## THE **NEWS** LETTER



June 2017

## Summer & Kids 2017

Summer is an exciting time in Minnesota, and not just because it's so short! It's time to get outside, play, and enjoy time with friends.

As I write this, there are already 300 kids registered to come to camps at Woodbury Lutheran (including all three campuses). The Kids Ministry team is excited to see so many kids coming to learn about Jesus! The amazing thing is that we have 4 short days during each camp to build relationships with these kids, meet their parents, and plant the seeds of faith in a child. Could we use your help? Of course!

There are opportunities to serve as small group leaders in various age groups ranging from preschool-elementary aged students. You could help with our craft station, snack station, or games station. Visit the Connection Center in the lobby if you're interested in serving



Gadgets & Gizmos Summer Day Camp June 26-29 9:30-noon 3 years-2nd grade completed 6/17 (3 years by 9/1/16) Valley Creek Campus

Gadgets & Gizmos Summer Day Camp July 24-27 9:30-noon 3 years-4th grade completed 6/17 (3 years by 9/1/16) Valley Creek Campus

NO registration fee! Registration open at <u>woodburylutheran.org</u> *Friends are always welcome!* 



Summer Activities Camp July 10-13 9:00-12:15 pm 5 years-5th grade completed 6/17 Valley Creek Campus

Registration fee: \$35 before June 1st; \$50 beginning June 1st Registration opens 3/1/17 at woodburylutheran.org

Team 45: ages 5-Kdgn., 1st-5th grades: Basketball, Crafts, Cheerleading, Soccer, & Volleyball *Friends are always welcome!* 



**KidZone** will be offered this summer for kids. Kids will leave worship with a parent right before the sermon begins and get picked up at the end of the service. Activities include a puppet show, singing, object lesson, craft, and prayer. No need to pre-register. If your child turns 3 years old sometime this summer... as soon as they have their 3rd birthday, they are welcome to join us in KidZone!

KidZone at VC starts June 4th for ages 3 years-5 years 9:30 am Kid Zone starts June 12th for ages 3 years-6 years 9:00 am



## **Multiply!**

I am so excited by the stories of generosity that have grown out of our Easter offering Give Back. Not only did we give away over \$90 thousand dollars to three fantastic organizations, but we have seen the \$10 thousand we gave to you to share in our community Multiply in some fantastic ways.

A special needs boy with a single mother who has a very tight budget was given a brand new bike. A teenage boy searching for faith was given tickets to see the movie, The Case for Christ. More than ten families had their groceries paid for at the Aldi's in St. Paul. A woman who is struggling with medical bills was blessed with a substantial gift and think of the impact on the family below.

Here is how our member described it, "We took the \$10 and turned it into \$350, plus a bike for a deserving family. My 4th grade student lost his dad this year and they are a Karen family who just came to Minnesota this year. There are 5 children under the age of 10. My FB (Facebook) friends & family made this happen! It was a great day today! God is good!"

Generosity not only changes other people's lives, but it brings life to our souls, because being generous reflects the heart of our God who sent His Son to save us even while we were still sinners.

Woodbury Lutheran Church is an incredibly generous church, but I bet we can do even more. This Fall we are excited to celebrate our 50th Anniversary as a congregation and in doing so we will also be looking forward to how God will continue to Multiply His reach through people like you and me. Will you take the summer to start praying

the following prayer - "Jesus, unleash Your power in me, in my relationships, in our communities, and in Your world. Amen."

Just imagine how the One who is able to do far more than we could ever imagine, will answer this prayer – stay tuned!

Rejoicing -Pastor Tom



"But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere..." -- Acts 1:8

#### Weddings:

Beth McHenry & Eric Ceaglske Amanda Kohlbeck & Brandon Nelson Michelle Manship & Jason Taylor Jude Scholz & Don Hennen Amanda Heidmann & Joshua Brocker Olufunke Ogunfolami & Byron Martin Emily Walker & Matthew Fowler

#### **Baptisms:**

Isaiah Joseph Clauson Aliyah Dawn Clauson Annabel Violet Kush Owen Ronald Perlt Samuel Jacob Miner Lilly Raye Smith Charlotte Jean Everson Easton Robert Sonn

#### **Deaths:**

Carri McGuire ~ father, Richard Dan Arend ~ step-father, Donald VanDusartz Family of Alan Finnegan Mike Heggerness ~ mother, Marge Heidi Crist ~ grandmother, Marge Heggerness Family of Darlene Nelson Family of Nancy (Scanlon) Kennicutt Dorothy Erban ~ nephew, Scott Lee Spomer ~ sister, Elsie Gehring

#### Service Times at WLC:

Saturdays at Valley Creek: Contemporary, 5pm

Sundays at Valley Creek: Sanctuary, Blended 8 & 11am Sanctuary, Contemporary 9:30am Genesis, Contemporary 11am

Sundays at Oak Hill: Blended 9:00am Contemporary10:30am

Sundays at Liberty Ridge Contemporary 10:00am

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"...I'm asking you to expand your prayer...."

