

# THE CROSSROADS



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Dear Family of Faith,

Making Christ first! That's a challenge for all of us in the secularist, technological, humanistic, egotistical world. Little, if anything, of our day to day lives encourages faith in Jesus. Instead, we are force fed with increasingly dull and pathetic food from television, computers, and hand-held telecommunicators that fill our spiritual hunger with all the nutrition of styrofoam packing peanuts. We risk becoming spiritual sloths.

Making Christ first! Let's face it, for a majority of today's Lutherans, the weekly call to worship falls way down the order of priorities. The offerings we make to the church pale in comparison to what we offer to the gods of recreation and entertainment. Taking a leadership role in the congregation is considered impossible because of schedules busy with sharing our leadership skills elsewhere.

Making Christ first! Now is the time to get serious about an intentional renewal of making Christ first. Don't wait for a better time because there is no better time to make Christ first. Our children are at risk. Our friends are at risk. We are at risk of losing the one most precious thing- Jesus Christ.

Making Christ first! Decide now...

- To worship every week no matter where you are.
- To read scripture.
- To give seriously to the church both financially and with your talents.
- To lift up the church and its leaders in your prayers.

Making Christ first! The way is clear. The first step is hard.

In Peace,  
Pastor B.

## September Worship Themes

September 6 – 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – Two miracles come to the fore on this Sabbath. From them we see *Prayer: Down and Dirty*.

September 13 – 15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – Rally Sunday has arrived. Sunday school begins, and life gets back to normal. But is normal where we want to be? *Making Christ First* is a challenge for us all.

September 20 – 16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – Our theme for September 20 will center on *Greatness Reinterpreted*.

September 27 – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pentecost – *Head, Shoulders, Knees, and Toes* highlight a gospel reading that demands everything from us. Faith refuses to be compartmentalized. Jesus wants it all.

## And God Said It Is Good

Responding to a challenge by Bishop Burnside, our synod will ask for a one time offering for the ELCA churchwide organization on Reformation Sunday, October 25. Our goal? One dollar for every baptized member which means about \$2200 for us at OSLC.

Watch for more details.



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God's work. Our hands.

## Family Orientation for Sunday School

A very important orientation meeting is scheduled for both Pre-school children (3 & 4 year olds) and Kindergarteners. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. Pre-school orientation will be held on Monday, September 14 at 6:00pm. Kindergarten orientation is scheduled for Thursday, September 10 at 6:30pm.

## NOOMA Series Continues

The Rob Bell DVD series *NOOMA* will continue in an adult forum at 9:15am on Sunday mornings. The first meeting is on Sunday, September 20 in the Blue Room and will be



organizational and impromptu. See Brett with questions.

## O.S. Faith Odyssey Sets Sail on September 13

The O. S. Faith Odyssey will set sail on Rally Sunday, Sept 13. The 10:30 session is filling up so if you want your children enrolled in that session please register them as soon as possible. Please consider the 9:15 session as the classes will be smaller and your child will have more one on one attention.

The first session of Rotation will be on Joseph and we encourage all parents to become involved, if not as a leader, as participating parents or members of the congregation. It is through your personal support that our educational program will be successful. Come to the fellowship hall and see how children learn – help out as volunteers – we are always in need of people who will assist our Sherpas and our workshop leaders. We are hoping to have the entire congregation participate in making a stole of many colors – watch for it taking place in the narthex.

Workshop leaders in creation station, puppetry, one way café, and others are needed. Check out the table in the narthex for opportunities to help out.

Sherpas are integral to the current rotation structure. It is the continual presence of a Sherpa that helps the children connect and strengthen their ties to the church family. A Sherpa is also vital in reinforcing the Bible lessons the children learn each week. No preparation outside of Sunday morning is required and all materials are provided! Sunday school is in session from Sept – May, with major holidays off. We are also looking for Sherpa helpers (youth) and Sherpa substitutes. An informational training session is scheduled for Thursday, August 27 from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. All current Sherpas and those interested in becoming a Sherpa should attend.

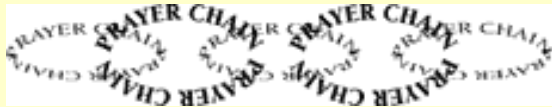
## NYG Presentation

Sunday, September 13,  
9:15am in the sanctuary

Come and see the amazing DVD and experience the National Youth Gathering in New Orleans. After the presentation, there will be a meet & greet with the kids.

