



"GOD HAS PLANS FOR YOU!"

Saints Celebrate!

Saint Michael Lutheran - Windows and Wonders!

September, 2007



Music Director, Mr. John Payne at the grand piano in the sanctuary showing the scaffolding and window work.

Dear Friend of St. Michael,

Have you ever had one of those moments in your life where you say, "Wow, that was a God moment!" That's what happens when we live our lives knowing the promises God has made to us and the plans He has for us!

Recently our Director of Music Ministry, John Payne shared the following story. *"We had 6th grade students in the sanctuary singing the current hymn of the month Earth and All Stars (817) as the window installers gloriously shattered multiple panes. Uncannily, the fourth verse sings: Engines and steel! Loud pounding hammers! Sing to the Lord a new song! Limestone and beams! Loud building workers! Sing to the Lord a new song! It was a moment for us to remember. When I told the workers after, they thought I planned it, which I had not. They were moved, too."* Read all about the stained glass window information

at <http://foundation.smlcs.org/imagine/imagine.htm>. There will be 47 new teaching opportunities through the pictures in the windows!



Pastor Jon interacts with the children by singing songs accompanied by his guitar. Pastor is celebrating his 25th year in the ministry this fall at the Founders Fellowship Banquet on October 7th.

I am convinced that we at St. Michael were given another 'God moment' when the building committee of the main education facility decided to place the Pastor's office down the hallway from the Principal's office. Why? Because, every student in the school knows Pastor Jon as a personal friend, someone who cares for them, and is there for them as they experience the plans God has for them. Just look at the picture to the left and you can see how our 'God moment' has blessed the children of our school.

Pastor Jon is celebrating his 25th year as an ordained minister! It was in God's plans that he would be our Pastor and we are ever so blessed and given a great hope for the future with Pastor Jon.

Plan now to come out and celebrate Pastor Jon's 25th anniversary in ministry at the St. Michael Foundation Founders Fellowship annual banquet. We will gather in the gym on Sunday the 7th of October at 12:00 noon following the 10:45 worship service. Information to make reservations will be posted on the web site, mailed / e-mailed, and sent through the church bulletin. All proceeds from the Founders Fellowship events go toward endowments. This year the Foundation is designating the *Pastor & Professional Church Worker Scholarship Endowment Fund* as the recipient of all donations.

In Christ,

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P.S. The SML Foundation continues to work toward the establishment and funding of various endowments. Check out the "Support St. Michael Today & Tomorrow" program by visiting: <http://sml.kintera.org/>.

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