## **Summertime Prayers**

I understand your first thought of summertime may not be on prayer. When I think of summer, I think color and grilling and long walks. I think about standing outside in the dark and wondering at the stars so far away. But there's something I'd like to ask you to do for Woodbury Lutheran this summer.

whatever and just write 'pray for Woodbury Lutheran' on it and put it somewhere you will notice. I've been known to set an alarm on my phone to help me remember prayer (and a lot of other things!)

Will you pray for your church?

#### June's Prayer Theme

#### Will you pray?

I will be including a brief article in our newsletter like this each month this summer. It will include encouragement and prayer themes.

Most of us pray in our small groups, at meal times and in worship. I'm asking you to expand your prayer. Think about how amazing it is that our prayers on earth are received, noted and answered in the beautiful heavens above!

Don't let committing to pray intimidate you. Take a post it note or **Look up** – we are not a people who look back, like Lot's wife did. We look to what God has for us on our path. We are a church that moves and reaches. We move together in prayer for the future of Woodbury Lutheran.

Include these Beatitudes in your prayer this month Matthew 5: 3-5

God blesses those who are poor and realize their need for Him,

 for the Kingdom of Heaven is theirs

God blesses those who

mourn,

• for they will be comforted.

God blesses those who are humble,

• for they will inherit the whole earth.

~ Mary Lehman

## The Bell Tower That Wasn't

Late in 1993 as the Building committee was completing the planning for our new building, we continued listening to the needs of the congregation. Several changes were made including doubling the size of the narthex, selecting the organ builder and adding additional, but unfinished, space in the undercroft area. As we began the final steps we were told that an elevator was needed to reach the balcony. That unforeseen expense put an end to any further enhancement's and the decision was made to move ahead.

Over the course of the campaign to fund the new building. (our current sanctuary) many of the members wished to have their gifts dedicated to specific items. The organ was funded in this way and other gifts were put into Ebeneezer accounts to be used whenever the accounts had sufficient funds to purchase or fund their item. A Bell Tower was one such Ebeneezer fund and several Woodbury Lutheran families made generous gifts dedicated to building a Bell Tower. The building committee knew we didn't have enough money in the fund to complete this request during the building process, however, they did come to an agreement as to where it would need to be erected. The west side of the building, the main entrance, would have space ideally suited. The contractor agreed that he could prepare this space, adjacent to the stairs, at no additional costs. The platform or pedestal was built, prepared to receive the building of a Bell Tower when sufficient funds became available.

Further research on Bell Towers and the cost of "real bells" was done and reality set in. This tower and its bells were just too expensive so it was tabled for the time being. In the meantime, our members walked by this platform, or pedestal on their way to worship, wondering what it was there for. Two enterprising and talented members took it into their hands, that while we considered what to do, they would build and install a cross in that location and it stands there to this day, the Bell Tower that wasn't.

P.S. The contributors to the Bell Tower fund took a new direction and asked the church council for permission to purchase and install a carillon bell system. Every day, residents of Woodbury enjoy and are inspired by Hymns played on our carillon system and each VC, main sanctuary service begins with the ringing of our Bells. What a blessing.

- Tom Vaaler



#### God's Blessings WLC Graduates:

Liberty Ridge

Rachel Breiholz Jacob Rygh Jack Shaw Billy Young

<u>Oak Hill</u> Nicholas Carlson Megan Twait

#### Valley Creek

Cody Arend Megan Becken Sarah Cartier Kirstin Doman Kirk Doman Lindsey Featherstone Julia Gibbs Kathleen Klinzing Kelsie Knippenberg Miranda Kreger <u>Zac</u>h Lehmann **Cristian Link** Jennifer Mahlke Allison Marshall Matthew Mergens Madeline Meyer James Mordorski Servozha Mzenga Niki Nelson Grace Nixon Celina Ough Noah Qiu Amanda Ramin Jack Ryan Ashley Salzman Jeff Schaefer Abigail Schouvieller Paige Schrachta **Peyton Siebrecht** Ervn Stoerzinger Samuel Taylor Brandon Thompson Kyle Topp Jayden Unton **Bailey Vold** Mary Wiertelak Maggie Wilson Poreba Wojcieck Cali Yee Tanner Zuehlke



"God is on the Move!"

## A Message from LINC Twin Cities

I'd like to introduce you to Pastor Bushra, he is a first generation Christian convert from Islam. Most of his congregation are former Muslims from an area of Ethiopia that is almost completely Muslim.