## Praying for You

We are growing our Prayer Chain ministry and willing "Pray-ers" are asked to get involved. Participants receive prayers of concern or thanksgiving and pass them on to the next person on the "chain." We have both a morning and evening prayer chain. If this ministry suits you, please sign up at the Ministry Opportunity Table. We also ask if you are currently a part of the Prayer Chain that you sign up also as the list will have changes. Contact Pastor Krahn at 837-3111 or [pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org](mailto:pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org) with any questions you have.



## New Member Class to Begin

The fall new member class at Our Savior's will begin on Sunday, September 20 at 6:00 pm. There are three new member sessions each year - fall, winter and late spring. These sessions consist of four classes of 1 1/2 hours each. Child care is available. If you are interested in becoming a member of Our Savior's please sign up at the Ministry Opportunity Table or contact Pastor Krahn. New member recognition will take place on Sunday, October 18 at the 10:30 worship service.



## Post-High School Youth

The C.A.T. team wants you! Has your child or a young college-aged person moved away to attend college, go into the military, or simply begin their life away from home? Your church family cares about them. The C.A.T. team's mission is to keep the college-age youth of Our Savior's connected to the church. There will be care-packages (cookies, candy etc.), letters and emails periodically sent to the youth to let them know that they are never alone. If you would like us to connect with your son or daughter who is away this fall, please sign up for this free service at the Youth and Family Table in the narthex. If you would like to be involved with this exciting ministry, please see Brett at church or email [brett@oslc-elca.org](mailto:brett@oslc-elca.org)

## Book of Faith

Our Savior's Lutheran Church has been named a First Wave Congregation for the *Book of Faith*. We will be intentional in finding ways to help members open Scripture and join in conversation about Biblical stories and theological understanding. The Board of Education will provide many opportunities for members to become involved. Some studies have been scheduled at this time:

- Sunday morning at 9:30 am highlighting the weekly worship readings.
- Sunday morning at 9:30 am begins with Genesis and continues through the year .
- Monday evenings at 7 pm a repeat of Sunday morning beginning with Genesis.
- Tuesday afternoons at 4 pm a spiritual formation discussion on various scriptural passages.
- Wednesday noon - Pastor B's Brown Bag and Bible Study

More will be scheduled throughout the year. Sign up for the various studies at the Ministry Opportunity Table.



## Children's Worship Bags

The Youth and Family resource team is busy collecting items to be included in children's worship bags. Age appropriate coloring books and crayons or small soft quiet toys are being collected in a box under the youth and family table in the Narthex. See Brett with questions.

## Directories Have Arrived!

Olan Mills has delivered our church directories. Each family that had their photo taken for the directory gets a free copy. The directories are in the boxes near the nursery and are alphabetical. Please be sure to grab only yours. If you were not able to be a part of the directory but would like one, you can purchase it for \$5 in the church office.



## ***Built on a Solid Rock*** **Confirmation Heads Up!**

Mark your calendars for the Confirmation orientation sessions this coming fall. Parents and students are required to attend the orientation, sign-up for classes that evening, and learn what's new this year. Parents and confirmation students in 7<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grades are meeting on Wed., September 9 at 6:30 pm and students in 6<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades and their parents are meeting on September 16 at 6:30 pm. You won't want to miss these sessions that will highlight the how-to's of our university style confirmation curriculum and many opportunities for learning .... for both confirmands and their families!

Classes are back in session on September 23. If you have questions check the Our Savior's website at [oslc-elca.org](http://oslc-elca.org); or contact Pastor Krahn at 837-3111 or [pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org](mailto:pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org).



## **RIOT in the Underground**

The senior high youth group RIOT will begin their fall schedule Sunday nights from 6:00-8:00 pm, on September 20. If you are in grades 9-12 we welcome you to attend. Watch the RIOT bulletin board for a schedule of fall events or check the RIOT section of the website. If you have questions see Brett.

## **Underground Chaos**

The middle school youth group *chaos* will begin their fall schedule Sunday afternoon from 3:00-5:00 pm, on September 20. If you are in grades 6-8 we welcome you to attend. Watch the *chaos* bulletin board in the narthex for an updated schedule or check the *chaos* section of the website. If you have questions see Brett.

## **Book Club**

Join us Tuesday Sept 1st when we discuss *Handle With Care* by Jodi Piccolt. In October we'll read *Snow Flower and the Secret Fan* by Lisa See. Look for the latest edition of Book Club News on the Ministry Opportunity Table!

