



# FREE CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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*He's  
Risen!*

## Prayer Requests

Call the church office at 218.681.3855  
or email [trfetc@wiktel.com](mailto:trfetc@wiktel.com)  
with your prayer requests.

## Address, Phone and Email Corrections

TRF Free Church maintains a database  
of all its members, regular attendees, and  
visitors. If you have had any changes to  
your address, phone number, etc. please  
contact the church office with your name,  
phone number and the changes that need  
to be made.

## NEWSLETTER and BULLETIN DEADLINES

Items for the May Newsletter  
must be turned in by: **April 15**  
The Weekly Bulletin Deadline is:  
**Noon on Wednesdays**

*If you have something that you would like  
to contribute either to the Sunday Bulletin  
or Monthly Newsletter, please contact the  
church secretary at 681-3855 or email  
her at [trfetc@wiktel.com](mailto:trfetc@wiktel.com)*



## Maundy Thursday, April 1

7:00 PM - Communion Service



## Good Friday, April 2

Annual Good Friday Community Service  
12:00 noon at the United Methodist Church

You are also invited to lunch. Please choose one of the lunch  
options: Lunch Option #1: 11:30-12:00 OR Lunch Option #2: 12:30-1:00



## Easter Sunday, April 4

8:30 AM - Worship Service

9:15 AM - Easter Breakfast

(French Toast, Sausage, and Fruit)

10:30 AM - Worship Service

## “EVERYONE IN MINISTRY”

April 25 - May 16

What makes this church go? People! You, me, children,  
youth, and adults - coming together at various times  
each week throughout the year, to worship and pray, to  
learn from the teaching and preaching of God's Word, to  
enjoy fellowship and to love and care for one another.  
Much of these activities require that we serve one  
another in ministry. Leaders of each commission and the  
pastors want to encourage you to complete an  
"Everyone in Ministry Survey" available Sunday,  
April 25 through May 16th. Check out the info tables  
that will be set up in the foyer explaining the different  
commissions, what their work is, and how each one of  
you can be involved. The hope is that the majority of  
people in church will be willing and available to serve in  
a way that will bring joy to you, and also advance the  
work of God's church in Thief River  
Falls and beyond. **We encourage  
everyone to indicate your willing-  
ness to serve in the future by com-  
pleting a survey by May 16th.**  
We're a busy church. There is much  
work to do. We need your help!



## NEWCOMER'S

## SOCIAL

April 25 @ 7 PM

**New to TRF Free Church  
in the last year?**

Come to an informal  
gathering at Pastor Bruce  
& Cilla's home to learn a  
bit more about our  
congregation, and  
meet church leaders and  
other newcomers.

*Please bring a snack and/or  
2-liter of pop to share.*

Address: 1503 Sunrise Court  
(South of the MECC)

RSVP: Church # 681-3855

# ANNOUNCEMENTS, NEWS, and INFORMATION

## CHILD DEDICATION

The following dates have been designated for child dedication: **Mother's Day, May 9 and Father's Day, June 20**  
Please contact the church office if you would like to dedicate your child on one of these Sundays.

### Our Sympathies

We extend our sincere sympathy to Doug & Diane Torblaa on the passing of Doug's mother, Evelyn Torblaa. Evelyn passed away at the age of 83 on February 20. A private family service was held in Grafton, ND.

We extend our sincere sympathy to Corey & Julie Skjerven and family on the passing of Corey's father, Gordon Skjerven. Gordon passed away at the age of 84 on February 28. His funeral was held at Viking Covenant Church on March 3.

