



Congregational Newsletter JULY 2015

SOTP Statement of Purpose

"We care for God's children of all ages by growing disciples who make disciples."

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church invites you to honor and celebrate the 25th anniversary of

Pastor Mark Boster's Ordination Sunday, July 12th, 2015

Celebration Service at the church 9:00 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Reception /Open House
1:00-3:00 p.m.
The Cosman Center
Huntley Park District
12015 Mill Street
Huntley, IL 60142

R.S.V.P. by July 3rd: Email: michelle@sotpmail.com Phone: 847-669-9448 Online: http://goo.gl/XaBbvI



A Note From Pastor Mark

Dear Christian Friends,

Over these past weeks and months we have been using Luther's Small Catechism as our guide for our weekend worship services. Over these past weeks I have caught myself quietly reflecting in my office affectionately remembering Pastor Bengston calling on me and other students to recite from memory portions of the catechism.

I remember Pastor Bengston sharing with us that "we have a choice as to how we choose live our lives. With a closed fist or an open hand. Christians are called to live with open hands."

When God's love and respect fills our hearts, we live life following a different set of rules than the world's. Everything is above board without hidden agendas. Honesty and integrity rule. We know how much God loves each person, and it is a privilege to love and care for others as God commands. There is no getting ahead in line, there is no one-upping, there is no stealing of any kind—not one's place or position, not one's possessions, not one's turn, not one's friends, not one's peace, not one's reputation, not one's story to tell.

Everything in our relationship is openhanded.

There are so many ways we human beings steal in some form. Besides the above mentioned, one walks away with another's pen or pencil, a piece of candy from the store bin, a coin or bill found on the floor, supplies from the office, use of office computer or copier for private business. The list could go on and on.

All of these are petty circumstances, but stealing nonetheless. And without Jesus, we are convicted by the law of God's commandment, "Thou shalt not steal."

But Jesus forgives us if we ask him. And he calls us to a higher calling: "Love your neighbor as yourself." In other words, if we truly love others, we will not infringe our desire over their right of ownership. We will honor others as much as we respect ourselves. We will choose the kindlier action. Open-handed mind and body position allows us to give more than we receive. In giving back to God, we are told God no longer wants "dead" sacrifices as in the Old Testament, but "living" sacrifices.

God wants our "life" to be a sacrifice by sharing God's love generously the way he loves us. We do this by living with a hand that is open to receive and give.

What are some ways you can show love and respect to those living around you? To your family? To your co-workers? To your church community?

Can you think of a model or mentor who demonstrates loving others?

When your heart convicts you of disobeying God's commandment, how do you go about taking care of that guilt?

How do you maintain integrity as a child of God?

Ponder these things with your family. Pray and give thanks to God for the model which God gives us in the person of Jesus Christ. I invite you to pray this prayer as you reflect on living a sacrificial life.

Lord, you have called us to be your children. You have entrusted us with your Holy Spirit. You have given us your Word as our guide. Help us to be obedient and to come to you in prayer, praising and thanking you for being our God, repenting and asking for forgiveness when we have strayed. Hold us to your standard, not the world's. In your holy name. Amen.

I'll see you in worship. Peace,

Pastor Mark



On Sunday, August 16, our Annual Church Picnic will be held at Deicke Park in Huntley following the 10:45 a.m. service. Please sign up for a dish to pass-salad, side dish or dessert and indicate the number of children you will bring as we have games and prizes for them. Hamburgers, hot dogs, soda, water, juice boxes and all paper goods will be provided.

You can sign up online starting July 13 or in Crossroads on 7/19, 7/26, 8/2 and 8/9.

See you there and bring your friends!

Pastor Bill's Adult Education News

It's here and it's just for you! What? you may ask. **Active Christian Parenting!** This is a wonderful opportunity to strengthen our parenting skills, enjoy the company of others who are on the same journey, and have fun in the process. And it's all coming to SOTP!

Beginning October 4 and continuing through November 9, we'll meet at the church on six Sundays from 4:00-6:00 p.m. (And please note: there are no Bear games scheduled during this time!) Led by Chuck and Sharon Little, with assistance from Chris and Amy Brittain, Steve and Lori Conway, and Nick and Sarah Wolf, we'll explore the joys and challenges of parenting children ages 5 through 12. (Parents of older children are welcome to attend, but these are the years that will be our focus.)

