

# Following Faith

The Monthly Newsletter of  
Faith Lutheran Church

JUNE 2014



**SINCE YOU PUT IT  
THAT WAY**

Dr. Tony Campolo is a well-known and highly-respected, inspirational speaker. Over the last several years, Tony Campolo has spent much of his time traveling around the world on speaking tours.

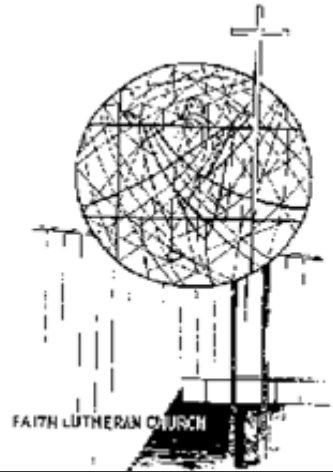
Meanwhile, his wife, Peggy, has chosen to stay home and give herself and all that she has to the "Bringing Up" of their two children, Bart and Lisa. On those rare occasions when Peggy does travel with Tony, she finds herself engaged in conversations with some of the most accomplished, impressive, influential, intellectual people in the world.

After one such trip, Peggy told Tony that sometimes as she visits with these powerful people... she finds herself feeling intimidated and sometimes even questioning her own self-worth. Tony said to her: "Well, honey, why don't you come up with something you could say when you meet people that will let them know that you strongly value what you do and you feel that it is dramatically, urgent and crucial and important.

Well, not long after that, Tony and Peggy Campolo were at a party... when a woman said to Peggy in a rather condescending tone, "Well, my dear, what do you do?" Tony Campolo heard his wife say: "I am nurturing two Homo Sapiens into the dominant values of the Judaeo-Christian tradition in order that they might become instruments for the transformation of the social order into the kind of eschatological utopia God envisioned from the beginning of time."

And the other woman said: "O, my, I'm just a lawyer."

I like that story because it reminds us: Don't ever discount who you are and what you're about. If we take a little time to think it through, like Peggy



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**Sunday morning worship: 10:30 a.m.**

**Adult Bible Study: 9:15 a. m.**

**Sunday School: during worship**

The Rev. Stephen L. Cordes, Pastor

## **Church Council Officers:**

**David Truland (President)**

**Sara Martin (Vice President)**

**Barbara Boord (Treasurer)**

**Joyce Duncan (Secretary)**

**Fred Howard (Financial Secretary)**

## **Council Members**

**Errol Bull (Property)**

**Joyce Duncan (In Reach/Out Reach)**

**Bill Jarosz (Property)**

**Bev Lanteigne (Property)**

**Sara Martin (Education)**

**Michael Moroskey (Property)**

**Carol Perott (Missions)**

**Carolyn Rouse (History)**

**Donna VanZandt (Worship)**

**Stephanie Wagar ( In Reach/Out Reach)**

Campolo, we may surprise ourselves as well as others. After all, consider The First Letter of Peter when he writes concerning us Christians, "But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's own people, in order that you may proclaim the mighty acts of him who called you out of darkness into his marvelous light." (2:9) Not bad for starters, huh? Perhaps you'd like to continue the description?

*Pastor Steve*

## AMONG OUR PEOPLE

**Sick and Recuperating:** **Doug Kurick** is currently in rehabilitation at Rosewood Gardens in North Greenbush following surgery that removed his gall bladder. He expects to be there until about middle of June. **Mildred Lalane** continues to receive treatment from the wound center, giving improvement in the circulation in her leg which is showing good signs of healing. **Dorothy Benziger** has been struggling with health issues over the past month. What started with multiple cardiac issues turned into serious respiratory problems. As of this writing she is scheduled for a pace maker for May 20. **Rich Anderson** came through his throat surgery very nicely. Slowly but surely he is returning to routine activity. We hope to hear him singing again soon! **Bob Gibson** is being scheduled for a series of radiation treatments in June.

**New Members:** **Rev. James and Linda Hulihan** officially joined our church membership on Sunday, May 18, during worship. Jim recently retired from the pastoral ministry, last serving Gilead Lutheran of Brunswick and Trinity Lutheran of West Sand Lake. Linda is currently working in the local banking industry. They have three adult children who are currently living in the area. We welcome Jim and Linda into the life and fellowship of our church!