He said to me, "I have a burning passion to reach my home community with the Gospel, will you help me?"

With great joy my response, "Yes, yes I will! We will do everything we can to help you!"

Having served as the director of LINC Twin Cities for two months now I have been overwhelmed at seeing God's hand at work.

We have a laser focus on starting new ministries that take the Gospel to the front lines of our community. We do this by focusing on local leaders and empowering them to do what God is calling them to!

Since I've started we have added 10 more leaders and have officially chartered a new Gospel centered home for victim's of sex trafficking.

God is on the move!

Thank you to Woodbury Lutheran for your sacrificial partnership and generous support of this front-line Gospel work.

Pastor Ben Griffin LINC Twin Cities www.linctwincities.org

## Campus Updates from Liberty Ridge & Oak Hill

## LIBERTY RIDGE UPDATES

#### Here are some quick updates from our Liberty Ridge Campus:

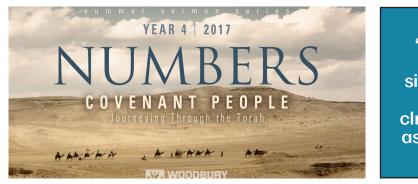
- The Liberty Ridge Campus has been meeting for four months now. We are starting to see more interest and interaction from the surrounding communities.
- We are celebrating our second baptism on Pentecost Sunday, June 4 and welcomed 3 new members in May.
- We are continuing to build up servants. We are always looking for people to help with setup or teardown. If you want to experience Liberty Ridge for one weekend this summer and help with setup or teardown, email Pastor Jon and kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org.
- We continue to celebrate what God is doing at the Liberty Ridge Campus and we pray that he would bless us to be a blessing to the many people that live near the campus.



## OAK HILL UPDATES

#### Here are some quick updates from our Oak Hill Campus:

- 15 new members joined in May and almost all them are stepping right in and serving in some way.
- Had a great celebration night with 35 youth and parents eating and playing games.
- Over the past 2 months have given two checks to Valley Outreach for over \$6,500. Lenten Meal and Maundy Thursday dinner raised \$2,800 in donations for our community food shelf.
- We have 9 youth going on Summer Mission Experiences and several adults as well. Members donated \$1,120 towards those trips in support.
- This summer we will debut KidZone beginning June 11 for kids ages 3-6 during the 9am worship and gearing up for a great week of VBS "Gizmos Summer Day Camp July 24th-28th.
- We continue to celebrate the great things the Holy Spirit is doing at Oak Hill!



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## An Update On Adult Education At WLC

This summer, we are continuing with year 4 in our journey through the Torah (the first 5 books of the Old Testament) as we study the book of Numbers. While Numbers sounds like a pretty uninteresting title, the Hebrew name of the book was bamidbar, which means "in the wilderness". As we enter into the book of Numbers, we'll follow God's people as they leave Mount Sinai and head toward the Promised Land. Along the way, Israel will encounter situations that still speak clearly to us as followers of Jesus today. Again and again, the book of Numbers shows how God is faithful even in the midst of our unfaithfulness.

Sometimes we brush past books like Numbers because they seem uninteresting or inapplicable to our lives. Yet many times exactly the opposite is true. Books like this help us grow in our walk as disciples through stories and narratives that cause us to dig deeper into God's character and our place in his family. This summer, I want to invite you to really look at the book of Numbers, not just through attending worship and listening to the sermons, but by going through the study "Deeper into Numbers". This class will be taught by WLC pastors and will start on Sunday, June 11. The class will meet on Sundays throughout the summer from 9:30-10:30am in the Genesis Room at Valley Creek or from 9:00-9:50am in the back hallway at Liberty Ridge. At Oak Hill, there is an opportunity to join a Scripture Card discussion group after the 9:00am worship service.

I pray you have a blessed summer and I hope that you will take an opportunity to dig deeper into the book of Numbers. See you there!

Peace, Pastor Jon

## An Update From Woodbury Lutheran Preschool

After 22 years of faithful service, Dorothy Blaisdell will retire this month as Director of our Preschool. Through the years of Dorothy's service much has changed in the city of Woodbury, at Woodbury Lutheran Church, and in the world of early learning. Through all of the change Dorothy and the Preschool staff have kept the focus on teaching children in their current phase of learning so they are well prepared for their next phase. And through it all the good news of Jesus' saving love has been shared with thousands of children and their families. Our preschool has an outstanding reputation in the community as a school that loves and cares for each child.

We give thanks to God for Dorothy's servant heart, for her deep love of children and their families, for her leadership, and for her commitment to the Gospel. And we pray God's blessings on this next phase of life.

