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St. Lucas Community Church—Lake Elmo
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Men's UEC #237
October 1-4, 2009

Women's UEC #238
October 8-11, 2009

*"Don't be afraid; from now on you will catch men."
So they pulled their boats up on shore
left everything and followed Him." Luke 5:10-12*

*"For I am the Lord, your God,
who takes hold of your right hand and says to you,
"Do not fear, I will help you." Jsaiah 41:13*

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Directions / Schedules

Directions: St. Lucas Community, Lake Elmo

From the Twin Cities, take I-94 East towards WI.
Exit at Manning Ave. N. and go North. St. Lucas
Community Church is on the right, just past
10th Str. N. Watch for the "4th Day" signs.

Serenades

Agape Dinner: Open to 4th Day and Kitchen Team
members and their guests only.

Sunday Morning: Open to Sponsors only.

Sunday Dinner: Open to the 4th Day Community.
4:30 p.m. - Sponsors, please arrive at 4:00 p.m.

Clausura

Sunday afternoon at 4:30 p.m. Bring your song book!

Church Liaison Meetings

Before every Women's Clausura on Sunday
afternoons beginning at 3:00 p.m., Church Liaisons
share ideas for making the local UEC Community
more active. If you are interested in exploring the
idea of being a Church Liaison, this is a good place to
begin. **Everyone is welcome.**

Weekend Prayer Vigil

Prayer is critical. Please sign up to pray during these
weekends at www.unidosencristo.com. Go to
4th Day / Prayer Vigil. Tips are provided.

Helping Hands Palanca:

Offer to help cook, serve, or wash dishes for the
Kitchen Team. Help 4th Day Team on Thursday with
set up, on Saturday before or after the Agape dinner,
or on Sunday with tear down/cleaning. Volunteer to
host the 4th Day Center anytime on the weekend.

All About Palanca

How many items should I provide?

When sending Palanca for distribution in the Rollo
Room, please send 56 items for each weekend.

Food Palanca Requests

For perishable items, bring very fresh or frozen.

Men's Weekend:

Fresh fruit/vegies, asst. pop/water, 110 5-7oz
chicken breasts, 110 1/3 lb hamburger patties, 330
Johnsonville sausage links, 110 pcs apple pie, 26
bottles Catawba juice, cash donations also welcome.
Contact Todd Christopherson at 651-466-0544 or at
todd@theremodelership.com.

Women's Weekend:

10 lbs Folgers coffee, 10 lbs Folgers decaf coffee,
100 asst bagels, 15 doz donut holes, 150 croissants,
20 lbs baby carrots, 140 3oz chicken breasts,
5 doz eggs, 120 bread sticks, 120 pcs cheesecake,
26 bottles white Catawba juice, 10 angel food cakes,
250 sausage links, 10 lbs oranges, 1 gal chocolate
syrup, 1 gal caramel topping, 10 loaves french bread,
12 doz asst cookies. Contact Jill Biatak at
952-474-7554 or at biatak@gmail.com.

Paper Palanca

Letters arrive for each UEC weekend from around the
country and the world! Cash donations can also be
given to each weekend. Send Palanca to:

Men of UEC #237 or Women of UEC #238
Rich Schmid, Palanca Coordinator
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UEC #237 - Men's Team Roster

Tom Mathias Alliance Church of the Valley
 Gary Mau St. Croix Valley UMC
 Peter Nasseff Holy Family Catholic
 Craig Stockel First UMC, Lindstrom
 Kent Slavik Real Life Church
 Dan Peterson St. Lucas Community
 Lyle Jensen Colonial Church of Edina
 Ralph Fravel Shepherd of the Valley
 Sam Hatman Colonial Church of Edina
 Fred Toenniges Wayzata Evangelical Free

Charley Brandt Recovery Church
 Gary Christian St. Croix Valley UMC
 Gene Kruschek St. Croix Valley UMC
 Chris Nelson Hastings UMC

Rick Pavelka Faith Presbyterian, Minnetonka
 Mike Powell St. Lucas Community
 Neal Powell St. Lucas Community
 Jerry Snyder Plymouth Covenant
 Jerry Wienke Crosswinds Community

Chris Anderson First UMC, Lindstrom
 Jerry Neumann Eagle Brook Church
 Rick Townsend-Anderson Mendota Heights UCC
 Bouwe Hamersma Faith Presbyterian, Minnetonka
 Jon Bjork First UMC, Lindstrom
 Danny Cochran Eagle Brook
 Jim Korgstad North Branch UMC
 Charlie Rasmussen Crosswinds Community
 Terry Vereide Brooklyn UMC
 Dave Webb Normandale Hylands UMC
 John Weber Stone Church

