

HEADWATERS

News for Upper Susquehanna Synod Leaders

August 2, 2011



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Upper Susquehanna Synod, ELCA, PO Box 36, Lewisburg, PA 17837

Moving Forward with Christ

An upcoming event that you are encouraged to attend!

Upper Susquehanna Synod Bishop Robert L. Driesen and his colleague bishops of Region 8 invite all rostered leaders to attend ***Moving Forward with Christ***, to be held November 1 and 2, 2011, at the Blair County Convention Center (BCCC) in Altoona, PA. ***Moving Forward with Christ*** is an exciting opportunity for all rostered leaders from across the Region to gather to celebrate the diverse ministries that occur on our territory. It will feature:

- Bible study under the leadership of Dr. Wally Taylor. Taylor is the Ernest W. and Edith S. Ogram Professor of New Testament Studies and Director of Graduate Studies at Trinity Lutheran Seminary.
- Conversation with Bishop Mark Hanson, Presiding Bishop of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.
- The chance to talk with leaders from other synods about how you envision both living your life of discipleship and leading others to experience the love of Christ in ways that encourage them to share their faith in daily life.

The purpose of this event is to re-energize and focus rostered leaders on how we are a part of the ELCA; to build on the collegiality we share within the Region; to share with one another what we do here in the Region; to express our joys and our struggles in mission here in Region 8; and to allow Bishop Hanson the chance to listen to us. Finally, we'll take a hope that one byproduct of this all is a trust between rostered leaders in Region 8 and the larger churchwide expression.

On the first day Bishop Hanson will listen to all that occurs from worship through the synod mission moments. Then as he shares his thoughts with us he can reflect what he's heard and express his vision for how the ELCA will '***Move Forward with Christ in Mission***'.

The synod group discussions on the morning of the 2nd will be led by the Directors of Evangelical Mission and their bishops and will focus in the areas of leadership, stewardship, and renewal. Particularly, Pastor Hirsch hopes to focus conversation using these concepts: where do we draw traction for our future together? When we talk about identity - what are the things that all of us claim? What grounds us? What are our weaknesses and what are our strengths?

Registration for this exciting event is now open for your use. This will be accomplished through Constant Contact's Event Marketing service. You'll see the link to the Event's homepage below. We urge you to save this homepage as a 'favorite' so that you might return to it and stay abreast of additional details for the gathering.

- Early Bird registration is \$80.00 through August 12
- Registration is \$100.00 through September 16
- Late registration is \$125.00 through October 14
- Registration closes October 14, 2011. Click here for ***Moving Forward with Christ Registration***:
<http://events.r20.constantcontact.com/register/event?oeidk=a07e3wuyv36b0d9e0bd&llr=whcklncab>

As a reminder: the registration form indicates that you must make your own overnight motel reservations. A list of Altoona area motels is a part of the Event's homepage. The Blair County Convention Center is a state of the art convention center, which hosts the Allegheny Synod Assembly, and, is highly rated by participants at that event.

NEWS BRIEFS

ELCA 2011 Churchwide Assembly: Tune in to the ELCA 2011 Churchwide Assembly, August 15-19 -- *Freed in Christ to Serve*. Visit www.elca.org/assembly to view live webcasts of assembly plenary sessions and worship, voting results, videos, photos, live chats, and more. If you can't be in Orlando, we hope you'll be a frequent virtual participant and encourage your members to do the same. Thank you for your prayers and participation in this biennial gathering of your church body! *Voting members from our synod are:* Pastor Cheryl Berner, Ms. Betty Longfield, Pastor Patrick Sipes, Mr. James Stanley, Pastor Constantine Havir, Ms. Peggy Bohart, Mr. Thomas Booth, Ms. Christy Ziegler, Bishop Robert Driesen.

Commemorating Anniversary: This year, the 10th anniversary of the September attacks falls on a Sunday. The ELCA Churchwide Staff for Worship has gathered a few worship resources for that anniversary. Additional resources may be added, so continue to check back between now and September: www.elca.org/worship. The Worship Committee of the Metro D.C. Synod has developed a resource to commemorate the anniversary of September 11 and help us remember the ways our senses and our souls were affected that day. The Entrance Rite including prayers, litany, and hymn suggestions is posted under "Events" at www.metrodcelca.org.