**New Born:** **Carson Thomas Kelly**, son of Shane and Kayla Kelly, grandson of Tom and Shawn Kelly, was born on April 4. Congratulations!

**Happy Birthday to Gunther Pagel** who celebrated his **91st** birthday May 19.

**Lindsay King** has received the 2014 SUNY Chancellor's Award for Student Excellence, the highest student recognition through the State University system., She is a senior at SUNY Oswego with dual majors in Global in International Studies, and in Communication and Social Interaction

## FLOWERS FOR JUNE

- June 1** To the Glory of God
- June 8** In honor of Ryland Bull and all others receiving First Communion today  
Given by Ryland's Grandparents Arlan and Laska Bull
- June 15** In honor of Errol Bull's birthday  
Given by his Parents
- June 22** In memory of Steve Lansing  
Given by Larry Lansing
- June 29** In memory of Paul Lynch  
Given by Janet Walsh  
In memory of Dick Boord  
Given by Larry and Barbara Boord

## COUNCIL SUMMARY

Several estimates for a new furnace and hot water tank have been received. These estimates will be reviewed and with guidance from an expert the technical terms will be explained to the property committee. More discussion on this will be made at council meetings.

At the April 7, 2014 Council meeting a motion was made and carried to make changes on how the future distribution of the monthly newsletter will be made. The cost of mailing the newsletter has been getting more costly. After the newsletter is printed, tabbed, labeled and sorted by zip code it has to be taken to an Albany Post Office to be processed.

Motion "Make the newsletter available at church for pickup by members for 3 weeks after that point they will be mailed. The only immediate mailing would be to shut-ins or members living at a distance. "With the mailings done this way it will be more cost effective.

The Newsletter is available on our web site.

Barbara Boord has volunteered to coordinate the newsletter with the help of the Gibson's.

Bob and Donna, we as council members can't thank you enough for all the years you have taken on this task.

For any concerns or problems please advise us. We will discuss and address the issues at our next meeting. Our next meeting will be Tuesday June 10, 2014

*Joyce Duncan, Secretary*

## SERVING FAITH

<b>June 1</b>	<b>Altar</b>	Nadeen Thompson, Roberta Hayward
	<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Donna Gibson
	<b>Ushers</b>	Roberta and Rob Hayward
	<b>Counters</b>	Donna and Bob Gibson
<b>June 8</b>	<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Speanburg Family
	<b>Altar</b>	Nadeen Thompson, Roberta Hayward
	<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Carol Karpfen
	<b>Ushers</b>	Pauline Lupo, Nadeen Thompson
<b>June 15</b>	<b>Counters</b>	Evelyn and Bill Jarosz
	<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Tracie Maloney
	<b>Altar</b>	Pat Brundige, LouAnn Behens
	<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Bill Maloney
<b>June 22</b>	<b>Ushers</b>	B. Morgan, B. Speanburg, B. Stevens
	<b>Counters</b>	Irene Pagel, Carolyn Rouse
	<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Heather and Errol Bull
	<b>Altar</b>	Pat Brundige, LouAnn Behens
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Aaron Cordes
	<b>Ushers</b>	Carol Perrott, Stephanie Wager
	<b>Counters</b>	LouAnn Behrens, Janet Walsh
	<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Sara and John Martin
<b>June 29</b>	<b>Altar</b>	Karen Cordes, Donna St. John
	<b>Lay Assistant</b>	Donna Gibson
	<b>Ushers</b>	Diana Reiker, Jim Peters
	<b>Counters</b>	Joyce Duncan, Carol Perrott
	<b>Coffee Hour</b>	Rikki Franklin

*If you are unable to serve on your assigned Sunday, please arrange to trade dates with another assistant.*

*Thank you in advance for your assistance.*

*Donna Van Zandt, Worship Chairperson.*

*Schedule for Altar Guild by Pam Perras*

*Schedule for Coffee Hour by Heather Bull*

**This is the LAST NEWSLETTER  
Sent by Bulk Mail**

**TO AVOID MISSING FUTURE  
NEWSLETTERS BE SURE TO READ  
ARTICLE LATER IN THIS  
NEWSLETTER**

## OUR FAITH AT WORK

Our mission contributions for the month of June will be in support of St. Paul's Center located in Rensselaer, New York.

St. Paul's Center provides emergency and transitional housing for homeless mothers and their children. To assist the residents in moving on to independent living, they receive support and services in the following areas: counseling, parenting, homemaking, budgeting, literacy, pediatric and maternal health care, mental health, substance abuse, domestic violence education, job training and placement, and permanent housing.