Todd Christopherson Eagle Brook Church
 Todd Wright Alliance Church of the Valley
 Rob Powell St. Lucas Community
 Todd Mihelich Faith Lutheran
 Kent Nack Colonial Church of Edina
 Marshall Puls Hope Presbyterian
 Dan Ryan Normandale Hylands UMC
 Tim Wheeler Stillwater Evangelical Free

Tim Powell St. Lucas Community
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 Mike Fluegel North Branch UMC
 Don Mechelke St. Lucas Community
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 Pete Olson First UMC, Lindstrom
 Ray Roemmich First Presbyterian, Stillwater
 Mike Shanley St. Lucas Community
 Larry Steffensen North Branch UMC

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Assistant Rector/a

Spiritual Directors

Music Directors

Rollistas

Table Leaders

Palanca Rector/a
Asst. Palanca Rector/a
Palanca Spiritual Dir.
Palanca Music Dir.
Palanca Team

Kitchen Rector/a
Asst. Kitchen Rector/a
Kitchen Musician
Kitchen Team

4th Day Rector/a
Asst. 4th Day Rector/a
4th Day Team



UEC #238 - Women's Team Roster

Patty Christopherson Eagle Brook Church
 Sandy Dunleavy Grace Church
 Terri Eggleston Substance Church
 Jennifer Lee Christ Presbyterian
 Patti Haaheim SouthCross Community
 Casey vanderBent SouthCross Community
 Carole May Hastings UMC
 Marilyn Morlock Hastings UMC

Kari Caldwell First UMC, Lindstrom
 Judy Cochran Eagle Brook Church
 Jennifer Gisinger Grace Point Church
 Bev Rasmussen Crosswinds Community
 Leslie Rodeck Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free
 Judy Bollar Church of All Nations
 Sarah Peterson Rochester Covenant
 Susie Prin Hope Presbyterian
 Brigitte Schroeder Stillwater Evangelical Free
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 Barb Paul Faith UMC
 Mary Schultz Stone Church
 Sue Christian First UMC, Lindstrom
 Kris Anderson Stewartville UMC
 Sherry Lecy Alliance Church of the Valley
 Kelli Mathias Bethel Lutheran
 Ellen Nelson
 Helen Pollard
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 Sue Robinson Autumn Ridge Church
 Sara Schwartz Crossroads Evangelical Free
 Fran Wohlwend St. Croix Valley UMC

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 Tracy Daleiden Buffalo UMC

Gail Bennett Christ Family Church
 Jill Biatek Discovery UMC
 Leanne Bondhus Crossroads Covenant
 Marissa Hanus Plymouth Covenant
 Lorna Leistikow St. Lucas Community
 Beth Lunsford First UMC Lindstrom
 Charlotte Mechelke St. Lucas Community
 Sherry Weyker Crossroads Covenant

Cyndi Powell St. Lucas Community
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 Christy Fluegel North Branch UMC
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One Cursillista's Experience

My UEC weekend was shrouded with mystery, yet I knew that God wanted me there. My sponsors told me it would be a life-changing weekend. Yet, when I probed with questions, they'd smile and say, "Just wait. We don't want to spoil any surprises."

I came to this weekend wanting to experience God in a deeper way. I had been in a difficult marriage for 25 years and divorced for three years. For months I had been asking the Lord to reveal his love to me.

Friday morning, I met my tablemates. We were all so different — ages, marital status, church affiliation, background — yet we were unified in our love for Jesus. With each teaching, table discussion, poster making and sharing, palanca receiving and singing of silly songs, laughter and tears, my heart was receiving more of the Father's love.

At the dinner, I was ushered in with kindness and respect to my seat as if I were the bride. Tears ran down my cheeks. I thanked a server and he said, "You are worth it." I lost it. The Lord spoke through him to me that I was worthy — worthy to receive His love, worthy to be His bride, worthy to be loved.

My life is different. I now walk in the revelation of God's full love, and I can't wait to sponsor my friend. Her life will be changed, too.

—Lynn Sonia, Hosanna! Lutheran Church, UEC #234

Does Your Church Need a UEC Bulletin Board?

Our newly formed UEC Bulletin Board Team will be happy to custom design a UEC Bulletin Board for your church. Come to an October Clausura to see a UEC Bulletin Board display and pick what works best for your church. We will design fun and colorful or peaceful and elegant, whatever you like.

