

# The Bulletin Board

News of Covenant Community Presbyterian Church

Pastor Sid Bouldin

July/August 2010

## From the Pastor.....

Dear Friends,

I would personally like to thank everyone for the fantastic support I have received over the last month. What seemed to be a routine procedure to shock my heart back into rhythm turned into a near life and death situation. Five days in Cardiac Intensive Care was a first in a lifetime experience. My recovery is coming along slowly. It took a lot out of me physically and I have a couple of medical issues as well.

Your support, visits, prayers, and cards have meant more to me and my family than you will ever know. I can never repay you, but hopefully I can pass on your kindness and support.

God bless you all!

A special thanks to Jess Wakefield from me and the church community for stepping in on the weekends.

I will be leaving on vacation on Tuesday afternoon. Hopefully three weeks at the beach will give me back some of my energy.

Peace & joy in Christ,

Sid



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## Visitors

Tracy & Curtis **Newell**; Bonnie **Achterberg**; Cal & Faye **Thuot**; Linda **Emens**; Lila **Frame**; Mary Ann **West**; Katie **Klussendorf**; Sarah **Trimner** & Mike **Soehl**, Owen & Ben; Jean **Holmbeck**

## Remember in Your Prayers

The following members have recently been hospitalized or are dealing with medical issues. Please keep them in your prayers:

Gail Voigt  
DJ Huddleston  
Nancy Ackerman (St. Clare's)  
Travis Petterson (Aspirus)  
Lorn Gordon (Aspirus)  
Scott Hahn (Aspirus)  
Kathy Heller (Aspirus)  
Sandra Buttke (Aspirus)  
Tony Moucha (Bone & Joint)  
Sid Bouldin (Aspirus)  
Fred Abel (Aspirus)  
Arlen Warning (Aspirus)  
Tim Vick (St. Clare's)  
Randy Puckett (Aspirus)  
Tom Wrysinski



We offer our prayers and sympathy to:

Barb Chack family in the death of her brother, Pete Miller  
Bud Hargraves family in the death of his mother

## ATTENTION! New E-Mail Address

Charter Business updated the platform for our e-mail. As a result we have had to change the church's e-mail address. The new address is:

***ccpc@covenantcommunitypc.org***

Please update your e-mail contact list with the new address.

## New Members



We welcome into the fellowship of Covenant Community:

Tom and Judy Beese, transferring from Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Bundy, WI. They live at 3006 Crosstrail Lane, Schofield, phone 715-298-3327. Tom is retired, having run Old Castle Glass. He likes to fish, golf, and go to Florida in the winter. Judy is also retired, having worked at Ruder Ware Law Firm and also in the Clerk of Courts Office. She enjoys going for walks with their two dogs. They have four children and nine grandchildren.

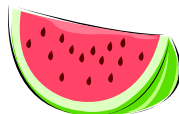
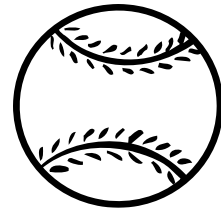
Bob and Helen Walhof, transferring from North Lake Presbyterian Church in Lady Lake, FL. They live at 8005 Birch St., Weston (Birchwood Highlands), phone 715-241-0153 Bob retired from Medi Van and Helen from Wausau Homes in 2004-2005, and they moved to Florida. They returned in 2007. Bob enjoys woodworking, travel, and reading, and sang with Living River Quartet. Helen likes traveling and reading, They have two sons and three grandsons, and have been married 51 years!

