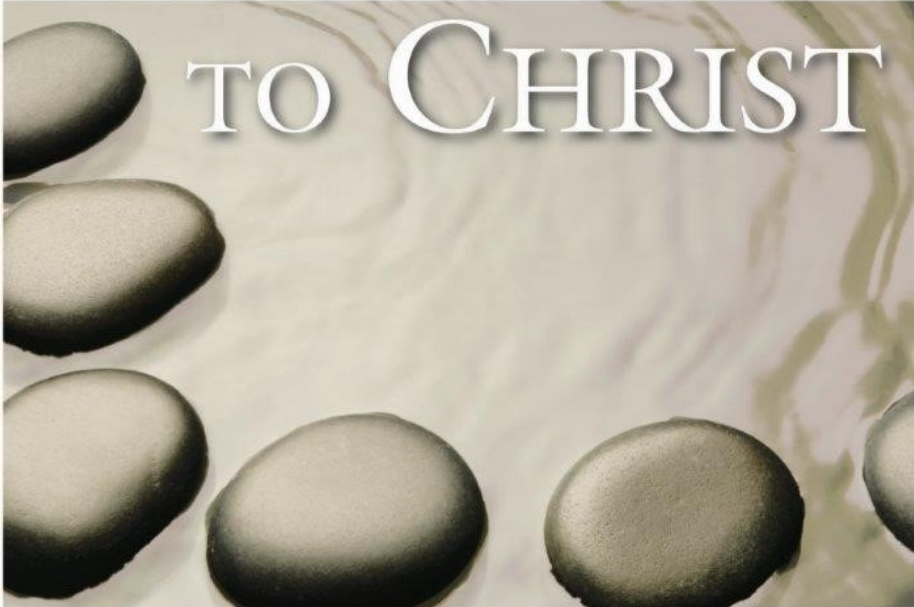


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Six Steps to a Generous Life

September 11th - October 16th

Upcoming Sermon Themes:

September 25th

Let Us Go to the House of the Lord

October 2nd

You Shall Be My Witness

October 9th

Financial Giving

October 16th

Hands-On Service in Jesus' Name

Stepping Stones... on the Way!

Call Process Begins

"Installing a Call Team—might sound like getting a new kitchen appliance to you. Well, they don't come with a money back guarantee, but these people will need some care and maintenance" in the form of your prayers and encouragement. And with those words, Pastor Blair Lundborg, Assistant to the Bishop of our Gulf Coast Synod of the ELCA, set six individuals and this congregation on the next step toward the calling of a senior pastor.

On Sunday, September 11, at both services, Pastor Blair installed Brian Burbrink, Linda Busfield, Perry Cole, Phyllis Giffin, Todd Gregory, and Scott Quillin as Hosanna's Call Team for a new Senior Pastor. Pastor Blair

also gave a presentation on the call process, and called our attention to resources about the call process (listed below).

It was also the beginning of *Committed to Christ: Six Steps to a Generous Life*, Hosanna's annual Spiritual Growth Campaign, which fit well this new step in our lives together in mission at Hosanna. And it dovetails into our theme for the next six or so months of the transition process—*Stepping Stones on the Way*.

We've made a lot of progress on this journey already, perhaps more than you realize. In the Welcome Area of the church you will find a 'path' outlining the steps we've accomplished so far, and the steps awaiting us. Check it frequently - we will add the steps we take as we move forward toward calling a senior pastor.

Pastor Blair led a Call Team Training session while he was here, and the Call Team is scheduled for another workshop to get them rolling on September 24. Then they begin work on their first task, the Ministry Site Profile - essentially, Hosanna's "résumé" or self-description to a potential candidate.

The Call Team will be making regular reports to the congregation in the coming months. But you can get better acquainted with the work they will be doing on our behalf by checking out some of the resources Pastor Blair mentioned on the Gulf Coast Synod website:

<http://gulfcoastsynod.org/leaders/callprocessresources/>

On this website, you will find two videos: a "Welcome to the Call Process" video from Pastor Blair introducing the Call Team to its work and a video from Bishop Michael Rinehart introducing the synod's role in the call process.

<http://gulfcoastsynod.org/wp-content/uploads/sites/142/2013/01/TransitionHandbook.pdf>

The Complete Transition Process Handbook that the Call Team will follow in their work.

You may also get to these online resources by going to gulfcoastsynod.org; click on the "Leaders" link at the top of the page; click on "Call Process Resources" in the right hand column, - and on that page you will find a number of links to these resources.



Hosanna Small Groups

Do you want to plug into a Small Group for the Spiritual Growth Campaign? If you are interested in learning more about Small Groups or signing up to join a Small Group, please pick up a form at the Info Center or call the church office.

The deadline to submit information for the next newsletter is 9 am on October 4th.



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**Mandatory Lutherhill
Parent and Camper
meeting
Sunday, September 25,**

after the 10:30 a.m. worship service (at about 11:45 a.m.). The meeting should only last half an hour. Please be prepared to bring a \$100 non-refundable deposit and fill out Lutherhill Camp paperwork. You will see a slideshow and have your questions answered. At Hosanna, we make sure that financial concerns do not stand in the way of any child going to camp. Let us know if you need financial assistance, we can work out a payment plan or provide confidential scholarships.



**Sundays,
5:30 - 7:30 pm
3rd - 12th grade**

Dinner is provided

**All participants must
register to attend.
Parents must sign
registration.**

Adult Bible Study

Sundays at 8:00 AM in the Prayer Room.
All are welcome!



**Now taking registrations for
the 2016-17 school year**

Our program is 9 am - 1 pm for
18 month through 5 year olds.

- *18 month to 2 year olds
- *2 and 3 year olds
Tues/Thurs or Mon/Wed/Fri
- *2,3,4, or 5 year olds
Mon - Fri

Monday and Wednesday we offer
extended days until 3 pm. Call
Marilyn Boudreaux, Director at
624-5525 for additional
information.

**There is
still space
available!**

Youth Night Menu

September 25th
Hot dogs and nachos

October 2nd
Spaghetti & meatballs, Italian
salad, garlic bread

October 9th
Baked/Mashed Potato Bar



Wednesday evenings 7 - 9 pm

*DivorceCare helps you recover from the
pain of separation and divorce. You will
learn how to deal with the pain of the past
and look forward to your future.*



With their shelves a little bare from the summer months, the Samaritan Center is asking all their supporting churches to help replenish their pantry shelves with their selected food items. Hosanna's selected food items are hot and cold cereal. For the month of October we are going to initiate a 100 box challenge! That will mean that by November 1st their breakfast food shelves will be overflowing. We ask you to please bring boxes of hot or cold cereal to the Information Center during the entire month of October. We will keep you posted on the progress.

**Sunday School
9:00 AM**

for 4 years old to 4th grade
upstairs

**Children's
Church 10:30 AM**

for 4 years old to 4th grade
during service

**Congregational Care
Team Meeting
September 27th at 9:00**

Find out more info
on our website:
www.hosannalutheran.com