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“For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God”

From Romans 8:19 and VLM Summer Theme, “Keeping the Earth”



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*VLM's Executive Director
Joel Abenth*

Programs, People, and Places in God's Great Northwoods!

Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry provides opportunities for Christ-centered Spiritual Growth, Leadership Development, and Outreach in God's Great Northwoods.

As your Executive Director, I get to spend a lot of time behind the wheel of my car. With VLM churches all over NE Minnesota, including two new Duluth member congregations and our first Twin Cities Metro area member congregation (Welcome Concordia and Gloria Dei in Duluth and Roseville!), I often have time to think about the variety of Programs, People, and Places that make up the mission of VLM.

From the first volunteers and Pastors that developed the visions for Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion,

to the leaders, Staff and dedicated families that brought two camps together to form VLM 20 years ago, to the young people that will be the future volunteers, leaders, supporters and Staff of VLM, there is a rich, thriving community. This community is blessed to have two amazing sites: Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion. Those places offer great opportunities for ministry. Our Summer Camp, Retreats and Family Camps happen right on the lakeshore, but our sites also act as a base from which many other programs have an impact (Day Camp, Canoe Trips, Houseboats, etc). Our People and Places become a ministry when you add to the mix our Christ-centered programs. Creative programs that nourish faith.

Our mission is what drives the programs we offer. Our Spirit-driven people support and take those programs and develop amazing faith opportunities. Our places will always be a significant part of faith development. Through the Spiritual

gift of community, the ordinary Programs, People and Places of VLM become extraordinarily rich soil for the seeds of faith.

Throughout this edition of the Traveler you will see a theme, "Programs, People, and Places in God's Great Northwoods". We are spending some time in 2010 looking at how these three aspects of our ministry impact the faith development of our participants. Our Programs, People and Places are woven together in so many ways. We are more than just ordinary Program; More than just ordinary People; More than just ordinary Places. VLM is an extraordinary community made whole through faith and mission.

Ministry is happening with the Programs, People and Places of VLM in God's Great Northwoods! As you read this newsletter, I hope you become as energized as we are about VLM in 2010.

See you at Camp!
Joel



Joel's daughter, Ella signing the Vermilion 50th Anniversary Paddle.



VLM is releasing a new, updated Website by April 15th

...to learn more about programs at
Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion

...to provide an interactive format

...to find forms and brochures

...to check on availability of summer camp weeks

...to see pictures of the sites

...to learn more about "How to Help your Camps"

Check it out at www.vlmcamps.org



The **MARY BAR FUND**

was started in 1999 by a group of past Canoe Guides. It was created to honor former Camp Vermilion cook, Mary Thydean, and to raise funds for the Canoe Country Program. Mary perfected the high energy bar that we still use in our BWCA Program. One half of the money received is put into a restricted fund account and the other half is used immediately to provide necessary items for the program. To date we have received \$19,837. One half of that remains in restricted savings. The other half was used to purchase canoes & tents.



If you would like to contribute to this fund, please mark your donation to the "MARY BAR FUND."

RECYCLE your Ink Cartridges & Toners

VLM has received over \$1300

By camp friends sending their used ink cartridges & toners to our office to be recycled.

Check our website or call for details

Mission Statement:

Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry provides opportunities for Christ-centered spiritual growth, leadership development, and outreach in God's great Northwoods.

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*VLM's Program Director,
Joy Halstead*

Programs, People, Places

Summer Theme: Keeping the Earth: "For the creation waits with eager longing for the revealing of the children of God" (Romans 8:19).

What does this mean to us and our lives? How will we learn about this through Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry's summer programs?

We are made in God's image. "Who are we?" and "Why are we here?" are probably two of the oldest and ongoing questions for humankind. We yearn to know and live out our truest identity; and we often feel that we are living our lives to the fullest, ultimately, when we do so with a meaningful purpose. This is a task for every generation, arising out of the unique context, challenges, and needs of a particular place and time. From a religious perspective, this is part of the heart and mind's journey of

faith seeking understanding that is the essence of doing theology—an adventure that is for all baptized believers and not just those formally designated as theologians." (ELCA, Outdoor Ministry Website)

As the summer theme soaks in, we continue to create, shape and develop programming that will educate, equip and empower: Staff, campers, Camp Pastors, Artists-in-Residence, families, Resource People and guests: to learn, listen and live into the promise of hope we experience through and in God's amazing love for us.

