

APRIL
2010



NEW BRIGHTON CHRISTIAN CHURCH BROADCASTER

A Note From the Senior Minister

Paradox

John 12:23-26: *Jesus replied, "The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. 24 I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed. But if it dies, it produces many seeds. 25 The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. 26 Whoever serves me must follow me; and where I am, my servant also will be. My Father will honor the one who serves me."*

Jesus' teachings were full of paradox. Sometimes a paradox can be funny, such as why do you go to a restaurant for home cooking? Why do kamikaze pilots wear helmets? Why do we drive on a parkway and park on a driveway?

But in Jesus' teaching a paradox turned everything upside down. The last will be first and the first will be last; whoever wants to be great among you must be your servant; and here, in verse 25, "*The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.*" Jesus gives us this paradox so that we can apply to our lives what he taught in verse 24: "*I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains only a single seed.*"

First and foremost, Jesus is talking about himself. He is the kernel of wheat that will fall to the ground and die. And although his disciples won't understand it at the time, even though they will mourn his death and think it's the end of the world, there really is a silver lining to this cloud. The silver lining is the rest of Jesus' statement in verse 24: "*But if it dies, it produces many seeds.*"

Jesus' death was the burial of the seed that made our faith possible today. Jesus spoke to crowds of thousands in his ministry, but it was his death that allowed the Holy Spirit to come into every believer's life.

If you were to take a single apple seed and plant it and water it and fertilize it, at the end of that first growing season how many apples would you get? None, right away. But if you continue to nurture and care for that tree in a few years you'll have hundreds of apples and thousands of seeds. But it all starts by placing that one seed in the ground.

That was the effect when Jesus fell to the ground and died. The ministry that was limited by his physical presence has no limitations with the sending of the Holy Spirit.

But Jesus wasn't just talking about himself; we know this because after talking about the kernel of wheat in verse 24 he says in verse 25, "*The man who loves his life will lose it, while the man who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life.*"

Although it's a paradox, the meaning for us is clear: The life that is really meaningful, the life that is really fulfilling, the life that really makes an impact on this world starts when we allow the kernel of wheat that is our life to fall to the ground and die.

Ron



New Brighton
Christian
Church

strives to be a healthy, growing church that has a great passion to live the Great Commandment and the Great Commission by loving God, loving people, and sharing the Good News. As a congregation we will focus upon growing warmer through fellowship, stronger through worship, deeper through discipleship, broader through ministry, and larger through evangelism.

Sunday Schedule

8:30 am

Coffee & Donuts

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9:00 Sunday School

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10:00 am

Blended Worship

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1:00 pm

Korean Grace
Church

From the Children's Minister



Spring & Jesus' Resurrection

It seems that spring may have finally come to Minnesota. After a long, cold winter that seemed to stretch on and on, the spring sunshine is a welcome sight. And after enduring the cold, people are determined to enjoy the joys of spring.

As my children play in the backyard, I've watched as people pass by our house. They are biking, jogging, and walking their dogs. They are all soaking in the sunshine.

Of course, part of the appeal of spring is because of its placement in the year. As Anne Bradstreet said, "If we had no winter, the spring would not be so pleasant."

This time of Easter is a reminder of our "spiritual spring." After the horrible winter of Jesus' arrest, crucifixion, and death, we were given the warmth and light of His resurrection. By believing in Jesus, we can have the gift of eternal life. It's like we've been given eternal springtime for our hearts!

Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." John 11:25-26



Kristie

from the YOUTH PASTOR

Preparing a Room

Last month I wrote about some of the future expectations I had for becoming a father. I had written about some fatherly themes and lessons that I was looking forward to being able to understand more fully. One lesson came to me earlier than I had expected.

I was recently sitting on the floor of the future nursery and while painting I started to think to myself about how I was **preparing a room** for my future son. As I thought those words to myself I knew that I had heard them before. I knew that in scripture Jesus spoke about how he would go ahead of us to **prepare a room**.

In John 14:2-3 it says,

"In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take to be with me that you also may be where I am."

This passage starts to take on a meaning that I would never have been able to consider without the revelation that came to me while cross legged trying to keep paint off of the floor. The excitement that I had, just preparing the room, although work, was only a fraction of how much God looks forward to inviting us into His home.