## **SCRIP, Raising Money Made Easy**

A bulletin board has been set up near the elevator for the SCRIP program. Stop by and take a look at it for more information.

Visit [simplifiedscrip.com](http://simplifiedscrip.com) to sign up. Contact Brett if you have questions.



## **Pre-school Sunday school Begins Sept. 13**

One of the promises given at the baptism of your child is that you will bring your child to worship and education and assist them as they learn who and whose they are. One way to follow through on that promise is to register your 3 and 4 year old in Sunday school. There are two sessions – 9:15 and 10:30 am. The curriculum the children use is the *Beginner's Bible* that was given to your child at their Baptism at Our Savior's. This gives your child an exciting opportunity to follow the Biblical Stories at home as well as on Sunday morning. During this time the children learn the stories through various means – reading the stories, puppet shows on the stories, video, and with song and various craft activities. An orientation for parents of pre-school children will be held on Monday, September 14 at 6:00pm. Please make every effort to attend this orientation and see how you can help develop your child's faith.

We are also in need of teacher assistants for both of these sessions. A training session will be scheduled to assist you in this activity. If you are interested in assisting Carolyn as Director of the Pre-school, it would be greatly appreciated. Contact Carolyn Kreitlow, Muriel Arms or see the Rotation table in the narthex for more information.

## **Family Movie Night**

The showing of *Finding Nemo* was postponed and will be shown on Friday, September 18 from 6-8pm in Mission Matinee. This event is open to all ages. Sign up on the Family Resources bulletin board by the library. See Brett with questions.



## Ringers Needed!

The Chancel Ringers could use one or two new ringers for the new program year. Your commitment would include rehearsals on Wednesday evenings from 7:00-8:15pm and playing for worship one Sunday each month. If you are looking for a new, exciting opportunity to share your musical talent, we'd love to have you join us!



An ability to read music would be helpful--either treble or bass clef or both. Please contact Angie Schmidt, director, with any questions or interest 445-0101 or [schmian1224@aim.com](mailto:schmian1224@aim.com).

## Organist Heinrich Walther Returns to OSLC

German organist Heinrich Walther returns to Our Savior's on Sunday, November 15. The 7:00 pm program will feature the six organ trio sonatas by Johann Sebastian Bach. Plan now to hear Bach's intimate and delightful chamber music for organ played on our Letourneau pipe organ. The recital is part of OSLC's 50th anniversary celebration.

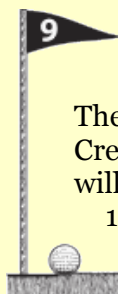
## Attend a Summer Children's Choir Retreat

We are now offering a fun evening retreat for all children interested in Our Savior's Children's Choirs. The retreat will be held on Wednesday, August 26 from 5:00-6:00 p.m. This retreat will offer kids the opportunity to begin learning basic music-reading skills, to learn new singing techniques introduced in a fun, innovative way, and to begin building new friendships before regular rehearsals begin.



Registration forms for the Fall 2009/Spring 2010 year, may be completed the evening of the retreat, on Rally Day, or at the first rehearsal. All children ages 4-9<sup>th</sup> grade are encouraged to participate. For more information, please contact Kim Peterson (director of Youth Choir & Alleluia Singers) at 237-1797 or at [kimusic@live.com](mailto:kimusic@live.com), or Kim Olander (director of Cherub Choir) at 220-1903.

See the enclosed insert for more information about all the choir opportunities offered at OSLC.



## August 28 Annual Golf Outing

The annual OSLC Golf Outing will be at Door Creek Golf Course in Cottage Grove. Tee times will begin at 4:00pm. The Fish Fry will be held at 1855, also in Cottage Grove at 7:00pm. Sign up sheets are on the Ministry Opportunity Table, and, you do not need to participate in golfing to join us for dinner.

## Camping Ministry for Confirmation Students

Confirmation students in 7-8 grades must attend one fall weekend retreat through Crossways Camp. This year, students have the opportunity to attend Lutherfest October 2-4 or Middle School Blast November 13-15. See the sign-up on the Youth and Family table for details.