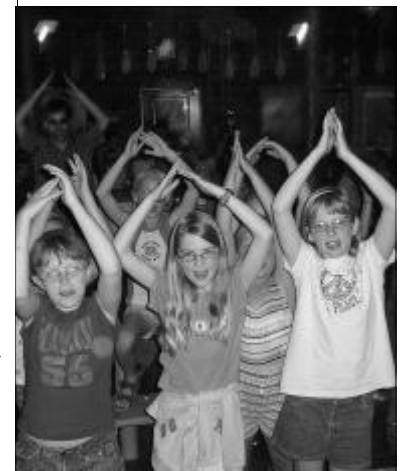
People

Do you remember that childhood song, "I am the church, you are the church, we are the church together? All who follow Jesus, All around the world, yes, we're the church together." The people—you and I—are the church! You are invited to any of Voyageur's Programs this summer. Whether it be to visit Camp Vermilion or Camp Hiawatha during the week, or for a Saturday or Sunday church service, or volunteering at a Day Camp (Check our website www.vlmcamps.org to see where we will be leading a day camp near you), chaperoning a canoe trip, being a driver for a houseboat trip or being willing to serve as a Resource Person, Camp Pastor or Artist-in-Residence. You—the people—are important to the ministry of VLM. You help shape the program and the places of Voyageur's Lutheran Ministry. We are grateful for your presence and hope to see you this summer!

Place

The gift of Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry is that we have more than one "place." We have docks, swings, camper's faces, stars, water, woods, campfires, saunas, canoes, cabin devotions, singing, interactive Bible studies, ropes courses, bogs, houseboats, day camp host homes, laughter and silence. As invested members of the VLM community, I believe we carry the "places" of VLM with us, in our memories and hearts. When we are gathered together, wherever that may be, we are connected to those beloved places. Together we are Voyageur's Lutheran Ministry. Together in all the places we may be, we live out VLM's mission, to "provide opportunities for Christ-centered spiritual growth, leadership development, and outreach in God's great Northwoods."

In Christ,
Joy





VLM's Adventure Coordinator
Marie Kirschstein

Hello VLM supporters! My name is Marie Kirschstein and I joined the full-time team at Voyageurs February 1. Various outdoor ministries have shaped who I have become and I am excited to bring some of my experiences to VLM as the Adventure Coordinator. More importantly, however, I would love to hear what programs you would like to see us offer. Before I go into that further, allow me to tell you more about myself.

I'm a Minnesota native and grew up on a hog farm in Morgan with two sisters. They are both married and live in southern Minnesota. I have a niece and nephew who bring great joy into my life! A

friend of mine and I went to several camps growing up and those positive, faith-developing experiences helped me decide to become a Counselor during my college years. Since I graduated from Winona State University with a degree in recreation and tourism, I have worked as a rafting and backpacking guide, led 20 college students on 60-day programs in New Zealand and Australia, helped build a challenge course program from scratch, and have had a lot of fun doing it all.

My role at VLM covers a variety of areas. This summer I will be overseeing the Canoe Country program so I have been busy recruiting Staff with Joel and Joy since I started.

For the Retreat-season, I hope to work with all of you to create new retreat opportunities that meet your needs. I will also be working with web-based marketing techniques to help boost the visibility of VLM's wonderful camps and allow you all to have your voices heard. Please join us as we shape future programs! Feel free to contact me through any of the options below or stop by Camp Vermilion to say hello. We all hope to see you at camp!

Email: marie@vlmcamps.org
Phone: 218-666-5465 (office)
Facebook: Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry group page
Ning (alumni network): www.vlmalumni.ning.com



Do you use the internet and do searches? If so....

It couldn't be more simple to raise money for Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry

What if Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry earned a penny every time you searched the Internet? Or how about if a percentage of every purchase you made online went to support our ministry?

Well, now it can!

GoodSearch.com is a Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. Use it just as you would any search engine, get quality search results from Yahoo, and watch the donations add up!

Just go to www.goodsearch.com and be sure to enter Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry as the charity you want to support. And, be sure to spread the word!

Download the GoodSearch toolbar onto your computer:
<http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbars.aspx>

To date \$100.84 has been raised for your camps - Yes, that is 10,084 searches!