Reggie



~ April 2010 ~

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Holy Thursday Austin McDaniel 10a-11a Ladies' Bible Study	2 Good Friday Doreen Quimby Joan Goodrich Lori Hansen 7p-8p Communion Service	3
4 Easter Easter Lisa Erickson 8:30a Easter Breakfast 9:15a-9:45a Children's Program 10a-Worship Service 1p-Korean Grace Church	5 Judy Haggard Melissa Lundgren 6:30p- Choir Practice	6 Linda Henry-Hanson 8p- Young Adult Group (YAG)	7 John & Miriam Ward Michael & Donna Fuller Naomi Callender 6:30p- Family Dinner Night 7p-Bible Activities 7p-East Side Bible Study	8 10a-Ladies' Bible Study 7p-Elders Meeting	9 Minnesota Christian Convention-Rochester R & J Haggard Tom & Denise Ramisch	10 Minnesota Christian Convention-Rochester
11 Pat Payson 9a-Sunday School 10a-Worship Service 1p-Korean Grace Church 6p-7p Brownies	12 Lindsey Angelo Nathan Steele 6:30p- Choir Practice 7:30p-Worship Team Bible Study	13 8p-Young Adult Group (YAG)	14 6:30p-Youth Volunteer Huddle 7p-Bible Activities	15 10a-Ladies' Bible Study	16 Doug Corcoran 7p-Teen Night	17 Kids and Teens Bowling day. Meet 10:45 AM at Church
18 9a-Sunday School 10a-Worship Service 1p-Korean Grace Church 2:15p worship at NB Care Ctr	19 C & A Rosendahl Paul & Markita Stone 6:30p-Choir Practice	20 Peg Simons Rodney Quimby 11a-Metro Area Seniors 8p-Young Adult Group (YAG)	21 Daniel Fuller 8:30a Broadcaster mailing 7p-Bible Activities 7p-East side Bible Study	22 Earth Day Doug Winter 10a-Ladies' Bible Study 6:30p-Elders Meeting	23 Brisson/Anderson rehearsal Ruth Adams	24 Bob Farnsworth 1p-Brisson/Anderson Wedding
25 Ed & Caroline Jonak Jennifer Gantz 9a-Sunday School 10a- Worship Service 1p-Korean Grace Church 5:30p-Worship & Music Mtg 6p-RE-Fuel for teens	26 Terry Malone 6:30p-Choir Practice 7:30p-Worship Team Bible Study	27 Rick Quimby 8p-Young Adult Group (YAG)	28 7p-Bible Activities	29 10a-Ladies' Bible Study	30 Frank Weikert	Notes: There will be no Hymn Sing in April.



APRIL SERVERS

	4	11	18	25
Nursery 9:00 AM 10:00 AM Teen helper	NO Nursery TBA Katelyn McDaniel	Judy Hanson Markita Stone Vanessa Stone	Terre Stevens Gloria Rosenstiel Leah Watkins	Cindy Winter Julie Entinger Rebekah Hanson
Greeters	Terry & Shirley Mens	Ed Jonak Lee Tate	Terre Stevens Beulah Carlson	Dave & Patti Gantz
At The Table	Doug Corcoran Dale Brothnek	Doug Corcoran Dale Brothnek	Doug Corcoran Dale Brothnek	Doug Corcoran Dale Brothnek
Front Ushers Back Usher	Steve Zacharias Denise Ramisch	Mike Rosenstiel Tom Ramisch	Dennis Dewing Bill Sellwood	Rod Haggard Bob Noeker
Media Arts	Nick Hanson	Maureen Nielsen	Trinna Nelson	Denise Ramisch
Sound	Brian Kirkman	Zachary Tabor	Paul Stone	Roger Entinger
Wee Worship 10:00 AM Junior	Kristie Cocking Alyssa Lane	Randy Steele Shane & Natalie Cocking	Kristie Cocking Nick & Jadee Hanson	Becky Lane Suzie Murray
Communion To Shut-Ins	Lee Tate Randy Steele	Doug Winter Roger Entinger	Ron Hanson Dick Emery	Mike Rosenstiel Denny Dewing
			Nursing Home	Ruth Adams
Deacon of The Month			Communion Prep & Clean-up	Jim & Jane Cordle

Newsletter & Bulletin Information:

Next month's newsletter and calendar items must be turned into the church office by **April 16**. Items for the weekly bulletin need to be in by Thursday at 11:00 am. Please call 651/633-7152.

News from Operation Christmas Child 2009 - Did you know?

- OCC collected 8.2 million shoe box gifts in 13 countries in 2009. That's over 200,000 more than the previous year!
- Shoe box gifts were sent to 108 countries
- Since 1993 OCC has collected and distributed more than 77 million gift boxes.
- The United States led the giving with 5,198,657 boxes this year, followed by United Kingdom, and Canada.
- You can now follow your box on the Samaritan's Purse website.





