

**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:** Big Church - The church is a movement. 2000 years ago, a gathering of people in a Middle-Eastern city began a movement. Encircling the globe and leaving its mark on individuals and cultures, this movement would eventually become known as the church. This study meets in room 1-301, 9:30am (VC), facilitated by Dave Nelson.



**NEW SUNDAY MORNING WOMEN'S STUDY** entitled, 'The Best Yes' by Lysa Terkeurst. Making Wise Decisions in the Midst of Endless Demands. Starts February 14 and meets for 6 Weeks; 9:30-10:25am in room L-250 (Family Center). Facilitated by Mary Lehman. Cost is \$7.75 for the workbook.

**PEOPLE OF FAITH Bible Study** meets Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm, every other week (next meeting Feb. 11). 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.

**WEDNESDAY EVENING ADULT BIBLE STUDY:** Join us for an Andy Stanley DVD study entitled, "Go Fish: Fish Buddies", 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC). Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

**GREATER REACH**



**SAVING BABIES AND SAVING FAMILIES:** Grab a baby bottle, put your spare change in it and/or grab a box of diapers the next time you shop and bring them to the church by Valentines Day. These will be given to NLFS, a Christ centered ministry serving all women through a pregnancy care center offering ultrasounds, parenting help, adoption services and more.

**DATES OF 2016 MISSION EXPERIENCES:** Quito, Ecuador: June 19-29; Kake, Alaska: July 6-16; Phillips Neighborhood - Minneapolis: July 17-24; Robin's Nest - Jamaica: August 12-20. To learn more, head to the Connection Center and ask about Short-Term Mission Experiences for 2016 or contact Pastor Drew Bayless at baylessa@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144 x205.

**WLC MISSIONARIES TO ECUADOR,** Josh and Hannah Zook, will be commissioned at the 9:30am VC service and prayed over during all other Sunday services on the VC campus on Feb. 14. A gathering time over coffee will be held at noon on Feb. 14 in the Fireside Room (VC) to meet them and ask questions. All are welcome to attend!

**FOOD SHELF TP BOWL:** Once again we are challenged to compete in this year's Toilet Paper bowl by our friends at Guardian Angels Catholic church. Last year we won the battle with 823 lbs to 730 lbs of toilet paper for the local food shelves. Providing needed TP saves money to invest in more food. Our supplies will go to our Christian Cupboard and other food shelves as needed. During the month of February bring your rolls to the drop box near the welcome center (VC). Let's raise the bar and keep that trophy. Go Lutherans!



**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.

**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.



**NEW MEMBER CLASS:** Is becoming a member of Woodbury Lutheran Church your next step? Join us for a four-week membership class beginning Feb. 7 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 or brothena@woodburylutheran.org.

**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 information: Shirley M. 651-276-7224.



**GREATER SACRIFICE**

As of December 31, 2015

END of the YEAR

2015 Year end Contributions	\$2,957,188.00
2015 Year end Expenses	\$2,852,752.00
2015 Surplus	\$104,435.00



THANK YOU!

**GIVING STATEMENTS** are available for printing any time at myWLC.org. 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.

**HOW DO I GET MY ONLINE GIVING STATEMENT?** Below is the myWLC Guide to accessing your giving statements.

1. Log in to myWLC at myWLC.org.
2. Click on Give in the menu on the left.
3. Select the Schedule/History tab.
4. Click on the black Giving Statement button on the right.
5. On the next screen select: Type - Family; Date Range - Last Year; then Click Run Report.

**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

**MEMORIAL OR HONORARIUM GIVING** just got easier for family or friends of WLC members who want to honor a loved one. Gifts to the WLC Endowment Fund may now be made on line. Go to woodburylutheran.org, follow the Giving link to Giving Online. Be sure to select Endowment Fund. Debit cards, credit cards, or bank account routing accepted. Endowment gifts are invested to support ministries and missions for this and future generations.

## OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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**YOUTH SNOW TUBING:** Come have a blast snow tubing with friends on Wednesday, February 3, 6:30-8:30pm. We will be carpooling from OH, times TBA. This event is for 6th-12th graders and friends!! A Green Acres waiver is required; cost is \$10. There will also be a bus from the VC campus (6-9pm time frame). [Details and sign up at wlc youth.org](http://Details and sign up at wlc youth.org). Contact: Molly Schulze.



### KIDS MINISTRY SUMMER DATES— Mark your Calendar.

- Summer Day Camp June 13-16, 9:30-noon 3 years-4th grade completed, OH Campus.
- Summer Day Camp June 20-23, 9:30-noon 3 years-2nd grade completed, VC Campus.
- Summer Activities Camp July 11-14, 9:00-12:15pm grades 1st-5th completed, VC Campus.

Register at [woodburylutheran.org](http://woodburylutheran.org) beginning April 1.



**COMPASSION:** Jesus calls us to follow His example to be deeply concerned for one another. Stephen Ministry is a ministry filled with compassion. If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry contact Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.

## GREATER SERVICE



**SPECIAL PERSON NEEDED:** Do you have a friendly smile and enjoy offering people a warm welcome? You may be just the person we're looking for! We would love to have greeters available at each WLC door for every church service; people who are ready to welcome visitors and members to worship with us. If you want to consider serving our Lord in this way, we'd love to provide you with more information. Please contact Miki Schneider ([miki.schneider@live.com](mailto:miki.schneider@live.com)) or Mike Sabbann ([msabbann@usgo.net](mailto:msabbann@usgo.net) or 651-731-6236).

