



2008

What is a Specialized Interim Minister or SIM?

An interim minister is one who has received special training to assist churches in the time period when they are without a permanent pastor. Usually, these SIMs are experienced ministers who have taken up this specialized task. They are normally hired for at least 6 months and but that time can be extended if necessary. The church and the SIM write a contract about duties and financial reimbursement. This contract, can be terminated with 30 days notice by either the SIM or the church.

What services does a SIM provide?

A SIM will provide normal pastoral and administrative leadership during the interim period. He will provide special leadership as needed, for helping the congregation deal with grief and conflict and for assisting the church in the development of a direction for the future. He will work with the church leaders to accomplish these five specialized interim tasks.

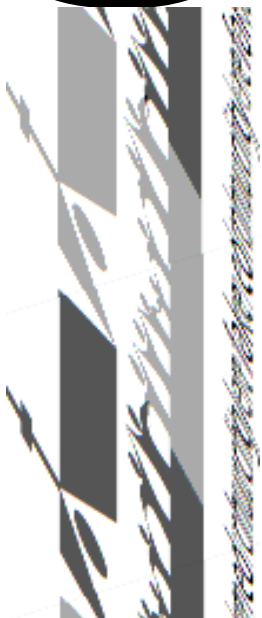
- a. Learning from our church's history
- b. Clarifying our identity and mission as we focus on our next chapter.
- c. Facilitating leadership development.
- d. Strengthening denominational ties
- e. Preparing for a new pastor.

Where do we stand now?

We have interviewed one SIM. He wrote a very perceptive letter. He advised that we hire a full time SIM as soon as possible. He could not start till mid-August. Another SIM told us he could not start until September. Very soon after that we received another resume of a newly commissioned SIM. He is available right away. We will be interviewing him the weekend of May 18 and he will probably preach for us that day.

His name is Eric Boon and is presently living in Waupun, WI.

Please pray for this meeting as we make decisions for the future of Glen Lake Church. I can tell that the Lord is taking care of us and that our future is bright.





May 2008



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				1 National Day of Prayer Food Pantry 5 - 6:30	2	3 Men's Bible Study 7:30
4 Communion Sunday Adult BS 8:30 Worship 10:00	5	6 AA 8:00	7 Praying for GLC Choir 5:30 - 6:00	8 Companions 1:30 Food Pantry 5 - 6:30	9	10 Men's Bible Study 7:30
11 Mother's Day Adult BS 8:30 Worship 10:00 Mission Offering	12 Prayer Ministry 7:00 PM	13 Women's BS 10:00 Praise Team 5:00 Weight Watchers 5:30 Elders 7:00 Deacons 7:00 Consistory Meeting 7:30 AA 8:00	14 Praying for GLC Choir 5:30 - 6:00	15 Food Pantry 5 - 6:30	16	17 Men's Bible Study 7:30
18 Adult BS 8:30 Worship 10:00 Passion for Service Workshop	19	20 AA 8:00	21 Start bringing items for yard sale in afternoon Praying for GLC Choir 5:30 - 6:00	22 Companions 1:30 Food Pantry 5 - 6:30	23	24 Men's Bible Study 7:30 Fund Raising Yard Sale For Children's Ministries
25 Cookie Sunday Adult BS 8:30 Worship 10:00	26 Memorial Day 	27 Women's BS 10:00 Praise Team 5:00 AA 8:00	28 Praying for GLC Choir 5:30 - 6:00	29 Food Pantry 5 - 6:30	30	31 Men's Bible Study 7:30

Women's Bible Study

A faithful group of women meet every 2nd & 4th Tuesdays to study God's word and encourage one another to grow in their Christ-likeness. Come to the Conference Room at 10 AM and find a new family of friends. We are working through the Gospel of John. Come learn together with loving friends who teach one another.



Men's Saturday Morning Bible Study

Men—please consider joining us on Saturday mornings from 7:30—8:30 at the church as we continue our study of Paul's letter to the church in Ephesians. During the month of May we will be studying and discussing Chapter 6—God's word regarding relationships between children and their parents, employees and employers and how God equips us with His armor in order to stand against the devil's schemes. Hope to see you there.