## "Creative Connections" to Craft Monthly

All crafters of one variety or another are welcome to get busy and craft at church. We'll meet together on Friday evenings, from 6-9 p.m. on August 28, September 25, and October 23. We had fun last month and are hoping to add more faces and more fun this month. Bring your own project (scrapbooking, crocheting, quilting, whatever) or work on our anniversary scrapbook or a card-making project to benefit the CAT ministry. Please sign-up on the ministry opportunity table. Contact Pastor Krahn at 837-3111 or [pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org](mailto:pastorkrahn@oslc-elca.org) with any questions you have.



## ELW Setting 8

Beginning in September we will worship using ELW Setting 8 on the second Sunday of the month at the 10:30 service. Drums, guitars, voices, and piano will lead us. The dates for the remainder of 2009 are: September 13, October 11, November 8, and December 13.



## Library Notes

If you recently received an overdue notice, please respond in one of the following ways:

- Return overdue items
- Write an explanation on the overdue notice card as to why you are not returning the item(s) i.e. not found, returned, dog ate it, etc.
- Please date your response, being sure to note item which you are referring to.
- Drop your card in the library return slot.

The Library Board appreciates your cooperation.

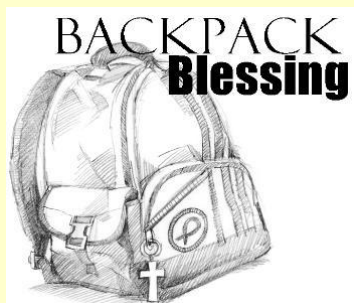
We are no longer able to keep up on our collection of books for our Book Club. A majority of the collection has gone missing. The few remaining books can be found on the fiction shelves in the library. Just look for the neon green rectangle on the book's spine that designated a Book Club selection.

## New 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Class on Sundays!!!

Starting September 20, 6<sup>th</sup> graders will embark on a new adventure called Underground Voyages. Each week, students will meet with Brett and other leaders in Ben's Underground. Topics include: *My Bible, Who is my Neighbor and Why Should I Care, What is a Sacrament* and more. Orientation and registration for this class takes place on September 16 at 6:30pm. See Brett with questions.

## Bring your backpack to worship!

Kids, bring your school backpacks to worship the weekend of September 5-6 and receive a blessing for the school year. Your church family wants to recognize and support you this year with our thoughts and prayers.



## CROP Walk

The 2009 Madison CROP hunger walk event is *35 Years of Sharing and Caring*. This community event involves over 600 people from the community all striving for the same goal, helping to overcome worldwide hunger. Since 1986 the walk has raised \$985,500 and 25% of the funds raised have been designated to local hunger projects. This also is due to the support from more than 60 congregations and groups in our area. The goal this year (2009) for fund raising is for \$80,000.

This year the CROP walk has a NEW host: First Congregational United Church of Christ 1609 University Ave Madison, WI. An informational table will be set up in the narthex starting October 4th, 2009. Mark your calendars for October 18th, 2009 for the walk. This is a great opportunity for our congregation to serve together. Remember CORP stands for:

Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty. We can make a difference in so many lives!! Any questions call Charlene Hubble @ 608-516-8282



## Sr. High Faithbook Gathering December 4-6

The youth of the South-Central Synod of Wisconsin present *Faithbook*. This weekend retreat will feature a national speaker and music, workshops, food, fun and more. This event is equivalent to a National Youth Gathering, but on a smaller, more affordable scale. Sign up on the youth and family table and see Brett if you are interested.

## Funds for Friends

At the end of August Sentry Foods is discontinuing their Funds for Friends program. If you participate in this program you are able to ask for a sticker to be put on your receipt until August 31. You have until September 7 to turn them in to the church so we can get credit for your purchases. Thanks to everyone who has taken the extra step by participating in this program over the years, we have appreciated your support!



## It's Your Night Out!

The West Side Inn is our September 4 destination for Your Night Out. Dinner is planned for 6:30 pm. The West Side Inn is located at W2164 State Road 60, Columbus. Join us! Please sign up at the Ministry Opportunity Table so that we have an idea of how many will be coming.

## Pizza Sale

The wildly popular annual pizza sale will take place weekends in October. Look for the display in the narthex and see a sr. high youth to order. Pizza making day will be Sunday, November 8. If you would like to help make pizza for this extremely fun event, see the sign-up on the youth and family table.