For further information regarding St. Paul's Center you can visit their web site at [www.stpaulscenter.com](http://www.stpaulscenter.com) or look for information posted on the Mission's bulletin board.

Thank you for your continued support.

*Carol Perrott*



**WOMEN  
OF THE  
ELCA**

Our baby shower, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, was a success. Everyone that was able to attend agreed it was a pleasant afternoon of fellowship. A delicious luncheon was served and games were played followed by the assembling of the layette sets. I must say many conversations and much laughter could be heard throughout the afternoon. On May 7<sup>th</sup> our church delivered 16 complete layette sets to the Lutheran World Relief drop point in Bennington Vermont. A few items that were left over and did not complete a layette set were delivered to Unity House in Troy to their baby room. Unity House was so appreciative and couldn't thank us enough for this donation. Many thanks go to everyone that participated, donated gifts or money to help make this project exceed our expectations. In addition to these kits, six quilts made last year at our one day sewing project were delivered as well. All these items will be delivered to Lutheran World Relief to be sent wherever the need is greatest at the moment.

We completed the Mark Bible Study at our regular meeting in May and will use the "Of Many Generations: Mary, Elizabeth, and Lydia" Bible study beginning in September. This study is in the June, July and August "Gather" magazine. That

meeting will be on September 16 at 10 AM at the church.

The June meeting will be the annual picnic at Evelyn Jarosz's home. Everyone is invited. Bring a dish to share and enjoy refreshments at 5 followed by the Pot Luck dinner at 6 pm. Also we will meet to construct back packs for the Lansingburg Boys and Girls club on June 28 at 10 AM. Bring a bag lunch and we'll have lunch together before we go home. We are planning to pack them with the needed school supplies on August 26, also at 10 AM, and then deliver them to the Club.

Items needed to complete the back packs include: notebooks, pencils, ball point pens, eraser, ruler, box of 16 or 24 crayons, and scissors. These may be placed in the basket in the narthex. These backpacks are greatly appreciated by the Club. A number of children who attend the club are in need of these supplies. Thank you for your assistance with this project and come join us on the 28<sup>th</sup> if you are available. There are cutting, pinning, sewing, and "stringing" jobs to be completed. Depending on progress made that day, there may be an additional sewing scheduled during the summer.



As usual, our Easter Egg hunt and spring fundraiser went well. The weather cooperated for Easter Sunday, no rain at least, and we raised over \$150 for the April mission. First Communion classes have started and there will be 7 young men making their First Communion on Sunday, June 8th. All of the children are working on memorizing the Lord's Prayer and we hope to have them recite it with the congregation on First Communion day.

The annual Sunday School Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 8th immediately following the church service, we will celebrate the end of another great Sunday School year as well as the First Communion of our great students. All are invited to the picnic. If you would like to volunteer to bring an item in for the picnic, please let me know by June 1st (s.martin@hvcc.edu or 222-8566)

The last day of Sunday School will be June 1. Sunday School will commence again on a yet to be determined date in September.

*Sara Martin*  
Education Director



## DINNER CLUB

The June meeting of the Dinner Club will be on June 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Make reservations with the Boards, or the Wagers by no later than Wednesday June 11<sup>th</sup>.

## NEWSLETTER CHANGES !

Donna Gibson is retiring as Newsletter Editor after many years of service. As noted in the "Council Summary", Barbara Boord has agreed to coordinate the Newsletter with the help of the Gibsons.

**Distribution of the Newsletter will no longer be via bulk mail.** Starting with the July/August edition, options for getting the Newsletter will be:

- 1) Read it (or print it) from the Faith Website [www.faithlutherantroy.com](http://www.faithlutherantroy.com) and select "Newsletter from the "News and Events" tab or use the direct link: <http://www.faithlutherantroy.com/news-and-events/newletters-current-a-archives.html>
- 2) Pick up a printed copy at the church, which should be available on the fourth Sunday of each month.
- 3) By First Class Mail, **by completing and returning the request form printed on the outside of this Newsletter.**

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The July/August newsletter deadline is Sunday, June 22nd. Please place your articles in the box in the Church office by Sunday June 22nd, or email them to **Barbara Boord** at [barbboord@hotmail.com](mailto:barbboord@hotmail.com) by Monday morning

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