2012 Youth Ministry Network Extravaganza: The ELCA Youth Ministry Network invites all who minister with youth to the annual Extravaganza, February 9-12, 2012, in New Orleans. "Intensive Care Courses" will be offered February 8-9. Engaging speakers, moving workshop, transforming workshops, empowering fellowship, and ELCA Youth Gathering Preparation are all on deck. Registration opened July 1, 2011, at www.elcaymnet.org

New Resource Available: Earlier this year Lutheran Advocacy Ministry in Pennsylvania (LAMPa) invited our synod to take part in a mandated reporter survey in Pennsylvania. That survey found that most mandated reporters, including clergy, were often unaware of the requirements or procedures for being a mandated reporter of suspected child abuse. Now, there is a new resource to assist in educating rostered leaders about their legal obligations. On June 23 a new Look Out for Child Abuse website was launched in Pennsylvania. (<http://pennstatehershey.org/sites/childabuse/>) It is a collaborative effort of the Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital, Department of Humanities and the Center on Children and the Law of the Penn State Dickinson School of Law. The vision and mission of the site is to lay the foundation for a "one-stop resource" about reporting child abuse in the Commonwealth. The website was previewed as a "first of its kind" intended to make it easier "to identify and report suspected cases of child abuse." Immediately the emphasis is making available a user-friendly site replete with a variety of resources and tools that will help persons mandated by law to report suspected child abuse (e.g. teachers, doctors, police officers, child care providers, nurses, clergy, etc) understand their role and responsibility.

Trinity Days in Columbus, Ohio: Registration is now open for Trinity Days, "After Religion", at Trinity Lutheran Seminary in Columbus, Ohio, September 28-30, 2011. Presenter Diana Butler Bass is an author, speaker, and independent scholar specializing in American religion and culture. Registration is \$50 per person, and \$25 for a spouse. For more information, go to www.TLSohio.edu.

MILESTONES

Pastor Amanda K. Range (Salem Parish) will be installed as pastor of the Salem Parish (Salem Lutheran Church, Salem and St. Peter, Kreamer) on Sunday, October 23, at 4:00 PM. Clergy are invited to vest (green) and process.

Pastor Leah D. Schade begins to serve a part-time, two-year term call to United In Christ, West Milton, on July 31, 2011. She will be installed as pastor on Sunday, October 9, at 4:00 PM. Clergy are invited to vest (green) and process.

Pastor Collette Broady Preiss received and accepted a call as Associate Pastor at Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Good Thunder (Mankato), Minnesota, effective June 12, 2011. She has, as a result, transferred to the Southeastern Minnesota Synod. Blessings!

By action of the Synod Council on July 21, **Pastor Ralph Heagy** was granted the status of "retired," effective August 1, 2011. **Pastor Glen B. Keidel, Jr.** was removed from the roster of the ELCA with regret, effective June 30, 2011, in response to his letter of resignation. **Pastor Dennis A. Smith** was removed from the roster of the ELCA having reached the maximum three-year's status of "on leave from call".

CELEBRATING MILESTONES AT SYNOD ASSEMBLY

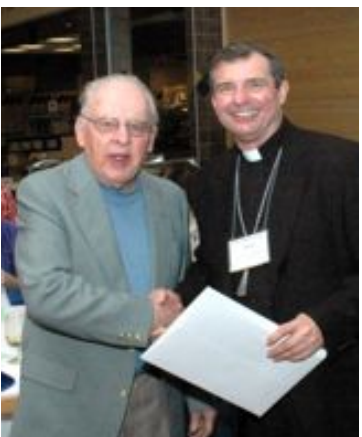
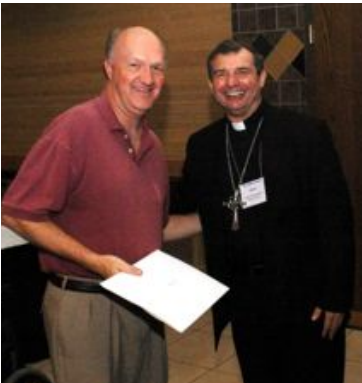


Representatives of St. Stephen's, Licking Creek, are honored as their congregation celebrates its 150th anniversary this year.



