



From the Chaplain
Pastor Lee Miller

*I love to tell the story; how pleasant to repeat
what seems, each time I tell it,
more wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
for some have never heard
the message of salvation
from God's own holy word.*

There are some stories that get better each time they are told. "More wonderfully sweet!" What are your family stories that get better with age? What are your go-to Silver Bay stories that you love to tell your friends or family over and over again?

My uncle would tell a story about my dad from when they were young boys, about how my dad was trying to catch a bumblebee in order to see what color its eyes were! LOL. If you asked my dad, he would say that it was my uncle who was chasing the bumblebee! I love that story!

During morning worship this week, we are telling some of the great stories of scripture. This morning we hear the story of Ruth, and of her dedicated companionship to her mother-in-law. It's a great story of migration and family bonds and faithfulness. Every time I read that story, I hear something different, a new insight, a detail I hadn't remembered. Isn't it powerful that some stories, while they don't change over time, but because we change, can take on new meaning?

Like the stories of our church. There was a time when our primary story was about welcoming immigrants to the United States and forming culturally specific enclaves of Lutheranism. In another generation our stories were about building institutions: children's homes, schools, hospitals, low-income housing for seniors, and more. Today our stories are changing again. Our purpose in "being church" is transforming with the needs of our culture today. What new stories have yet to be told?

Keep telling your stories – not only here at Silver Bay, but to all those you encounter. Tell the stories that get better, "more wonderfully sweet," every time you tell them. Share the story of how God has loved you, and of the love you have shared in the world.

See you in the mission field!

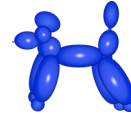
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The Punkee

Tuesday — July 16, 2019

6:30-7:30am	Morning Dip at Bay Beach
7:00-9:00am	Breakfast buffet
8:30am	Choir Rehearsal
8:30-Noon	Silver Camp for Kids
9:00am	Morning Matins (<i>Chapel</i>)
9:45am	First Hour Class*
11:00am	Second Hour Class*
11:00am	Teens Class
11:30-1:00pm	Buffet Lunch
1:00pm	Gathering Show Signups (Auditorium)
1:00pm	 Exoplanets and God led by  Gail and Scott Rohrbach (<i>Gullen</i>)
1:30-5:00pm	Beaches & recreational facilities OPEN
See Silver Bay Breeze for additional activities	
4:00pm	BINGO (<i>Gullen</i>)
5:30-6:00pm	LSG Swag for sale (<i>Boyd Lobby</i>)
5:30-7:00pm	Buffet Dinner
7:00pm	Vespers (<i>Slim Point</i>)
Rides from <i>William Boyd Center</i> —6:45pm	
7:45pm	Bay Boardwalk Party(<i>Inn Porch</i>)
9:30pm	Games (<i>Gullen Lounge—The Inn</i>)
'til 11:00pm The Store is open for treats	

Join us **TONIGHT** as we transform the Inn Porch in to the **Bay Boardwalk**! Join us for your favorite summertime boardwalk favorites: carnival games, temporary tattoos, boardwalk snacks like kettle corn, cotton candy, cracker jacks and saltwater taffy, and a special visit from Upstate New York's best balloon twister, *Balloon Gal Jenny*! Come to the Inn Porch, collect some glow in the dark prizes, get a balloon hat and enjoy a beautiful summer night at the Bay Boardwalk!



1:00 PM

Exoplanets and God

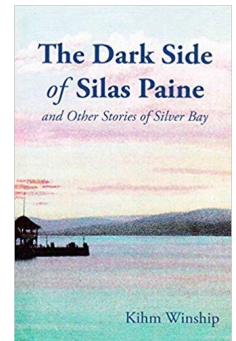
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Gail and Scott Rohrbach

In 1995 the first exoplanet - a planet orbiting another star - was discovered around 51 Pegasi, a star in the Pegasus constellation. For the last 10 years, NASA has operated two space-based observatories on a dedicated mission to find exoplanets - planets around other stars - especially around stars like our Sun and planets like our Earth. What have we found, and what comes next? And how does that impact our assumptions of Christianity?

Gail and Scott Rohrbach have each worked at NASA for a total of 41 years on astronomical observatories looking in the infrared to x-ray wavelengths.

The Dark Side of Silas Paine and Other Stories by *Kihm Winship* is available in the Silver Bay gift shop and promises hours of reading pleasure. Modestly priced, this is the ONLY Silver Bay history that includes the Hindenberg flyover, Chinese pirates, the flying ax of Dan Beard, Alfred Stieglitz, Martin Niemoller, the true origin of "Follow the Gleam" and much, much more.



Lavishly illustrated, and indexed by *Laurie Winship*, this is a volume to treasure and a great gift idea. Plus, this week only, the author will be happy to sign your copy during breakfast, lunch or dinner, at no additional charge.

The Marti Award Leader Board

15,000 additional make-up points to Olivia Catalano and Taylor Grossi for the double whammy

11,000 points to our amazing faculty and guest lecturer Pastors Strasser, Miller and Hoffman and Dr. S. Strasser for challenging our thinking and opening our eyes and minds

10,000 points to our Cannonball Contest winners: Deb "Zen and Archimedes" Sweeney, Becky "Rise Up" Hutfilz, Alyssa "Flying Squirrel" Phillips and Meagan "Hype Woman" Lynch

7,000.5 points ("the 0.5 makes it more official" - Lleyton) to our cannonball judges, Emily Phillips, Isabella Volkert and Lleyton Hutfilz

5,000 points to all cannonball competitors

3,000 points per song to our campfire song leaders: Scott Rohrbach, Martha Watts, Joy Larsson, Beckett and Lleyton Hutfilz, Lee and Griffin Miller, Becky Hutfilz, Charlie Bang and Deb Sweeney

2,000 points to our movie night concessions stand helping hands: The Anniversary Celebrating Primianos, Liz and Connor Rose, Bonny McCabe

55 points to the bald eagle flying over Vespers during the singing of Beautiful Savior. "Be still and know that I am God!"



Elena Kleinhenz graduated from SUNY Geneseo and will attend Upstate Medical, Syracuse NY.

Will Kleinhenz graduated from Rochester Institute of Technology and is currently working for Parsons in Centerville, VA.

Are there more celebrations?

The Punkee wants to know—send us an email.

4:00 pm Gullen



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Note: The Punkee deadline is 8pm