

JOY to the World this Week

JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH / 717 FM 359, RICHMOND, TX 77406 / (281) 762-3310

Joy (ELCA) is a participating congregation with Lutheran CORE (Coalition for Reform)

PoWeR SuRGe TAKE HOME TOOLS for June 27, 2010

CONGREGATIONAL WEBSITE — www.joyrichmond.org

OUR VALUES:

Faithful, Family, Friendly, Fun

OUR VISION:

Joy to the World!

OUR MISSION:

Called by God, we reach out joyfully to share Jesus Christ with all people by building healthy relationships with God and one another.

COFFEE & REFRESHMENTS — Refreshments are available in the narthex between worship services.

COMPLETE WORSHIP FOLDERS — are available from the ushers for those who desire. Be sure and ask!

CRY ROOM — A nursery/cry room is available and staffed during worship. The nursery is available for all children up to and including age 4. It is located just down the hallway on the left side.

GENERAL INFORMATION — A variety of information sources are located in the narthex, particularly on the bulletin boards and the tables.

PRAYER CHAIN — Call Lou Gross or June Tesch if you have a prayer request.

QUESTIONS, SUGGESTIONS & CONCERNS — Contact council chairperson— Becky Ohm in the evenings, or Pastor Christ anytime (832-549-4985).

RESTROOMS — Both men's and women's restrooms are located just down the hall on the right hand side.

RECYCLE — Please recycle your bulletins, etc., in the bin provided in the foyer.

VISIT DESIRED — If you would like a visit from the Pastor or a lay disciple for any reason, call the church office during regular office hours, or contact the Pastor directly at (832-549-4985).

Office Hours

Monday — Friday 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Joy Worship Schedule

CELEBRATION WORSHIP — Sunday, 8:00a

A traditional worship experience led by the Joy Choir, organ, Joyful Tooters, lay liturgists, and special music.

SPIRIT TOUCHING SPIRIT — Sunday, 10:30a

A contemporary worship experience led by the Praise Band @ Joy and lay liturgists, using a variety of contemporary Christian music and liturgies.

Joy Leadership

MINISTERS

Every Person in the Body of Christ is a Disciple! You are Jesus' front-line disciples who spread Joy in daily life. We firmly believe that God is empowering you every day as you seek to fulfill your divine calling as a disciple who makes disciples!

EXECUTIVE TEAM

Becky Ohm — Council Chairperson; **John Garrou** — Council Vice-Chairperson; **Larry Mikeska** — Secretary; **Beth Horstman** — Treasurer; **Dave Willis** — Financial Secretary

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Laura Cabato — Social Ministry; **Rick Curry** — Property; **Kathy Gann** — JoyLife; **John Garrou** — Evangelism; **Wayne Leith** — Stewardship; **Larry Mikeska** — Communication; **Tracy Posey** — Youth & Family Ministry (FDIC)

MINISTRY LEADERS

June Tesch — Joyful Women; **Paula Curry** — Jr. High; **Shena Timberlake** — Sr. High; **Brett Carleton** — Growing in Joy (GIJ); **Vicki Schoppe** — Staffing Team

STAFF

Tim Christ — Pastor; **Terri Clark** — Administrative Assistant; **Darin Mielke** — Joy Choir Director; **Lou Gross** — Joyful Tooters; **Carol Boenig & Audrey Stoneburner** — Organists; **Tammy Canterbury, Rick Curry, Ron Light, Milton & Jeanette Richards, Sandy Wohlert** — Praise Band

This week of Joy to the World —

- Today** — **5th Sunday after PENTECOST**
— Worship: 8:00a & 10:30a
— Christian Ed: 9:15a
— Summer Sunday school: 9:15a
— Peer Ministry Training: 9:15a
- Monday**
— Pericope: 1p
— Joy Choir: 7:30p
- Wednesday**
— Peer Ministry Training: 6:30p
— Shade Tree Board Mtg: 7:30p
- Thursday**
— Praise Band: 7:30p
- Next Sunday** — **6^h Sunday after PENTECOST**
— Worship: 8:00a & 10:30a
— Christian Ed: 9:15a
— Summer Sunday school: 9:15a
— Peer Ministry Training: 9:15a

—Live, Love & Serve with Joy!

Ministry Opportunities

PEER MINISTRY — Today is the **last day** to sign up for the July Peer Ministry class. The signup sheet and schedule are posted in the church entryway. Peer Ministry equips people with skills to live out the message of the Good Samaritan story in every relationship. Take a risk and come take the first steps on a mission trip that will last a lifetime!

