

# The WLC Weekly

Oak Hill ~ Valley Creek ~ St. Croix Campuses



November 1 - 8, 2015

# **GREATER...** Growth ~ Connection ~ Service ~ Reach ~ Sacrifice

## **GREATER GROWTH**

GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join us at 9:30am 2. Gluttony 6. Envy in the Genesis Room (VC) for a study entitled, "Seven 4 Sloth Deadly Sins and the Beatitudes".



SUNDAY STUDY entitled "Reopen" meets in room 1-301 at 9:30am (VC), facilitated by Dave Nelson. This class is a look back at the substance of your faith. Using an Andy Stanley small group DVD, this class will support all you already believe and deepen it even more.

FAITH AND FRIENDS Sunday Morning Bible Class for adults with developmental disabilities in room 1–507(VC). We are studying Men and Women of the Bible. For more information, call Jeanne at 651-704-9464.

SUNDAY MORNING STUDY: Whether the teen years are already upon you or still ahead, PARENTING TO PARTNERING, will give you the right tools to build and strengthen your family during the preteen and early teen years. Join Jane Dibbern for five sessions, Sundays at 9:30am beginning November 8 in room L- 600 (VC Family Center).

WOMEN OF THE WORD(WOW): The Valley Creek Campus classes meet on Wednesdays, 9:15-11:15am. Childcare registration required at VC campus. Contact: Mary at lehmanm@woodburylutheran.org.

WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT BIBLE STUDY: We will be watching the Charles Stanley DVD study, "The Things God Uses". Join us from 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

## **GREATER REACH**

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX:** WLC VC campus will serve as a collection center for OCC the week of Nov. 16 -23. Ways you can serve: 1. Donate gift filled shoe boxes. 2.

Serve on our team, greeting donors or loading cartons. Also needed: prayer warriors. Sign up located in the lobby (VC), or stop by to receive more information. You may also contact Bey Manship at 651-458-3241: jamesmanship@comcast.net or Laurel Mills at 651-503-9090; mlekm@msn.com. Visit samaritanspurse.org to learn how to pack a shoebox.

VISIT WITH MISSIONARIES BRAD AND SANDY MILLER: Come hear about the mission work of Brad and Sandy as we enjoy some tea/coffee on Thursday, Nov. 5, 2-3:30pm in the Isaiah room (VC).

AN INVITE FROM PASTOR DREW: Host An International Student this Thanksgiving. The USA has thousands of international students who study in our universities...many will become prominent leaders back in their home countries. Sadly, most international students who study in the USA, never step foot into an American home. USA Homestays is trying to change that this Thanksgiving by providing Christian hospitality to international students in the Twin Cities. Would you please pray about hosting an international student or two at your family Thanksgiving meal? You can learn more about them at www.usahomestays.org. If you are willing to host a student, please contact USA Homestays director Ben Robison at (612)770-0031 or ben@usahomestays.org.



## **GREATER CONNECTION**

**READY TO TAKE YOUR NEXT STEP?** The WLC Connection Center is available to help you determine what your next step might be on

the Discipleship PATH. Whether you want to explore options or you already know what your next step will be, our Connectors would love to help! The Connection Center staff is available each Sunday from 9-9:30am, 10:30-11am and 12-12:30pm in the lobby, or at 12pm outside of the Genesis Room.

FALL GREATER EVENT on Nov. 18 at 7pm (VC). In the fall of 2013 we 79 greater started on a spiritual journey called Greater. We invited people to

take a step of faith in five different areas: Greater Reach (commit to inviting a friend or family to worship at WLC), Greater Growth (commit to reflecting on and memorizing the Greater Scripture verse for the week), Greater Connection (commit to joining a small group), Greater Service (commit to serving at WLC), and Greater Sacrifice (commit to a financial sacrifice to grow the ministry of WLC). God has been moving in amazing ways for the last two years! Join us on the Valley Creek campus as we spend some time hearing the stories, praying together, and worshiping.

NEW MEMBER CLASS: Is becoming a member of Woodbury Lutheran Church your next step? Join us for a four-week membership class today at 9:30am in the Fireside room. The membership class goes in depth on our beliefs and practices, our discipleship process as well as our expectations of members. Contact Alycen Brothen to register, 651-739-5144 x212 or brothena@woodburylutheran.org.