## SINGERS WANTED

Singers are invited and encouraged to join Bishop Burnside and Gary Lewis, Director of Music, Bethel Lutheran Church, Madison, and director of the Synod-wide Choir to be formed, in a two week odyssey to the land of Martin Luther and Johann Sebastian Bach. As a member of this choir you will visit and sing in churches associated with Lutheranism's most noted theologian and most noted musician. The tour is open to any individual that either wants to sing with the choir or travel as a tour companion. High school singers as well as adults are welcome in the choir. The tour is scheduled for July 28 - August 10, 2010. See the OSLC music bulletin board for more information, or contact John Krueger, Director of Music. If you are interested, act now. The deposit deadline for participants is October 2, 2009.

## Baptism Enrichment Session

If you are planning to schedule a baptism at OSLC in the near future, please attend an upcoming baptism enrichment session. The hour and a half session is required for all baptismal events. Expecting parents are also welcome. Enrichment session dates coming up are: Saturdays, October 10, December 12 and February 13. All begin at 10:00am.

## Official Acts

*Baptisms- celebrating new life through the sacrament of belonging*

July 18 – Kate Olson – daughter of Jim & Liz Olson

July 19 – Colton Smith – son of Ryan & Laura Smith

July 19 – Derek Kott – son of Joseph & Erika Kott

July 26 – Lauryn Pederson – daughter of Tim & Emily Pederson

August 8 – Abigail Plowman – daughter of Brian Plowman & JoAnn Bultman

August 8 – Katie Vetter – daughter of John & Aileen Vetter

*Funerals – commending the faithful to the loving arms of God*

July 9 – Russell Vale

August 3 – N. Steve Rollins

August 4 – Jean Hammond

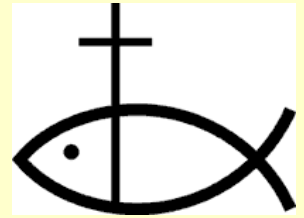
August 7 – Helen Mundt

August 11 – Dolores Clemann

*Marriages - united in love and blessed by God*

July 17 – Amber Heller & Mark Ortell

July 18 – Jessica Zimmerman & Adam Schleicher



## + One a Week Club+

To make an appointment to give blood call 1-800-give-life or visit [givebloodgivelife.org](http://givebloodgivelife.org). The East Side Donor Center is located at 2109 Zeier Road, near East Towne Mall. Donating blood takes about an hour of your time; please consider making time for this vital need in our community. Call to schedule your appointment today!

Thanks to Kathy Dickerson, Ellen Devoe, Al Newman, Colleen Fjelstad, Pete Schmeling, Dawn Wenzel, Pat Nicholson, Diane Williamson, Phil Saganski (DBL red cell), Marie Roth, Julie Niemeyer, Fritz Schunke x 3 (Aph), Don Barman x 2, Breta Saganski, Gloria Schroeder, Jordy Niemeyer, Tracy Buie, Ken Schuab, Paul Ponath, who donated blood since the printing of the last *Crossroads*. Aph designates Apheresis donations, a special donation of platelets.

Our total so far this year is 97 donations.

## OSLC youth participate in Leadership camp - P.R.I.S.M.

Two sr. high youth from Our Savior's were nominated and participated in the senior high Leadership Camp PRISM in July. This 4 day leadership event took place with others from across the South-Central and Milwaukee synods at Lutherdale Bible camp. Students were active in workshops, exploring their call while engaging in low and high ropes, hearing vibrant speakers, and making new friends. Below are testimonials from our two representatives Katie Christensen and Kim Barnes.

### PRISM 2009

*By Kim Barnes*

My favorite thing about PRISM (Providing Resources in Student Ministry) this year was the high ropes course because it taught me how to challenge myself and to know my limits. This was extremely challenging to me last year and I learned how to overcome my fears and complete the course.

Each camper was required to develop a MAP (Ministry Action Plan) that could be used back in our home church community. My plan is to teach a class to help students with their memory work that is required for Confirmation. I would use games and other fun activities to help them retain information easier.

*By Katie Christensen*

My favorite part about PRISM was making a ton of new friends. I feel like I made friends that will last a life time. It really made me think that the biggest, most important part of life is building strong relationships. When you do that, I think it makes you closer to God because he made us to get along and when we do that we are sharing his word without even saying it.

My MAP is a plan to help out the "new or soon-to-be" parents of the church and community. To my knowledge there is nothing to help them with their new challenges, so that is why I wanted to create this. This program will provide a steady support system and help the parents learn some new things from other parents in the group and speakers.

## Rally Sunday

September 13, 2009  
Potluck lunch at noon  
with brats and hotdogs  
provided. Sign up sheets  
for helpers and food are  
on the Rally Day Table.