Topics will include:

- 1) Styles of Parenting,
- 2) Cooperation and Communication,
- 3) Responsibility and Discipline,
- 4) Building Courage and Self-Esteem,
- 5) Understanding and Redirecting Misbehavior,
- 6) Active Parenting for School Success.

The class is limited to 25 parents. A cost of \$25 per family includes material, child care, and a meal for the kids. Registration begins the first of September. We share this with you now, however, so you can plan to join us for six Sunday afternoons, beginning October 4. Watch future newsletters, the Friday Flourish, and the Sunday video screen for further information.

Three great truths: first, parenting is a gift from a gracious God; second, it isn't easy; and third, we can all strengthen our skills. How about YOU? If you have questions or for more information, contact:

- the Littles 847-961-6172 or jc65little@mac.com
- the Brittains at 847-802-4696 or amylouise I I 80@yahoo.com
- the Conways at 847-659-9256 or sconway [@email.com
- the Wolfs at 847-340-8038 or smaw@comcast.net

Blessings,

Pastor Bill

Ministry Musings

Recently I read an article in the June issue of 'The Lutheran'. The title, "What Sprinkler did you run through today?" caught my attention. The article pointed out how we so often let the simpler joys of life, like running through the sprinkler, gets pushed aside by all of the 'things we need to get done!'

As I reread the article a second time, I thought of how often we (I) get caught up in the everyday "stuff" that I miss the sounds, smells and sights around me; like the neighborhood kids playing in the parking area behind me, the smell of a grill firing up, or the way the sun reflects off of the puddles after the recent rain. One of my great joys is sitting on my tiny deck after the sun has set and looking at the way the lights around my driveway reflect star patterns on the pavement while sipping a glass of wine. Yet many evenings I don't revel in the sight because I have "too many things to do before bed"!

So many of our conversations as Christians, especially at worship, are about the things and meetings coming up this next week or the next month. We check with each other to see if the agenda is done, or if the task assigned has been completed. What would happen if at worship time we enjoyed the simple pleasure of being together and in worshiping our God? What if we saw our time on Saturday night or Sunday mornings as the time to purely let God and each other how important they are to us and how much we love and care for them? What if the question, "how are you today" was answered with 'not so good, please pray for me' instead of "fine or great" when we're not?

I believe giving each other the gift of the simple joys of life is ministry in one of its purest forms. Jesus said we must be like little children to inherit the kingdom of God. Maybe enjoying the simple pleasures of life as children do is a way to start. So...listen, watch, sniff, taste and see that God is good! And maybe, run through the sprinkler!

Donna Kelly

—Lay Ministry/New Member Coordinator

YOUTH CULTURE NEWS

Trends

Sex and Dating Apps

The term "age aspiration" is one that captures the fact that our children and teens long to be seen, be treated, and feel like they are older than they actually are. Age aspiration works itself out when our kids engage in behaviors that they think will make them appear and feel older.

One avenue kids are traveling in this quest is to use dating apps that are designed for adults. These apps allow people to peruse potential dates or hook -up partners for either short or long term encounters and

relationships. For example, even though Tinder is an app for adults, about 7% of Tinder users are ages 13- 17. Parents, you need to be aware of which apps are being used by teenagers to facilitate dating relationships and sexual encounters. Besides Tinder, these include skout, Badoo, Hot or Not, MeetMe, Omegle, and Grinder, an app dedicated to facilitating male to male encounters. Talk to your kids about God's design for love, sex, and marriage. Help them to set relationship borders and boundaries that are truly fulfilling and liberating.

Latest Research

Marijuana Potency

Here's another reason to talk to your kids about the dangers associated with using marijuana. Experts are now saying that the potency of marijuana is 3 times what it was 20 or 30 years ago. THC is the psychoactive chemical in marijuana that makes people get

high. 30 years ago, the level of THC in marijuana was under 10%. Today, however, test samples show THC levels anywhere between 20-30%. The reason for this

rise in THC levels is because the science related to the production of pot has improved. Producers are now meeting the demand for greater potency by cross-breeding strains of marijuana. Experts say that this cross-breeding has resulted in marijuana becoming dirty, as there has also been an increase in contaminants, including bacteria, fungus, and butane. We continue to sound the alarm regarding our need to educate and warn our kids about the dangers associated with the use of marijuana. Legalization doesn't make it healthy or right.