Passion For Service Workshop May 18

This month's emphasis for our Burning Hearts: Year of Discipleship is Service. This month our guest pastor will preach on Passion For Service, Matthew 25:31-46; James 1:27. Following worship Randy Burgess from Faith Reformed in Traverse City will lead a practical workshop on Service including social action and local ministry involvement. A light lunch will follow. We will be on our way home by 1 PM. Child care will be provided. We encourage you all to attend. Let the Holy Spirit ignite the passion within.

Companions In Christ

Spiritual Formation done among a group of friends who hold one another accountable in their Christian journey is what Companions is all about. The group meets on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays at 1:30 PM in the Choir Room. Each meeting the women share from their spiritual journeys around a Classical Devotional author.

LIBRARY LIGHTS

BOOKS



JEWISH DOCTORS MEET THE GREAT PHYSICIAN, By Ruth Rosen. The Jewish doctors you are about to meet cannot convince you to seek out Jesus, the great physician,...but if you let yourself consider what they are saying, their discoveries just might lead you to one of your own.

HARPER'S BIBLE PRONUNCIATION GUIDE, edited by William O. Walker, jr.

All proper names and any significant variations of names found in the major English Bible translation are here. Also there are Hebrew and Greek terms, and non-Biblical terms related to Bible study (such as eschatology and hermeneutics). It has a clear easy-to-use pronunciation key printed across the bottom of each page.

THE FIVE LOVE LANGUAGES, by Gary Chapman--how to express heartfelt commitment to your mate. Words of Affirmation; Quality Time; Gifts; Acts of Service; Physical Touch.

"For the Word of the Lord is right, and all His works are done in truth." Psalm 33:4 "The Law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul." Psalm 19:7 "As for God, His way is perfect." Psalm 18:30, and 2Sam.22:31

people Page for May

Greeters/Coffee Servers

- 4 Jim & Marian Kaiser
- 11 Mike & colleen Schulte
- 18 George & Donna Schuhmacher
- 25 Steve & Gretchen Schwaiger

Ushers

- 4 Emery & Sharon Blanksm
- 11 John & Sharon Baxter
- 18 Tom Sevensma
- 25 John & Nancy Lanham

Nursery

- 4 Matt & Amy Rice
- 11 Chris & Shannon Steiner
- 18 Molly Helfrich & Sharon Baxter
- 25 Brad Fosmore & Ruth Ann Fosmore

Information Center

- 4 Dorothy Zboyan
- 11 Linda Peppler
- 18 Alyce Peterson
- 25 Jane Maatman

Bulletin Folders

- 4 Alyce Peterson
- 11 Frank & Elaine Wilcox
- 18 John & Sharon Baxter
- 25 Emery & Sharon Blanksma

Team to Care Contact

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BIRTHDAYS

- 3 Ellen Darlington
- 4 Sarah Wiesen
- 6 Elizabeth Garn
Lisa Murphy
- 8 Julia Crowther
Tom Thomasma
- 9 Gordon Hoeksema
- 10 Brad Fosmore
- 11 Norma Niemeyer
- 13 Bryan Sevensma
Adam Sevensma
- 15 Jane Maatman
- 16 Bill Martin
- 17 Helen Smith
- 18 Peggy VanHouzen
- 22 Betty Oosterheert
- 23 Ed Hozee
- 24 Mart VanHouzen

ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Al & Ellen Darlington
- 11 Louis & Judith Batory
- 17 Bob & Jan Price
- 18 Harry & Faith Stryker
- 19 Glenn & Shirley Meteer
Tom & Pam Lanham
- 24 Mart & Harriet VanHouzen



Birthdays



Anniversaries

At Home

Lucille & Ell Faulman
Bob Feys
Dottie Ianham
Julia Crowther
Ruth Olsen
Mary Rader
Don Vavra

Mary Beaird –Cataract surgery
May 1 & 15



At Nursing Homes

Lucille Barratt—Maple Valley
Harry Garn—Maple Valley
Shirley Meter-G.T. Pavilions

In Assisted Living

Muriel Baetz—Glen Eagle, T.C.