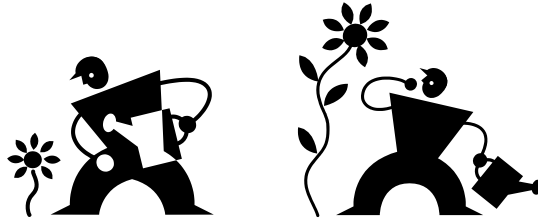
Representatives of Emmanuel, Williamsport, are honored as their congregation celebrates its 125th anniversary this year.

. Twelve pastors were honored for celebrating their ordination anniversary of 25 years or more. Below are pictures from their recognitions during the Friday night banquet at Synod Assembly.



Save the Date! September 17, 2011

**Stewardship in Trying Times:
Practices for Faithful Living (Part 3)**



When: Sept. 17, 2011 8:30 a.m. Gather! 9:00 a.m. Begin! 12:00 p.m. End!
Where: St. John Lutheran Church, 196 Brick Church Rd., Montgomery, PA 17752

Throughout the Bible, we see that Creation is a sign of God's creativity and love, and that God wants us to serve as its protectors and stewards. The Story of Stuff is intended to help individuals, groups, and churches as well as communities understand the impact and implications of their choices as consumers as well as protectors and stewards of Creation. God calls us to make a real difference not only in our own lives but in the lives of others' as well, both at home and around the world.

Participants will take home practical, hands on tools to use in their own homes and congregations.



GOD'S ECONOMY

- The Story of Stuff – The part each of us plays in the stewardship of God's earth and people**
- What are we doing with what we have been given?**
- Let's take a realistic inventory of what we have!**
- ELCA's "Make It Simple" resource from ELCA puts theology into practice in the congregation!**
- Back by popular demand: More of Pastor Patrick Sipe's "stewardship of food" (including taste testing!)**

Watch for details in synod publications & the web page www.uss-elca.org & find us on FACEBOOK <https://www.facebook.com/#!/usselca>

Stewardship in Trying Times: Practices for Faithful Living (Part 3)



There is no fee for this workshop!
Light refreshments will be served during the course of the workshop.
Please register by September 12, 2011

For more information contact:

Rev. Karl-John Stone karljohn@uss-elca.org 570-524-9778

Beth Yenchko eyenchko@uss-elca.org cell- 717-579-3845

Why not gather a group from your congregation to attend together?

We look forward to looking at stewardship with you through new eyes!



Stewardship in Trying Times

Send registrations by September 12, 2011, to:
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MORE MILESTONES: *With thanks to God for their ministry, we celebrate with these children of God the anniversaries of their ordination in August (note: anniversary years listed are in multiples of five only):*

- 10 years - **Pastor Karl-John N. Stone** (8/4/2001)
(Assistant to Bishop Driesen)
- 15 years - **Pastor Lois D. Martin** (8/17/1996)
(Intentional Interim Minister)
- 20 years - **Pastor Dean L. Hoelz** (8/23/1991)
(U.S. Navy Chaplain)

2012 Synod Assembly Dates Announced
Dates for the 2012 Upper Susquehanna Synod Assembly have been set for June 15-16, 2012 at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, PA.

UPCOMING EVENTS & CONTINUING ED

Cultivate a spiritually centered approach to well-being through *A Journey of Renewal*

A Journey of Renewal is an intensive, year-long wellness experience designed by the ELCA Board of Pensions to benefit rostered ELCA-primary health plan members for the sake of ministry. Over the course of one year, *A Journey of Renewal* combines retreats and small group telephonic coaching to help leaders explore, reflect, take action, and grow their ability to live well in Christ. Why? Because Healthy leaders enhance lives when they live – and serve – abundantly. Registration is open for two *A Journey of Renewal* experiences beginning this fall at Spirit in the Desert and Lutheridge Conference Center. Are you ready for the journey? Learn more at <http://www.elcabop.org/renewal>.

