

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

**GREATER GROWTH**



**GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY:** Counter Culture: A Compassionate call to counter culture in a world of Poverty, Same-Sex Marriage, Racism, Slavery, Immigration, Persecution, Abortion, Orphans, Pornography. Meets at 9:30am in the Genesis Room (VC).

**SUNDAY STUDY:** Pride, it shuts us in and shuts God and others out. It keeps us from saying what needs to be said and hearing what needs to be heard. Join us for a study entitled "Killing It - Pride". The study meets in room 1-301 at 9:30am (VC), facilitated by Dave Nelson.

**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.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Join us for a Charles Stanley DVD study entitled, "God Always Rewards Obedience", 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC). Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.



**GREATER REACH**



**SHARE CHRISTMAS** with others! Take time to invite your neighbors and friends to our worship services during Christmas. All it takes is a warm, friendly invitation to those in our community to bring the hope and love of Christ this Christmas. To help you spread the word we have created an email for you to use to invite friends to worship. It is found at woodburylutheran.org/invite. We also have cards available that list our Christmas services in the lobby. Pick up a few and spread the good news!

**STAY HOME, STAY WARM AND SERVE**, volunteer as a Second Touch Porch Light team member by writing a postcard note to four new Woodbury residents each month. No more than half an hour a month is all the time that is needed! The postcards, postage and addresses are provided. You provide the warm greeting. Safe. Simple. To sign up send an email to wlcporchlightministry@gmail.com. Sign up online at woodburylutheran.org/ministries/serve click on porchlight.

**2016 MISSION EXPERIENCES:** Time to start thinking and praying about whether you want to join us in Kake, AK, Robin's Nest in Jamaica, Ecuador or Trinity First, Mpls this next summer. Dates and meetings coming soon. Contact Lori Golden at goldenl60@yahoo.com or Pastor Drew at baylessa@woodburylutheran.org with questions.

**GREATER SERVICE**



**EAGER HANDS QUILTING MINISTRY:** Celebrate with us! We have made 4000 quilts for the Salvation Army to give to the homeless! We are now starting on the next 1000 quilts. Do you want to join us? We meet on Tuesdays, 9am at Delores Fitzgerald's home to create and have fun. Contact Delores at 651-738-1812 for more information or directions.

**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 Saturday before and after 5pm worship and each Sunday from 9-9:30, 10:30-11 and 12-12:15 in the lobby, or from 10:45-11 and 12 outside of the Genesis room.

**SATURDAY WORSHIP SERVICE:** There will be **NO DECEMBER 26 Saturday worship service**. Please join us at one of the Sunday morning services that weekend.

**INTRO TO WOODBURY LUTHERAN CLASS** meets today 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.

**HEALING SERVICE** is held at the Valley Creek Campus every third Sunday. For prayers of healing, attend our service today at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

**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.

**GREATER SACRIFICE**

As of November 30, 2015

**GENERAL FUND**

Year to Date Actual:	\$2,518,602
2015 Total Year to date Budget:	\$2,625,301
	(\$106,699)

**DO YOU WANT YOUR OFFERING TO GO TO A SPECIFIC FUND/MINISTRY?** When submitting offering checks, please enter the fund name on the memo line of the check if the offering is for a fund other than the General Fund. If the memo line is left blank, then General Fund (money used where needed) is assumed. Also, an offering check can be split into more than one fund. Just enter the fund names and amounts for each fund on the memo line. If you have questions, contact Mike Hunst at 651-353-3472 or at mhunst@comcast.net.

**GIVING STATEMENTS** are available for viewing at any time at myWLC.org. All statements will be finalized by Jan. 7, 2016 for the 2015 year. Reminder: We will not be mailing out year-end statements. If you do not have computer access at home or need help, please contact the church office.

**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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**CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE:** See the box on this page of the weekly for our campus wide holiday service schedule. Merry Christmas!!



**EQUIPPING THE SAINTS:** Stephen Ministry has given us an organized way to equip those gifted for caring ministry so that they can build up the body of Christ by providing Christian care and support. Need someone to talk with? Contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.

## YOUTH MINISTRY - OH AND VC



**SUMMER MISSION TRIPS:** Middle School(6th-8th) is going to Green Bay, WI, June 19-24, 2016, cost is \$325. High School/Middle School (6th-12th) trip is going to Burtrum, WI, June 19-24, 2016, cost is \$150. **DEADLINE:** Plan ahead, after Jan. 1 the \$50 deposit is non refundable and costs go up on the Green Bay trip. Find out more about the 2016 Summer Mission trips or register at wlc youth.org. If a trip fills a wait list will form. Contact: Lindsey Schmidt at 651-739-5144.

