

October 16-23, 2016

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GREATER GROWTH



GENESIS VC SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join Pastor Mark Koschmann, for the last week of the class, "How to Change the World: Living as Disciples of Jesus in America." This final class will focus on social justice and the Gospel. The class meets at 9:30am in the Genesis Room (VC)

NEW GENESIS STUDY: Join us for the class "A Man Named Martin", starting Sunday October 23, from 9:30-10:30am in the Genesis Room. Pastor Deane Schuessler and Mike Sabban will lead this class exploring Luther's life and times through the lens of history, religion, and theology. With aid from numerous scholars via video presentation, this class will illustrate Luther's unique life in a powerful way. Join us as we look back on Luther's life and see lessons on how we might live as disciples today.



'THE STORY' BIBLE STUDY: This is the last week of "The Story, Part I" from 9:30-10:30am in The Bridge. On Sunday, October 23 we'll jump right into "The Story, Part II", but the class will move to the Fireside Room (9:30-10:30am). "The Story" is an abridged, chronological Bible that reads like a novel. There are no verse references and Scripture is woven together with transition text into one grand narrative. This class is great for those who are intimidated or overwhelmed with reading a normal Bible or those who want to experience the Bible as one grand narrative. Copies of "The Story" can be purchased for \$5 in the church office.

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY on Wednesday night is entitled 'Uninvited' by Lysa Terkeurst. Uninvited reminds us we are destined for a love that can never be diminished, tarnished, shaken, or taken--a love that does not reject or 'uninvited'. The study starts on Oct. 26, 6:30-8pm in room L-600 (VC Family Center).



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

PEOPLE OF FAITH Bible Study meets Thursdays 6:30-7:30pm, every other week (next meeting is Nov. 3). 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, 612-719-0661.



GREATER SERVICE

MITTEN MAKERS: Come create mittens from sweaters with us! If you can cut, hand sew, or sort, join us at the VC campus on Wednesdays at 12:30pm in room L-900 (VC Paul). All proceeds benefit Robin's Nest Orphanage.



GREATER SACRIFICE

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.

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

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.



LIBERTY RIDGE CAMPUS PRESENTATION: Is God calling you to be a part of the new Liberty Ridge campus? Join us today, 11-12pm in room 1-250 (VC Fireside Room), for a special presentation. The Liberty Ridge campus will launch Feb. 5, 2017 at Liberty Ridge Elementary School in southeast Woodbury. Come discover how the new campus will launch and what it might look like for you to be a part of this new community.

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.

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 CELEBRATION AND LAUNCH: All are invited to attend the Short Term Mission Celebration and Launch in the Sanctuary at Valley Creek today at 12:30pm. Following the large group meeting there will be time to chat with the 2016 teams, learn about the different locations and sign up for the 2017 experiences.

MISSION MONTH: Come to the Fireside Room (VC) at 9:30-10:30am today to get to know some of WLC's supported missionaries better. Brad Miller, from International Teams, will be our presenter today. Using their experiences, these missionaries will share how we can grow as disciples right where we are.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD—SHOEBOXES: The Power of a Simple Gift! WLC is thrilled to partner with Operation Christmas Child again this year by donating gift filled shoe boxes and serving as a drop off location for donors, Nov. 14 - 21. Brochures and sign ups are available in the lobby. 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. What goes into an OCC shoebox is fun. What comes out can change lives forever!



WANT TO HELP with the hurricane Matthew disaster? Thrivent Financial is matching donations up to \$250,000. Visit the Disaster Response page at thrivent.com to find out more.



FMSC HOSTED AT VC CAMPUS ON NOVEMBER 10-12: The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) is hosting four FMSC mobile packs for Minnesota South District congregations and the surrounding communities with a goal to pack 1 million meals! The VC campus is the host sight for the east metro area. All members are welcome to come and serve. To register go to mnsdistrict.org/fmsc/, scroll down and click on the Woodbury Lutheran Church link.

OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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TWO FALL STUDIES: **THE STORY:** From 9:15-10:15am in the youth room, join us for "The Story": an abridged, chronological Bible that reads like a novel. **"HOW TO CHANGE THE WORLD":** From 10:30-11:30am, meets in the church office. Join us for this class which focuses on what it means to be disciples of Jesus in America today as we discuss current issues.



FINANCIAL CLASS: In six practical, video-based lessons, Rachel and Dave Ramsey give parents a step-by-step approach to teaching their kids about working, spending, saving, giving, debt, and contentment. Parents will learn how to help their kids make wise money choices and build character qualities so they will win not only with money, but also in life. Class starts Wednesday, October 19, 6:30-8pm. Registration is \$59. Contact Pastor Derek at brotend@woodburylutheran.org to register.



