

January 29, 2012 + Fourth Sunday after Epiphany + St. Matthew's Lutheran + ELCA

# The St. Matthew's Missive

A Ministry of the Office of the Pastor

A potpourri of Art, Prayer, Literature, Scripture,  
and Community Information  
to support the faith and life  
of members and friends of St. Matthew's Lutheran.



**Louella and Jack Duncan at their home**



**Sunday Morning Adult Education  
"faith seeking understanding"**

### **A Prayer of the Day for January 29, 2012**

O God,  
you spoke your word  
and revealed your good news in Jesus, the Christ.  
Fill all creation with that word again,  
so that by proclaiming your joyful promises to all nations  
and singing of your glorious hope to all peoples,  
we may become one living body,  
your incarnate presence on the earth. Amen.

### **A Scripture from the coming Sunday**

They were astounded at his teaching, for he taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.

Mark 1:22

### **A Quote**

“We must be the change we wish to see in the world.”

Mahatma Ghandi

### **Prayers of the People**

Prayers for all in the hospital or who face surgery or treatment, including Laura Jablonski and Karla Stoker. We continue to remember the Hilse family and their loss.

### **Small Change to Change the World**

Every Sunday, near the font is a jar for small change. This is a simple way to collect monies for those who are hungry. All proceeds will be given to the World Hunger Appeal of the ELCA. Thanks be to God.



### **Safe Haven Training February 25th for all who work with our youth**

As part of our commitment for the safety of our children and our adults, we, along with all ELCA congregations, will take part in a training to protect our children. One of the things this helps us do is make public our promise that the church will be a safe place for all of God's children. All who work with our children will be required to take part in the training.

### **New Members at St. Matthew's**

If you would like to join us in following Jesus, please let me know via email or phone. A new member's class is forming for Lent. We have three families already.

### **Some of the things coming up at St. Matthew's**

#### **Weekly +**

#### **Sundays + Holy Communion at 10 a.m.**

Christian Education at 9 a.m.

Samoan Church at 1 p.m.

Mondays + Choir at 7 p.m.

Prayer Shawl Ministry on the first Monday (except January) of the month at 6:30-8 p.m. in the Library

Wednesdays + Pericope Study at 10 a.m.

**Boy Scouts** on Wednesdays at 7 p.m.

**Advantage Preschools** M/W/F 8:45-11:45 and 12:30-3:30

#### **This Week +**

- Pastor Dan Bollman, Assistant to Bishop Bjornberg, will be with us for Adult Education at 9 a.m. for conversation and questions. Following worship he will lead the council retreat.

- I will be in Ft. Collins, CO this week until attending the Rocky Mountain Synod Theological Convocation. I return on Thursday. While gone, Pastor John Sandstrom is on call.

#### **Looking Ahead +**

February 21 - **Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper** put on by the men of the parish in preparation for Lent! Come for pancakes and a good time. A good will offering will be taken to cover costs and contribute to the New Orleans Youth Gathering.

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Reinhold Messner and me at the Outdoor Retailer show on Saturday. Messner was the first to climb Everest without oxygen and the first to climb all fourteen 8000 meter peaks and the first to climb Everest solo, alpine style. He signed a first edition book of mine on the Ascent of Everest, also signed by Sir Edmund Hillary in 1997 in Denver. I thought I was in heaven.



God's Work. Our Hands.  
*Rejoicing in Christ. Empowered to Serve.*

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of the  
***Evangelical Lutheran Church in America***

and a part of the Rocky Mountain Synod of the ELCA  
and the Utah Conference of Churches.

Below are some links of sisters organizations and some faith resources:

[www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org)  
[www.rmselca.org](http://www.rmselca.org)  
[www.livinglutheran.com](http://www.livinglutheran.com)  
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