### Thank You

*I really appreciate the 80th birthday card and greetings. My Home church will always be very DEAR to my heart! The older we get physically we hope we are getting better spiritually. The older you get, the better you can become! God has truly blest us here in Denver. The greatest blessing is living closer to our children. Larry still teaches at the Denver Seminary. Cindy is in administration at Metro State College. Ruth is employed at Colorado Christian Book store and her husband Jon Holm is pastor of Aspen Grove Community Church. Karen and Greg live in Phoenix which is not too far away....so we are blessed. Merrilee was just here to help celebrate my 80th.....GOD IS SOOO GOOD!! And thanks to you all for helping us raise our kids!!! We LOVE you All!*

~ Naomi (and Red) Lindquist

### Encouraging Our Service Men

*Please pray for those serving in the military*

#### Serving in Iraq

Esther Gallagher and Deb Hanson's Brother-in-law, Frank Whitcomb.  
Malvin Peterson's nephew, Jessie.  
Robin Bach's nephew, Lucas Haugan.

#### Serving in the Marines

Eunice Rolandson's grandson, Rusty Rolandson.

#### Serving in the Navy

Gary and Rachel Tveiten's nephew, John Tveiten.

### You Are Invited 90th Birthday Party for Janice Anderson

Sunday, April 18th  
2-4 PM

First Baptist Church  
414 Horace Ave No.

Thief River Falls, MN

Hosted by Brian, Beth, Andrew  
& Michael Fortier and Amanda Wilhelm

*No gifts please. Your presence is your gift!*

*God has led two lives to take one path*

*Jessica Lynn Lundahl  
and*

*Jason Marc Paggen*

*Along with their parents  
Tom and Gwen Lundahl*

*And*

*Al and Sharon Paggen*

*Invite you to witness their vows as they  
begin their amazing journey together*

*On Saturday, the fifteenth of May*

*Two Thousand Ten*

*At two o'clock in the afternoon*

*Harbor Community Church*

*5995 Timber Trail*

*Prior Lake, Minnesota*

*RSVP by April 15, 2010*

*to jpaggen2@yahoo.com or # 952-447-6917*

# WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

*"What does the Lord your God ask of you but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all his ways, to love him, to SERVE the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul." Deuteronomy 10:12*

## APRIL SCHEDULE

### White Cross

Thursday, April 8 at 10:00 am

At Church in Room #14

We will be working on quilts and cutting squares for Haiti, the VA Hospital, and Lifecare.

### Monthly Women's Ministries Meeting

Thursday, April 8 at 7:00 pm

Meeting at Church

### Library Work Night

Thursday, April 15 at 6:30 pm

All are welcome to come help check in books and organize the library.

Questions? Call Kathy Erickson # 681-7283

*EFC Ladies - Thank you for the wonderful bridal shower! Adam and I have had so much fun preparing our home together with the gifts you have given us. I've enjoyed getting to know you all and I feel blessed to have been accepted and welcomed into this church family. I look forward to getting to know each of you even more in the coming years! ~ Anna Barth*



## "Jump Start for Spring"

### Ladies Bowling Afternoon

April 17th

3:00 PM at the Bowling Alley

We will bowl for 2 hours and then have supper together. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer so we have a count on how many alleys to reserve. Watch for more details in the Sunday Bulletin.

## New Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Study to Start: Wednesday, April 7, at 6:30 PM

Would you like to know God better? Would you like to understand the promises and precepts in His Word so you can walk in the center of His will? Then embrace His principles and begin your journey to experiencing life at its very best. Join us for a five week DVD series by Dr. Charles Stanley called Life Principles to Live By-Volume 1. (Rm # 14 @ Church). Topics to be covered are: Our Intimacy with God, A life of Obedience, The Dark Moments in Our Life, Fight Your Battles on Your Knees, and Energized by His Presence.

### 8th Annual Area-Wide Women's Conference

## Woman After God's Own Heart

Warroad High School

510 Cedar Ave. Warroad, MN 56763

Friday, May 14, 2010 6 p.m. - 9 p.m.

& Saturday, May 15, 2010 9 a.m - 3 p.m.

Plan **NOW** to attend this year's all new conference with **Lynda Randle and Friends**.

This year's guests include actress and singer **CeeCee Michaela**, Christian Comedian **Ms. Puddin'**, award winning dance performer **Tobin James**, singer **Debra Lee** and **The Praise Band**.

Your host **Lynda Randle** looks forward to bringing both song and words to inspire and encourage each of you!