As we say goodbye to Dorothy we welcome our new Preschool Director, Sara Mulso. Sara has been involved in early childhood education for 20 years. Sara has served at Concordia University in a variety of capacities including human resources, risk management and overseeing custodial services. She served as an adjunct faculty member in Concordia's Department of Child and Family Studies. Sara provides training for early learning centers and staffs across Minnesota.

Sara's husband, Mike, is an associate pastor at Emmanuel Lutheran Church in Inver Grove Heights. They have two sons, Zachary (9th grade) and Cameron (preschool).

Sara brings a wealth of experience and expertise to our Preschool. We are thankful for God's leading us to her in our search process, and we look forward to how He will use her gifts to build on the strong foundation of our Preschool. Please keep Sara in your prayers as she begins her work as Director.



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## 2017—2018 Preschool Staff Positions

Do you find joy in helping young children grow in all areas of development in a play based setting?

*Consider joining our dynamic team as we hire part-time individuals for the upcoming school year!* 

## **Teacher Positions**

- Teacher qualified per MN Rule 3 including BA or AA degree in Early Childhood or related field or CDA
- Parent Aware Training
   Preferred

## Assistant Teacher Positions

 Assistant teacher qualified per MN Rule 3 including 12 college quarter credits and 1 year of experience as an aide

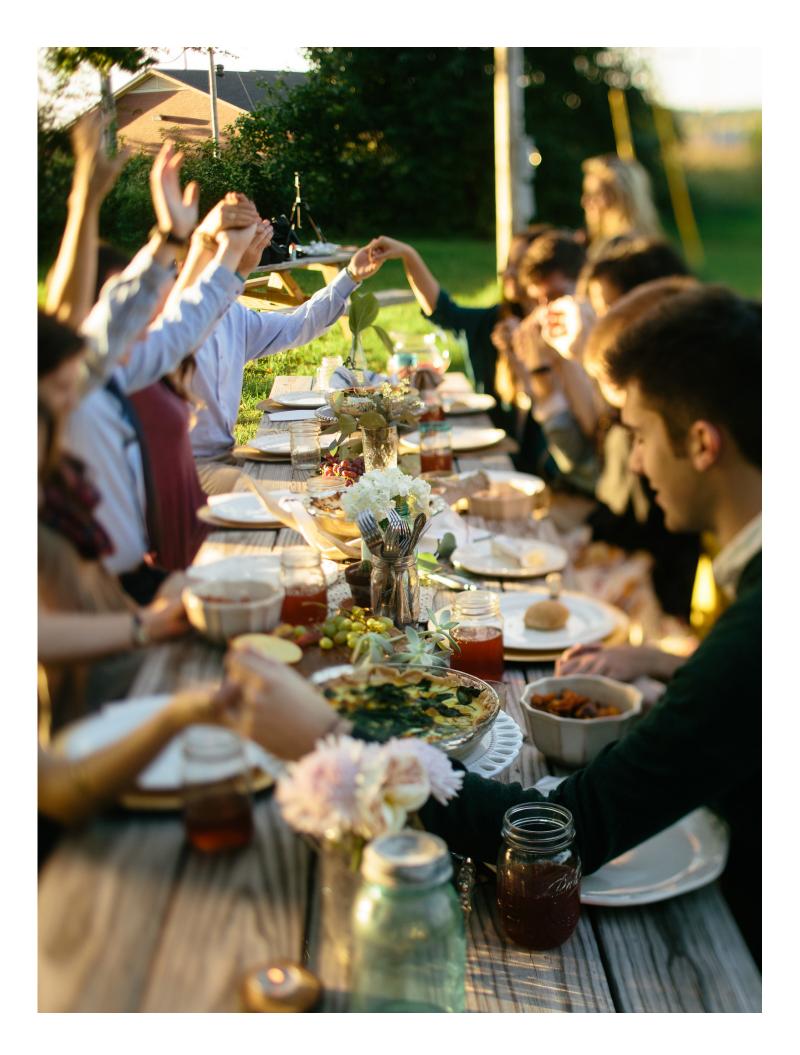
## **Aide Positions**

- Energetic, child loving
   individual
- Willingness to learn safety, health and cleanliness guidelines for childcare
- Ability to multitask

## Learn More! Contact Sara Mulso at smulso@woodburylutheran.org







# TOGETHER PRAYERS

I am always amazed by the power of prayer. I meet together with a small group from my faith community every Monday night. Some of us have been meeting together for more than three years. Each week at the end of our time together we share prayer requests, and we record them on a spreadsheet we save online so everyone can access it. Recently we prayed our 588th prayer. From time to time we go back through the list and update requests or celebrate the prayers God has answered. Each week I look forward to this time of prayer.