14th Annual VLM Camp Golf Scramble - Monday, August 2nd, 2010



Come to play 18 holes of golf, have a chance to win a Hawaiian vacation or cash and door prizes. Eat a wonderful meal, enjoy a day with old and new friends while supporting your favorite camps! Everyone is welcome - youth and adults, women and men.

Watch for detailed information in church news releases or call Julie at (800) 331-5148 or check out the camp website.



Health History

(Check. Give approximate dates.)

- _____ Frequent Ear Infections
- _____ Heart Defect/Disease
- _____ Convulsions
- _____ Fainting Spells
- _____ Headaches
- _____ Bedwetting
- _____ Diabetes
- _____ Bleeding/Clotting Disorders
- _____ Hypertension

Diseases

- _____ Mononucleosis
- _____ Chicken Pox
- _____ Measles
- _____ German Measles
- _____ Mumps

Immunization dates _____ DPT Permanent Shots (Series of 3), _____ Tuberculin, _____ Polio Immunization, _____ MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella), _____ Tetanus Toxoid Booster (Must be current within past 10 years.)

[Lack of immunization dates will probably cause delays in treatment in our local hospitals.]

Operations or Serious Injuries _____

Chronic or Recurring Illness _____

Dietary Restrictions (i.e. lactose intolerant) _____

Medications (please list and send with instructions) _____

My child has permission to participate in all aspects of the program at Voyageurs Lutheran Ministries except as noted and I agree that the camp or its personnel will not be held responsible for accidents arising therefrom. I understand that every effort will be made to contact me if my child needs emergency medical-surgical treatment. But if it is important to do so, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the Camp Director to secure proper treatment, to hospitalize, to order injection, anesthesia, x-ray or surgery for my child as named above. I understand that my insurance has primary coverage and Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry insurance is secondary. I also give permission for any picture or video taken of my child to be used for promotional purposes.

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Insurance Co. _____

Policy Number _____

Phone Number _____

Allergies (Dates not needed)

- _____ Hay Fever Food Allergies: _____
- _____ Ivy Poisoning, etc. _____
- _____ Insect Stings _____
- _____ Asthma _____

Describe allergic response _____

Is your child allergic to any drugs? _____

Mental and Emotional Health

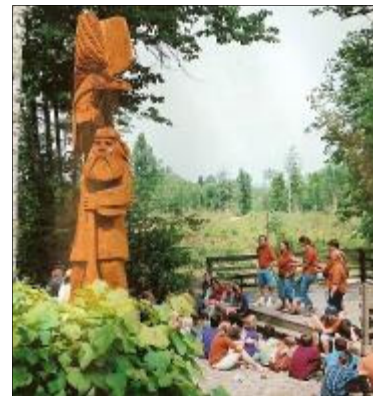
(To help us best serve your child.)

- _____ ADD/AD/HD
- _____ Depression
- _____ Learning Disability
- Other emotional health concern. _____

Looking forward to 2010 with God's great resources in God's Great Northwoods!

Programs

For over 50 years, Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion have been so much more than mere destinations. The creative programs that are woven into our guests' time have proven to be integral in the development of Christian faith. As the needs of our rich community have changed, so too has the need to develop quality, Christ-centered Bible studies and creative environmental education. To meet our campers, families and churches where they are in their faith relationships, we have found ways to embrace the changing world around us. At the same time we have tried to hold true to the traditions that have defined VLM: To be a Fun, Safe, Christ-centered ministry in God's Great Northwoods. Our programs are why people come to our places.



People

I can't tell you how many times I have heard, "It is all about how your summer Staff mentors my children. That's why we are here." It is so wonderful to hear how the Staff and volunteers have continued to be role models for budding, faith-filled youth. Over the years VLM has made a significant investment in the training and development of our Staff, but we couldn't do it without you. It is more than just the staff-people that make this ministry worthwhile. Our summer Staff has role models too! The volunteers, pastors, resource people, artists-in-residence, parents and friends of camp play an important role in setting the bar high. Mission and faith driven, our whole community of people have worked hard to make Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion into great places with great programs.



Places

Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry owns 448 of the best acres in the world! Camp Hiawatha and Camp Vermilion are beautiful. They are natural cathedrals set on the shores of two of the best lakes in the state of Minnesota. At our sites, our guests can look down through the deep, clear waters of Deer Lake during Bible study or worship while gazing at the sunset shining over Lake Vermilion. Our proximity to the Boundary Waters Canoe Area Wilderness offers opportunities for our community to access some of the last pristine areas on earth. We continue to invest in our places so that our programs will always be here for the people of God.



