

## Bulletin Board February 2008

The Staff Alumni Association of **Calumet Lutheran Ministries** will hold their 8<sup>th</sup> annual **Auction** on Saturday, **March 1**, 2008, at Mechanics Hall, 321 Main St., Worcester, MA. Preview and silent auction begin at 7 pm. Live auction begins at 8 pm. Light appetizers, cash bar, dessert and coffee available. Discounted advance tickets at \$15 available until Feb. 22 from [boomchickaboom@calumet.org](mailto:boomchickaboom@calumet.org) or 603-539-4773. Admission at the door will be \$20. Profits will provide camperships for needy children and support the Urban Day Camp programs. Visit [www.calumet.org](http://www.calumet.org) for more info.

**WANTED: Photos of your ministry for the synod website.** The New England Synod Communications team is currently making plans to update the Synod Website and would like to include pictures of your church in mission and ministry. Please email one or two digital photographs to [info@STandrewRI.org](mailto:info@STandrewRI.org)

**REMINDER: Resources** for the first year of Bishop Payne's "**Called to Listen, Called to Live**" theme: *Listen Deeply.*" are posted on the synod website under EVENTS/ BISHOP'S CONVOCATION or click <http://www.nesynod.org/convocations-fall.html>

**Come read *The Lutheran Link***, "Link Extras," and previous issues of The Link on the synod website under *RESOURCES*, *NEWS* (or click [www.nesynod.org/thelink.html](http://www.nesynod.org/thelink.html)). Prefer paper? Sign up now for free home delivery: just call the Synod House, 508-791-1530 x103, or email [sisterv@nesynod.org](mailto:sisterv@nesynod.org) The February 2008 Link issue explores the topic: "**Incline Your Ear (Listening during Lent).**"

The New England Synod Office of the Bishop is seeking a volunteer **calligrapher** to fill in documents for occasions throughout the year. Call the synod office and ask for Lyn Morin (x105) if you have interest.

Peace, Wayland, MA will host our second **Rejoicing Spirits worship service** on Sunday, **Feb. 24**, 2008, at 4:00 PM. Rejoicing Spirits is a model for spiritual inclusion which intentionally reaches out to enrich the spiritual lives of people with developmental disabilities, their families, friends, care providers, and other supportive community members, by sharing God's message of love through a meaningful and adapted Christian worship service and fellowship time. Individuals are free to be themselves while actively participating as contributing members of an inclusive faith community. The service includes lots of music, joyous singing, prayer, Scripture, and meaningful messages. **We invite anyone who is interested in worshiping God in a new, exciting, and inclusive way to come and worship with us** at this new service. For more information, call the church at 508.358.7110 or email [peacelc@aol.com](mailto:peacelc@aol.com).

**FREE:** St. Luke, Gales Ferry, has a 25 year old **Digital Electronic Allyn Organ** that they would like to give to any congregation that can use it. It works but is beginning to develop problems. The unit includes a console, 6 speakers, and 2 subwoofers. Must be picked up from St. Luke by the end of February. For more info please call Pastor Steve Schmidt at 860-464-7897.

**Fellow Church Office staff** in New England, Come join us in sharing ideas and suggestions to make our jobs more wonderful! We will have guest speakers on personal & spiritual growth and some time for relaxation and fun. Working in a church environment can have some unique challenges. Dates will be **May 4-6**, 2008, at Calumet. Cost is \$145 per person. Send your ideas to Maureen Anderson at [maureenquilts@yahoo.com](mailto:maureenquilts@yahoo.com)

**ELCA Board of Pensions** ([www.elcabop.org](http://www.elcabop.org)) has posted the 2008 contribution rates and calculator.

Now is the time to take the Health Risk Assessment: Plug in your numbers and identify risks and strengths so that you can plan a long and healthy life. This year, there is a financial incentive: \$100 of credit to your personal wellness account. Follow other links for added savings to offset deductibles.

**FREE insurance advice:** The ELCA offers newsletters from Charity First and Zurich Services Corp. on many concerns. Visit <http://www.elca.org/insurance/Newsletters/riskManagementResources.html> for topics such as "Deterring Theft and Vandalism," and "Manual Material Handling." This practical advice also includes checklists to evaluate your coverage needs.