August 7, 2011

Companion Synod Sunday: Congregations of the Upper Susquehanna Synod are encouraged to recognize this August 7th as “Companion Synod Sunday”, celebrating our partnership with the Lutheran Church in Liberia (LCL). The LCL is one of two partner churches of our synod who are remembered biannually in rotation on the first Sunday of August. The following downloadable resources have been created to assist congregations in marking August 7th as a day of celebration with our Liberian brothers and sisters:

- [Four half-sheet, reproducible bulletin inserts](#) tell stories of our synod’s partnership in Liberia. Use one insert each Sunday beginning July 17.
- Choose from a [list of suggested hymns for worship](#). Select all hymns for that Sunday from the list, or highlight just one hymn, noting its significance for the day.
- Prayer is one of the most important ways to celebrate this day. Consider using one of these [prayers or the litany](#) that follows. Lift up by name Bishop Sumoward E. Harris of the LCL, the pastors, deacons and evangelists of the LCL, and our sisters and brothers in the LCL.
- Consider entering into a “Congregation-to-Parish Relationship” with a Liberian parish, pairing your congregation with theirs in a more personal relationship. (See the [“Congregation-to-Parish Partnership Resource”](#) for more details.) Brainstorm ways this ministry could enhance your congregation’s own.
- Ask someone to conduct basic research on Liberia through the library or internet and offer a Sunday School class or adult forum on the topic. Try

www.elca.org/liberia,

<http://gmwat.wetpaint.com/>; and <http://www.lcl-thrp.org/>.

Please share these resources with worship planners from your congregation, encouraging them to incorporate “Companion Synod Sunday” into plans for worship this August 7th. For video/DVD resources on Liberia, please contact Dr. Bob Bradford at bradford@eventlink.com. Thanks to Pastor Mary Peterhaensel, Carol Bradford, Nancy Hoffman, Ruth Koble, and Pastor Beth Ann Stone for their contributions to these materials.

August 13, 2011:

Go Teach: This is a learning event for all people involved or interested in Christian Education, including all teachers and youth group leaders of every age group (from birth-age 143+). It is being sponsored by the synod’s LEARN Team and will take place on Saturday, August 13th, from 9:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. at Sharon Lutheran Church in Selinsgrove. It is a FREE Event—you are just asked to bring a bag lunch. Teaching is a call from Jesus himself, and the LEARN Team’s mission is to equip the teachers of our synod to fulfill that call. Go Teach will provide time for small and large group learning, networking with fellow synod teachers, worship, and time at the Along the Way bookstore to get resources and ideas. Please register by Monday, August 8th, with Authorized Lay Christian Educator Dawne Long at (570) 374-8184 or foldrl@ptd.net. For more information, visit www.uss-elca.org/go-teach.



September 17, 2011

**Face-to-Face with Youth Gathering
Coach & Coordinator plus Youth
Ministry Training:**

Youth Gathering Coordinator Ricki Stringfellow and Coach Robin Kunkel will offer up-to-date ELCA Youth Gathering information complemented by support and training for ALL youth leaders of the Upper Susquehanna Synod, regardless of your participation in the gathering. Join us at Christ's Lutheran Church, South Third Street in Lewisburg, on September 17, 2011. The program will begin at 9:00 a.m. and end at noon. The workshop is compliments of the synod; there is no cost to you. Come alone or bring a group and meet new peers in ministry. To register, please contact Robin Kunkel at 570-374-8444 or robinkunkel@sharonlc.org.



September 22, 2011

Power of Forgiveness Conference: A one-day conference, "The Power of Forgiveness: Lessons from Nickel Mines," will be held at the Young Center for Anabaptist and Pietist Studies at Elizabethtown College, on Thursday, September 22, 2011. The event features presentations by speakers from a variety of perspectives. The conference will benefit all those interested in the process, challenge, and potential of forgiveness. Conference details are available at <http://www.etown.edu/forgiveness2011www.etown.edu/forgiveness2011>. The registration deadline is September 8.

October 16-26, 2011

Children, Family, and Faith: PEAK is a Partnership for Education And Knowledge between Wartburg Theological Seminary, Rocky Mountain Synod, and Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp in Colorado. This course is an opportunity to be immersed in a 10-day learning community to develop a deeper understanding of children's faith development. Participants will construct a theology that regards children as valuable persons, gifted by God for a life and ministry in the Church and God's world. The implications for ministry to and with the children and families in one's congregation and personal life will be explored. Led by faculty from Wartburg Theological Seminary, this course may be taken for academic credit or continuing education. For more information, contact Ben

Larson, ben@rainbowtrail.org or 719-431-0050 or visit <http://www.rmselfca.org/files/PEAK%20Brochure2011.pdf>

November 1-2, 2011

Moving Forward with Christ: Please see article on page 1 of this newsletter.