*Reach. Grow. Serve.*

## KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY

### KIDS MINISTRY SUMMER DATES— Mark your Calendar.

- Summer Day Camp June 20-23, 9:30-noon 3 years-2nd grade completed, Valley Creek Campus.
- Summer Day Camp June 13-16, 9:30-noon 3 years-4th grade completed, Oak Hill Campus.
- Summer Activities July 11-14, 9:00-12:15pm grades 1st-5th completed, VC campus. Register at [woodburylutheran.org](http://woodburylutheran.org) beginning April 1.



**BEYOND BIRDS AND BEES...March 5:** A program designed for parents interested in communicating to their children about sexual topics in a way that's consistent with their values and in touch with reality. Presented by Dr. Heidi Croatt ([communicatingyourvalues.com](http://communicatingyourvalues.com)). Workshop times are designed to address age-appropriate communication.

- Parents of children ages 2-5 - 9:30-11:30am
- Parents of children grades 1-6 - 12:30-2:30pm
- Parents of children grades 7-9 - 3:00-5:00pm

Register online at [woodburylutheran.org](http://woodburylutheran.org). Registration fee is \$5 per family. For more information contact Nancy Schubbe: [schubben@woodburylutheran.org](mailto:schubben@woodburylutheran.org) or 651-739-5144 ext. 203.

## YOUTH MINISTRY - OH AND VC



**YOUTH SNOW TUBING: SIGN UP SOON!!** Come have a blast snow tubing with friends on Wed., February 3, 6-9pm (meet at VC campus). This event is for 6th-12th graders and friends!! A Green Acres waiver is required; cost is \$10. [Details and sign up at wlc youth.org](http://Details and sign up at wlc youth.org). Contact: Patrick Brewer or Lindsey Schmidt.

**FIRST MEETING FOR NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING (8th-12th):** We will have our first participant meeting on Sunday, Feb. 14, 12:30-2pm in the Bridge (VC). The gathering is in New Orleans, LA - July 15-21, 2016. [DEADLINE](http://DEADLINE) to sign up for the trip is Feb. 14. Check out the details and sign up at [wlc youth.org](http://wlc youth.org).

**SPOTS STILL AVAILABLE FOR BOTH SUMMER MISSION TRIPS:** Middle School(6th-8th) is going to Green Bay, WI, June 19-24, 2016, cost is \$350 until full. SIGN UP by Feb. 15. The High School/Middle School (8th-12th) trip is going to Camp Lebanon in Burtrum, MN, June 19-24, 2016, cost is \$150. Find out more about the 2016 Summer Mission trips or register at [wlc youth.org](http://wlc youth.org). If a trip fills a wait list will form. Contact: Lindsey Schmidt at 651-739-5144.

**FAMILY HOLY COMMUNION CLASS:** Registration is now open online at [wlc youth.org](http://wlc youth.org) for the Holy Communion class (6th and up), held at both campuses. Dates at Oak Hill: Sundays, noon-1:30pm from Feb. 14 till March 13. Valley Creek Dates: Tuesdays 6:30-8pm, from Feb. 14 till March 15. Questions? Contact Lindsey Schmidt.

## OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

**OUR ANNUAL VOTERS MEETING** will be held today, 12:30pm in the Valley Creek Sanctuary. A light lunch following the late services precedes the meeting.



**CONGREGATIONAL VOTE:** If the budget passes at the Annual Voters Meeting today, we will immediately open the voting for a new Associate Pastor. Voting is by paper ballot or online from January 31 till February 7. Online ballot will be located on the search committee page. Go to <http://www.woodburylutheran.org/resources-media/search-committee> to vote online.

**2016 MEN'S BREAKAWAY:** This year at the Men's Breakaway March 4-5, we will be exploring and practicing "Living as Brothers" as we enjoy worship, conversation, and a good mix of inside and outside fun like human foosball. The breakaway is at the ARC in Osceola, WI and starts with dinner at 6pm on Friday and ends about 8pm after dinner on Saturday. Details and registration are online at the [woodburylutheran.org](http://woodburylutheran.org) homepage, under upcoming events. Questions? Contact Jeff Linert at 651 387-9428 or Vicar Colter at 651-739-5144.



**TRIP PLANNED FOR THE FALL:** In the Footsteps of the Apostle Paul and John: Turkey, Greece and the Islands trip will be September 24-Oct. 6, 2016 - led by Paul and Rhoda Pfothenauer. For more information or to sign up contact them at [pfotenauer@juno.com](mailto:pfotenauer@juno.com). Brochures are available in the lobby.

**ESL CLASSES:** Do you know a refugee or immigrant who needs help with conversational English or reading English? Woodbury Lutheran offers English as Second Language classes for beginners (conversational) and level 2 beginners (speaking and reading). Our participants have come from many corners of the world -- from Bangladesh to Central America. Next classes (for both levels) will be Tuesdays, 6:30-8pm, beginning February 16 for 10 weeks. For more information, contact Luz at [guerrero@csp.edu](mailto:guerrero@csp.edu).

## WLC INFORMATION

**WANT MORE INFORMATION?** Woodbury Lutheran Church ministries, worship schedule and activities at [all campuses](http://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.