**Family member ill?** Dial the ELCA BOP Health Plan **NurseLine: 877-856-8145** any time for advice.

MIF, the **Mission Investment Fund of the ELCA**, provides investment opportunities for individuals, congregations and organizations of congregations. Loans for capital needs are available to congregations and other ministries of the ELCA. To learn more about investment and loans or to schedule a presentation to your congregation's leaders, contact Pr. Mark Wimmer at 267-203-0037 or [mwimmer@lctelford.org](mailto:mwimmer@lctelford.org). Have a building concern? Contact ELCA building consultant Jeff Spann at 973-625-2568 or [jeff.spann@elca.org](mailto:jeff.spann@elca.org).

## Jobs

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, North Easton, MA, is seeking a part time **Director of Christian Education** to proclaim the Gospel of Christ by administering and coordinating the educational programs of the church, including activities for children and youth, serve as a resource of information and ideas, and nurture and foster Christian ideals, values, and the Lutheran heritage among the entire parish. Full description: [http://www.nesynod.org/Care-Packet/2008\\_February/christian\\_ed\\_director\\_no\\_easton.pdf](http://www.nesynod.org/Care-Packet/2008_February/christian_ed_director_no_easton.pdf) Questions? Contact Pr. Michael Bastian at 508-238-6666 or Sarah Keough (Sunday School Superintendent) at 508-238-6768.

St Stephen, Marlborough, MA, is seeking a **Director of Music** part-time (10-15hrs/wk) who will be responsible for musical accompaniment on organ/piano and direction of the anthem choir. We have one Sunday service with occasional seasonal worship services. We are seeking a talented musician who can bring life and enthusiasm to our music program and grow with us. Annual Salary: \$10,000 - \$13,500 (4 wks vacation). Please contact Director of Music Search Team (LeeAnn Brewitt, Chair; The Rev. Scott Howard, Pastor) at 508-485-9585 or [pastorhoward@saintstephenlutheran.com](mailto:pastorhoward@saintstephenlutheran.com)

Triumphant Cross, Salem, NH, is seeking a Part-Time **Director for Youth Ministry** for a youth group of 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> graders, averaging 20 per event. Qualifications: An adult with mature faith in Jesus Christ and a basic understanding and agreement with Lutheran theology, experience working with youth, Bachelor's degree or equivalent life experience, accustomed to working with churches. For a detailed job description call the office at (603) 893-0305, or email [ymstaffing@triumphantcross.org](mailto:ymstaffing@triumphantcross.org).

First Lutheran Church, Southington, CT, seeks a **Youth Director** to take full responsibility for the operation of the Youth Group, meeting regularly with the pastor to evaluate progress, cooperatively doing event planning, and submitting written reports and publicity for youth events. Contact the church office at (860)628-9001 or e-mail [flchurch@snet.net](mailto:flchurch@snet.net) with questions or resumes.

Christ the King, Holliston, MA, seeks part-time **Director of Music** with organ, piano and conducting skills, for three Sunday worship services (two traditional; one contemporary with live band), seasonal worship services, weddings, funerals, etc., and to lead choirs. Send resume to Pr. Jerome Janisko, Christ the King Lutheran Church, P.O. Box 6415, Holliston, MA. 01746, or email [jjj357@verizon.net](mailto:jjj357@verizon.net)

Christ the King, Holliston, MA, seeks a part-time **Director of High School Youth** with commitment (September through June) of 3 hours per week, including the 9:45 am worship each Sunday. Prior experience with teens and a bachelor's degree preferred. The current size of our youth group is 12 to 18 students. Submit resume, cover letter, etc. to: Pr. Nancy Risty, PO Box 6415, Holliston, MA 01746.

Interested in working overseas for one or two years? The **ELCA Global Mission Team** has international openings, which would be great for recent college graduates, newly retired people or someone who wants an adventure. For example, our companion synod, the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Jordan and the Holy Land, headquartered in Jerusalem, is looking for a **communication assistant** for two years. These jobs are a great opportunity to experience life in another country, while helping the church. For a listing of job opportunities, go to <http://www.elca.org/globalserve/> .

Visit the ELCA at <http://www.elca.org/employment/> for more info about an **EOCM stewardship** position in Region 9. Work as a deployed staff member to encourage congregational growth and transformation; including visioning, planning, organization, implementation, reporting and evaluating. Strong communication, organizational and administrative skills and 3-5 year experience needed. Apply by 2/29.