QUICK STATS

- Half of the teen and young adult drivers who perish in automobile accidents are under the influence of alcohol and or marijuana prior to their crash.
 —Columbia University's Mailman School of Public Health
- 9 out of 10 children and teenage concussion victims struggle with their school grades for months afterwards.

 —Pediatrics

YOUTH CULTURE NEWS

From the Word

Leo Tolstoy once said that "anything is better than lies and deceit!" He understood just how destructive deception is to relationships and trust. Still, in our brokenness, we have a bent towards weaving tapestries of lies as we pursue selfish personal gain and seek to avoid the consequences of our actions.

The Scriptures are clear from beginning to end that God's people are to be people of the truth. We are to pursue the Truth as put forth by the Incarnate Word, Jesus, and in God's written revelation of Himself, the Scriptures. But we are also to pursue the truth by always telling the truth.

The Book of Proverbs is filled with sayings that point us to wisdom. Those who are wise are people who are developing character and discernment. In Proverbs 12:22 we are reminded that a wise person is a person who pursues and tells the truth. God "detests" the lips of the liar, but takes great "delight" in those who tell the truth.

Parents can either pass on wisdom or foolishness to their children. This happens through both our words and our example. Do you tell the truth? And, do you model truth-telling? Are you pointing your kids to a life that God "detests," or to a life in which God takes "delight?"

Sports Sanity—Walt Mueller, CPYU President

With the arrival of summertime, many of us will be spending time on the sidelines watching our kids play organized sports. The pursuit of Godly, balanced sports parenting is important in today's highly competitive world. All of us should pause and ask ourselves, "Am I bringing glory to God in the way I approach my child's play?"

Plato said, "You can learn more about a person in an hour of play than you can in a lifetime of conversation." A twist on Plato's words ring true today: we can learn quite a bit about a parent in a few minutes of observing them watch their own

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HOT QUOTE

"I don't take well to bullying. I never have. I'm not a person that will be bullied. I'm not a person that will stand by watching other people bullied. I am a girl, I have feelings and people think I take no s!*# and I'm tough, tougher than nails, but I'm a human being."

—Pink, speaking to Entertainment Tonight reporter Angelique Jackson in response to criticism about her weight, Entertainment Tonight Online, May 13, 2015 child play. What do you see when you look in the mirror? As you evaluate the role you play in the lives of the kids you parent and/or coach, consider these questions:

Who's out on the field? Unfortunately, some parents see their kids as a second chance to fulfill dreams they themselves never realized. If you are living vicariously through your kids and their play, you are setting the table for them to burn out and to resent you.

What's on your mind? The win-at-all costs mindset coaches and parents increasingly adopt can get to be too much for our kids. When we are focused on winning, we care less about instruction, our children's welfare, and the development of character.

What's in your heart? Are the desires of your heart to see your child do his/ her best? Or, is your heart set on a standard or level of achievement that is impossible for your child to attain? Pressuring kids to excel beyond their ability and potential is counter-productive. We must remember that it's only a game . . . and they're only kids! Let them play and have fun!

What's coming out of your mouth? Too many parents berate coaches, officials, and the players on the field. . . sometimes even their own kids. I've watched young kids cower and teenagers become bitter in response. And even if they do respond with improved performance, are those critical attitudes qualities that we want to nurture in our kids? Children learn from example. If we're going to scream anything, it should be words of praise, encouragement, and acceptance.

In this day and age of increased activity, it's realistic to assume that most kids will spend some time during their childhood in a uniform participating in some kind of organized sport. Hopefully, you and I will be on the sideline cheering them on. It would be a good idea for all of us sports parents to pinch ourselves and come back to reality. We'd realize that there's a greater chance of getting hit by lightning than of our child growing up to sport a world series ring, wear the Olympic gold, or skate around holding the Stanley Cup.

Our children will grow up with memories of their childhood sporting experience. Those memories will be either positive, or negative. Parents, you hold the key to shaping those memories. Do so to the glory of God rather than seeking your own glory through the accomplishments of your kids.