How about you? Who are people you spend time

regularly praying with? This month, try out some of the group prayer ideas below with your family or with other people in your faith community. As you pray, remember to look for ways that God is on the move, showing up and responding to your prayers.

**Electricity Prayer:** This type of prayer is fun with a group of friends. It is a great way to allow kids to feel included even though they may not want to

pray out loud. First, have everyone sit or stand in a circle and hold hands. One person starts by praying out loud, and as soon as she finishes, she squeezes the hand of the person to her right. That person can decide if he wants to pray out loud or if he wants to pass. Either when he is finished praying or when he chooses to pass, he squeezes the hand of the person on his right. This continues around the circle until it gets back to the person who began. She then closes by saying, "In Jesus' name, amen."

**Popcorn Prayer:** My small group loves popcorn prayers. Each week, the group leader asks for someone to open up the prayer time. Then the leader always closes. The person who volunteered to open prays out loud, and after he finishes anyone else in the group can randomly decide to jump in and pray. There is no order, so it is like the different people are "popping" in their prayers. Then, after it is quiet for a minute or so, the leader closes the time in prayer.

"Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. 20 For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."

-Matthew 18:19-20

**Index Card Prayers:** This kind of prayer is a great way to keep praying throughout the week. While you're gathered together, have everyone write her name and her prayer requests for that week on an index card. Then have one person decide how the index cards will be passed around. She can say, "Pass it five people to the right and two to the left." Or she can say, "Everyone place your card in the middle and grab someone else's card." You can distribute the cards however works best for your group. Then, throughout the week, each person prays for the requests she received on the index card she picked

> up. If you want to take this a step further you can also have each person contact the person whose card she received and offer encouragement or ask for updates to the request.

#### Person-on-Your-Left Prayer:

When your group is ready to pray, have everyone sit or stand in a circle. Allow people to share prayer requests out loud, and tell the group that each person should be focusing on the request of the person to his

left. After everyone is done sharing, the leader begins the time of prayer by praying for the person to his left. Then that person prays for the person to his left and so on. Note: For this kind of prayer time to work everyone needs to feel comfortable praying out loud.

My prayer for you this month is that you would be willing to try new ways of praying with your faith community. May God make Himself known to your group as you pray. What a gift that we serve a God who hears our prayers.

#### by Krista Heinen

Krista is the NextGen Associate Pastor at Elmbrook Church in Brookfield, WI. Krista helps equip and support the families at Elmbrook through resources, events, and conversations.

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Taken from the June 2017 HomeFront Monthly Newsletter.



## The Fruit of the Spirit—God's Gift

Taught and written by

## **Elly McDaniel Lutz**

Wednesdays, beginning June 7 9:30—11:00 In the Fireside Room All are welcome!

"Much as a doctor checks our physical health, God has provided a method for us to check our spiritual health. He leads us in the process of sanctification, as He provides us with the Fruit of the Spirit. Only God sets us aside or sanctifies us, we cannot do it ourselves. As we use His gifts of the Spirit, we grow closer to Him and to His goal for our spiritual maturity so that we may begin to be more like Jesus."

Elly will be teaching this same class at Concordia Seminary, Yambio, South Sudan as well as Major Theological Seminary in Bishftou, Ethiopia! The book is being published by the Lutheran Heritage Foundation. Pastor Paul Pfotenhauer **SUMMER BIBLE STUDY** Thursday mornings 10:00—11:30 June 15th —through August 17th Meets in the Fireside Room

15 minutes before class, there is an optional hymn sing.

In recognition of the 500 Year Anniversary of the Reformation, Pastor Paul will be teaching the class: A Man Named Martin. It will include a DVD teaching as well as discussion and teaching by Pastor Paul. The life of Martin Luther is one of remarkable extremes, and his contribution to the Protestant Church is without equal. In this study, we will examine the life and times of this religious reformer. From his humble beginning in Germany to his indefatigable work to understand Scripture and share the truths of the Bible, Luther inspired a Reformation that reverberates throughout Christendom to this day.

This is a 5 week study.

Pastor Paul will teach on the Book of Galatians for the following 5 weeks after the completion of the Luther study.

You can attend one or both!





#### STEPHEN MINISTRY

This "caring" ministry provides confidential, one to one, Christian care to those who are experiencing difficult life challenges. Need someone to talk with? At Oak Hill, contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467. At Valley Creek, contact Larry W. (men) 651-458-0147, or Linda W. (women) 651-458-0147. For other information: Shirley M. 651-276-7224.

#### **MYWLC**

Join WLC's online community: my-WLC! Update your contact information, email other church goers, register/pay for events, view your contributions and print giving statements, look for serving opportunities and lots more! Most importantly: Get Connected! Log on at: <u>myWLC.org</u>. For more information or help logging in contact: Alycen at brothena@woodburylutheran.org.

