are also welcome. If you would like to donate, please indicate on the memo line of your check that it is for the Migrant Worker Dinner, and place it in the offering plate during worship.

Contact Dan Young at 919-389-6000 or at [EHSDan521@aol.com](mailto:EHSDan521@aol.com) for further information. Please help us support this important local ministry.

# PATRIOTIC PARFAIT

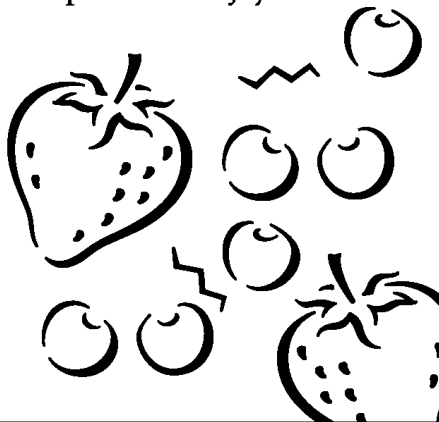
On the 4th of July, make this healthy, festive dessert to share with family and friends.

## What you need:

- Clear glasses or plastic cups
- Spoons
- Vanilla yogurt
- Cut strawberries
- Fresh blueberries
- Coconut, whipped cream, red and blue sprinkles (optional)

## What you do:

1. Place a couple of spoonfuls of vanilla yogurt at the bottom of each glass or cup.
2. Add cut strawberries to cover the yogurt layer.
3. Add more yogurt over the strawberries.
4. Add a layer of blueberries.
5. Repeat the layers until you reach the top of the glass or cup.
6. For extra fun, add coconut, whipped cream and sprinkles. Enjoy!



# Freedom in Christ

*This Independence Day, remember that our true freedom comes from faith in Jesus.*

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**Directions:** In each set of letters, determine the pattern. Then write the letter that completes the pattern, to reveal Galatians 5:1, niv.

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Answers: It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. (Galatians 5:1, NIV)

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# Youth and Family Ministries News

Youth & Family Ministry Website: [youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org](http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org)

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## Affirmation of Baptism (AoB)

(Affirmation of Baptism Ministry 6<sup>th</sup> — 8<sup>th</sup> Graders)

**Parent Meeting for Families with Rising Middle School Youth:** Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am—10:40am, Parents with rising 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders this coming fall are asked to join Charlie Klusman between worship services to talk about the AoB Ministry for the 2011-2012 school year. The meeting will begin with an overview for all families regarding changes to the weeknight AoB schedule, while the remainder of the meeting will consist of an orientation for families of 6<sup>th</sup> graders entering the AoB Ministry.

**AoB 2011-12 Sunday School and Weeknight AoB Events** will start after the Labor Day weekend. Find out more specific information at the parent meeting on Sunday, July 24<sup>th</sup>.

AoB Information online: To see more information about the AoB Ministry at APLC, go to: <http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org/aob>

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## 2011 Affirmation of Baptism 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class

On Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup> these children of God said 'YES' to the promises previously made by their parents on their behalf at their baptism. We were able to celebrate as a congregation with a potluck and enjoy a movie that Caroline Stamm (a junior in High School) put together to share with the congregation. Congratulations!





# Youth and Family Ministries News continued

Youth & Family Ministry Website: [youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org](http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org)

## Register for Day Camp – Hurry Up!

There are only a few spots still available for Day Camp! Abiding Presence has partnered with Camp Agapé in this program for rising 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders for over 10 years! New this year: Rising 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> graders can participate in the same day camp while experiencing some separate age-appropriate activities of group building and service ministry while exploring their God-given gifts.

Join us for a fantastic week of day camp led by Camp Agapé counselors July 11-15<sup>th</sup>, 2011. For details and/or to register pick up a brochure on the bulletin board outside Charlie's office OR go online and download one at <http://youth.abidingpresencelutheranchurch.org>.

## National Youth Gathering Information

Rising 8<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to join other youth and adults from APLC (and across the United States) on a journey to New Orleans, LA for the ELCA National Youth Gathering. The NYG enables participants to understand and experience that they are part of a larger church. At the gathering, we will worship God in new ways, serve in a totally new community and build relationships with youth from APLC and beyond!



To check out more information about this event go to <http://www.elca.org/Growing-In-Faith/Ministry/Youth-Ministry/Youth-Gathering.aspx>. Keep your eyes peeled for more information in the August Newsletter about how you can participate! Registration opens for the event in early September.

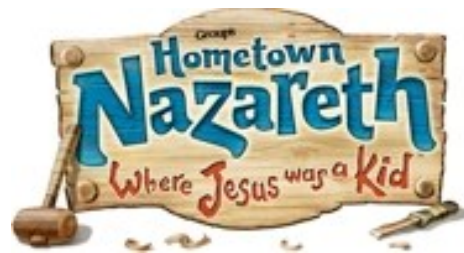
## Vacation Bible School Registration

(participants and volunteers)

Come and explore the village of Nazareth and experience the town in which Jesus grew up! Children aged 2 years old and up, youth and adults can participate in this year's VBS at Abiding Presence on Friday and Saturday, August 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>.

To register your family and yourself and get more information about the event go to [https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/aplc\\_fv/gpgs/home.aspx](https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/aplc_fv/gpgs/home.aspx).

This program is intergenerational, meaning children, youth, and adults will all participate together; the age minimum is 2 years, but there is no age maximum! Persons wanting to be a helper/leader need to be in Middle School or older. Please contact Kim Basden [kimdbas@gmail.com](mailto:kimdbas@gmail.com) for any questions.



## Lutheran Youth Organization Overnight Event

Youth from throughout eastern NC will gather together in Wilmington on July 27<sup>th</sup>-29<sup>th</sup> to serve, celebrate, praise and learn about our incredible God. Middle and High School youth are invited to join us as we stay overnight at St. Paul's Lutheran and serve in the community. See the poster on the youth bulletin board in the narthex for registration information.



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## Abiding Presence Lutheran Church

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### Mission Statement

We are the church growing in faith,  
reaching out, inviting in,  
and serving the needs of all of God's children.

### Vision

Boldly sharing the gospel of Christ.  
Enthusiastically building up the church, the body of Christ,  
and joyfully witnessing to the love of Christ.

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**Amanda Klusman**, Director of Music Ministries  
**Valerie Jones**, A.P.P.L.E. Seeds Director

### Worship Schedule

**Contemporary Worship — 9:00 am**  
**Traditional Worship — 10:45 am**

## AGAPÉ✝ KURE BEACH MINISTRIES

### UP-COMING EVENTS:

- ✝ Please pray for the campers, counselors, and support staff, that this summer will be a life changing experience with our Lord.
- ✝ River of Hope lunch will be August 13<sup>th</sup> at the Woodlands Center at Camp Agapé. Arrival 11:30am, crafts and activities, lunch will be served 12:30pm. River of Hope is a club for donors who have given \$100.00 or more to the ministry.
- ✝ Golf Outing Monday October 3<sup>rd</sup> at Echo Farms in Wilmington. Proceed raised will help the campership fund. This fund is used for campers to attend programs and for the development of new programs.
- ✝ Join us for the second annual Quilt & Folk Art Auction October 29<sup>th</sup> at "The Shoppes on Main" in Fuquay Varina.
- ✝ Agapé Fall Work Day is October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Reservations are needed for meals. Come out with a group or your family.
- ✝ 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Hike a Thon & Basket Raffle is November 12<sup>th</sup> at Camp Agapé.



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