BOOK CHATTERS NEWS

SOTP'S CHATTERS BOOK GROUP INVITES YOU

to an afternoon with **Ruby Haerle**, our latest author and member of Shepherd of the Prairie, as she shares a time in her life uncovered in her whimsical new novel

"DREAMING MY WAY OUT"

Wednesday, August 19 at 1:00 p.m. in the West Wing Fellowship Room Hear Ruby's tale and delightful read.

Ruby will have copies of her book available.

Join us to find out: Do Ruby's Dreams have a new adventure in the works?

Light refreshments will be served by Chatter's Book Group

NEW MEMBERS MEETING ANNOUNCED

Have you been worshipping with us here at Shepherd of the Prairie for a while now and think you would like to learn more about our church or think you might be interested in becoming a member? Please join us for the New Member Gathering on **Sunday, August 9, from 3:00-5:00 p.m.** This will be an opportunity for you to find out more about the life and ministry of our church and to give prayerful consideration to whether or not you want to enter into formal membership in the SOTP family.

Those who desire to become members will be welcomed during the worship services on the following Sunday, **August 16**. Please call the church office to let us know if you will be participating with us and if you will need child care during the gathering.

FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN (FMSC)

Volunteers needed! SOTP is going to FMSC in Schaumburg on **Saturday August 8 from I1:30 a.m. to I:30 p.m.** We have committed 30 people to volunteer. We will meet at SOTP at 10:00 a.m. SOTP does not provide transportation, your own vehicle will be necessary. Car pooling can be arranged.

Volunteers hand-pack meals specially formulated for malnourished children. These packs are sent to partners around the world where they are used to operate orphanages, schools, clinics and feeding programs to break the cycle of poverty. FMSC food has reached more than 70 countries in our history.

Individuals and families are welcome. Children must be of kindergarten age. Everyone under the age of 18 must be accompanied by an adult. There are "sitting" jobs available for those who need them. Please contact Jill Brown 847-683-5027 or jillbrown14@yahoo.com with any questions, or if you would like to volunteer.

QUARTERS 4 QUILTS

On the weekend of July 19, 2015, the Prairie Point Quilters will be having their semi-annual Quilt Dedication. All the beautiful quilts that the quilters have made will be displayed in the sanctuary.

START SAVING YOUR QUARTERS!!

In conjunction with the Quilt Dedication we will be holding our "QUARTERS 4 QUILTS" campaign. The proceeds will be used to purchase batting and other much needed quilting supplies.

Your support will be greatly appreciated!

—The Prairie Point Quilters

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL NEWS

Everest VBS July 27-30 9:00 a.m.-Noon

This year's Vacation Bible School theme is **EVEREST**: "Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power".



This month, our church will be getting a mountain makeover as we begin a unique adventure at Everest VBS! Kids will worship God through songs and prayer, and discover life-changing Bible truths in fun and memorable ways.

We believe that God will use this incredible program to reach many children with the message of his love, so please prayerfully consider your role in Everest VBS. Feel free to contact the church office if you have any questions.

Whatever your gifts, abilities, and time commitment, we've got a place for you!

We are diligently working and planning to make this year a huge success, but we need YOU!!! Here are some ways you can help:

Donations —Maybe your days of volunteering to help during VBS have come and gone, but there are other ways to help! We have many items that need to be donated for decorations, activities, snacks, games. In the crossroads area of our church, you'll see our **EVEREST** table. Please help us by taking a donation slip and donating one of our wish list items or sign up online at: http://goo.gl/G6VnEG

Registration and Volunteering—For more information about Shepherd of the Prairie Everest VBS 2015 registration or volunteer opportunities, please visit https://goo.gl/9bN04N.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAM—"Grill & Chill"

For those of you that have incoming 6th, 7th and 8th graders, please mark your calendars for Wednesday, July 22 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. SOTP will be hosting a **"Grill & Chill"**. All students that will be part of our confirmation program are welcome to attend. There is no charge. We will be grilling out, having a great time reconnecting after not seeing each other for awhile, and welcoming our 6th graders to confirmation.

THE MISSIONARIES ARE COMING!

Randy and Carol Stubbs, our sponsored missionaries in Tanzania, are on home assignment this summer and plan to visit SOTP on Sunday, July 19th. They will give a presentation, provide special music and share their experiences with us during our two Sunday services. Mark your calendar for this special program.