In the Service

PV2 Sevensma, Bryan

Highlights of the Consistory Meeting – April 8, 2008

- The minutes of the March 11 meeting were approved as written.
 - Kids Hope USA Report: We currently have eight mentors. We lost Steve and Martha, but Linda Peppler has stepped forward to take Steve's child.
 - The Missions Team has \$2,000 that will be sent to the Polkot school in Alale.
 - The church van has been returned to the donor.
 - The names of Elders-on-call will be placed on the church's phone message to assist the caller in the event of an urgent message. Elders-on-call for April and May (Bob Price and Elsie Peterson) will report on the success of this process.
 - The Communique will be placed on the church website. There should be a significant reduction in postage using this method.
 - We continue to research information on an Interim Pastor.
 - We have pulpit supply confirmed through May.
 - Our budget remains in the red but should improve during May.
 - We discussed final matters relating to Steve and Martha's parting gifts.
- The next Consistory meeting is May 13.

The minutes, in their entirety, are on the bulletin board in the narthex behind the information desk.

An illustration of communion elements: a loaf of bread, a chalice with wine, and a bunch of grapes. The word "Communion" is written in a large, cursive font above the illustration.

We will celebrate the Lord's Supper Sunday May 4. Communion will be served in the pews. As always, there will be a wheat/gluten free rice cracker available for those who need that alternative. All baptized persons who believe in Jesus as their Savior are welcome at the Lord's Table, regardless of church membership. Children who believe in Jesus as their Savior are welcome at the table. Parents are asked to help their children make this important decision. If anyone desires help in preparation for communion they are invited to seek counsel of one of the Elders.

Guest Preachers For May

May 4 Lois Saltsman, chaplain at Munson Hospital. Jan Price is the worship leader.

May 11. Bob Faulman, retired Pastor from Boyne City.

May 18: Eric Boon, a RCA pastor from Waupun, WI.

May 25: Dave Anderson, associate pastor at Faith Reformed Church in Traverse City.



Exciting things are happening with the Communiqué. With the rising cost of postage I have been looking for ways to save money with the mailing of the communiqué. There will be several options for you to receive your copy. Sandra Besselsen will be posting it on our website- read it and print only the pages you want- (www.glenlakechurch.org), it can be e-mailed, it can be placed in your mail box at church, or if you prefer to receive it via the post office I can still do that. Please fill out

the form below to let me know how you would like to receive your copy of the communiqué.

I would also like to use this form to update my e-mail address book. So if you have an e-mail and would like us to have it please include on the form below.

A while back there was a request for baby, youth, and wedding photos. I only have a handful of these and I enjoy using them on our morning announcement screen when your birthday or anniversary comes around. So for new members and attendees and to you long time members who just haven't gotten around to it... bring in those old photos (I can scan them) or if you are in the digital age e-mail them to me.

One last item. Snow Birds you are starting to return and I would love to know your back. I try to make a mental note when I see you in church but my mind can not keep track of the migration patterns of all of you.

Name: _____

E-mail: _____

I would like to receive my copy of the communiqué:

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_____ e-mail to me

_____ place in my church mail box

_____ mail to me via the Post Office

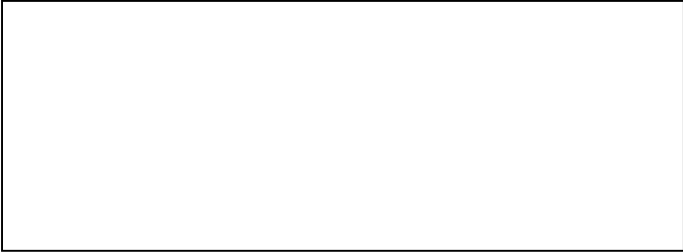
_____ I no longer wish to receive the communiqué

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