## Congratulations

- Will Thomas Van Slyke, son of Danny and Kendra Van Slyke, who was baptized
- Brandon and April Brown on the birth of their son, Dylan Jeffery on June 5th
- Angela Jeske on the birth of her son, Kaden William on May 4th
- To our new elder, Rich Frohm and to our new deacons, Jane Jacobsen, Kari Kufahl, Karen Thompson, and Kay Walkowicz, who were ordained and installed. Also installed as an elder was Wendy Coenen and as deacons Joanne Lapinske and Jill Rucinski
- Dylan Jeffery Brown, son of Brandon and April Brown, who was baptized
- Allen and Brandy Smith on the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth Annalynn on July 12th. Grandparents are Sid and Joan Bouldin. Uncle is Rocky Bouldin.
- Meghan Petts and Jeffrey Heise, who were married

# Mark Your Calendars...

- July 26: Book Club
- July 28: Food Pantry
- July 28: Evening Vespers
- Aug. 1: Teen Bible Study
- Aug. 1: Softball
- Aug. 4: Evening Vespers
- Aug. 8: Teen Bible Study
- Aug. 8: Softball
- Aug. 10: Helke Funeral Home Family Remembrance Picnic
- Aug. 11: Food Pantry
- Aug. 11: Evening Vespers
- Aug. 14: Men's Study & Fellowship
- Aug. 15: Teen Bible Study
- Aug. 15: Softball
- Aug. 18: Evening Vespers
- Aug. 22: Teen Bible Study
- Aug. 22: Softball Rain Date
- Aug. 23: Book Club
- Aug. 25: Food Pantry
- Aug. 25: Evening Vespers
- Aug. 28: Men's Study & Fellowship
- Aug. 29: Softball Rain Date
- Aug. 29 or Sept. 1: CS Teacher Meeting
- Sept. 1: Evening Vespers
- Sept. 2: LIFE Staff Meeting
- Sept. 12: Sunday School Classes start
- Sept. 15: LIFE
- Sept. 19: New Members/Friends Picnic
- Sept. 22: LIFE
- Sept. 27: Book Club
- Sept. 29: LIFE
- Oct. 6: LIFE
- Oct. 13: LIFE
- Oct. 20: LIFE



## CCPC Website



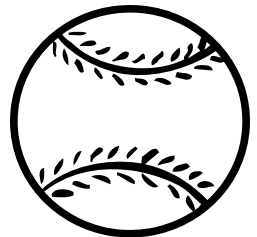
Have you seen our website? Just go to [www.covenantcommunitypc.org](http://www.covenantcommunitypc.org). You will find our mission statement, a slide show of our new sanctuary, our church brochure, notes from the pastor, information on CE, Deacons, and Worship & Fellowship, upcoming events, and a copy of our newsletter. All your information in one place. Be sure to check it out!

## Adult Classes

Are you an adult interested in learning more? We are looking into different adult education opportunities, and would like your opinion. Possibilities include Old Testament 101 (critical thinking on historical aspects), learning to pray, liturgical truths / how and why we worship, church history and doctrine, a digital Bible study, and a college/ career age study on cultural issues (Hollywood movies). See Jess Wakefield (715-298-1151) or Dave Meyer (715-298-1101) for more information, or to express your opinion and wishes.

## 2010 Softball League Schedule

8/1/10	4:00	Kruise Inn
8/8/10	3:00	Caca Pasa
8/15/10	6:00	The Bar #1



Rain out or tournament August 22nd and 29th

## Memorials

Memorials have been given in memory of Pete Miller by Tom and Mary Ann Gleisner.

## Book Club

The CCPC Book Club is growing, and looking for more people (both guys and gals) who love to read a BIG variety of books. Here is the schedule for the next few months:



**July 26th**—Jean Roger's Pontoon at 6:00 p.m. The book is Where Did I Leave My Glasses? (the What, When, and Why of Normal Memory Loss) by Martha Weinman Lear. There are book bag copies in Linda's office.

**Aug. 23rd**—Kay Smith's house at 6:30 p.m. The book will be Driftless by David Rhodes.

**Sept. 27th**—Cindy Nelson's house at 6:30 p.m. The book is Women Food and God by Geneen Roth.

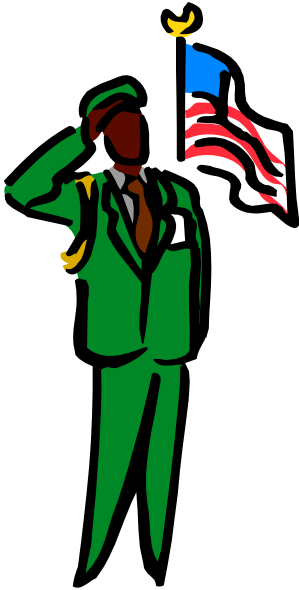
**Oct. 25th**—Judy Benson's home at 6:30 p.m. The book is The Help by Kathryn Stocket (in large print, regular, and CD format). For directions, call Judy.