“Tend & Nourish” Capital Campaign Update



Proposed Building

Main Floor

- Summer Dining for 162,
- Winter Dining for 114
- Year-Round Professional Kitchen
- Loft
- Bathrooms
- 3-Season Porches
- Fireplace Area
- Welcome Center

Lower Level

- Canteen
- Large Group Space
- Trail Shack/Retreat Kitchen
- Storage
- 5 Bedrooms with bathrooms



The committee is currently reviewing their responsibilities and mapping strategies to begin anew the fund raising process for construction of a dining hall at the Vermilion site. In the next few months, there will be information mailed for support of this project. The dining hall is the last of the “Tend & Nourish” vision components originally targeted back in 1999. At the recent VLM Annual Meeting the conceptual drawings of the new dining hall were reviewed and Mike Bradley asked those in attendance if they would be willing to contribute \$5,000 over a period of 10 years in support of the dining hall. Results indicated that 29 of 37 (78%) families in attendance would commit to that concept.

Enclosed is my gift to support Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry’s “Tend & Nourish” Reaching Out Capital Campaign.

I wish to help complete the “T & N” Campaign and have enclosed:

____\$50 ____\$ 100 ____\$250 ____\$ 500 ____ \$1000 ____\$ other

___ I prefer to give \$____, every _____, for an annual gift of \$_____

___ My gift will be matched by my employer_____

___ I have provided for a bequest to Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry in my estate planning.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Congregation _____

Please make checks payable to Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry (VLM) All gifts are tax deductible.
 Visa/Master Card/Discover now accepted - **Return form and gift to: VLM, PO Box 1076, Cook MN 55723**

2010 VLM Camper Registration and Health Form

Camp: ___Hiawatha, ___Vermilion, Week/Program: _____

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Birthdate _____-_____-_____

Camper Email Address _____

Cabinmate Request: (list one): _____

Parent Email Address _____

____ Please send to my email address upcoming VLM news, brochures, etc.

Grade Completed _____ Gender _____

Parent/Guardian _____

Work Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Second Parent/Guardian _____ Phone _____

Emergency Contact Person _____

Emergency Phone _____

Home Church, City & Pastor _____

Hockey Only: Position _____ Level _____ Weight _____

Hockey T-Shirt Size: ___ Youth Lg ___ Adult Sm ___ Adult Md ___ Adult Lg ___ Adult XL

For your deposit, we accept: MasterCard, Visa, Discover

Name on Card _____

_____ - _____ - _____ - _____

Expiration Date _____ Amount to be charged _____

Please print clearly. This form may be copied.

Use a separate form for each camper. Health information on this form is gathered to assist us in identifying appropriate care.

Return To: Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry, Box 1076, Cook, MN 55723

Note: Nonrefundable \$75 deposit must be returned with this form to secure reservation (\$100 deposit for Hockey Camp).

Registration details can be found at www.vlmcamps.org
 [Health Form on back must also be completed.]

Extended \$5.00 Early Bird Discount to all of our "Traveler" readers - If this form is returned with deposit by April 15, 2010

Camp Mission Projects

The 2009 VLM Mission Project was split between NEMN Synod Honduras Project and Oak Grove School in Fargo for flood clean-up and rebuilding. VLM Campers donated \$2236.50 this year!



2010 Summer Schedule

Camp Hiawatha	Boundary Waters & Houseboat trips	Camp Vermilion
June 20-26 Hockey Camp (ages 9-14)	Sign up as a group or call the office for availability	July 1-July 4 Family Fourth
June 27-July 2 4-6 Gr. & 7-9 Gr.		July 6-9 Mini Camp (2-4 Gr.)
July 6-9 Mini Camp (2-4 Gr.)	June 20-August 8	July 9 Half-Pint Day (K-2 Gr.)
July 9 Half-Pint Day (K-2 Gr.)		July 6-10 Senior High Servants (1st week)
July 11-16 4-6 Gr., 7-9 Gr. & Senior High Servants (2nd week)	Call 218-666-5465 or e-mail at vlm@vlmcamps.org	July 11-16 4-6 Gr. & Fine Arts Camp
July 18-23 4-6 Gr., 7-9 Gr.		July 18-23 7-9 Gr. & Senior High Camp (10-12 Gr.)
July 25-28 Mini Camp (2-4 Gr.) & Senior High Camp (10-12 Gr.)		July 25-30 4-6 Gr., 7-9 Gr.
July 25-30 Senior High Camp (10-12 Gr.)		Aug. 1-4 Grandparents/Grandkids & Family Camp (option to stay till Aug. 6 th)
July 28 Half Pint		Aug. 1-6 4-6 Gr., 7-9 Gr.
Aug. 1-4 Grandparents/Grandkids & Family Camp (option to stay till Aug. 6 th)		Aug. 8-13 4-6 Gr., 7-9 Gr.

