

August 14-21, 2016

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

GREATER GROWTH

GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: We are digging deeper into the book of Leviticus. The class meets at 9:30am in the Genesis Room (VC).

WOMEN'S EVENING STUDY: Are you ever afraid someone will ask you why you believe what you believe? Do you fear someone might question what you believe? Responding to people's questions and challenges can get complicated. But what if you were confident you had the answer to the most important question about your faith? The study runs August 23 till September 6, Tuesday, 6:30-8pm. Facilitated by Mary Lehman, lehmanm@woodburylutheran.org, 651-739-5144 x 201.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY: This week's topic is a David Jeremiah DVD, "Before It's Too Late". Join us from 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

THURSDAY SUMMER BIBLE STUDY is studying the book of I Corinthians 4 & 5 this week. Join us on Thursdays, 9:45am-11:30am, in the Fireside room (VC). Pastor Paul Pfothenhauer will be teaching the class. Our final class will be Sept. 1 and we will celebrate with a potluck and the Kitchen Band will perform. All are welcome.

NEW FALL SERIES: Starting Sunday, September 11, join us for the class, The Story - Part I, from 9:30-10:30am in The Bridge (VC). The Story is an abridged chronological Bible that reads like a novel. There are no verse references, and Scripture segments are seamlessly woven together with transition text into a single, grand narrative. This class is great for those who are confused or overwhelmed with reading a normal Bible. It's also great for those who simply want to experience the Bible as a full narrative. Join the WLC pastors and vicar as we take in the grand story of the Bible. The class will make use of The Story, NIV. Copies are available for purchase now for \$5 at the church office. Amazon.com also offers a Kindle version for \$3.99.

GREATER SERVICE

FMSC: Who have you invited to help pack 250,000 meals for hungry children? On-line registration for the for the upcoming Feed My Starving Children MobilPack on our Valley Creek campus opens today! Children as young as five are welcome to pack as long as they are with their parents. If you are unable to pack, come be part of the event by labeling bags – this is a 'sit down' activity and is an integral part of the event. The packing will begin on Thursday, September 22. To register yourself and/or your family/group, just follow the link from WLC's home page. If you are bringing a group (scouts, etc.) they must be third grade or older. Contact Liz Thompson for the adult to student ratio required to participate before registering your group. Adults are also needed to help set-up on Sept. 22 and clean-up on Sept 24. If you need help registering – or just have questions – please stop by the Connection Desk today or contact Liz Thompson at 651-262-9665.

CARING CAPS: Would you be willing to knit or crochet some soft, Chemo/Neuro Surgery caps and baby caps/afghans? For information, call Tamara 651- 734-3974 or email tskarl@comcast.net.



GREATER SACRIFICE

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.



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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.

HEALING SERVICE is held at the Valley Creek Campus every third Sunday. For prayers of healing, attend our service on August 21 at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

INTRO TO WOODBURY LUTHERAN CLASS meets August 21 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.

WLC has a Pastoral Care Assistant (PCA) team who help Pastors with visits. The PCA team would like to know if you, or someone you know, have a specific prayer request, wish to have a visit, or would like a phone call. You may contact Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144 ext. 221 or marshallt@woodburylutheran.org.

GREATER REACH

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Trinity First Lutheran School has over 160 students enrolled for the 2016-2017 school year, and we are looking for volunteers to serve alongside us as we educate and share Jesus' love with our families and children, in all areas, particularly in our afterschool program. If you are interested, please email Anna VanVleet, at vanvleet.tfl@gmail.com.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD: Now is a great time to start collecting school supplies for Operation Christmas Child! Shop the back-to-school sales to get good deals on crayons, pens, pencils, sharpeners, writing tablets and other school supplies, as well as clearance items such as flip flops and t-shirts. An average size shoe box makes a perfect gift box for sending Great News and Great Joy to boys and girls. For more information on packing a shoe box or planning a packing party, visit samaritanspurse.org.

THE CHRISTIAN CLOTHES CLOSET is a clothing ministry of Woodbury Lutheran Church. The closet is open every Friday 9am-1:30pm, at the VC Campus. All clothing is free to those in need in our community. We accept donations of clean seasonal clothing (all ages), shoes, bed linens, towels and blankets (please no more hangers and if possible smaller bags to minimize lifting weight for volunteers). Donation tax receipts are available.

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, 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.



OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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OH YOUTH SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: MS and HS youth join us on Wednesdays in the Fellowship Hall, 6:30-8pm. Come for treats, games and study on the books of Joshua and Judges. This is our last week of study for the summer!

STEPHEN 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.



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

YOUTH MINISTRY - OH AND VC

MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA (6-8th): Join us at VC campus on Friday, August 19, 6:30-9pm for BIG church games. Cost is FREE! Bring your friends for this awesome event!



VC SUMMER BIBLE STUDY: Our last study for this summer is on Wednesday, 6:30-8:30pm. MS meets at the Bridge(VC) and HS meets at Patrick Brewers home this week. Come for treats, games and a study on the book of Judges.