**ARCTIC BLAST RETREAT (6th-12th):** MS and HS students are going together this year for the Arctic Blast Retreat! Join us on Jan. 22-24, 2016 at Camp Lebanon. Registration is open online at www.wlc youth.org. Early bird cost is \$100; after Jan. 1 cost is \$115 until full. Friends are welcome!!! Broomball, camp, great worship and snow tubing!

**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING (8th-12th):** We'll be joining about 25,000 Lutherans gathering to praise God in worship and more in New Orleans, LA - July 15-21, 2016. Spots are still available. Check out the details and sign up at wlc youth.org.



**CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLEBEARERS(VC):** We still need 5 folks to help at the 5pm service. Anyone in 6th grade through adult can help. Earn 3 service hours. Practice will be today at noon in the VC Sanctuary. Contact Lindsey Schmidt with questions.

**SERVICE HOURS:** Woodbury Lutheran Preschool is having its annual Family Fun Night and Open House on Tuesday, January 12 and needs youth volunteers to help with games, art/crafts, jumpity jumps, etc. We would need about 10-12 youth helpers available 5:30-8:30pm that night. Contact Lisa at schomerl@woodburylutheran.org.

**ALL CAMPUS YOUTH CLASS SCHEDULE:** Christmas break is coming! Take note of class schedule changes at **both campuses** this month: Wednesday night Foundations, Sixers and HS ROOTS will not meet Dec. 23 or Dec. 30. Sunday Powerhouse and Sunday Impact will not meet on Dec. 27 or Jan. 3.



**THE BRIDGE** will be closed Dec. 23 and Dec. 30. Open Bridge after-school hours resume on Jan. 6. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## 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 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](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.



"Multiplying Disciples. Transforming Lives"

To follow Jesus Christ, grow as His disciples, serving and telling others, so that all may know Him as Savior and Lord.

## OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

**MEET THE CANDIDATES:** The two candidates for the position of Associate Pastor for our third campus will be available to the congregation this Tuesday, December 22, at 7pm via video conference. The conversations will be recorded and made available the following day. The search committee will take all of our gathered information and have a decision in early January. We welcome your continued prayers during this process in attempting to discern the will of the Holy Spirit. We move ahead committed to our work for His Kingdom and with hearts filled with longing for all of God's people to discover the love of Jesus



**YOUNG FOLKS(Adults) CHRISTMAS CAROLING PARTY:** Join us today at 6:30pm in Bridge 121. Celebrating the birth of our King Jesus, gathering around hot cocoa/cider, and proclaiming the good news of Christ's birth for all people in song. Children are more than welcome, dress warm and feel free to bring your favorite bars or other winter treats to share. Contact: Vicar Colter at [knippac@woodburylutheran.org](mailto:knippac@woodburylutheran.org).

**WLC CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL:** Don't miss this window of opportunity! 2016-2017 enrollment for Preschool/Pre-K classes and Extended Learning (Care 7:30am-5pm) is now open for WLC Members only. For more information about WLP's excellent early education and care, contact Dorothy Blaisdell, Director at 651-739-5146 or check out [woodburylutheran.org/preschool](http://woodburylutheran.org/preschool) or Facebook.



"He must become greater, and I must become less." - John 3:30

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES AT ALL CAMPUSES:

- \*Valley Creek Genesis: 3:00pm
- \*Valley Creek Sanctuary: 3:00, 5:00 & 11:00pm
- \*Oak Hill Sanctuary: 3:00 & 5:00pm

### CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE:

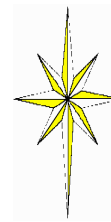
Valley Creek Sanctuary: 10:00am

### NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE:

Oak Hill Sanctuary: 5:00pm



**TAKE NOTE:** There will be NO DECEMBER 26 Valley Creek Saturday Worship Service. Join us at one of the Sunday morning services that weekend.



## KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** on both of our campuses will take two weeks off during the holidays (Dec. 27 and Jan. 3), classes resume on Jan. 10. We encourage you to worship together as a family this holiday season!

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRY** wishes you all many Christmas blessings and a Happy New Year!