#### WLC CHURCH APP

Woodbury Lutheran has an app! Check out recent sermons, service times, the weekly Greater Scripture card, access myWLC, give your offering online and more! Get connected by simply visit-ing, http://get.theapp.co/4bbf.

#### **HEALING SERVICE**

Our Healing Service is held at the Valley Creek Campus every third Sunday. For prayers of healing, attend our service on June 18 at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

#### **TRAVEL TO GERMANY**

Two spots remain to travel to Germany with Paul & Rhoda Pfotenhauer this fall. For more information, contact them at paulrhoda@comcast.net.



#### FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT BIBLE STUDY

Only God sets us aside or sanctifies us. As we use His gifts of the Spirit, we grow closer to Him and to His goal for our spiritual maturity. This 8-week class begins 6/7 @ 9:30 am.

#### **DEEPER INTO NUMBERS**

Each Sunday, we'll go deeper into the text that is being preached and look at some parts of Numbers that aren't covered during weekend worship. This class is held during the Sunday education hour at VC and LR this summer.

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us for this low pressure DVD bible study where all ages, gender and relationships are welcome. The topics focus on God's continuous presence and promises in our lives. Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

#### WE NEED 69 PRAYER PARTNERS

to pray for our Youth Mission Trip participants and leaders, write them a note or two for their week away, and join us for the mission trip sharing potluck after the trip on June 27, 6-8pm. Middle school students are heading to Duluth and the High school students are heading to Idaho or Ecuador. Sign up at wlcyouth.org or fill out a form at the welcome desk. Contact Marty at mjotterson@gmail. com with questions. We need guys and gals!

#### **SUMMER YOUTH EVENTS**

Welcome new 6th graders and new Freshmen! The summer is a great time to move up into the new ministry areas and get to know other students! When an event says Middle School(MS), it's for all new 6th graders through old 8th graders. When an event says High school (HS), it's for all new 9th graders and old 12th graders. New 9th graders, y'all get to do everything!!! (Summer stretch is the only middle school ministry that isn't available to new 6th graders yet).

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA (6-8TH)

It's almost summertime!!! Middle Schoolers are taking over the VC building and we're going to have a blast! Join us on Friday, June 2, 6-9pm at the Valley Creek Campus. We'll have pizza & large group games. All incoming 6th graders through current 8th graders. It's Free! Questions? Contact Lindsey (Schmidtl@ woodburylutheran.org) at 651-739-5144 ext. 219.

#### **MS & HS MISSION TRIPS**

Dates to mark on your calendar. **COM-MISSIONING** for all trips will be at all services and campuses on Sunday, June 11. If you are able please plan to be at the end of the first service and beginning of the last service for the blessing (VC: 8:30-11:15am, OH: 9:30-10:45am), you can attend your regular service. Then we will have MISSION TRIP SHARING for participants, family and prayer partners on Tuesday, June 27, 6-8pm in the Bridge (VC). Questions? Contact Patrick at brewerp@woodburylutheran.org.

#### HIGH SCHOOL GAME NIGHT

Held at the St. Croix campus will on June 12, 7-9:30pm. Come kick off summer with a night of fun at the St. Croix Campus (corner of Bailey Rd. and Manning Ave.). We'll have a chance to learn how to play cricket from Emmanuel Choragudi, play other fun and ridiculous games, and attempt to eat your weight in Campfire doughnuts around the fire!! Should be a perfect night!

#### FINAL MISSION TRIP MEETING FOR MS/ HS MISSION TRIP PARTICIPANTS

Idaho Trip meeting is June 11, 6-8pm at the Mazzarese home, 5451 Hilltop Ave N. Lake Elmo. The Duluth Trip meeting is June 13, 6-8:30pm at Lindsey Schmidt's home, 9409 Hale Ave. So. Cottage Grove.

## SUMMER STRETCH (SS) REGISTRATION FOR CURRENT 6-8TH GRADERS!

SS meets on Thursdays, starting on June 29 (VC campus) from 8:15am-5pm, with time in God's Word, service and fun. Go to wlcyouth.org to find additional dates,

## **Getting Connected**

info/FAQ and the sign up/payment link. Cost is \$100 for all 6 dates starting June 1 until full (or you can pay \$20 per date– Valleyfair is \$30). Scholarships are available and friends are welcome.

## MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

This summer we will be exploring Acts and discovering that faith doesn't stand still. Summer Bible study is a great way to continue growing in your faith, seeing your friends, and eating weird foods! Bible Study runs June 28 till Aug. 16, 6:30-8:30pm. Bring your Bible!