BACK TO BASICS — Dr. James Nestigen will be presenting "The 10-Commandments" in the worship center during Adult Class. The series will be repeated in July so that adults can participate in both Peer Leadership AND Back to Basics!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — For Children's Message at both worship services. Materials provided. If you are interested please contact Laura Parnell.

Pr MARK CHAVEZ LUTHERAN CORE-NALC — Packets containing the DVD with handouts from June 20, 2010 presentation at Peace Lutheran are available in the Library for check-out.

FORT BEND FAMILY PROMISE — We will be providing food to the homeless during the week of July 4th thru 10th. A signup sheet is in the Narthex. If you are not able to prepare a meal, monetary donations are accepted and appreciated!

FDIC "SUMMER OF SERVICE" — is here! Needed for Summer Sunday School: empty Pringles cans, fabric pieces, yarn; socks, underwear, khaki or navy shorts, skirts and pants, and polo shirts - sizes 5-16; small non perishable food items like Vienna sausages, tuna packages with self openings lids, individual sized fruit cups, crackers, boxed juices, etc for our Homeless lunch bag project in July; and small personal items to fill gift bags for nursing homes.

CAMP JOY! — **...and God saw that it was good!** Monday, July 19th thru July 23rd 3-8 p.m. Mini-camp for kids 2-4 is 5:15-8 p.m. Registration forms are available in the Narthex. Please share the word with all your neighbors!

CAMP JOY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — Youth and Adult volunteers are needed! Volunteer forms are available in the Narthex. Please complete and turn into the church office as soon as possible. Mandatory training is scheduled for Sunday, July 18th 6-9 p.m. Dinner is provided!

BABY BOTTLE BOMERANG — Be sure to return your baby bottles! Thrivent will be matching donations up to \$1000.

SAVE THE DATE & JOIN US! — at Minute Maid Park for Astros Lutheran Social Services Day, on Sunday, July 11th at 1:05 p.m. Will be the Astros vs. the Cardinals! The signup sheet is in the Narthex so we can purchase group tickets. If you would like to purchase tickets separately go to www.astros.com/lss password: lss.

GOOD NEIGHBOR PROGRAM — Did you know that a percentage of your Randall's bill can go to Joy? Designate Joy as your charity. For info or PDF form, go to www.randalls.com/IFL/Grocery/Good-Neighbor. There are also forms in the Narthex.

PRAYER SHAWL KNITTING GROUP — Meets at every Friday, 10 a.m. at Mugz Coffee Bar. If you are interested in knitting prayer shawls and/or lap robes for those in need, join us!

SHADE TREE MINISTRY — is in great need of rice and beans. Other items needed include men's work gloves and shoes.

BIRTHDAYS — 6/28 Julie Mannella; 6/29 Milton Richards; 6/30 Kyle Canterbury & Danny Faucett; 7/2 Kathy Strode

People of Prayer

Prayer is one of the marks of Discipleship. We invite everyone to grow in your prayer life. Include these persons, needs, concerns and thanksgivings in your prayers this week.

Due the extensive nature of our prayer list, we are changing our routine policy. A name will be placed on the Sunday list once and in our Newsletter list as long as requested. If you wish to have someone included several Sundays, please continue to fill out a prayer request card during worship.

Our Synod Staff: Bishop Michael Rinehart, Assistants to the Bishop: Peggy Cantos, AiM; Pr. Don Carlson; Pr. Kerry Nelson

Our Congregational Leaders: especially our Pastor, staff, and Church Council leaders.

Our Sister Congregation: Iglesia Luterana de Cristo Rey in Reynosa, Mexico; Bp. Bazellel Hernandez

Serving Jesus This Sunday

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Altar Flowers	In celebration of the Boenig's Anniversary	
Altar Guild	Morris/Rieders/Willis	
Ushers	Mike & Kathy Gann	Parke & Gracie Wyant
Acolyte	Cory Leith	Timmy Hamner
Liturgist	Dan Strode	John Garrou
Lector	Darin Mielke	Mike Ronning
Cantor	Dan Strode	
Child Sermon	Jerry Daniels	Doris Goates
Communion		Peska/Strode/Garrou
Audio	Horstman	Aspen Timberlake
Video	B. Horstman	Matt Lyons
Counters	Bill Peska/Allen Schoppe	

Serving Jesus Next Sunday

	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>10:30 a.m.</u>
Altar Flowers	Celebration of Timothy David Christ's Birthday	
Altar Guild	Bolner/Mikeska/Peveto/Shipp	
Ushers	Cliff & Shelly Halvorsen	Dan & Kathy Strode
Acolyte	Mitchell Hong	Trey Timberlake
Liturgist	Fred Kunzler	Corinne Light
Lector	Becky Ohm	Sandy Wohlert
Cantor	Fred Kunzler	
Child Sermon		
Communion		Garrou/Morris/Bray
Audio	Walquist	James Goates
Video	B. Horstman	James Goates
Counters	Kathy Gann/Melissa Mikeska	

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E-MAIL — Pastor Tim: pastor@joyrichmond.org Terri Clark: office@joyrichmond.org

Our Daily Joy!