The final product will include a UEC brochure holder and information for your board including the UEC Faith Statement, How to Attend a UEC Weekend, Who to Contact, etc. Items will be modular so you can rearrange them on your board from time to time. We will charge the cost of materials only.

If you enjoy scrapbooking type crafts, we would love to have you be part of our team!
For information, contact Jennifer Lee at 952-829-7839 or brianjennifer@usfamily.net.
Or, visit our web site and go to *4th Day / Current News*.

NEW UEC Song Books

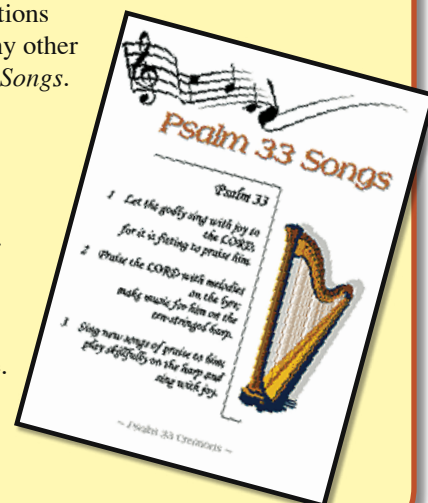
Over the next year, UEC will be switching from the familiar Songs and Creations song book to a new song book called *Psalm 33 Songs* published by Psalm 33 Creations (www.psalms33creations.com). *Psalm 33 Songs* is quickly becoming the accepted standard for many Cursillo organizations.

In the last couple of months, it has become impossible to place orders for the Songs and Creations song book. Recently, we discovered that Via de Cristo has had similar difficulty as have many other Cursillo organizations across the country, many of whom have already migrated to *Psalm 33 Songs*. After a little research, switching seems the best solution.

So, beginning with the October weekends, the new Cursillistas will be given *Psalm 33 Songs* in their Palanca bags, and the song books in the Rollo Room and Palanca Chapel will also be replaced. We hope to have a few on hand to sell at the market table at the October Clausuras. You can also purchase direct from Psalm 33 Creations.

Psalm 33 Songs includes 175+ familiar Cursillo songs. It references pages in the current Songs and Creations song book, so you will be able to use your current song book for a while.

We are looking into the possibility of selling the used Songs and Creations song books. If you would be interested in purchasing some, please contact Don May.



Fourth Day

Welcome to the 4th Day!

Participant List from UEC #235 & #236 — Faith Covenant Church

Kelly Anderson, Peace Reformed
Lindsey Bell, Fairmont Covenant
Karen Bergly, Brunswick UMC
Jen Bowe, Discovery UMC
Martha Jo Bruyer, Rosemount UMC
Marty and Kristine Caffey, Gathering of God's People
Alan and Carol Clason, Christ Community
Daniel and Laurie Doughty, First UMC, Lindstrom
Nathan and Cristina Earley, Faith Presbyterian
Brian and Angie Fogal, Bethany Alliance
Tom Graffunder, Faith Covenant
Lil Gravlin, Faribault Evangelical Free
Bruce Hadler, Colonial Church of Edina
Joel and Maria Hartle, Grace UMC
Karen Helgesen, Faith Covenant
Betty Hvidsten, First Presbyterian, Shakopee
Paul and Judy Keller, Discovery UMC
Jennifer Kelley, Woodridge Church
Don and Mary Lou Klassy, Colonial Church of Edina
Jeanne Kluge, Litchfield UMC
David and Pam Maas, Christ Community
Penny Meschke, Normandale Hylands UMC
Sharon Mickelson, Litchfield UMC
Deb Miller, Buffalo UMC

Alvin and Estelle Miller, Plymouth Covenant
Bruce and Sue Morrisette, Crossroads Covenant
Michael and Julie Nybakken, Faith Covenant
Bryan and Sue Pepper, Faith Covenant
John and Robyn Pelehos, True North Church
Kate Peterson, St. Lucas Community
Bren Pierce, Brooklyn Park Evangelical Free
Linnea Powers, Berean Baptist
Frank Rose, Litchfield UMC
David and Lisa Samuelson, Bloomington Baptist
Julie Schroeder, Hosanna! Lutheran
Jaime Sharp, Trinity Lutheran
Bradley Spear, Grace UMC
Jodi Lynn Strom, SouthCross Community
Sally Stucky, People of Hope
Connie Sylvester, Eden Prairie AOG
Trish Taylor, Fairmont Covenant
Jayne Tonn, Fairmont Covenant
Sue Wallerick, Faith Covenant
Jacob and Twila Wattenphul, Christ Community
Dennis and Joanie Webster, Brunswick UMC
Caroline Winget, Brunswick UMC
Don and Jan Zimmerman, Autumn Ridge Church



Weekender Reviews

"I realized that it is by God's grace that I do what I do for God."