### RALLY SUNDAY EVENTS

LIMBO CONTEST  
FACE PAINTING  
OBSTACLE COURSE  
MOONWALK  
FREEZE POPS  
BEAN BAG TOSS  
DUNK TANK  
POTLUCK  
AND MORE!!

Celebrating the first anniversary of their baptism this month.

Jordyn Schick 9/6/2008

Alexis Reinen 9/13/2008

Evelyne Derr 9/14/2008

Lilah Egli 9/14/2008

Those celebrating will receive a postcard from the Milestone Ministry Team suggesting ways to celebrate. If you would like to see ideas visit [oslc-elca.org/id73.html](http://oslc-elca.org/id73.html)

### ***Gratitude for the Lutheran teens who visited New Orleans; The Kindness of Strangers***

*The end of July brought the biggest convention to town since Hurricane Katrina, but it wasn't doctors, lawyers or other professionals. In fact, it wasn't even adults. It was 37,000 teenagers and their chaperones from the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), who filled hotels all over town for the 2009 ELCA Youth Gathering, which they called "Jesus, Justice and Jazz."*

*Besides their worship events at the Louisiana Superdome and the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center, the teens spent much of their five days in New Orleans performing some 200 community service projects, including hosting a health fair in New Orleans City Park, building a two-mile hiking trail around the park's Goat and Scout Islands and adding new plants to the Botanical Garden. Elsewhere, they held reading fairs for children and painted and cleaned houses and schools. Some boarded buses and headed to the Falgout Canal marina to replant marsh grasses; others converged on Holt Cemetery to weed, seed, restore tombstones and, in some cases, rebury the dead. At the end of their busy days, many of them found time to donate blood to the Red Cross. In all, our Lutheran visitors from all over the United States contributed a quarter of a million volunteer hours to the people of New Orleans — and, in many cases, thanked us for the chance to have done so.*

*We're humbled. Humbled at their generosity. Humbled at the sight of so many young people traveling so far to do so much hard work during their summer vacation. Humbled that the "Katrina fatigue" felt by so many Americans was replaced, for a few days, with an enthusiasm even some of us find hard to muster some days. Regardless of your faith, or lack thereof, these excited young volunteers were an inspiration, and just one of them accomplished better than all the preachers and politicians in the world who saw Katrina as either perverse justice or crass opportunity.*

*Among the many small moments of grace between our young guests and the locals came last weekend at Betsy's Pancake House in Mid-City, which had its usual mix of Sunday morning regulars — sleepy folks with Saturday night faces and regal African-American churchwomen in their Sunday finery. Into Betsy's dining room came nine teenagers, led by a pastor and two chaperones, looking*

*friendly but shy and a bit out of place. Tables were rearranged; coffee was brought. The waitress, with little prompting, welcomed them and told them the tale of the coffee shop during Katrina. The kids were more curious about grits. They opted for white toast instead.*

*"We could have gone to Burger King, but we saw this and wanted to eat at a place with neighborhood people," said the pastor, the Rev. Dr. Brian W. Armen, shaking hands with people who approached their table. He and his flock were from Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church in Johnston, Penn. None of them had been to New Orleans before.*

*Then, the waitress laid a \$20 bill on the table. "That man who just left paid for some of your breakfast," she said, and within a couple of minutes bills were being passed to the visitors from around the room — \$10 here, \$20 there, and the pastor's wife began to cry, saying "Thank you," to which the morning regulars replied, "No, thank you."*

*How do you thank someone for helping rebuild your city? It's a question with which we've all wrestled during the past four years, and the answer is: You can't. But the simple act of buying a stranger a breakfast said "Thank you" in myriad ways: Thank you for coming. Thank you for caring. Thank you for your sweat and your optimism, for your curiosity and bravery in traveling to a place so unlike your own home. And, when many in the rest of the country seem to have "gotten over" Katrina and can't understand why we can't, perhaps the real message was: Thank you for not forgetting.*

*Most of all, thank you for reminding New Orleans — a city that's so dependent on the kindness of strangers — that there still are people in this world who come to town and leave behind things more valuable than overflowing cash registers.*

*(Article from "BestofNewOrleans.com", an on-line magazine)*

**Thank you for all of your support these past three years as we prepared to attend our gathering. It was a week that truly transformed a community and all of us. If you would like to see more of our trip please sign up today for your copy of the National Youth Gathering – New Orleans DVD on the Youth and Family table. See Brett with questions.**

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