November 14-16, 2011

PA State Pastors' Conference: The Pennsylvania Council of Churches is now accepting registrations for the 2011 State Pastors' Conference. Scheduled for November 14-16 at the Holiday Inn Harrisburg East, (4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111), this year's conference will explore "Practical and Practiced Awe: Reclaiming the Joy and Wonder of Our Call." With a rich menu of plenary presentations and workshops, the conference will help clergy to rethink these core practices and set them in more faithful and celebrative contexts.

Keynote speakers for the conference are

- John A. Berntsen, Director of Student Services at the Lutheran Theological Seminary at Philadelphia and author of *Cross-Shaped Leadership: On the Rough and Tumble of Parish Practice* (Alban, 2008), and
- Anabel C. Proffitt, Associate Professor of Educational Ministries at Lancaster Theological Seminary and author of *The Sense of Wonder: Pathos and Play in Religious Education* (forthcoming).

A diverse selection of workshops fills out the rich menu of learning opportunities. Cost for the event is \$150 (with a \$25 late fee for registrations received after November 7). Visit <http://tinyurl.com/6h6cxhf> for more details, including a registration brochure you can download, a news release that tells more about the conference, and links to a site where you can register for the conference and arrange to pay with your MasterCard, Visa, or Discover credit card and reserve an overnight room at the Holiday Inn Harrisburg East. Or, if you prefer, email pcc@pachurches.org to request a brochure by snail mail. (Be sure to include your postal mailing address.)

CREATING BETTER...

Newsletters

The sixth in a series of articles about improving your congregation's printed communications

We'll spend a couple of months looking at how you can improve your congregation's newsletter. Most congregations have them, so it's important to make them a good tool for members and those who might be interested in your congregation. David Kandler, president of www.CompanyNewsletters.com, shares ten tips to make sure your newsletter gets read:

1. **Make sure your newsletter's name is an attention grabber.** You might use something simple which focuses more on your church name, but it's best to have a name that grabs the attention of your readers!
2. **Write your newsletter's articles objectively.** Your newsletter can be an excellent vehicle for promoting your church and activities, but it shouldn't read like a sales brochure. Articles should be written like in a newspaper--objectively. If you want to insert opinions into stories, make sure readers know who is speaking.
3. **Write to express, not to impress.** The purpose of a newsletter is to communicate, not to see how many times you can send readers to a dictionary. Keep writing casual, non-technical, and conversational.
4. **Proofread, Proofread, Proofread.** Make sure that several people read it to pick out typos, grammatical errors, and other problems with the newsletter.
5. **Use front-page articles to draw in readers.** Prospective readers judge a newsletter by its cover. Make sure your main story is appealing and draws interest. Some churches like to put "pastor's messages" on the front page. While that may boost the ego of the person writing it, it probably won't draw in readers unless the person has some really monumental news to announce.
6. **Use at least one graphic per page.** Graphics include photos, artwork, charts, pull quotes, or even a colored or shaded box behind an article. Graphics help draw a reader into the story and provide visual breaks from solid blocks of text.
7. **Use image-editing software to sharpen your photos.** Adjust photos so they look good in regards to contrast, color, and brightness levels.
8. **Use accent colors and tints to make your newsletter eye-catching.** A black and white newsletter is better than no newsletter at all; but if your budget allows, add at least one accent color. You could also use a tint of the one color (gray, if you are only using black ink).
9. **Print your original.** If possible, print directly to a printer or copier. The copies are crisper and the graphics look better than photocopying.
10. **Use recycled paper.** Keep the world's trees and your readers happy by printing your newsletter on recycled paper. Even if you are not a tree-hugging granola eater, many of your readers probably are. Remember, recyclable paper is not necessarily recycled paper. Make sure if you use recycled paper, you let your readers know. If you use recycled paper, be sure to let your reader know!