- OH Summer Bible study (6-12th): At the Oak Hill Campus.
- VC & LR Middle School (6-8th): Abby Krueger's house, 8986 Princeton Road, Woodbury. (on July 5 and Aug 2 we'll be in the Bridge at the Valley Creek campus)
- VC & LR High School (9-12th): Patrick Brewer's house, 1220 Silverwood Court, Woodbury.

#### **CONFIRMATION JOURNEY**

If you'd like to start your confirmation journey, please contact Lindsey Schmidt to set up a launch meeting or register for one of the summer group launch meetings at wlcyouth.org. Our next group meeting is June 4, 1-2pm, VC campus. Future Confirmation weekend dates: November 4/5, 2017 and February 3/4, 2018.

#### **GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS FOR WOMEN**

Women who are experiencing the grief and the loss of a loved one, whether recently or some time ago, are welcome to this group. Meets the fourth Thursday of each month (next meeting 6/22 at 1 pm VC Family Room). Together, with God, we will walk this "maze of healing." Facilitated by Joy Hopke (651-735-0124) and Dorothy Young (651-492-9320).

#### **CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION**

We welcome Sandy Zeiszler as she presents, "Unlock LinkedIn: Get Found Fast!" on June 8, 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at <u>www.ca-</u> <u>reertransitionconnection.org</u>.

#### **CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION**

We welcome Nancy Fraasch as she presents, "Informal Networking to Land the Job You Want" on June 22, 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at www.careertransitionconnection. org.



## WANT TO SUPPORT WLC SHORT-TERM MISSIONS WITHOUT THE TRAVEL?

Each of the sponsored WLC short-term mission experiences are in need of supplies. There will be poster boards located in the lobby of VC, OH, and LR listing needed supplies for the ministry sites. Grab a slip indicating which item you would like to donate and return it by the date listed.

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#### **INVITE A FRIEND TO LIBERTY RIDGE**

Do you know someone who's looking for a church to get connected with and lives by Liberty Ridge Elementary? Why not invite them to our new campus, Liberty Ridge! Worship at LR is at 10:00am each Sunday. Kids Ministry and Adult Classes are also available beginning at 9:00am on Sunday mornings. Need more info? Contact Pastor Jon at 651-739-5144 or kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org.



#### **CHRISTIAN CLOTHES CLOSET**

Every Friday the Christian Closet, located at VC, provides clothing for the community during the Christian Cupboard food shelf distribution hours. This is an absolutely amazing outreach where people are encouraged by the generous hearts of those who serve. To get connected with this outreach or to find out clothing items accepted, contact Gloria Johnson at 651-714-0245.

#### **KIDS CARE**

We are looking for caring individuals or families who would like to serve in our Sunday Morning nursery at VC campus, any service. Contact Rachel at conantr@ woodburylutheran.org to volunteer or if you have questions.

#### MONDAY AFTERNOON WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Would you be willing to knit or crochet shawls, soft chemo/Neuro surgery caps or baby caps/afghans which would be given to someone who is experiencing a life trauma, an illness, or loss? We would love to have you join us on Monday afternoons at the Valley Creek Campus, or bring your completed items to us at the Valley Creek Campus. Call Tamara (651)734-3974 or tskarl@ comcast.net for more info on how to be connected with this ministry.

#### WLC'S 50 YEAR JUBILEE EVENT

Our planning committee is looking for potential entertainment sources for our Jubilee kick-off event on October 7th, 2017. We would be interested in music groups, comedians, any variety of stage shows, etc... If this is YOU, or if you know anyone who might be interested in helping us in this area- we need to hear from you! We would especially love to use the talent right from our own church body! Please contact: Lori Golden 651-459-9533 or goldenL60@yahoo.com.

## June 2017 Calendar

1 (V) Celebrate Recovery Thursdays, 6:30pm Contact: Larry Smith, 651-308-9113

2 (V) Middle School Mania Friday, 6:00pm Contact: Lindsey Schmidt 651-739-5144 x219

**3 (V) Baptism Class** Saturday, 9:30am Contact: Rachel Symmank, 651-472-1975

4 FMSC MobilePack @ St. Paul RiverCentre Sunday, 3:15pm

5 (V) Red Cross Blood Drive Monday, 1:00pm

5 (V) Monday Afternoon Women's Ministry Mondays, 12:00pm Contact: Tamara Karlstrand, 651-734-3974

6 (V) Cancer Companions Tuesday, 7:00pm Contact: Vicki Strong, 651-208-4353 7 (V) The Fruit of the Spirit Study Wednesdays, 9:30am Contact: Mary Lehman, 651-739-5144 x201

7 (O) Wednesday AM Study Wednesdays, 10:00am Contact: Pastor Derek, 651-739-5144

8 (V) Career Transition Connection Thursday, 7:00pm Contact: Tom Colosimo, 612-386-3715

