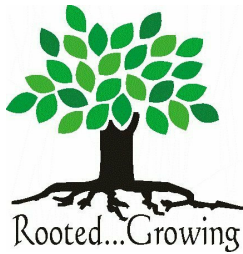


# WOODBURY BAPTIST CHURCH



## SUMMER HIGHLIGHTS

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JUNE 2011



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### A MESSAGE ABOUT PENTECOST

Pentecost: It's the most underrated holiday of the Christian year! We focus on Christ entering the world at Christmas, and the salvation of the Cross and Resurrection at Easter. What about the arrival of the Holy Spirit? Pentecost is the day we celebrate the pouring out of the Holy Spirit on the church.

Pentecost is known as the "birthday of the church". It is by the Holy Spirit that the power was given to proclaim the Gospel and people's hearts were opened to the message of salvation. It's the Holy Spirit who brings us to a lively faith in Jesus Christ – a faith that comes from experiencing who Jesus is, and takes action.

On Sunday, June 12th we will have demonstrations of a "lively faith" in our worship as we celebrate Pentecost. First, we will be recognizing our graduates and the faith that is alive in their lives. Second, we will commit to God's care the task of Christian parenting in a Parent-Child dedication. Third, we will joyfully receive five people God has led to become co-workers with us in the Christ's "body" at WBC.

Finally, the message and music of Pentecost Sunday will invite the Holy Spirit to continue to enliven our worship and work as Jesus' witnesses. The first Pentecost was experienced by a mighty rush of wind and tongues of fire sent by God. I hope you come to worship with a ***spirit of expectancy*** that God's Spirit will blow a fresh spiritual air and an exciting fire into your life!

The outpouring of the Holy Spirit was preceded by 10 days of prayer. Between now and June 12, I invite you to ***read chapter 2 of Acts and pray with me daily*** for God's Spirit to move us to praise Him wholeheartedly and empower our witness of Christ's salvation.

Pastor Greg

## YOUTH MISSION TRIP TO THUNDER BAY, CANADA

Thank you for all of your financial support and prayers. 15 of us are going on the Youth Mission trip to Thunder Bay, Ontario Canada July 2 -9,2011 with "**YouthWorks!**", an organization that provides life-changing, Christ-centered resources for ministry. The theme this year is: "**Be Like Jesus...Be Different**" from Luke 6:27-28. *"But to you who are listening I say: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you."*

Some of you have asked, why Thunder Bay? Every other year or so we try to do an international experience for our youth and since Puerto Rico didn't work out for this year (maybe next year!), we chose to have a Canadian experience. We will be working with local faith-based organizations and programs... working with churches in summer Kid's programs; elderly centers; soup kitchens/homeless shelters; thrift stores; and work projects ranging from painting / fixing homes to yard work. Yes, there are similar needs and challenges in the Twin Cities area and there are youth groups coming from all over the country to do ministry here. We have and will continue to engage our youth to participate in work projects within our local area. But it's also nice to travel some and experience another culture with other like-minded youth who will be serving with us that week...churches from Ann Arbor, MI; Janesville, WI; St. Paul, MN and Calgary, Alberta!

We are looking for Prayer Partners for all of us before and during our trip. If you are willing to partner specifically with us, please do and let Beth Eisenrich know. Who going? Gals – Elizabeth Cooper, Greta Eisenrich, Rachel Eisenrich, Kayla Jensen, Kelly Ogiamien, Precious Ogiamien, Leah Williams, Marta Williams. Guys – Jason Castro, Noah Hangge, Lucas Oberg. Adults - Carolyn Butler, Greg Cooper, Beth Eisenrich, and Scott Hangge! Thanks again for your prayers and support!