“Tend & Nourish” Donations

Up to \$100

- Anderson, Kressen - Minneapolis
- Beihoffer, Dale L - Aitkin
- Bolstad, Karen - Brooklyn Center
- Bustrom, Kirk & Sarah - Hill City
- DeLack, Scott & Leah - Littlefork
- Holbeck, Phil & Judy - Two Harbors
- Larsen, Michael - Minneapolis
- Linnertz, Connie - Minneapolis
- Mayfield, Shawn & Sara - Lakeville
- Rasmussen, Richard & Yvonne - Tucson, AR
- Ronning, Kara - Hibbing
- Skumatz, Primus & Kim - San Antonio, TX
- Stone, Anders & Pat - Chisholm
- Toole, Rick & Joy - Britt
- Our Savior's Lutheran - Virginia
- Our Savior's Lutheran Youth - Virginia
- Women of the NEMN ELCA
- Zion Lutheran Falls WELCA - Int'l Falls

\$100 - \$249

- Brakke, Paul & Kathy - Greenwood, IN
- Anonymous
- Danielson, Paul & Kim - Esko
- Etter, Eldon & Barb - Zim
- Heikkila, Marlene - Virginia
- Koscik, Ken & Becca - Madison, WI

- Landsverk, Arvel & Gloria - Aitkin
- Mattson, Roger & Karen - Duluth
- Littlefork Lutheran WELCA - Littlefork
- Our Savior's Lutheran WELCA - Aurora
- Sorenson, Anna & Jake - Ferryville, WI
- Woodrow, Dale & Mary Beth - Aitkin

\$250 - \$499

- Westward, Steve & Eileen - Aitkin
- Landsverk, Doug & Susan - Aitkin
- Our Savior's Lutheran Church - Virginia
- Parmer, Nolan & Karen - Prescott, AR
- Schoon, Rev. Sue - St. Paul
- Thydean, Mary - Littlefork
- Tinquist, Jerry & Cherry - Cohasset
- Wickman, Robert & Virginia - Grand Rapids

\$500 - \$999

- Trinity Lutheran - Duluth
- Abrahamson, Kevin - Cook
- Gilbertson, Allen & Karen - Grand Rapids
- Philibert, Jan - Minneapolis
- Our Savior's Lutheran WELCA - Aurora
- Littlefork Lutheran - Littlefork

\$1000 or more

- Eggert, Keith & Cynthia - Bovey
- Moore, Herb & Jan - Aurora
- Troutwine, Phil & Mary - Gilbert

“Tend & Nourish” Memorials

In Memory Of:

- Tom Deibert
- Ruth Holm
- Annika Noel
- Greg Olson
- Bob Simmons
- Denise Watters

Given By:

- Michael & Darlene Nielsen
- Michael & Darlene Nielsen
- Natasha Oreskovich
- Rev. Dave & Carol Solberg
- Ruth Simmons
- Michael & Darlene Nielsen

“Tend & Nourish” Honorariums

In Honor Of:

- Mary Thydean
- Katie Blenkush
- Teddy Blenkush
- 2009 Graduating Seniors of Our Savior's, Virginia

Given By:

- Bernie & Kathy Barich
- Stephen & Julia Blenkush
- Stephen & Julia Blenkush
- Given by: Women of the ELCA Our Savior's

Camp Vermilion Golden Anniversary - July 2009



Last July at Camp Vermilion was a time of remembering, renewing, rejoicing in the camp's 50 years of ministry. Over 300 Staff / friends of camp from that first year of 1959 to the entire seasonal Staff of 2009 were sharing stories, pictures, peace, worship at the site.