2010 Camp Schedule

May 13-15-Work Weekend
May 29-31-Fishing Weekend *

June 2-12- Staff Orientation
June 13-19- 11th & 12th Grade
June 20-26- 9th & 10th Grade
Zone A
June 27-July 2- Family Week

July 2-4- Ladies Retreat
July 4-10- NACC/Staff Break
July 11-16- 5th & 6th Grade
Zone B
July 16- 18- Adult Weekend
July 18- 24- 7th & 8th Grade
Zone B
July 25- 31- 7th & 8th Grade
Zone A

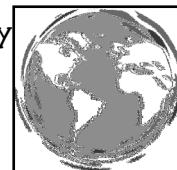
August 1-7- 9th & 10th Grade
Zone B
August 8- 11- 4th Grade
August 12- 15- Family Weekend
August 15- 20- 5th & 6th Grade
Zone A
August 20- 22- Motorcycle
Weekend

September 3- 6- Last Chance
Camp
September 9- 12- Scrapbook
Weekend 1
September 16-19- Scrapbook
Weekend 2

* Fishing weekend officially begins on May 29. However, early arrivals on May 28 will be allowed. Please contact Tay Odor (camp manager) for more information and availability for early arrival.

Reminder!
Lawn mowing season is quickly approaching. If you can help with mowing the lawns this summer, please see Roland Zacharias.

God bless you all for your generous support of the missionary relief efforts in the devastated country of Haiti. Bless you also for your support of the New Life Baby Bottle Campaign which ended on February 28th with a total contribution from NBCC of \$876.68.



Financial donations for IDES and FAME emergency relief totalled \$965. Peanut butter and canned meats amounted to 11 boxes shipped to Lifeline Missions in Haiti. A total of \$170 was collected for shipping costs.

It is not too late to contribute to the emergency relief funds. The earthquake in Chile also has many needs which will be supported by FAME and IDES. We have much, so in biblical terms, we can share much. God bless you.
The missions committee



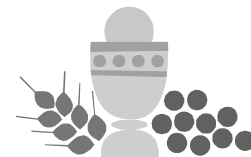
SUMMER IS REALLY COMING AND IT IS NOT TOO EARLY TO BEGIN THINKING OF CAMP!

This year the Work weekend begins on May 13. The Fishing weekend is on May 29.

Camps begin with 11-12th grades the week of June 13 and the last camp is the week of September 3. Start planning with your family for summer fun and fellowship for all. For a complete schedule and registration information, visit www.pinehavencamp.org

Needed: Communion Preparation and Clean-up Ministers!

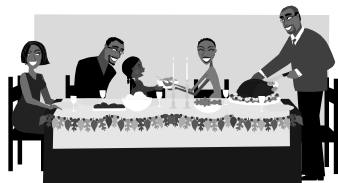
If you would like to help, we are in need of volunteers for the months of May, June, July and August. If you can devote a short time every Sunday of any of these months, please sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby. Thank you for your generosity.



Food Shelf needs:

The economic situation of families in the area has not improved a great deal in the past months and requests to use our food shelf still come in. Many congregation members have been generous in keeping the stock of items supplied. **THANK YOU!** We continue to be in need of the following items:

cold cereal, baking supplies, canned fruits, catsup, syrup, paper towels, napkins, toilet tissue, baby pampers. Please bring in items whenever you can. They will be much appreciated.



Join Us for Family Dinner Nights on the First Wednesday of every month!

This month our family dinner night will be on **Wednesday, April 7 starting at 6:30PM.**

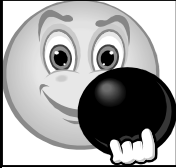
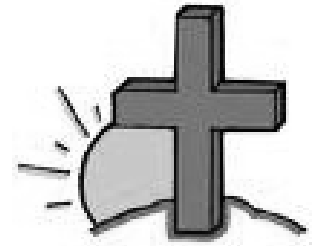
This is a great way to prepare for the Bible activities that are offered for every member of the family immediately following the fellowship and food. Just think, you don't have to prepare a family meal at home that night. The kids don't have to do the dishes. In addition, everyone has the opportunity to learn more about the Bible and about Jesus. We hope you will join us there.

SHINE!

Children's
Ministry



Come & see the
Children's Easter
Program!
Sunday, April 4
9:15 a.m.



Kids and teens - Come join us for a bowling outing! Saturday, April 17 at the Mermaid in Moundsview.
Meet at Church at 10:45 AM



...for our next "Spotlight Family!"
Now's your chance to tell us about your favorite things.
Contact Kristie (Kristie@nbcc.cc)
if you have not yet been featured.

HURRY, HURRY, HURRY!

It's not too late to register for :
The Minnesota Christian Convention
April 9-10, 2010
Rochester, Minnesota

Theme: Rebel With a Cause



Adults/Children sessions at the Kahler Grand Hotel

Teen Sessions at Hope Summit Christian Church

Speakers: Adults

Youth

Ben Cacharias, Sr.

Danny Curry

Joppa, MD

Christ In Youth



Registration:

Adults: \$20/person
\$35/couple

Children: (age 0-5) \$5ea.