CHILDREN'S CHOIR: We are forming a Children's Choir to participate in the Christmas Festival Concert, Dec. 9-11. This choir is for students in grades 3-7 and is open to members and non-members alike. Rehearsals are Tuesdays from 5:30-6:15pm beginning Oct. 18 at our Valley Creek campus. If you would like more information, please contact Mark Shepperd at shepperdm@woodburylutheran.org.

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 Nov. 6, 11:45am - 2:30pm. Contact Cheri at cherifrost6@gmail.com with questions or to register.

BEAR ONE ANOTHER'S BURDENS: In Galatians 6, Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." WLC Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that—provide one-to-one care, prayer and support through difficult times. Need someone to talk with? Contact: Cheryl O. (women) 651-777-5315, or Paul L. (men) 651-653-3467.

YOUTH MINISTRY - ALL CAMPUSES

WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING for 6th-12th: Come check it out 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. Register at wlc youth.org. **TAKE NOTE:** There will be no programming for OH or VC on Oct. 19.

VC YOUTH TAILGATE PARTY (6th-12th): Join us for a tailgate party before the Woodbury/East Ridge High School Football game on Wed., Oct. 19, 6-7pm at Ojibway park. Join us for the fun or help 'work' the party by cooking or passing out food to all that stop by and visit. Contact Patrick at brewerp@woodburylutheran.org to sign up to help. Foundations and Roots will not meet at the VC campus that night. Watch for more details!



MS LOCK IN (6th-8th): Join us for a night of fun on Friday, Nov. 11, 8:30pm-7:30am, at the Valley Creek Campus. There will be games, late night pizza, a movie, a little sleeping and tons of fun! Cost is \$10. Friends welcome!

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 at schmidtli@woodburylutheran.org to set up your launch interview.

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.



OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

LIBERTY RIDGE CAMPUS: As followers of Jesus, God sends us to make more disciples. Today, God is calling us to continue living out our vision, *Multiplying Disciples :: Transforming Lives*, in a new place: Liberty Ridge Elementary School in southeast Woodbury. The Liberty Ridge campus will launch on February 5, 2017. We firmly believe that God is calling 125 adults (plus children) to help launch the new campus. Is God calling you to be a part of the Liberty Ridge campus community? Contact Pastor Jon at kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org to learn more or ask any questions you might have about this new site.



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TEAM WORLD VISION would like to thank all those who ran this past weekend, those who came out to cheer on our team, and those who made donations to fund water projects in Africa. WLC had almost 50 people run the marathon, and to date has raised over \$90,300, securing clean water for 1,806 children for life! Way to go! On a fun note, of all the Twin Cities TWV teams WLC is currently the highest fundraiser! Didn't get a chance to donate? Donations are still being accepted as we try and reach our goal of \$100,000. If you would like to support these efforts, go online to teamworldvision.org, choose Twin Cities Marathon and then Team Woodbury Lutheran. You can make a donation to the team or choose a specific runner to support. Donations should be received by October 23rd. Thank you!



FINANCES OUT OF CONTROL? Not really sure what to think about credit cards? Never tried setting financial goals or budgeting before? Join us for More Than Money Matters, a class that teaches the basics of handling money. In 5 weeks, students will learn and discuss various financial topics and leave with a mini financial plan to assist them going forward. Starts today, Oct. 16, from 6:30-8pm. To register, email kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org.

COME JOIN US for what we are calling "Widow House on the Pray-we." Join other widows as we gather for a short devotion, lots of sharing and sisterhood time. We will meet on October 27 at 1pm in room L-600 (Family Center VC). Give Jude a call at 651-334-9041 with questions. All ladies are welcome!

GRIEF SUPPORT CLASS will be offered Monday's starting Oct. 17, 6:30-8:30pm until Nov. 21. During this 6-week course, participants identify thoughts, feelings, and emotions that are common to the grieving process. We'll meet in room L-701 (downstairs). For more information or to register please contact: Pastor Tim at marshallt@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144, x221.

ATTENTION SNOWBIRDS: If you would like to be on the list to receive weekly mailings (copies of the Bulletin, Prayer page, Weekly, etc.) from church, please contact Barb Arend at 651-739-5144 or arendb@woodburylutheran.org. Podcasts of all messages are available at woodburylutheran.org under the resource and media tab.



WE WANT YOUR LEAVES: Have leaves that you need to dispose of? Bring them to the WLC garden on the Afton property any day between Saturday Oct. 22 and Nov. 5. We will be mulching them with a mower and then cultivating them in, so please spread your leaves out evenly and take your bags back home with you. PLEASE: Leaves only – no garden waste, house plants, shrubs, etc. Our WLC garden has had a great year, a record harvest of over 4,000 pounds of fresh, nutritious food for the Christian Cupboard. You can help us to prepare for next year! Any questions, please call Ted Bolles 651-308-5775.

AARP SMART DRIVER COURSE will be offered on Tues., Oct. 18, 9am-1pm in room 1-300 (VC Isaiah). Contact Tom Nelson at 651-735-4492 or tomasofwdby@aol.com.