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GREATER GROWTH



GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join Pastor Mark Koschmann starting Sunday, Sept. 11, for the class, To Change the World: Living as Disciples of Jesus in America, a class that focuses on what it means to be disciples of Jesus in America today. In discussing current issues like war, politics, and immigration, the goal of this class is to help disciples apply their faith to the most pressing issues of today, equip themselves for mission and ministry wherever God calls, and grow by placing greater trust in Christ as our Lord and Savior. The class meets for six weeks at 9:30am in the Genesis Room (VC).

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



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FAITH AND FRIENDS Sunday Morning Bible Class for adults with developmental disabilities begins Sept. 11 in room 1- 507(VC). Please do not arrive for class before 9am. For more information, call Jeanne at 651-704-9464.

WOMEN OF THE WORD(WOW): The Valley Creek Campus classes start on Wed., Sept. 21, 9:15-11:15am. Childcare required registration is now open at VC campus. Contact: Mary at lehmann@woodburylutheran.org.

GREATER SERVICE



FMSC SEPTEMBER 22-24: Registration is open to help pack 250,000 meals for hungry children! 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, Sept. 22. 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. To register yourself and/or your family/group, just [follow the link on the rotator bar on WLC's home page](#) at woodburylutheran.org. If you need help registering – or just have questions – please stop by the Connection Desk today or contact Liz Thompson at 651-262-9665.

LOUISIANA BOUND: We will be sending a relief team from Woodbury Lutheran to Camp Restore-Baton Rouge Saturday, Sept. 24, to Friday, Sept. 30. Focus will be mudding-out homes and ministering to residents in flood area. Ages 18 and up. Open to the community. Pastor Jon Kuehne will be participating in this trip. More details at the Connection Center or contact Pastor Drew, baylessa@woodburylutheran.org or Vicki, vickistrong@comcast.net. We will also be accepting gift cards of any amount from Home Depot, Lowes and Target for distribution to those in need beginning next week.



HELP IS NEEDED with the children's ministry (ages 4-10) during the English Class for Immigrants on Tuesday 6:30-8:00pm, Oct. 4 - Nov. 22. Any small group or family willing to undertake this ministry for nine Tuesdays? For more info email Luz Guerrero at guerrero@csp.edu or call 651-263-4849.

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.

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 REACH



MISSION MONTH: Starting Sunday, Sept. 11 from 9:30-10:30am, come to the Fireside Room (VC) to get to know some of WLC's supported missionaries better. During this presentation series, each week will feature a different presentation from a missionary. Using their experiences, these missionaries will share how we can grow as disciples right where we are. Kurtis Smith from LINC Twin Cities will be our presenter on Sept. 11.

DONATE YOUR OLD CAR and help several needy people receive a car from St. Croix Valley Christians in Action (SCVCA), carcaresaturday.org. These people have completed the 'Basic Biblical Finance Class' taught at Woodbury Lutheran Church (VC), which is required in order to qualify for a car from SCVCA. They have learned what the Bible teaches about money management. Car Care has been running for over 20 years, but they have recently seen a drop in car donations and cash to repair the cars donated. Some have been waiting and praying to receive a used car for over 10 months. To donate a vehicle, just bring the vehicle and title to Lake Elmo Repair, 651-770-7699. You will receive a tax deductible receipt.

GREATER SACRIFICE

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 www.myWLC.org and click on the Give tab. For more information contact: Mark Stutelberg at 651-739-5144 or stutelbergm@woodburylutheran.org.

STOCK DONATIONS: There are many different ways we can donate our time, talents and treasures to Woodbury Lutheran Church. One way some members choose to donate is through the transfer or donation of stocks. A donation form is located by the welcome desk. If you have questions or want more information on how to donate stock, please contact Trecie Horner at 651-731-3349.

WAYS TO GIVE:



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

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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RALLY DAY KICK OFF MEAL on Sunday, September 11, starts at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall. Come enjoy a wonderful meal prepared by Chef Mike. Watch for opportunities to volunteer serving food and cleaning up in a separate email.


COME JOIN US on Saturday, Sept. 10 for the Grant Township Tractor Parade at the Gasthaus in Stillwater. Meet there at 9am to decorate the parade wagon and hop on to ride in the parade. Parade starts at noon followed by a free lunch. All Woodbury Lutheran parents, kids and friends are welcome.



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OH REGISTER NOW FOR SUNDAY MORNING KIDS LINK! Online registration is available at woodburylutheran.org. **JOIN US:**  Kids LINK Open House is on Sept. 11, 10-10:30am. Meet small group leaders and visit rooms. Sept. 18 Kids LINK begins at 9:15am. Questions?? Contact Molly Schulze at schulzem@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144 ext. 332.

