

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

**GREATER GROWTH**



**GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY:** November is Mission Month. Each week we will be joined by a guest missionary at 9:30am in the Genesis Room (VC).

**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 TODAY 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, "God Uses the Wicked To Accomplish His Purpose". Join us from 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC). Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

**PEOPLE OF FAITH** Bible Study meets Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm, every other week (next meeting is Nov. 19). This is a group for adults with different disabilities and meets in the Ephesians room (VC). The group develops relationships, trust, and fulfillment in scripture and God's will for us. This is a Bible-based study. We do require aides to stay with the participants. A typical evening opens with prayer, a question, verse, song, or word that brings conversation and attachment to a biblical teaching. Questions? Contact Maureen, 651-719-0661.

**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 and return them to worship on Sunday Nov. 22 for a special blessing. 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 Bev 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.

**PORCHLIGHT:** On a monthly basis almost every new home owner in Woodbury receives a personal visit and letter from WLC. We are always in need of people who will either visit or help prepare the packets for delivery. To get connected with this outreach, contact Scott Perala at 651-578-0442. To signup, send an email to wlcporchlightministry@gmail.com or sign up online at woodburylutheran.org/ministries/serve click on porchlight.

**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.usa homestays.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** for all campuses is on Nov. 18 at 7pm (VC). In the fall of 2013 we 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 worshipping.



**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.

**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 Valley Creek, contact Larry W. (men) 651-458-0147, or Linda W. (women) 651-458-0147. For other info: Shirley M. 651-276-7224.

**THANKSGIVING WORSHIP AT WOODBURY LUTHERAN:** We have two opportunities for Thanksgiving worship. There is the Community Thanksgiving Eve Service, attended by other area churches held at King of Kings in Woodbury on Wednesday, Nov. 25 at 7:30pm and a Thanksgiving Day Service, Thursday Nov. 26, 9am at the VC campus.



**GREATER SERVICE**

**VOLUNTEERS** needed for the blood drive on Monday, Nov. 23 from 1-7pm at the VC campus. We need volunteers to help check in donors and hand out snacks. Looking for 2-3 people per 2 hour shift. To sign up email Shellburns@yahoo.com or at 651-731-5406. Thank you.

**VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED** for one-hour shifts to greet donors and load shoeboxes at VC the week of Nov. 16-23! Contact Laurel Mills at 651-503-9090.

*Reach. Grow. Serve.*

**GREATER SACRIFICE**

As of October 31, 2015

**GENERAL FUND**

Year to Date Actual:	\$2,206,972
2015 Total Year to date Budget:	\$2,321,140
	(\$114,168)

**TEXT TO GIVE:** Text your gift amount to 651-504-0500. You'll receive a text with a link. Enter your info with the credit/debit card you'd like to use. Only fill out this form once! Next time just text your gift amount to 651-504-0500.

**WAYS TO GIVE:**



Online Giving QR  
OR go to woodburylutheran.org/giving  
OR Text to give at 651-504-0500

## OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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**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 and return them to worship on Sunday Nov. 22 for a special blessing. 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](http://www.samaritanspurse.org) to learn how to pack a shoebox.

**NEW MEMBER CLASS:** The emphasis in this class will be unpacking the details of the intro class and will serve as an on-ramp to get you connected right away. We will spend some time learning about how we believe God is calling us to make disciples at WLC. Our next class will be November 22, 11:30am. For more information or to register please contact Cheri Frost 651-739-5144 x330 or cherifrost6@gmail.com.



**NEED GIFTS?** For one day only we will be selling a variety of handmade mittens in between services on Nov. 22 at the OH Campus. Cost is \$20. 100% of the money paid goes directly to Robin's Nest. Thank you for your wonderful support of missions and the Mitten Ladies to raise money for the Robin's Nest Children's Home, Jamaica!

**STEPHENS MINISTRY—Why the name STEPHEN?** The name 'Stephen' comes from St. Stephen, who was the first lay person commissioned by the apostles to provide caring ministry to those in need as recorded in Acts 6. Need someone to talk with? Contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.



## WLC INFORMATION

**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](http://www.woodburylutheran.org), by downloading 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](http://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.



## 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!



## YOUTH MINISTRY - ALL CAMPUSES

**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](http://f1-overnight.wlcyouth.org).



**DONUT FUND RAISER TRAINING:** There will be a required Donut Fundraiser training for those who have never sold donuts at the Valley Creek Campus (open to 9th-12th graders and 8th graders attending a mission trip). The training is on Sunday, Nov. 22, 10:30-10:50am in the Bridge. Can't make the training date? Contact Patrick Brewer at [brewerp@woodburylutheran.org](mailto:brewerp@woodburylutheran.org).

**SUMMER MISSION TRIP REVEAL** (6th-12th) This is the day when all Summer Mission Trips will be revealed. Youth and parents, join us on November 22: Valley Creek: 9:30-10:30am in the Bridge; Oak Hill: 9:15-10am in the Fellowship Hall. Find out where our 2016 Summer Mission trips will be! Registration will open at noon on Monday Nov. 23.

**THANKSGIVING EVE BREAKFAST:** Sign up to serve breakfast at the Salvation Army on Wed., Nov. 25 at 6am by emailing or calling Lindsey: [SchmidtL@woodburylutheran.org](mailto:SchmidtL@woodburylutheran.org) or Molly: [schulzem@woodburylutheran.org](mailto:schulzem@woodburylutheran.org). Families are welcome to serve together; students under 11 need to serve with a parent. Reminder: we are collecting chapstick & travel-sized lotion. Please deposit donations in the box at the Youth Info. center in the hallway by the Bridge(VC) and at OH in the box by the youth room.



## 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. Missionaries speaking at church events this week are; Grant Buse, Brad and Sandi Miller, Kurtis Smith, Don Leonard and Danielle Hoel. Check out the poster in the lobby for times, locations, and topics.



**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](mailto:schommerl@woodburylutheran.org).

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

**BLOOD DRIVE:** The Red Cross will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, Nov. 23 from 1-7pm at the Valley Creek campus, room 1-300. Contact Shelli Burns at [shellburns@yahoo.com](mailto:shellburns@yahoo.com) or 651-731-5407 to schedule an appointment or to volunteer.

**DONUTS FOR SALE:** The High School youth are selling yummy donuts every Sunday 9:00-10:45am, by both the lobby and the Bridge at VC. Cost for donuts; \$1.00 basic, \$1.50 premium. Money raised goes to help the youth attend mission trips and events. Thanks for your support!

**MISSION U—COURSE:** 'MU-201 Dealing with Tough Questions' on Saturday, Nov. 14 from 9am to 2pm at St. John Lutheran Church, Woodbury. \$10.00 fee includes workshop and lunch, facilitated by Dr. Jeffrey Burkart. Make your reservations by contacting Pastor Jim and Jane Vehling at 651-501-5611 or Don and Cheryl Lindeman at 651-739-9291.

**CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION** welcomes Carmen Croonquist as she presents "Getting in Touch with Your Career Story to Enact the Next Chapter in Your Life" on Nov. 12, 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at [www.careertransitionconnection.org](http://www.careertransitionconnection.org).