## UPCOMING SUMMER EVENTS

- ◆ **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** VBS will be 'PandaMania – Where God is Wild About You!' Sunday – Thursday, July 24th – 28th from 5:30 – 8pm. Contact the church office for further details and to register a child you want to bless.
- ◆ **ALL CHURCH CAMPING WEEKEND** It is time to start making reservations for our annual WBC Family camp. This year's camp will be held in the same campground as last year at St. Croix State Park, from Friday, September 2nd, through Sunday, September 4th. That is Labor Day weekend, so that gives you Monday to still enjoy at home before heading back to work on Tuesday. Costs will be the same as last year, \$45 for adults, \$40 for ages 6-12, \$15 for ages 5 and under. Help our planning by registering early. Questions? Ask Jerry & Winnie Williams, Kaz & Paul Nelson, or Deb & Al Patchin, who are organizing this event this year.
- ◆ **VINTAGE PEOPLE OUTINGS** Two exciting and fun summer outings are being planned by the Vintage People. First, there will be a picnic lunch held at the Bill Amundson's residence on July 10th following Worship Services. Final details are still pending. Second, an outing to Naniboujou on the North Shore from July 19-22nd. Naniboujou is a unique lodge that dates back to the 1920s. The dining room is a spectacular spot that boasts Minnesota's largest native rock fireplace and colorful Cree Indian paintings on the walls and ceiling. The lodge is on Lake Superior and their food is wonderful. We have six rooms reserved for us. If you would like more information about accommodations and costs, please check with Carol Windham or contact the church office.

## A NOTE OF APPRECIATION FROM THE MODERATOR

On behalf of Woodbury Baptist Church, I want to take this opportunity to thank **Lee Cummins** for her dedication and service as Parish Nurse in our church and our community. Since 2002 Lee has served our community as Parish Nurse; a blending of nursing and ministry roles whose goal is intentional care of the spirit and holistic care of a person. Some of you have been recipient of her services in the following area and understand what a blessing she has been in our lives:

- \* **Integrator of Faith and Health**, serving as a "translator" between faith and healthcare communities. With a knowledge base in both areas, many times the parish nurse can clarify issues and or reinforce the strong tie between faith and health.
- \* **Health Educator**, providing educational programs to the congregation such as health screenings and illness prevention.
- \* **Health Counselor**, providing individual health counseling services in the home or long-term care facility.
- \* **"Navigator" or "Advocate,"** assisting congregation members in finding their way through healthcare systems.
- \* **Referral Agent**, finding resources and making referrals to agencies, organizations and support services to improve the member's quality of life

This is what God can do when you follow his calling..... Lee went into the 3 year nursing program at Mounds Midway, after her high school counselor indicated that she would be good at household help! She worked for Mounds Park Hospital as a nurse in the operating room for 25 years; she also worked in ophthalmology for 10 years and 15 more in the areas of customer services and marketing. Have you heard of the "Nurse Line", guess who started one? Now if Lee's years of service don't amaze you, look at some other things Lee has done by letting herself be led by God. Did you know that she completed her BS in Communication when she was 58 years old, and received her extended unit in Clinical Pastoral Education when she was 60 (give or take a few years). These are in addition to the certificates she holds in case management and parish nursing. When I asked her why she decided to become a parish nurse she said "God has been preparing me all my life for this." "I was care taker for my younger siblings and God continued to lead me the rest of the way". I asked Lee what she would say to someone who is considering becoming a parish nurse, "Go for it!" "You need to be an experienced nurse to do this and have a true calling to serve and help people" "Leave the rest to God". This is how Lee visualizes herself everyday: she is walking and the Lord is slightly ahead of her, walking backwards, waving at her and telling her "Keep going, come on". That is her motivation.

Lee, we will miss your passion and service and again we thank you for blessing our lives the way you have! Although Lee will take some time off this summer to enjoy her daughter and grandchildren (while Gordon paints), she will be continuing her funeral ministry. She is also praying and preparing for God's next step.

Join us on Sunday, Jun 26<sup>th</sup> after worship for a reception celebrating Lee's retirement. It's the perfect opportunity to share with her our appreciation and love!

Margie

REMEMBER YOUR DAD ON JUNE 19TH!

**What Makes A Dad**

God took the strength of a mountain,  
The majesty of a tree,  
The warmth of a summer sun,  
The calm of a quiet sea,

The generous soul of nature,  
The comforting arm of night,  
The wisdom of the ages,  
The power of the eagle's flight,

The joy of a morning in spring,  
The faith of a mustard seed,  
The patience of eternity,  
The depth of a family need,

Then God combined these qualities,  
When there was nothing more to add,  
He knew His masterpiece was complete,  
And so, He called it ... Dad



**Happy Father's Day!**

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