WOMEN OF THE WORD(WOW) begins Thursday, September 15 at 9:15am. No registration required. Come and study with us!

SUNDAY FUNDAY: Border Battle! Sept. 18, 11:30am-1pm. Wear your football attire and come celebrate the Packers vs Vikings football game with some border battle fun! Football and fall themed activities for all ages. Lunch will be provided. Free and all are welcome! 

NEW MEMBER CLASS AT OH: Are you interested in becoming a member of Woodbury Lutheran, Oak Hill Campus? There will be a New Member class on Sunday, Sept. 25, 11:45am-2:30pm. Contact Cheri at cherifrost6@gmail.com with questions or to register.

LOVE ONE ANOTHER, Jesus says to, "...love one another as I have loved you", John 15:12. Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor's job—it's something Jesus calls us all to do. Stephen Ministers are people with special gifts for caring ministry and who put those gifts to use in an organized way. Need someone to talk with? Contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.

YOUTH MINISTRY - OH AND VC



WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING for 6th-12th: Great times are ahead! New Wednesday night programming for MS and HS youth will start on Sept. 14 at OH and VC campuses. The night looks like this: 6-6:30pm, Game time; 6:30-7pm, Opening worship/games; 7-7:30pm, Large group teaching; 7:30-8:15pm, Small groups. (Foundations Year 3 youth see article below). Register at wlc youth.org.

2016 CONFIRMANDS: Foundations for Year 3 students 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 at 1:30pm.




MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA (6th-8th): Join us at the VC campus on Friday, Sept. 9, 6:30-9pm for NERF WARS. Cost is FREE! Bring your friends for this awesome event!

YOUTH BOOTH SUNDAY: Catch us between services at the youth table on Sept. 11 (Bridge (VC) or Youth Room (OH)). Grab a donut and sign up for serving.

SIGN UP FOR THE FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN mobile pack at the VC campus!! We have spots reserved for 6th-8th graders on Friday, Sept. 23, 5:30-7:30pm. Invite a friend and sign up on the middle school page at wlc youth.org.

STUDENT CONFIRMATION JOURNEY is a personal faith process for students who are currently in 7th-12th grades, who would like to dive deeper into understanding what they believe and why. Find out more at confirm.wlc youth.org or contact Lindsey Schmidt at schmidt1@woodburylutheran.org to set up your launch interview.

OPEN BRIDGE: The Bridge at VC campus is open for youth 6-12th to come hangout, talk with friends, play video games, do homework and meet new people. The Cafe is open as well. Open Bridge time is every Wednesday, 3-6:30pm, starting Sept. 14.

COLORADO PEACH SALE was a big success! With the help of many volunteers and generous customers we sold 430 cases (3.8 tons) and the sale raised over \$2,900. Thanks to each and all of you for supporting our Youth Scholarship program! 


KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY



VC REGISTER NOW FOR SUNDAY MORNING KIDS LINK! Online registration is available at woodburylutheran.org. **JOIN US!** VC Kids LINK Open House on Sunday Sept. 11, 9-9:30am and 10:40-11am. Meet small group leaders and find rooms! Kids LINK begins on Sept. 18! Questions?? Contact Nancy Schubbe at schubben@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144 ext. 203.

OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

LIBERTY RIDGE CAMPUS PRAYER SERVICE: Join us on Tuesday, September 13 at 7pm in the Paul Room on the Valley Creek campus for a brief prayer service for the new Liberty Ridge campus. This will be a time of prayer for the school, the neighborhood surrounding the school, and the new launch community. Woodbury Lutheran will 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!

 **THE WOODBURY LUTHERAN CHORALE** will hold its first rehearsal of the 2016-17 season on Wednesday, Sept. 7, at 7pm in the church sanctuary (VC). The 65-voice Chorale sings every other week alternating between the 8am and 11am Sanctuary services and at our annual Christmas Festival Concert. The Chorale is open to senior high age students and adults. NEW MEMBERS are always welcome! For more information contact Mark Shepperd at 651-739-5144 or shepperdm@woodburylutheran.org.

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 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.

ARE YOU A CANCER SURVIVOR, caregiver past or present, or current cancer patient? Join others impacted by cancer for Scriptural encouragement and prayer. Cancer Companions meets first Tuesday's of the month. Join us Sept.6, 7-9pm in room L-600 (VC). Topics include faith, suffering, healing, stress reduction and healthy living. For more information, contact Vicki Strong, 651-730-5049.

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 sign up, send an email to wlcporchlightministry@gmail.com or sign up online at woodburylutheran.org/ministries/serve click on Porchlight. 