**11 (O, L & V) Youth Mission Trip Commissioning** Sunday, All Services Contact: Lindsey Schmidt 651-739-5144 x219

**12 (O) Senior High Game Night** Monday, 7:00pm Contact: Patrick Brewer

651-739-5144 x211

**15 (V) A Man Named Martin Study** Thursdays, 10:00am Contact: Mary Lehman, 651-739-5144 x201

**18 (V) Healing Service** Sunday, 12:15pm Contact: Pastor Tim Marshall, 651-739-5144 x221

**26 (V) Summer Day Camp** M-Th, 9:30am Contact: Nancy Schubbe, 651-739-5144 x203

28 (V) MS & HS Summer Sudies Wednesdays, 6:30pm

Contact: Lindsey or Patrick, 651-739-5144 THE **NEVS** LETTER

#### Want more events?

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Oak Hill Campus (O) 9050 60th Street North Stillwater, MN 55082

Liberty Ridge Campus (L) 11395 Eagle View Blvd Woodbury, MN 55129

St. Croix Campus (S) Afton, MN 55001

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- Barb Anderson Jeannine Buchholz Amanda Fong Paige Schrachta Valentina Garcia Joel Ruud Daniel Doyle
- 4 Barry Kucharski Nora Foster Samuel Baumann Brian Schouvieller Tom Grimm Melanie Haehn Jared Lonergan Isabelle Spates Michelle Kruse Emma Bloomguist Chris Fagerblom Jane Jechort Jennifer Johnson Mary Albrecht 5 Darlene Johnson Patrice Baumann
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Lowell & Susan Ackerman

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Robert & Kelly Bass

Cary & Cindy Charlson

Steve & Donna Retter

David & Kay Noennig

Matt & Brigett Hanson

Paul & Julie Runge

Tom & Juanita Vaaler

Mike & Heather Kiedrowski

Bob & Michele Kamholz

Mason & Abi Naffziger

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Steve & Karen Wright

Troy & Darcy Bertram

Tim & Krista Huska

Justin & Amy Graham

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Chris & Vanessa McClure

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- Anthony & Barbara Vik 11 Keith & Bev Esala Del & Carolyn Howard Paul & Merlene Lieder Doug & Nancy Kapernick Brian & Teeghan Herian Joel & Juliana Ruud Charles & Joycelyn McDonald Pat & Julie Duffy Horst & Christa Kraft
- 12 Dale & Renee Schneider 13 Ken & Dorothy Olson John & Janice Lindau Larry & Judy Behnken

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- 15 Gene & Marcie Anderson Mike & Nicole Rosin 16 Ted & Karen Bolles
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- Jeff & Angie Crane 18 Gene & Bernice Bunkowske
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John Norring, III Barry Thompson Alex Tveit

- 18 Rico Lopez Sarah Cartier Mason Shugg Kris Peltier Natalie Munn Nathan McDonald Mary Landgrebe Joy Ostrom 19 Byrnina Isakson Roger Erickson Doug Boehme Janis Maguire Sharon Neubrand 20 Kirk Nesvig Sherrie Kinmounth Kyle Leonard Emily Robinson Rick Zager Nicole Raebel 21 Bonnie Merle John Broten Austin Hanisch Lester Lange Emma Rosen Karla Edwards
- Angela Johnson Jenna Voyda 22 Jason Cowles Bruce Strong Benjamin Mertens Laura O'Connor Jane Rose Carli Bauman Spencer Connolly Diego Carmona Aaron Drevlow Robert Cowley
  - 20 Brian & Jeanne Carlson Francis & Maryllis Oehlke Steve & Karen Grovender Len & Carol Score Ron & Mavis Shriver Kevin & Carol Doyle Steve & Anna Wagner Jerry & Jeannette Schmidt 21 Keith & Fanny Daniels Dennis & Julie Wolterstorff Paul & Rhoda Pfotenhauer **Richard & Karen Wachel** Dean & Lauren Danner Will Nisbit & Audrey Forciea
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Leticia Vilas

Syndney Nassios Gabrielle Field Sam Horner Ross Skadsberg Sophia Yira Dennis Wolterstorff Henry Wolsky Matthew Mergens Mary Karrow 28 Jeffrey McNally Carolyn Fernandez Becky Martini Scott Ostrom **Tobias Palmer** Tim Marshall Averee Kreutzfeldt Renee Murphy Michael Parker Geraldine Swanson 29 Evelyn Boser Dawn Butina Nathan Smith Derek Hafner Megan Harstad Joshua McCollum Mary Murray-Medin Lucy Ngu'e Darlene Strecker 30 Elton Cunningham Aleesha Berkman Jenny Brewer Lorraine Grohoski Laverne Krummel Steve Erban

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