The entire weekend was filled with opportunities to experience the program, enjoy the site, and share wonderful meals with friends.

The "Program of Remembrances" had many speakers from the different decades—starting with Mel, Audrey & Tom Bakk from 1959. We were brought up-to-date with two of our 2009 campers, Matt Mehrkins of Virginia and Annaliese Braaten of Minnesota City.

We had wonderful worship services with past and current Staff and our Bishop, Rev. Tom Aitken. The campfires brought out the best of the best moments with VISTA, etc.

To all those who volunteered at the Camp Vermilion 50th celebration - we give thanks for your time, energy and continued investment in the mission and ministry of VLM. A special thanks to Karolyn Torgerson for serving as the coordinator for this event and for all of her love and care of Camp Vermilion.



You Can Help Make Site Wishes Come True at Camp Hiawatha & Camp Vermilion

Maintaining and improving two camps requires many materials and much effort. We're committed to recycling and utilizing our resources as good stewards should. Listed below are just a few of the items that would be helpful as we work to keep our sites in tiptop shape. If you have access to any of these items and wish to donate to either camp, we'll be glad to issue you a receipt for its worth. There is a full list on our website.

- heavy duty ATV trailer
- dimension lumber
- garden tools
- canoes
- hand and power tools
- light bulbs 40, 60 watt
- outdoor benches
- brooms & dustpans
- 55-gallon Rubbermaid trash cans w/lids & liners
- paint brushes/rollers
- tape: masking, duct, scotch
- magic markers
- lawn seed
- window fans
- 16-gallon totes
- cement
- #2 (sand) shovels
- fishing boat and/or out-board motor for Houseboat

Program at Camp Vermilion

- volunteer hours, office help
- **empty inkjet cartridges & toners** (no Epson). VLM can earn up to \$4.00 per cartridge. Consider setting a box in your church and collecting for your camps!
- **cash donations are always welcome!!**

- Moberg, Phyllis - St. Paul - 09
- Morreim, Pastor Dennis & Jeanne - Cloquet - 09
- Morse, Judy - Pengilly - 09*
- Neustel, Wesley - Duluth - 09
- Ohlgren, Ralph & Lorna - Moose Lake - 09, 10
- Olson, Harold & Arliss - Britt - 09
- Olson, Maxine - Orr - 09, 10
- Oswold, Jane - Scanlon - 09
- Our Savior's Lutheran, Women of the ELCA - Hibbing - 09
- Our Savior's Lutheran, Women of the ELCA - Cloquet - 09
- Pearson, Dale & JoAnne - Carlton - 09, 10
- Persson, Darrold & Laurel - Hibbing - 09
- Puncochar, Scott & Mary - Shoreview - 09*
- Raymond, Nancy - Grand Rapids - 09
- Reinhold, John & Bernice - Grand Rapids - 09
- Revoir, Rick & Lisa - Duluth - 09
- Ringdahl, Lee & Leslee - Grand Rapids - 09
- Roberts, Don - St. Peter - 09
- Robson, Joanne - Duluth - 09, 10
- Rogers, Ron & Lynn - Int'l Falls - 09
- Rogness, Rev. Michael & Eva - St. Paul - 09
- Ronning, Kara & Paul - Hibbing - 09
- Rossing, Rev. Lyle & Holly - Sioux Falls, SD - 09
- Schmidt, Leonard & Marlys - Sturgeon Lake - 09
- Sella, Jim & Marge - Tower - 09*
- Shimmon, Fran - Virginia *10
- Sime, Gerald - Duluth - 09
- Simmons, Ruth - Gilbert - 09
- Skoglund, Irene - Aurora - 09