INTRO TO WOODBURY LUTHERAN CLASS meets Nov. 15 at 9:30am in the Lounge (VC). This class is especially for second and third time guests, or anyone interested in finding out more about Woodbury Lutheran. Join us to find out who we are as a congregation, what we believe and value, where we see God leading us and what we hope for you as a growing follower of Jesus. Intro to WLC meets on the third Sunday of each month.

# **GREATER SERVICE**



CHRISTIAN CLOSET VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Currently, the Christian Closet is experiencing a shortage of staffing. The Christian Closet is

open every Friday. We need volunteers from 8:30am-11:15am and from 11:15am - 1:45pm. If the lord leads you to fulfill this vacancy, we need 8 people in the morning and 3 in the afternoon. Please call Gloria Johnson at 651-253-5416 if you would like to serve the Lord in a fun service ministry.

WLC DING-A-LINGS: For the 16th consecutive year the WLC Ding-A-Lings will be ringing bells for the Salvation Army to assist those in our communities who have spiritual and physical needs. We ring at CUB Foods in Tamarack Village. We are scheduled in 2 hour time slots on Fridays & Saturdays from Nov. 27 through Dec. 19. You can sign up at the kiosk in the lobby. Questions? Call Paula or Jerry Morton at 651-455-1682.

**GREATER SACRIFICE** 

#### As of October 16, 2015 **GENERAL FUND**

Year to Date Actual: 2015 Total Year to date Budget:

\$2,145,006 \$2,206,552 (\$61,546)

ONLINE GIVING: myWLC offers safe and secure electronic giving. This is a convenient, safe and simple way for individuals to make one-time or repeating automatic contributions through electronic funds transfer (EFT) directly from a checking or savings account. Log on to myWLC (woodburylutheran. ccbchurch.com) and click on the Give tab. For more information contact: Mark Stutelberg at 651-739-5144 or stutelbergm@woodburylutheran.org.





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## **OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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OH CONFIRMATION is today during the 10:30am service. We will celebrate the Confirmation of 7 of our young people. Please join us for a cake reception immediately following the service.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX: WLC OH campus will serve as an official collection center for Operation Christmas Child the week of Nov. 16-23. Ways you can serve: 1. Donate gift filled shoe boxes. 2. Serve on our team, greeting donors and receiving shoe boxes. Sign up online at MyWLC or stop by the connection center to receive more information. You may also contact Amy Larson at 651-748-9817; aflarson@msn.com or Cheri Frost at 651-730-7052; cherifrost6@gmail.com. Visit www.samaritanspurse.org to learn how to pack a shoebox.

#### ADULT BIBLE STUDIES:

Wednesday: 10am in the Fellowship Hall studying, 'Seven Deadly sins and the Beatitudes'. Facilitated by: Pastor Derek and Dean Galvin.

Thursday: Women of the Word will be studying the book of Daniel, meet 9:15am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring your bible! Facilitated by Jane Dibbern.

Saturday: Men's Study group, facilitated by Don Thaemert and Pete Riehle. 8am in the Fellowship Hall.

Sunday: 10:30am Bible Study Class is studying the book of Ephesians, meeting in the church office. Facilitated by Larry Behnken.

Sunday: Study entitled Counter Culture, a compassionate call to Counter Culture in a world of poverty, homosexuality, racism, sex slavery and other social issues. Facilitated by Mike and Jan Rygh, 9:15am, in the Lower level.



Who benefits from STEPHEN MINISTERS? Those receiving care benefit as they receive prayer and support through the crisis they face; Stephen Ministers benefit through spiritual growth from being involved in meaningful ministry; Our pastors benefit when caring ministry at Oak Hill is expanded. Need someone to talk with? Contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.

WANT MORE INFORMATION? Woodbury Lutheran Church ministries, worship schedule and activities at all campuses can be found at the welcome desk in the lobby, at www.woodburylutheran.org, by down-loading our church app at http://get.theapp.co/4bbf, or

contacting us at 651-739-5144. If you want more info go to myWLC.org, where you can connect with a group, see the church calendar, look for volunteer opportunities, check out your profile/financial information and more.