STEWARDSHIP TALES



Now it came to pass that, as the time of vacation drew near, a certain member of the church thought of cool streams where fish were found, and his children thought of sandy beaches by the sea, and his wife thought of the mountains. And this church member spoke to his family and said, "The hot days are here and my work is overwhelming. Let's go where the fish bite,

the cool breezes blow, and the land is beautiful." "That sounds great," said his wife, "but there are four things we must do before we leave." He said "I can think of three, we ask our neighbors to water our flowers, arrange for the grass to be cut, and we have our mail and papers held, but what is the fourth?" "The fourth is important, that we pay our church pledge in advance. We will have more money now than when we return from vacation, and it will be more difficult then." The husband replied, "you are wise to think of the church. They have expenses that need to be met while we are gone, so I will do it."

NAME TAGS—A REMINDER

More of our members are wearing name tags. It really helps visitors and new members meet other members. One easy way to make everyone comfortable is to wear your name tag. If you have misplaced your name tag, you can order a new one at the "Welcome Center" in the Narthex/ Crossroads. It also helps Pastor Mark with names as our membership is over 1,000.

FOOD PANTRY

SOTP is committed to the Grafton Food Pantry program, which meets the needs of families and individuals who do not have the means to purchase food and other essential items. Food collection is the first Sunday of the month. Food items needed this month:

Cereal, Chicken Noodle Soup, Pudding and Jello, Toothpaste, Healthy Snacks, Cookies

ELECTRONIC FUNDS TRANSFER

Enjoy the Convenience of Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church wants to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your offering. Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. EFT is used to automatically transfer funds from your checking or savings account to the church's bank account.

Authorization forms and additional information are available from the church office.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

There are several boxes of 2015 offering envelopes that haven't been picked up. If you were out of town for the winter or simply forgot, you can get your envelopes from Michelle Rankin during the week or from Ralph Wehnes on Sundays.

FINANCIAL RECORDS

Shepherd of the Prairie Lutheran Church only keeps financial records on members and non-members that have envelopes assigned. If you are not a member and want envelopes, contact the Church office.

FINANCIAL NEWS

Treasurer's Report

Operating Budget Year-to-Date as of May 31, 2015:

	YTD Actual	YTD Budget
General Fund Income:	\$ 235,532.83	\$ 230,705.00
General Fund Expenses:	\$ 217,951.13	\$ 236,326.00
Net Income:	\$ 17,581.70	\$ (5,621.00)

General Fund Notes: Through May, operating income exceed expenses by \$17,581.70. Member contributions are more than budget and that is partially due to an annual gift of over \$6,000.00 including controlled expenses. Expenses are under budget \$18,374.87. Overall General Fund Income is more than Expenses to Budget YTD \$23,202.70 prior to funding Provision Accounts. We continue to encourage the restraint of staff and mission teams in their spending in the various expense categories.

Building Fund Year-to-Date as of May 31, 2015:

Building Fund Begin Balance 05/01/2015:	\$ 68,931.49
Debt Reduction Donations	\$ 11,701.00
Building Fund Donations: Mission Plus Interest Income Memorial Donations Building Fund	\$ 75,974.36 163.26 1,100.00

Building Fund Income/Donations: \$88,938.62

Loan Principal Payments: \$ 60,003.80 Loan Interest Payments: \$ 8,366.20 Principal Only Payments: \$ 11,748.10 Building Fund Expenses: \$ 80,118.10

Ending Fund Balance: \$ 77,752.01

Net Income: \$ 11.186.61

We continue to accumulate funds in the Building Fund account per Council direction and Congregation approval on building expansion future requirements.

The May month end building loan balance is \$616,163.49. Thank you for your faithful tithing as we continue to cover our mission operational costs, funding our building loan obligation, and our future building expansion.