MIRACLE LEAGUE SERVICE PROJECT (9-12th): SIGN UP ONLINE to Volunteer with the East Metro Miracle League! We will meet at the Bielenberg Sports Center, black field cluster, off of Hargis Road. We are serving from 5:45-7pm on Aug. 22. Sign up at wlc youth.org. EMLL is a baseball league for kids with special needs and is a super fun way to serve! On Miracle League nights we'll help our buddies play the game and cheer them on! It's going to be great!



2016 CONFIRMANDS: Foundations for Year 3 students only resumes Wednesday, September 14, 6:30-8pm. Please schedule your confirmation interview at interview.wlc youth.org. Also, mark your calendar. The confirmation service will be Sunday, October 30. OH campus is at the 10:30am service and VC Campus is a special 1:30pm service.

KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY

MOPPETS LEADER NEEDED: Do you love helping other moms? Do you love children? Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) are looking for MOPPET leaders to care for their children while they meet. This is their chance to share insights, grow, and meet other moms! MOPS meets approximately every other Monday September-June. MOPPETS leaders are needed from 9:00-noon and compensation is \$15/meeting. Email moppetswoodbury@gmail.com if you're interested!

KID ZONE on Sunday mornings at VC campus for kids ages 3 years - 5 years at 9:30am. Kids will leave worship with a parent right before the sermon begins and get picked up at the end of the service in the Isaiah room. Check your child in at one of the check-in stations in the lobby. For younger siblings, the Kids Care will be available. If you have older kids with you in worship, check out the new kid's activity bulletins available as you enter the sanctuary.



OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

THIRD SITE LAUNCH: Woodbury Lutheran is going to launch its third campus, Woodbury Lutheran, Liberty Ridge Campus, in February 2017. The campus will begin meeting at Liberty Ridge Elementary School in southeast Woodbury. Have questions about this special mission? Interested in being a part of the new campus? Contact Pastor Jon at kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org to learn more!



THREE PAID POSITIONS: WOODBURY LUTHERAN PRESCHOOL 2016-17 needs a part-time Extended Learning Teacher, Preschool Assistant Teacher, and Aide for WLC's celebrated, Four Star Parent Aware rated, growing early education program. **LEARN MORE:** Contact Dorothy Blaisdell, Director at 651-739-5146 or blaisdelld@woodburylutheran.org. This is a wonderful opportunity to be part of an upbeat, dynamic team that is passionate about making a difference in the lives of children and families!

REFORMATION TOUR 2017: MN South District President Dean and Susie Nadasdy will host a 500th Anniversary Reformation tour of Germany September 22-October 3, 2017. The trip will include visits to the historic Reformation sites as well as the German and Austrian Alps. President Nadasdy, a former parish pastor and seminary professor, will provide brief Bible studies and lectures on Reformation themes. For more information, brochure, and registration form, contact the Nadasdys at dean.nadasdy@mnsdistrict.org.

CELEBRATION, our adult vocal ensemble, has openings for TENOR and BASS for the coming choir season, September-May. Rehearsals are Wednesdays from 5:50-6:50pm. Celebration sings once per month alternating between the 8am and 11am blended services. Please contact Mark Shepperd: 651-739-5144 or shepperdm@woodburylutheran.org.

THANK YOU to the Croix Chordsmen and director, Matthew Hall, for sharing in music ministry at our 8:00am service. The St. Croix Valley Croix Chordsmen was organized in 1951 and has been actively singing in the St. Croix Valley since then. Singers come from communities throughout the St. Croix Valley. Ted Bolles, a member of WLC, sings with the Chordsmen and would be happy to talk to you about membership.

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE: A four hour refresher course will be offered on Tuesday, August 30, 9am-1pm in room 1-300 (VC Isaiah). Contact Tom Nelson at 651-735-4492 tomasofwdby@aol.com to sign up.

DONATIONS NEEDED: With 160 refugees being resettled by Arrive Ministries in the Twin Cities between now and the end of September, they are in short supply of many welcome kit items for refugee families. They especially need the following: light-weight indoor brooms, dust pans and brushes, cleaning buckets, liquid surface cleaner, dish washing soap, laundry baskets, laundry soap, kitchen waste baskets, 13 gallon trash bags. Go to arriveministries.org/ways-to-give/ to see what they need and how to donate (look for cleaning supply list on right side bar).

SERMON SERIES on the book of Leviticus. If you stick with us through all 13 weeks of the Leviticus - Covenant People sermon series and read the book of Leviticus in it's entirety, WLC will have a gift for you at the end of the summer. Pick up the bookmark at the welcome desk to help you keep on track with reading Leviticus. (If you miss a weekend in person, you can listen to podcasts of all sermons on the WLC app or website).



SUPPORT TEAM WORLD VISION and bring clean water to communities in Africa. WLC has over 60 people committed to running the Twin Cities Marathon and MN Half Marathon from WLC. If you would like to support these efforts, checks should be made directly to World Vision and placed in the offering baskets or dropped off in the church office. You can also support the team by manning a water stop for our long training runs on Saturday mornings at the Gateway Trail. For more info please contact one of us: Sunny 651-408-3382, Jenny 612-619-5621 or Kristin 651-734-5796. Want to be part of Team World Vision, but not ready to run a marathon? The 6K for Water is coming to the Twin Cities on August 27 in White Bear Lake! Details and registration can be found at teamworldvision.org.