## Educational Ministry - Fall Program

The CE Committee is planning for the Sunday morning Church School program and the Wednesday evening LIFE program. Being a part of our children/youth ministry is a very rewarding experience. We are currently recruiting Church School teachers, LIFE teachers, coaches, person to decorate tables, and helpers for Tim Lewis in the kitchen. Your gifts and talents are valuable to us. If you would like to teach Church School or help with LIFE on Wednesday evenings, please give Joan a call.

## Fireside

The Fireside trip this year is planned for Saturday, December 11<sup>th</sup>. We will leave at 7:30 a.m. - Lunch at 11:15 a.m. and performance at 1:30 p.m. Joan is taking reservations - give her a call.



## Care Packages to Troops

If any one has VHS tapes, CDs, PS2 games or DVDs that you no longer want, please think of giving them to our care packages for the troops that we will be sending out in August.

I have a specific address asking for those items. Also, if anyone has access to floss, toothpaste (we have a box of toothbrushes), small bottles of Tylenol or Ibuprofen, please think of the care packages, too. A list will be in the Welcome Center and several boxes placed in church. Any questions call Peggy Kamenick at 359-7088.

## Life Dates

Mark your calendars and plan to join us Wednesday evenings from September 15<sup>th</sup> to October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2010 and February 9<sup>th</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>, 2011. Watch for more details.

## Family Remembrance Picnic

The Staff of Helke Funeral Home warmly invite you and your family to a Family Remembrance Picnic, on Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, at Riverside Park, Wausau, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

This remembrance picnic is centered around keeping memories of loved ones in your hearts. There will be food and refreshments provided at the gathering.

Please contact us by Thursday, August 5<sup>th</sup>, so we may plan accordingly. 715.842.3993 / [lindseyn@helke.com](mailto:lindseyn@helke.com).

We look forward to sharing the evening with you and your family, rain or shine!

## BC (Before Confirmation, or 6th - 8th Graders)

### Teen Bible Study - *Sundays to August 29.*

Teen Bible Study is designed for youth entering 6<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> Grades in the Fall, and will meet each Sunday this Summer at different BC youths' houses. The Bible studies typically have a presenter from the community speak to the youth about their Faith Journey, and/or about a topic and how their Christian Faith impacts their life.

Aug. 1st - Lewis' - 716 Knowlton Rd., Mosinee - 6-8 p.m.

Aug. 8th - Vick's - 1106 Arnold St., Rothschild - 6-8 p.m.

Aug. 15th - Siekert's - 1809 Weston Ave., Rothschild - 6-8 p.m.

Aug. 22nd - Frame's - 3212 Vern Ln., Weston - Time TBD

Final Bible Study Celebration! Picnic, speakers, and fun!

Sleepover. During the studies, help us decide what you would like to do on this final night.

## AC & BC Youth Activities

We are busy making plans for activities for the fall. Watch for upcoming events in the weekly bulletin, the next newsletter, and letters home.



Hope everyone's having a great summer!

## Men's Study and Fellowship

Come and join with the Men's Study and Fellowship on the second and fourth Saturday mornings. The study is a topical study written by N.T. Wright on the apostle Paul's letter to the Philippians. The topic for July 24<sup>th</sup> is: *The Mind of the Messiah*, August 14<sup>th</sup> is: *Timothy and Epaphroditus*, August 28<sup>th</sup> is: *The Worth of the King*. On July 24<sup>th</sup> following the study there will be a golf outing at Crane Meadows Golf Course.

Come for breakfast at 8:00 AM and/or the study at 8:30 AM.