- Solem, Stuart & Carmen - Grand Rapids - 09
 - Soltis, Jack & Jan - Nashwauk - 09*
 - Sorenson, Anna - Ferryville, WI - 09
 - Stoller, Eric & Melissa - Cook - 09*
 - Storsteen, Naomi - Duluth - 09
 - Swanson, Arthur & Anne - Moose Lake - 09
 - Swanson, Paula - Cook - 09
 - Tetlie, Alden & Becky - St. Paul - 09*
 - Thornton, David & Janet - Duluth - 09
 - Thydean, Mary - Littlefork - 09
 - Tinquist, Jerry & Cherry - Cohasset - 09, 10
 - Tokarczyk, Robert & Sheryl - Mt Iron - 09
 - Toole, Rick & Joy - Britt - 09, 10
 - Trinity Lutheran Sunday School - Cook - 09
 - Tveite, Paul & Betty - Grand Rapids - 09, 10
 - Ulland, Kim - Benson - 09
 - WA Fisher Company, Mark Leese - Virginia - 09
 - Walli, Rod - Wright - 09
 - Webb, Todd & Angela - Grand Rapids - 09
 - Webster, Alfred - Aitkin - 09, 10
 - Wefelmeyer, Fred & Marilyn - Cloquet - 09
 - Weller, Wayne & Irene - Grand Rapids - 09
 - Wierimaa, Anne - Duluth - 09, 10
 - Wingness, Vicki June - Duluth - 09
 - Wittmers, Larry & Ruth - Duluth - 09
 - Yarger, Rev. Lee & Jan - Laporte - 09
 - Yetter, Helen - Duluth - 09
 - Zwieg, John & Claire - Cook - 09
- * New Builder

In recognition of the service to people and importance of the ministry of Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry, **I accept the invitation to be a Member of the Builders Giving Program.**

Enclosed is my gift of _____ \$100 Builders Level _____ \$500 Trailblazer Level
 _____ \$250 Pioneer Level _____ \$1000 (or more) Voyageurs Level

____ I prefer to give \$____, every _____, for an annual gift of \$_____
 ____ My gift will be matched by my employer _____
 ____ I have provided for a bequest to Voyageurs Lutheran Ministry in my estate planning.

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____

Congregation _____

Name of person who asked you to join _____

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Ulland, Robert & Myrna - Duluth - 09
 Walk, Amy & Stephen - Saint Cloud - 09*
 Waters, Ed & Mary Jean - Chisholm - 09
 Weum, John & Janell - Eden Prairie - 09
 Yernberg, Margaret - Red Wing - 09

Builder Level: \$100-\$249

Abrahamson, John & Gail - New Richmond, WI - 09*
 Ahrlin, Jim & Ginny - Eveleth - 09
 Alsop, Bob & June - Duluth - 09
 Alstrom, Carol - Litchfield - 09
 Anderson, Catherine - Duluth - 09
 Anderson, Gerald & Elaine - Hibbing - 09
 Anderson, Roy & Audrey - Hermantown - 09
 Bailey, Bert & Mary - Buffalo - 09, 10
 Barrick, Joseph & Margaret - Mechanicsburg, PA - 09
 Bauman, Bill & Jeannine - Virginia - 09
 Bergeland, Dan & Marjorie - Duluth - 09
 Blenkush, Stephen & Julia - Milaca - 09
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 Gray, Bernice - Hibbing - 09, 10
 Hagestuen, Don & Sonja - Aitkin - 09
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 Halsey, Beth - Grand Rapids - 09*
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 Hill, Jeffrey & Sharry - Cook - 09*
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 Holleque, Rev. Erik & Mary - Hibbing - 09
 Hommes, Dave & Linda - Aitkin - 09*
 Hoyer, Marc & Mia - White Bear Lake - 09*
 Human Touch Stores - Cook - 09
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 Machones, Joe - Duluth - 09
 Marple, Kurt & Elaine - Buffalo - 09*
 Mattson, Louis & Peggy - Pengilly - 09
 Mattson, Roger & Karen - Duluth - 09
 Mayfield, Shawn & Sara - Lakeville - 09
 Minske, Dorothy - Pengilly - 09

FAMILY & FRIENDS

My heart holds a very special place for VLM! It has been a part of my life since I was a little girl! I started going to camp as a camper in the early 80's. My last camper experience was two weeks for volunteer camp when I was in 10th grade. I remember how long the road into camp seemed and the drive to Cook from Virginia seemed to take forever! I never would have imagined as a 10th grader that VLM would still be such a big part of who I am today and now a big and special part of my family and be in my backyard!

My two children; Hannah 4 and Zach 6 would live at Camp Vermilion all summer if they could! It is their home away from home in the summer! Camp offers my family the opportunity to see, feel, taste, touch and be an active part of God's love and grace in the great northwoods!

I am the Director of Youth and Family Ministry at Trinity in Cook so Camp Vermilion is our backyard! I love getting kids fired up about camp! I love helping families find the resources to get their kids to camp! I love being included



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