

We look forward to sharing
the ministry of
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church
with



Reverend
Kara Kristen Root

Rev. Kara Root will preach
during worship Sunday,
August 10, 2008,
9:30 a.m.

A congregational meeting
has been called by the
Session, at the request of the
Pastor Nominating
Committee, immediately
following worship:

**Sunday, August 10, 2008
10:30 a.m.**

for the purpose of acting on
the recommendation of the
PNC to call *Rev. Kara
Kristen Root* as Pastor of
Lake Nokomis Presbyterian
Church.

**WE HAVE SHARED
OUR HISTORY,**

**WE ARE LIVING
OUR PRESENT,**

**WE WILL JOURNEY,
TOGETHER,
INTO OUR FUTURE**



The PNC is eager to introduce you to Rev. Kara Root ~

Kara is a member of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area, most recently serving as Associate Pastor at Grace-Trinity Church in Uptown, Minneapolis.

She lives in St. Paul with her husband, Andy - an Associate Professor of Youth and Family Ministry at Luther Seminary, their children, Owen (almost 4) and Maisy (13 months), and their dogs Kirby and Kimmel. "Homebodies who like to travel," the Roots "all love books and reading. I like to bake and cook, Andy plays hockey and is a Twins and Gopher Hockey fan, Owen is an avid Star Wars fan and loves music and instruments, and Maisy is obsessed with dogs... We like hanging out with friends," and are currently remodeling the basement of their 100 year-old St. Anthony (St. Paul) neighborhood home.

Kara, a Minnesota native, is a 1997 graduate of Bethel University, and earned her Masters of Divinity from Fuller Seminary, Pasadena, CA, in 2000. Global adventures in mission and study, including an international fellowship, have immeasurably enriched her formal education. She is a bridge-builder - encouraging our common faith in the midst of its diverse expressions.

The PNC is excited to share our experience of Kara's joyful presence, her gifts of ministry which dovetail so closely with those the congregation identified during our ReVision process, and her obvious love of God and commitment to Jesus Christ. From Kara:

"The commitment to mission, centrality of worship, and deepening of corporate and personal faith through education and fellowship are important characteristics I seek in a church community... a community that is theologically reflective and open to new experiences." "I believe it is a pastor's job... to equip people to think theologically, engage issues of faith and life, and challenge and stretch themselves and one another."

"As a pastor... I emphasize celebrating who we are, and joyfully and bravely diving into the specific ways God is calling us to participate in God's ministry in the world."

Kara is an avid coffee-shop journal-keeper. Between Sisters' Sludge, 48th and Chicago, and the creekside Caribou, she should feel right at home.

The PNC expresses its gratitude to the congregation, for their confidence and support; to the PC(USA) for the structure to bring candidates to us; and especially to Margaret Thomas, liaison to LNPC from the Committee on Ministry of the Presbytery of the Twin Cities Area. Margaret's wisdom, encouragement, and guidance has been invaluable throughout the process.



God's Spirit has been ever-present - giving us hope and comfort, persistence and peace.

Sue Goodspeed, Sue Hensel,
Gary Johnson, Norm Petrik, and
Barb Wilson

**You're invited to meet
Reverend Kara Root**

**Saturday, August 9
4 – 6 p.m.**

**Please join the PNC
in the Library at Church**