WLC INFORMATION



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# **KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY**

Have you SAVED THE DATE for December 6 at 9:30 am? Kids LINK students ages 3 years-3rd grade (9:30 and 11am) at VC campus will be leading worship and serving. All

4th-5th graders will attend with their small groups. You'll want to be there!

Reach. Grow, Serve.

# YOUTH MINISTRY - ALL CAMPUSES

HIGH SCHOOL FALL RETREAT: (9th-12th) We're headed down to Camp Omega Nov. 6-8, for an awesome weekend of connecting with each other and growing in our faith! Crazy games, awesome Bible Studies, and campfire doughnuts will abound! Cost is \$100. Sign up at wlcyouth.org.

ROOTS WEDNESDAY SMALL GROUPS (9-12th): Last week we created "uniquely flavored" brownies at our NEW freshmen event! Special guest judges will sample and vote on these creations on Nov. 4, 6:30-8pm. Who will the winner be?!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA (6-8th): Join us at VC campus on Nov. 6, 6:30-9pm for BIG church games. Cost is FREE! Bring you friends for this awesome event!

FOUNDATIONS YEAR 1 OVERNIGHTER: Made In God's Image Retreat for all year one students at VC will be at 7pm Friday, Nov. 13 to Saturday, Nov. 14, 8:30am. There is no cost for this event; register your student at f1-overnight.wlcyouth.org.

## OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

NOVEMBER IS MISSION MONTH here at WLC and this year we have several of our missionaries coming in to speak to various groups. Speaking at events this week are Brian and Barb Sorge, Brad and Sandi Miller, and Grant Buse. Check out the poster in the lobby for times, locations, and topics.

NEED MITTENS? The Mitten Ladies will be selling their handmade mittens from 7:30am-12:30pm today at the VC campus (they will also be available Nov. 22 at the OH Campus). Thank you for your wonderful support of the mittens made to raise money for the Robin's Nest Children's Home, Jamaica!



WE WANT YOUR LEAVES: Have leaves that you need to dispose of? Bring them to the WLC garden on the Afton property on Saturday Nov. 7 from 10-4pm. Please only at this time. You will be directed to an area to spread your leaves by one of our garden workers. PLEASE: Leaves only - no garden waste, house plants, shrubs, etc.. Our WLC garden has had a great year, a record harvest of over 6,000 pounds of fresh, nutritious food for the Christian Cupboard. You can help us to prepare for next year! Any guestions, please call Ted Bolles 651-308-5775.

CHRISTMAS BOUTIQUE, WOODBURY LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL: The Christmas Boutique is Wednesday, Nov. 18 and Thursday, Nov. 19 from 9am-12pm in the Genesis hallway (VC). Support our school by purchasing local, unique, high quality handcrafted gifts for your family and friends. Proceeds from our 20th annual fundraiser will be used toward classroom technology equipment and student scholarships. For more information/details or to give a donation to WLP contact Lisa Schommer at 651-739-5146 or schommerl@woodburylutheran.org.



LOOKING AHEAD: COLLECTING CHAPSTICK & TRAVEL SIZED LOTION. The youth are collecting these items to share with those they will be serving at the Salvation Army on Nov. 25. Bring your donations to the youth info desk (VC) or inside the youth room (OH) in November.

VC ACOLYTE TRAINING for 3rd, 4th and 5th graders will be Sunday, November 8 at 3pm in the Sanctuary (VC). Serving as an acolyte is a wonderful opportunity to serve God and this worshiping community. Questions about training should be directed to Bruce Dibbern, 651-338-3537 or bruce.dibbern@gmail.com.

CELEBRATE RECOVERY: Do your bad habits seem to have a hold on you and you just can't seem to break them? Celebrate Recovery can help! With God's help and accountability to others in our group, we learn to put our focus on making good habits and good decisions, one day at a time. Celebrate Recovery is a Biblical and balanced program that helps us break free from those sins, hurts, habits and hang ups that rob us of peace and joy. God wants us to live victoriously! Come and see what God is doing at Celebrate Recovery. We meet every Thurs., 6:30pm, optional meal at 5:30pm, downstairs in room L-900 (VC Paul). For more information visit woodburylutheran.org/resources-media/support and click on Celebrate Recovery or call Vicky at 651-308-9112 or Larry at 651-308-9113.