In the next edition of Headwaters, we'll give more tips for church newsletters

For the last several months, we've been looking at social media in this column. Recently, the ELCA came out with a resource for congregation regarding social media. You can access it at the link below:

http://www.elca.org/Who-We-Are/Our-Three-Expressions/Churchwide-Organization/Communication-Services/Resources/Web-Ministry/Social-Media.aspx?utm_source=AdminMatters11MAY&utm_medium=SocialMediaGuidelines&utm_campaign=Article5

USS CONFERENCE HAPPENINGS

Conference	Dean	Secretary	Meetings
Buffalo Valley	Pastor Jill Seagle pastorjills@windstream.net	Pastor B.J. Collins collins_bj@hotmail.com	(No more ministerium meetings until the fall.) Thursday, Sept. 1, Trinity, Milton, 9:00 a.m.
Juniata Valley	Pastor Gary Roth garoth142@yahoo.com	Pastor James Park Bricker gymbri@embarqmail.com	Text study for August at Trinity Lutheran in McAlisterville on Thursdays from 10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. Then those who are able, go out to lunch. (No more ministerium meetings until the fall.) Tuesday, September 20, 10:00 a.m., Messiah, Mifflintown; Nov. 15, 10:00 a.m., Holy Communion, Yeagertown.
Middle Creek	Pastor Wayne Muthler	Pastor Patrick Sipes sgtmuddy@gmail.com	(No more ministerium meetings until the fall.) Wednesday, September 14, 9:30 a.m., at The Haven, Mount Pleasant Mills.
North Branch	Pastor Chad Hebrink pastorchad@verizon.net	Pastor Keith Pittsnogle prkeith@ptd.net	(No more ministerium meetings until the fall.) Wednesday, Sept. 28, St. Luke, Bloomsburg.
Tulpehocken	Pastor Constantine Havir	Pastor Rich Fangmann	(9:00 a.m. pericope study, 10:00 a.m. meeting) Tuesday, September 6, Trinity, Sunbury.
West Branch	Pastor Eric Deibler deiblers@verizon.net	Pastor Gunther Bernhardt prbernhardt@gmail.com	(10:00 a.m. worship and meeting) Tuesday, September 13, Church of the Savior, Williamsport.

SYNOD STAFF IN CONGREGATIONS

Synod Staff Lead Worship

The bishop and his assistants would like to make synod visits on Sunday mornings in congregations. The bishop prefers to both preach and preside; Beth Ann and Karl-John will preach and also preside, if asked. The home pastor is usually also present for these synod visits. Please schedule with at least 6 months lead time for the bishop; less advance notice is required for his assistants.

August 7

- Bishop at St. Peter, Aristes and Grace/St. Matthew, Mt. Carmel in AM; installation at Beaver, Beaver Springs in PM

August 14

- Bishop at ELCA Churchwide Assembly

August 21

- Karl-John at Evangelical, Reedsville
- Bishop on vacation

August 28

- Bishop on vacation

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

(Updated July 15, 2011)

Currently served by Intentional Interim Pastor

- Church of the Savior, Williamsport
- Evangelical, Reedsville
- St. John's (Brick) Lutheran Church, Montgomery

Preparing Materials

- Evangelical, Reedsville
- St. John's (Brick) Lutheran Church, Montgomery

Interviewing Candidates

- Bethany, Montoursville

Voting on a Candidate

- Stone Valley Parish (August 7)

Called a Pastor

- United In Christ, West Milton

IN CONCLUSION

The End of an Era

By Chad Hershberger

“When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them. Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor.”

--Psalm 8: 3-5

I have always been fascinated with space travel. When I was a child, the space shuttle program began; and I remember having a plastic model of the space shuttle and some space-themed LEGO bricks. I built space ships and sent them off into the great beyond to new worlds and imagined places.

When I was in middle school, I was home sick one day, suffering from the flu. My dad was making my sister and I (she was home sick, too), some soup as we watched “The Price is Right.” In the middle of the showcase showdown, a news anchor interrupted the program to tell us the space shuttle Challenger exploded. I stayed glued to my television the rest of the day, watching the coverage of this national tragedy.

In high school, my senior English paper was on the Challenger disaster. I researched the event, read magazine articles, books, and even the Rogers Commission Report on the accident. I concluded, as did others, that the disaster could have been averted. Years later, I watched news coverage again when the Columbia disintegrated on reentry back to earth. “How could it happen again?” I asked myself.

Earlier this summer, as the space shuttle program wrapped up its thirty-year mission, I watched replays of the final landing with a bit of sadness. Despite the two major tragedies, this program exemplified America. It showed our resolve to explore outer space and, in a way, become closer with our God. To see God’s beautiful creation from space was a by-product of this program. To be reminded, as we watched space pictures from each mission, that God cares for us and created us in God’s likeness is something I’ll miss.

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