## Summer Vesper Services

We invite you to join us for Wednesday night Vesper Services each Wednesday evening in July, August and the first Wednesday in September. The service begins at 6:30 PM as we praise God in music, share in the Word, hear a short meditation and join together in the Lord's Supper.

## Sunday Morning Prayer Circle

There is no power stronger than the power of prayer! We invite to join in the Sunday morning prayer circle as they meet at 9:15 AM to pray for the needs of the people.



## Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study groups, morning and evening study, will begin in September. Our study this year will be "Journeys Through Revelation Apocalyptic Hope for Today". Our focus is that the message of Revelation is, most of all, one of hope. We will focus on how this vision of hope speaks to us today. Please call Ellen (298-1101), or Ruth (842-8410) if you are interested in joining our study.



## Music Lovers

Anyone interested in attending the Concerts on the Square (Wednesday nights) and/or the Leigh Yawkey park concerts (July and August) - we plan to meet at the event and sit together. Bring a lawn chair for sure and a light supper and beverage if you like. Sign-up in the Welcome Center.

## Confirmation Class

The Session and CE Committee invite students in the 8<sup>th</sup> grade and up to participate in our Confirmation Class. The class will meet on Wednesdays during the Life Sessions: September 15<sup>th</sup> to October 20<sup>th</sup> and February 9<sup>th</sup> to March 16<sup>th</sup>, plus a few additional Wednesdays in April. During the LIFE sessions, plan to come to dinner at 5:30 p.m. Class will be from 6:00 - 7:00 p.m. We will also meet each second and fourth Sunday during the Church School hour following the Children's Message beginning September 12<sup>th</sup>. Confirmation Sunday will be May 1, 2011.

## New Members/Friends Picnic

Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 11:45 a.m. at Sid & Joan Bouldin's (702 Pflieger St, Rothschild). This is a great way to meet other new people. We will discuss Presbyterianism and opportunities to be involved at Covenant Community. We can



answer any questions you have about the church or denomination. Several elders and their families will also attend. If the weather is bad or "chilly", we will gather in the Activity Room at CCPC. We will call you if there is a change.

## Two Choices

At a fundraising dinner for a school that serves children with learning disabilities, the father of one of the students delivered a speech that would never be forgotten by all who attended. After extolling the school and its dedicated staff, he offered a question:

'When not interfered with by outside influences, everything nature does, is done with perfection.

Yet my son, Shay, cannot learn things as other children do. He cannot understand things as other children do.

Where is the natural order of things in my son?'

The audience was stilled by the query.

The father continued. 'I believe that when a child like Shay, who was mentally and physically disabled comes into the world, an opportunity to realize true human nature presents itself, and it comes in the way other people treat that child.'

Then he told the following story:

Shay and I had walked past a park where some boys Shay knew were playing baseball. Shay asked, 'Do you think they'll let me play?' I knew that most of the boys would not want someone like Shay on their team, but as a father I also understood that if my son were allowed to play, it would give him a much-needed sense of belonging and some confidence to be accepted by others in spite of his handicaps.

I approached one of the boys on the field and asked (not expecting much) if Shay could play. The boy looked around for guidance and said, 'We're losing by six runs and the game is in the eighth inning. I guess he can be on our team and we'll try to put him in to bat in the ninth inning.'

Shay struggled over to the team's bench and, with a broad smile, put on a team shirt. I watched with a small tear in my eye and warmth in my heart. The boys saw my joy at my son being accepted.

In the bottom of the eighth inning, Shay's team scored a few runs but was still behind by three.

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In the top of the ninth inning, Shay put on a glove and played in the right field. Even though no hits came his way, he was obviously ecstatic just to be in the game and on the field, grinning from ear to ear as I waved to him from the stands.

In the bottom of the ninth inning, Shay's team scored again.

Now, with two outs and the bases loaded, the potential winning run was on base and Shay was scheduled to be next at bat.

At this juncture, do they let Shay bat and give away their chance to win the game?

Surprisingly, Shay was given the bat. Everyone knew that a hit was all but impossible because Shay didn't even know how to hold the bat properly, much less connect with the ball.