Keynote speaker will be author and song writer **Gloria Gaither**.

**Early Bird Registration through April 15th: \$50.**

**(April 16th through May 15th: \$60)**

**Friday only \$25, Saturday only \$25**

**(April 16th through May 15th: \$30)**

Group rates include **1 FREE ticket** for every 10 ordered!



Please contact Nona Hultgren, Lona Trochmann or Loreen Hanson if interested in attending as we can get a group rate. More Details are posted on the bulletin board in the hallway.

# APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

**April 1**  
Celine Friesen  
Mike Phillips

**April 3**  
Josiah Anderson  
Patti Barth  
Trevor Miles

**April 4**  
Brian Fortier  
Don Mattson

 **Brian & Debbie Steenerson Anniversary**

**April 5**  
Jenelle Espe  
Janell Hudson

**April 6**  
Thelma Dahl

**April 7**  
Anna Marie Hestad

**April 10**  
Anna Skjerven

**April 11**  
Amelia Lorensen

**April 13**  
Sandra Anderson


**April 14**  
Celeste Boyer  
Dan Christianson  
 **Rick & Vicky Stigen Anniversary**

**April 16**  
Wanda Nelson  
Caleb Rosendahl  
**Steve Torgerson**

**April 17**  
Emma Fagerstrom  
Bernice Skime

**April 18**  
**Marcy Nies**

**April 22**  
Janice Anderson  
Andy Senum  
Mya Zutz

**April 23**  
Aaron Blacklance  
Hailey Rosendahl  
 **Chris & Valerie Shulstad Anniversary**

**April 24**  
Tim Boyer

**April 25**  
Darrel Nelson

**April 26**  
Kim Rosendahl  
David Stromlund

 **April 29**  
Rachel Tveiten  
**Jeff & Carol Hanson Anniversary**

*Italics: Denotes Missionary family*

## Attention:

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, or is incorrect, please notify the church office at 681-3855.

# SERVING in APRIL

	<b>April 4 EASTER SUNDAY</b>	<b>April 11</b>	<b>April 18</b>	<b>April 25</b>
<b>Children's Church</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> Bonnie Barth <b>10:30 AM</b> Jon & Tiffany Edwards	Jon & Melissa Bushy	Brian & Debbie Steenerson	Dave & Elise Row
<b>Sunday School Greeter</b>	<b>NO SUNDAY SCHOOL</b>	Lona Trochmann	Mary Almquist	Jan Lee
<b>Worship Service Greeters</b>	<b>8:30 AM - TBA</b>  <b>10:30 AM</b> Dee Jay & Cay Donlin Kathy Erickson Earl & Jan Hanson	Kent & Peggy Hanson Arvid & Jan Lee Ruby Schroeder	Chris & Valerie Shulstad Bob & Nona Hultgren Randy & Jan Pederson	Tom & Marijo Schafer Jerry & Gloria Schulte Jason & Lacey Simoneau
<b>9:15 Nursery</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> Nate & Sarah Larson	Jason & Lacey Simoneau	Rob & Mary Almquist	Dan & Jan Trontvet
<b>10:30 Nursery</b>	<b>10:30 AM</b> Thane & Jenelle Espe	Kevin & Bonnie Barth	Jon & Tiffany Edwards	Kjell & Jessica Hanson Christine Bjornstad
<b>Sound Tech</b>	<b>8:30 AM &amp; 10:30 AM</b> Chris Shulstad	Ehren Hanson	Bob Hultgren	Chris Shulstad
<b>Visual Tech</b>	<b>8:30 AM &amp; 10:30 AM</b> Jeff Zerwas	Cory Helm	Jeff & Aaron Fagerstrom	Shane Zutz
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b> Matt Trochmann <b>10:30 AM</b> Doug Barth, Kevin Barth, Dan Barth	Doug Barth, Kevin Barth, Dan Barth		

**Reminder:** If you are unable to fill your scheduled spot, please find a replacement for yourself by calling someone else on the schedule that was given you. Then, you can call the church office and let the secretary know who is filling in for you. Thank you!