"Praise the Lord! I finally nailed my burdens to the cross! They're gone!"

"I've always known how the body of Christ should operate. This is it."

"I let Jesus out of the very small box in which I had Him. Now He is my All in All."

"An experience in pure, unadulterated, grace."

"The purpose of UEC is to infiltrate our churches with true Christians."

(Pastor Greg Iverson)

Fifth Day

In Loving Memory

We joyfully celebrate the life and resurrection of each friend in Christ who has entered the Fifth Day:

John Ballard, UEC 73, Normandale Hylands UMC (Ann)
Roberta Cox, UEC 64, Arlington UMC (Richard)
Vicky Horton, UEC, Hope Presbyterian (now FL) (Neal)
Jay Libby, UEC 145, Hennepin Avenue UMC
Bernadette Sorenson, VDC 117, First Presbyterian Stillwater

Jane Souhrada, UEC 70, Hennepin Avenue UMC
Irmagene Stark, UEC 24, Hennepin Avenue UMC
Diane Troedson, UEC 98, Hope Presbyterian (Peter)
Lynn Talbert, UEC 182, Wayzata Community (Craig)

Memorials Given

In Memory of Roberta Cox by Richard Cox

In Memory of Cleone Anderson, Elayne Ballard, Dave Tellet and Rev. Rodney Wilmoth by Larry Duncan

If you know of a Cursillista who has entered his or her 5th Day, please e-mail information to the Palanca Press editor (walker@unidosencristo.com). Memorials given in memory of Cursillistas will be acknowledged in the Palanca Press, unless otherwise requested. Send them to the Unidos en Cristo Council Treasurer: Teresa VanBatavia, 404 Union Terrace Lane N., Plymouth, MN 55441.

Weekend Watch

Upcoming UEC Weekends are listed in the table below. Weekend and Team Applications are available from your Church Liaison or online at www.unidosencristo.com on the *Resources / Forms* page.

WEEKEND APPLICATIONS will be accepted at any time for any weekend if the weekend hasn't filled. If you wish to submit a weekend application within two weeks of an upcoming weekend, ask your Church Liaison to contact Audrey Mondelli, Allocations Coordinator to determine if space is available. When this issue of the Palanca Press went to print, **there were still Applicant openings for the October '09 weekends at St. Lucas Community Church in Lake Elmo.** Send Weekend Applications to:

Audrey Mondelli, UEC Allocations • 2630 Boulder Way • Burnsville, MN 55337 • mondelli@unidosencristo.com

The Weekend Application fee of \$30.00 per Applicant should accompany the Weekend Application.

TEAM APPLICATIONS will be accepted after the Final TEAM AP DATE in the table below if the team is not yet full. NOW is the PERFECT TIME to apply to serve on the January/February 2010 weekends. Leadership will begin filling those teams soon.

Weekend	Date	Host Church	Rector/a	Spiritual Directors	Team Ap Window
#239 Men	January 28-31, 2010	Colonial Church of Edina	TBA	TBA	July 28 - October 28, 2009
#240 Women	February 4-7, 2010	Colonial Church of Edina	TBA	TBA	July 28 - October 28, 2009
#241 Men	June 17-20, 2010	4th Ave. UMC Faribault, MN	TBA	TBA	December 17, 2009- March 17, 2010
#242 Women	June 24-27, 2010	4th Ave. UMC Faribault, MN	TBA	TBA	December 17, 2009- March 17, 2010

UEC Friends

Singles Ultreyas (all Cursillo communities):

Held the 2nd Saturday of each month at 5:30 p.m. For more information or if you can host a Singles Ultreya at your church, contact Judy Laabs-Foss at 651-429-6762.

Charis: Serve those in prison. Go to: www.charismn.com

Teens Encounter Christ (TEC):

Sponsor a teenager (grades 10-12) or serve as an Adult Leader on a TEC weekend. Visit www.unitedtec.org (metro) or www.southerntec.org. (Southern MN) for more information.