FAMILY PORTRAIT ... Family Matters — Week of June 27, 2010

Monday, June 28

Matthew 27:32-66

An account of Jesus' death is found in 45-46. In verse 46 Jesus is not questioning God; he is quoting the first line of Psalm 22. This prayer reveals the fact that God had forsaken him when he took on the sins of the world, which caused him to be separated from his father (2 Corinthians 5:18-19, 21). Jesus suffers death so that we will never have to experience eternal separation. For whose sins did Jesus die on the cross? Is Jesus' death and resurrection a dispassionate fact or an emotional experience for you? Why? What is significant about the centurion's words (54)? What might the disciples believe about Jesus now? Is Jesus truly the Son of God in your life? How do you live that out in your daily life?

Tuesday, June 29

Matthew 28

Verses 1-10 describe the resurrection. After Jesus was crucified, the Jewish religious leaders persuaded the Roman governor to make sure the tomb was sealed and guarded. Despite this, Jesus couldn't be kept in the tomb. He arose! How do the women react to the news of the resurrection? How do the guards react? The chief priests? The disciples? Why do the chief priests and elders want to spread rumors that the disciples came and stole Jesus' body (11-15)? Has the reality of the resurrection dawned upon you? Are you a quick believer or a slow doubter? Verses 16-20 reveal the great commission. What is it? In what ways can you fulfill it in your family? Work? Community? Are you ready for your assignment? Why or why not?

Wednesday, June 30

Galatians 1

Paul is accused by some Jewish Christians of diluting Christianity to make it more appealing to the Gentiles. They even tell some of these Gentile converts that they have to be circumcised. In response to this, Paul writes a letter. What does Jesus do voluntarily for Paul, and the Galatians, and us (4)? What is Paul called to do (15-16)? How does Paul view his Jewish traditions? Which church traditions help you in your faith? Which ones hinder you? How does your past affect your present life? What do you need to put behind you, knowing that you are forgiven? Pray that God will empower you to share his message with others.

Thursday, July 1

Galatians 2

In verses 11-21 we read about Paul confronting Peter. What disagreement does Paul have with Peter? Why is Paul so adamant about not demanding that Gentiles follow Jewish customs? What does the concept of justification mean to you? How is a person justified in Christ (16-17)? Have you ever been guilty of double standards, a "do as I say, not as I do" sort of thing? Applying the spiritual concept in verse 20, who is alive in your life right now: "I" or "Christ in me?" If you are a self-made person, how does the gospel of undeserved grace strike you?

Friday, July 2

Galatians 3

If we belong to Christ, then we are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise (15-29). How is the human covenant of a will similar to God's covenant-promise with Abraham (15-16)? Who is the seed that fulfills this promise to Abraham? Since the law does not replace the promise, what is its purpose (24-25)? Do Christians today fall prey to legalism? What kind? How is your faith liberating you from this bondage? Where do you need to have more faith in your life?

Saturday, July 3

Galatians 4

Paul shows his concern for the Galatians (8-20). How does Paul express the following emotions in his letter: Concern (11)? Nostalgia (13-15)? Self pity (16)? Jealousy (17)? Compassion (19)? Anxiety (20)? To which weak and miserable principles do the Galatians revert (9)? Paul says that their joy is no longer evident (15). What takes the joy out of our Christian life? Have you slipped back into any bad habits or old ways? Which ones? What can you do about it? Spend some time in prayer.

Sunday, July 4

Psalms 66

God continues to answer prayers, individually and as a body of believers. We should always praise and worship God. This writer recalls God's rescue of the Israelites by parting the Red Sea during the exodus. God saved the Israelites then, and he continues to save his people today. The writer reminds us that God listens to prayer and our confession of our sins. We must live with an attitude of confession and obedience. What could you say that God has done for you lately? What sacrifices will you make this week for the Lord? What will be your equivalent of bulls and goats? Lift up your voice in prayer and confession!