Teens: (Grades 6-12) \$25

Register at mnconvention.org or pick up materials
from the racks in the church lobby.



April

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| 1 Acts 1-3 | 17 Joshua 22-24 |
| 2 Acts 4-6 | 18 Romans 1-3 |
| 3 Acts 7-9 | 19 Romans 4-6 |
| 4 Acts 10-12 | 20 Romans 7-9 |
| 5 Acts 13-15 | 21 Romans 10-12 |
| 6 Acts 16-18 | 22 Romans 13-16 |
| 7 Acts 19-21 | 23 Judges 1-3 |
| 8 Acts 22-24 | 24 Judges 4-6 |
| 9 Acts 25-28 | 25 Judges 7-9 |
| 10 Joshua 1-3 | 26 Judges 10-12 |
| 11 Joshua 4-6 | 27 Judges 13-15 |
| 12 Joshua 7-9 | 28 Judges 16-18 |
| 13 Joshua 10-12 | 29 Judges 19-21 |
| 14 Joshua 13-15 | 30 Ruth 1-2 |
| 15 Joshua 16-18 | |

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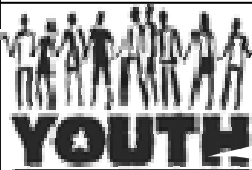
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TEEN CONVENTION

This year the Teen Convention is going to be in Rochester, MN from April 9th - 11th. It will be hosted by Hope Summit Christian Church. We will be staying at a Comfort Inn and the cost of the convention will be \$25 plus \$10 for the hotel. We will be leaving at 5pm Friday evening and be returning to the church 1pm Sunday afternoon. If you have any questions please contact Reggie.

YOUTH VOLUNTEER "HUDDLE"

If you are currently helping with the youth or are interested in helping, please come to the Youth Volunteer meeting on **April 14th at 6:30pm**. This meeting will be held at the church. At the meeting we will discuss and gather our thoughts on the progress of our Spring curriculum and we will take this short time to maintain focus and develop strategy. If you are able to make it to the "huddle" it would be much appreciated.



TEEN NIGHT

This month teen night will be on Friday, April 16th. If you are looking to fill some of those weekend hours with friends, food and a good time come by the church at 7pm and plan to leave by 10pm. We are looking forward to seeing you there! Bring \$5 to cover costs and please bring friends to enjoy the time as well.

Y.A.G

If you are out of High School and looking for some fellowship with people close to your "Young Adult" age, you've found it. On Tuesday evenings at 8pm Y.A.G (Young Adult Group) meets to study, fellowship, or simply to hang out. Locations vary so please contact Reggie via e-mail at reggie@nbcc.cc or phone (651.633.7152). We look forward to seeing you!



REFUEL

Week after week we can get easily wore down. With school, sports, events, and everything else it is easy to let our spiritual tank get on empty. reFUEL is where you can fill that tank back up at the end of the month, and get ready for the next. Here we meet with our Christian friends from the metro area while we join all as one to encourage, help, and hang out while we worship, hear a message, and eat free food. This month is on April 18th @ Andover Christian Church. We will meet at the church to leave at 5:30pm.

FAMILY DINNER NIGHT

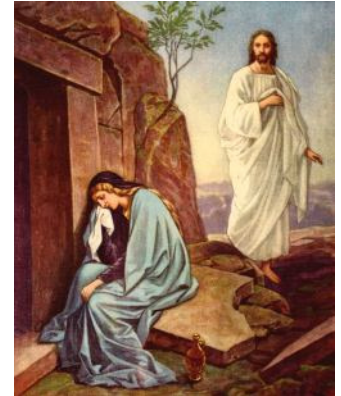
The first Wednesday of the month is "Family Dinner Night". If you wish to have home cooked meal before staying for the Bible study you are welcome to join us at 6:30pm. A donation plate is available to help defray cost of the food.



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“He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see Him..”

Matthew 28: 7

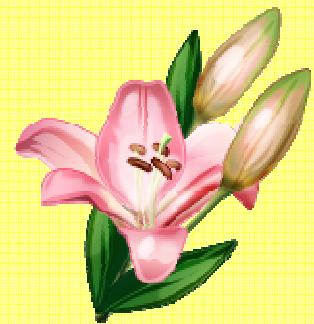
Ron Hanson - Senior Minister
Reggie Camarse - Youth Minister
Kristie Cocking - Children's Minister
Mary Jo Czaplewski - Church Secretary



Easter Week Services

*Palm Sunday: March 28
10:00 AM Regular Services*

*Good Friday: April 2
7:00 PM
Communion Service*



*Easter Sunday
April 4
Easter Morning Breakfast
8:30 AM sponsored by
NBCC Youth Group
9:15 AM Children's Easter Program
10:00 AM
Easter Morning Worship Service*