Via de Cristo (Minnesota):

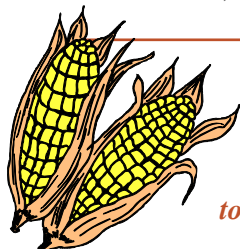
Visit www.mnviadecristo.org. Now ecumenical, this began as Minnesota's Lutheran Cursillo.

Tres Dias:

An international ecumenical community. Visit www.tresdias.org.

Walk to Emmaus:

Sponsored by the Upper Room, information on this ecumenical community, which began in the Methodist tradition, can be found at www.mnemmasus.org.



It's autumn. It's harvest time. Many of us find that our thoughts turn more thankful during this time of year. As you see the "harvest" pictures throughout this newsletter, consider for a moment what you are doing as a Christian to bring in the spiritual harvest talked about in Matthew 9:37 and Luke 10:2:

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest." Is God calling you to labor?

Web Watch

www.unidosencristo.com

NEW Prayer Vigil Sign Up at UEC Web Site!

We would like to extend our thanks to Jim Arend, Via de Cristo Coordinator for "tweaking" the Prayer Vigil portion of our web site. He made it look like the rest of our site, made it a little more user friendly and updated the weekends available for which you may pray.

Did you know that when you sign up for a one-hour time to pray for the UEC weekends, you receive a reminder, special prayer requests from the weekend team and prayer tips with scripture and items for which to pray?

Please pray for our weekends.
Please sign up at the www.unidosencristo.com
Go to *4th Day / PRAYER VIGIL*

Council Quarters

Convenor's Corner

I was at a friends house recently and was amused to notice her "UEC box" (we all have one) sitting in the corner of the room, overflowing with various forms of roosters and chickens, miscellaneous Palanca keepsakes, bookmarks (how many do you have?), cards, craft supplies for making more Palanca, etc. It inspired me to go through my own box.

When I go through my box, I always have the intention of throwing some of it out or passing it on, thus reducing it to a few special items. But this never happens. Instead, as I'm reading the bookmarks and the Palanca notes, I become inspired to do all the things UEC teaches us to do ... work on my character, assess whether I'm practicing a balance of piety, study and action, give an Abrazo to someone, be sure Jesus is at the center of all that I am doing in my life. I am, once again, transformed and renewed. And, I am often inspired to SPONSOR, to "Pass it On."

The UEC Council has many goals for the upcoming term ... you can read about those elsewhere. This year, my main prayer for the UEC 4th Day Community is that we will be supernaturally inspired to "Pass it On". We can change policy until we are blue in the face. We can upgrade images and databases and marketing tools and spend a lot of money doing so. We can update our manuals and information. And, while these are all needed and worthy tasks for a non-profit organization that wishes to be excellent, they are no substitute for the simple act we call SPONSORSHIP. This is God's ministry for us ... that we share the gift of His Grace.

Who do you know that could really use the transformation by God's grace that UEC so uniquely extends? Pick up the phone and call them ... now. Invite them. Be blessed as a Sponsor.

Abrazos!
Kathy Walker, Convenor

Jesus said,

"Yes, I am the vine; you are the branches.
Those who remain in me, and I in them,
will produce much fruit.
For apart from me you can do nothing."
John 15: 5

UEC Volunteer Opportunities

Database Team Forming

We are still looking for 1-2 people who know Microsoft Access 2007 and would be willing to help with data entry as needed. If interested, contact Del VanBatavia, Database Administrator at 763-542-9506 or dvanbatavia@ccspm.org.

Promotional Materials Storage/Distribution Help

We continue to look for someone willing to store and distribute UEC promotional materials (brochures, DVDs, sponsor packets, etc.). For more information, please call Kathy Walker.

Current Wish List

UEC is currently in need of these items. If someone would be willing to donate or make the items, please contact Don May.

- new gauze for the Agape Dinner canopy
- another cross tree for use in the Palanca Chapel

UEC Speakers Bureau

During 2009-2010, the UEC Council would like to form a Speakers Bureau. These would be experienced UEC folks who have probably served as Rector/a or on several teams who would visit with pastors and attend UEC informational events at churches to assist local UEC communities in promoting UEC. If you would like to learn more, please call Kathy Walker.

Inspiration

Is Your Coal Lit?

A member of a certain church, who previously had been attending services regularly, stopped going. After a few weeks, the preacher decided to visit him.

It was a chilly evening. The preacher found the man at home alone, sitting before a blazing fire. Guessing the reason for his preacher's visit, the man welcomed him, led him to a comfortable chair near the fireplace, and waited.