Jim Henley SOTP Treasurer

BUILDING FUND UPDATE

Loan Balance	.\$602,3	367.44
Estimated Payoff Date	June l	, 2019

JULY VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES

ALTAR GUILD

Saturday (setup)	. Becky Tuzik	
Saturday (take-down)Tom & Darlene Polzin		
Sunday (9:00 a.m.)		
(setup & take-down)	Dee Pedersen & Adele Wogstad	
Sunday (10:45 a.m.—take-down)		
	Sandy Hupert & Marlene Boehler	
July 12	Jan & Don Koerner	
July 19		
July 26	Linda Jahr & Donna Schnepff	

SUNDAY WELCOME

July 5	9:00 a.m Chris and Mary Trodahl
	10:45 a.m Helen Fenzan
July 12	9:00 a.m Nancy Ottinger and Cheryl Adams
	10:45 a.m Judy Petropulos and Joanne Bychowsky
July 19	9:00 a.m Jan Suski and Joyce Thompson
	10:45 a.m Elaine Neukirch & Marty Jacobsen
July 26	9:00 a.m Barb and Jim Auwerda
	10:00 a.m Noreta Walker and Debbie Lindquist

COUNTERS: Warren Brody, Sue Blotch, Gail Quam

GREETERS

Saturday 5:00 p.m.	<u>Sunday 9:00 a.m.</u>
July 4Claudia Morgan	July 5Terry Halpin, Marian Mesenbrink
July 11Kay O'Shanna	July 12Terry Halpin, John Arneson
July 18Nancy Zunker	July 19Terry Halpin, Barb Niemiec
July 25Becky Tuzik	July 26Terry Halpin, Elaine Brody
	Sunday 10:45a.m.
	Bob & Caroline Malm

NURSERY

<u>Service</u>	July 5	<u>July 12</u>	<u>July 19</u>	<u>July 26</u>
9:00 a.m.	Jen Kolcz	Jamie Patel	Jen Powe	Judie Symbal
10:45 a.m.	Mary Lee Rishel	Jen Powe	Jen Powe	Sandy Hupert
Clean	Judie Symbal	Jen Powe	Jen Powe	Jen Kolcz

AND FINALLY...

Which servant of God was the worst lawbreaker in the Bible? Moses. He broke all 10 commandments at once.

JULY BIRTHDAYS

Date

- I Elease Chapman, Mel Long, Brian Ott
- 2 Sharon Neubauer, Pamela Richard, Greg Dowell, Kyle Lemke, Jacob Fiandalo
- Joseph Debolt, Tammy Sabie, Cooper Krewer, Olivia Ostrem
- 4 Jerry Bergman, Lori Lee
- 5 Sue Vitner, Cynthia Schoenfeld, Libby Weston
- 6 Kristen Fleener
- 7 Harvey Feustel, Julie Wills
- 8 Rob Deblieck
- 9 Les Lawrence, Katie Masters, Krista Glosson
- 10 Nicole Scalise
- 11 Arthur Uteg
- 12 Howard Larson, Anne Skidmore, ladon Conroy, Elaina Hibbeler
- 13 Andy Szekely, Phil Turk, Jeff Mans
- 14 Donna Turner, Andy Patel, Jamie Patel
- 15 June Kobler, Matt Greene, Maria Michalak, Ian Walloch, McKenna Hess, Zachary Berti
- 16 Jane McMullen, Donna Brown, Kaia Huston, Evelyn Kolcz
- 17 Karen Eckert
- 18 Tom Miller, CaSandra Reicher, Nicholas Wolf
- 19 George Walker
- 20 Tom Luedtke, Roy Rankin, Nicholas Brown
- 21 Sue Reid, Jerry Christopherson, Deb Hansen, Marina Rhode, Brian Rojas, Kim Satalino
- 22 Ralph Wehnes, Casey Bozza, Avery Michalak
- 23 Delle Lenegar, Rich Wille
- 23 Dolores Barry, Breanne DePorter
- 24 Dick Tabatt, Denise lames
- 26 Michelle Conroy, Michael Fiorese, Delaney Krewer, Aiden Wintersteen
- 27 Ryan Flanagan
- 28 Destry Arndt, Steve Brown
- 29 Megan Moretti
- Justin DeBolt, Dylan Mejdrich, Anthony Lorenzo, Gavin Schlachta
- 31 Rick Hess, Robin Bishop

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Michael Waal Blessings Choir

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Worship Schedule 10805 Main Street Huntley, IL 60142

Saturday Evening 5:00 p.m. Sunday Morning

9:00 a. m. Traditional Service 10:45 a. m. Contemporary

10:45 a.m. Contemporary Service

Refreshments between Services Nursery care provided all morning

Sunday School at both services (September through May)

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