However, as Shay stepped up to the plate, the pitcher, recognizing that the other team was putting winning aside for this moment in Shay's life, moved in a few steps to lob the ball in softly so Shay could at least make contact.

The first pitch came and Shay swung clumsily and missed.

The pitcher again took a few steps forward to toss the ball softly towards Shay.

As the pitch came in, Shay swung at the ball and hit a slow ground ball right back to the pitcher.

The game would now be over.

The pitcher picked up the soft grounder and could have easily thrown the ball to the first baseman.

Shay would have been out and that would have been the end of the game.

Instead, the pitcher threw the ball right over the first baseman's head, out of reach of all team mates.

Everyone from the stands and both teams started yelling, 'Shay, run to first! Run to first!'

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## Per Capita

In the offering envelopes you have an envelope marked "per capita". This is a \$29 fee we pay to the Presbytery for every confirmed member of our church. If every confirmed member would pay this \$29, it would help our finances considerably and allow us to continue our mission and programming.

## Please Note

Please ask an usher for hearing devices, large-print bulletins, Bibles & Hymnals. Feel free to use them as needed.



## Knock, Knock!

When you visit the church during office hours, please use the "new" main entrance. Since Sid & Linda's offices have moved to the new addition, the old entrance may be locked.

## Little Ones!

The Cry Room, located next to the nursery, is available for parents and young children during the service. You will be able to see and hear the service. Children's worship bags are available in the Narthex for use during the service.



## Name Tags

"Who is that? I don't remember their name." Our church is growing very quickly. And because of this, there are many new faces and names to learn. If we would wear our name tags each Sunday, we would all feel more comfortable in approaching new people, or people we haven't met yet. Let's help each other get to know more people. Thanks for your cooperation.

## Aluminum Cans

Did you know that we continue to recycle aluminum cans? Donations should be placed in the fenced-in area behind the church by the garbage dumpster (no longer by the food pantry). Money received from the recycling goes to the building fund.

To get information into the newsletter, please e-mail Debbie Tice at [dtice@dce.k12.wi.us](mailto:dtice@dce.k12.wi.us)

Never in his life had Shay ever run that far, but he made it to first base.

He scampered down the baseline, wide-eyed and startled.

Everyone yelled, 'Run to second, run to second!'

Catching his breath, Shay awkwardly ran towards second, gleaming and struggling to make it to the base.

By the time Shay rounded towards second base, the right fielder had the ball. The smallest guy on their team now had his first chance to be the hero for his team.

He could have thrown the ball to the second-baseman for the tag, but he understood the pitcher's intentions so he, too, intentionally threw the ball high and far over the third-baseman's head.

Shay ran toward third base deliriously as the runners ahead of him circled the bases toward home.

All were screaming, 'Shay, Shay, Shay, all the Way Shay'

Shay reached third base because the opposing shortstop ran to help him by turning him in the direction of third base, and shouted, 'Run to third! Shay, run to third!'

As Shay rounded third, the boys from both teams, and the spectators, were on their feet screaming, 'Shay, run home! Run home!'

Shay ran to home, stepped on the plate, and was cheered as the hero who hit the grand slam and won the game for his team

'That day', said the father softly with tears now rolling down his face, 'the boys from both teams helped bring a piece of true love and humanity into this world'.

Shay didn't make it to another summer. He died that winter, having never forgotten being the hero and making me so happy, and coming home and seeing his Mother tearfully embrace her little hero of the day!

## Service

"This is the message you have heard from the beginning, that we should love one another." ~ 1 John 3:11.

In our ever-increasing interconnected world, there is a wide array of experiences at any given moment. We are all part of the world family. When our brothers and sisters suffer, we suffer as well. What affects one family member affects us all.

If we are unsure about how to help someone in need, all we need to do is to look to God for guidance. We might be called to volunteer at the food pantry, visit patients at the hospital, mentor school children or send money to a worthy charity. We choose activities that resonate with our hearts and match our gifts and resources. Today, let's begin the cycle of giving. Serving fellow members of our world family brings joy and fulfillment, for we know we are participating in truly sacred work.

In His Service,

Jess