The preacher made himself at home but said nothing. In the grave silence, he contemplated the dance of the flames around the burning logs. After some minutes, the preacher took the fire tongs, carefully picked up a brightly burning ember and placed it to one side of the hearth all alone. Then he sat back in his chair, still silent.

The host watched all this in quiet contemplation. As the one lone ember's flame flickered and diminished, there was a momentary glow and then its fire was no more. Soon it was cold and dead.

Not a word had been spoken since the initial greeting. The preacher glanced at his watch and realized it was time to leave. He slowly stood up, picked up the cold, dead ember and placed it back in the middle of the fire. Immediately it began to glow, once more with the light and warmth of the burning coals around it.

As the preacher reached the door to leave, his host said with a tear running down his cheek, 'Thank you so much for your visit and especially for the fiery sermon. I shall be back in church next Sunday.'

Anonymous
Submitted by Susan Stevens

Thank You Retiring Council Members!

Please join us in thanking the following retiring Council members for their service to UEC and the years of effort and sacrifice they have given.

Dick Hamblin (Convenor, Leadership Development)

Kory Everson (Liaison Coordinator)

Gordy Nagel (Palanca Coordinator)

Mike Meier (Secretary)

Darla O'Flanagan (New Churches Coordinator)

We also extend special thanks to Marie Wilson, Database Administrator and to Reuben Finstrom, Database Technician. They are both retiring from their support positions with UEC. The Database is massive and Marie and Reuben have designed it, guarded it and painstakingly kept it accurate and updated for over 10 years. And, they have done so on a volunteer basis.

Please give them all an Abrazo and a big "Thank You" if you see them.

Welcome New Council Members!

We would also like to invite the 4th Day Community to **WELCOME** new Council members:

Secretary: David Webb

David attended UEC in 2004. He has served on several UEC teams. He attends church at Normandale Hylands UMC and at Church of the Open Door where he is involved as a Sunday School teacher and an usher.

Leadership Development: Alan Stewart

Alan and his wife, Carol, attended UEC 131/132 in 1997. They attend Faith Presbyterian Church—Minnetonka where they are involved in renewal groups. Alan served as Rector in February 2008. They have two children and live in Minnetonka.

Leadership Training: Paul Tesarek

Paul attended UEC 149 in 1998 and was Rector for UEC 201 in 2004. He lives in Minnetonka with his wife, Sue. They have two grown children. They attend Faith Presbyterian Church—Minnetonka. Paul attended BSF for nine years and for the past several years has been active in the Charis ministry at Rochester FMC.

Leadership Training: Robin Redman

Robin attended UEC in 1987 and served as Rectora in 1997. She and her husband, Russ, have three sons (two married) and one new grandson. Robin works in the Wayzata school district and attends Wayzata Evangelical Free where she has mentored younger women, taught Sunday School and taken part on mission trips. She has also been a discussion leader for BSF and CBS.

Liaison Coordinator: Susan Lay

Sue and her husband, Kevin, attended UEC 189/190 in 2003. She has served on numerous teams and is the UEC Liaison at Faith Covenant Church. Sue volunteers in many ministries including serving as a mentor for a single mom and in the monthly food outreach program.

New Church Coordinator: Judy Odegaard

Judy and her husband, Chuck, attended UEC 199/120 in 1995. She has served on several teams in both UEC and Charis. She has served as Rectora for both UEC and Charis. She attends Plymouth Covenant Church where she is Congregational Care Coordinator. She and Chuck have three grown children and eleven grandchildren.

Palanca Coordinator: Rich Schmid

Rich and his wife, Kathy, attended UEC 127/128. After serving on several teams, Rich served as Rector for UEC 233. Rich and Kathy have been married since 1997 and are the very proud parents of Hannah Hope. All three are currently seeking a new church home.

UEC Council 2009-2010

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Thank you! May God Bless You for Your Service!

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2010

January 26
January 28-30
February 4-7
February 23
March 23
June 17-20
June 24-27

UEC Council Meeting
Men #239 - Colonial Church of Edina
Women #240 - Colonial Church of Edina
UEC Council Meeting
UEC Council Meeting
Men #241 - 4th Ave. UMC, Faribault
Women #242 - 4th Ave. UMC, Faribault



*“But I say, wake up and look around.
The fields are ripe for harvest ... and the fruit they harvest is
people brought to eternal life.
What joy awaits both the planter and the harvester alike!” John 4:35-37*