

The WLC Weekly

Valley Creek ~ Oak Hill ~ Liberty Ridge ~ St. Croix Campuses



December 18 - 25, 2016

WLC Discipleship Path ... Worship ~ Grow ~ Serve ~ Reach

DISCIPLESHIP PATH: GROW

God Moved In Theasnation

ADVENT SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: Join Pastor Jon and Pastor Drew for God Moved In: A Reach Study as they discuss reaching those who don't know Jesus. Jesus came to earth with a purpose: to bring His people back to Himself. Now He has commissioned us with the gift of His Holy Spirit to incarnate His presence and Good News to people everywhere! But what does that look like? How do we reach those around us? Join us for this exciting seminar that will meet in the Genesis Room, 9:30-10:30am.



SUNDAY HEALTH STUDY: How does living a healthy life fit into our walk together as disciples of Jesus? Join Jill Radabaugh, 9:30-10:30am in the Fireside Room for a class that will look at how our

wellness connects to the mission of God. We'll discuss a Christian view of the body, our struggle with things that try to keep us from being healthy, and the biblical call to lead lives of wellness as we carry out the mission of God. This class will also include a brief introduction to The Daniel Plan, a lifestyle program that looks to connect faith, food, and fitness.

There will be NO SUNDAY CLASSES on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. Classes will resume on Jan. 8.

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY on Tuesday 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'. Study guide costs \$13, register with Mary at lehmanm@woodburylutheran.org. The study starts on Jan. 3, 6:30-8pm in room L-600 (VC Family Center).

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY will not meet again till after the holidays. Join us on Jan. 11 from 6:30-8pm in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). We will start a new Charles Stanley DVD series, "An Intimate Look at Adversity". Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

DISCIPLESHIP PATH: SERVE



VC KIDS CARE is looking for caring individuals or families who would like to serve in our Sunday morning nursery at VC campus, any service, as well as

for our Christmas services. Extra Christmas help needed. 3 people are needed to help at the Dec. 24, 5pm service. Contact Rachel at conantr@woodburylutheran.org to volunteer or if you have questions.

A HUGE THANK YOU to all of you who have given of your time, talents, and creativity to make and donate chemo caps, baby caps and afghans, caring capes, prayer shawls, prayer squares(cloths) and caring shawls. Over the years, these items have been appreciated by God's people in hospitals, on the mission field, battered women's shelter, food shelf, nursing homes, hospice, and private homes. If you would be interested in helping out with this ministry, please contact Tamara Karlstrand at (651) 734-3974, tskarl@comcast.net or come to Women's Gathering on Monday afternoons, any time between 12:30-4pm (VC campus). God bless you!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES AT ALL CAMPUSES:

Vallev Creek - December 23: 7pm Valley Creek - Christmas Eve: 1pm, 3pm, 5pm & 11pm(communion) *VC: 3pm, 5pm & 11pm services will be streamed live at www.woodburylutheran.org Oak Hill - Christmas Eve: 3pm & 5pm(communion)

CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES:

Valley Creek & Oak Hill: 10am(communion)

NEW YEAR'S EVE SERVICE: Oak Hill: 5pm(communion)



DISCIPLESHIP PATH: WORSHIP & CONNECT



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.

SERVICE CHANGE: There will be no Saturday night service on Dec. 31 at the VC campus. Christmas schedule is available below.



FIND OUT MORE ABOUT STEPHEN MINISTRY. There will be brochures and an information cart out in the main Gods Love in ACTIEN lobby today. 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.

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 ^s at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

DISCIPLESHIP PATH: 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!

NEED MITTENS? The Mitten Ladies will be selling their handmade mittens from 8:30am-12:30pm today at the VC Campus. Cost is \$20. 100% of the money paid goes directly to Robin's Nest Children's Home!

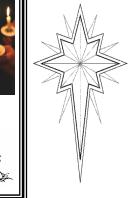
RECONSTRUCTION WORK has begun in Baton Rouge. With more than 100,000 houses damaged by summer flooding, the need for volunteer help is great. We are planning anoth-



er team after Christmas or early 2017. If you are interested, have some skill in building (sheetrock, general finishing, painting, tile work), or would like to provide kitchen help at Camp Restore, we would love to add you to a team! Contact Vicki Strong, 651-730-5049, or vickistrong@ comcast.net or stop by the Connection Center to pick up a flyer. You may be an answer to prayer!



2017 MISSION EXPERIENCES: Time to start thinking and praying about whether you want to join us in Kake, AK, July 6-15, Robin's Nest in Jamaica, June 22-30, Ecuador, July 8-18 or Trinity First, Mpls (TBD) this next summer. Contact Addie Michlitsch at addiemichlitsch@gmail.com or Pastor Drew at baylessa@woodbury lutheran.org with questions.



OAK HILL CAMPUS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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KIDS LINK will not meet on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1 during the holidays. We'll resume on Jan. 8. We encourage you to worship together as a family this holiday season!



CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE: See the box in this weekly for our work HM and campus wide holiday service schedule. Merry Christmas!!

BONUS SESSION: Couldn't get enough of "A Man Named Martin"? Join us from 10:30-11:30am in the church office for one more special session looking at life in an Augustinian monastery, Luther's marriage to Katie, and Luther's final illness. There will be NO SUNDAY CLASSES on Dec. 25 and Jan. 1. Classes will resume on Jan. 8.

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JOYFUL GIVING

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.



WAYS TO GIVE:

woodburylutheran.org/giving

OR Text to give at

651-504-0500

STOCK DONATIONS: There are many different ways we can donate our time, talents and treasures to Wood-

bury 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.

GIVING STATEMENTS are available for viewing at any time at myWLC.org. All statements will be finalized by Jan. 9, 2017 for the 2016 year. Giving statements will be mailed out by January 30.

YOUTH MINISTRY - ALL CAMPUSES

WHIRLY BALL: Dec. 21 5:45-10pm. If you're not familiar, Whirly ball is a game that combines basketball, hockey, lacrosse, and bumper-cars, and it's amazing! You don't want to miss it, and it's the perfect event to bring a friend to! Cost is \$20 and includes pizza! Signup and get the required waiver at wlcyouth.org. Contact: Patrick Brewer.

SUMMER MISSION TRIPS (6th-12th): Registration is open for the 2017 Summer Mission trips. We are going to Duluth MN (6th-8th), Camp Lutherhaven in Idaho (8th-12th) or Ecuador (16 and older). Find out more at wlcyouth.org.



CHRISTMAS CANDLE BEARERS(VC): We still NEED 4 FOLKS to serve during a Christmas service at VC. We need candle bearers at the VC Dec. 23, 7pm service and Dec. 24 at the 3 and 5pm services. Anyone in 6th grade through adult can help. Earn 3 service hours. Practice will be today at noon in the VC Sanctuary. Sign up at wlcyouth.org or contact Lindsey with questions at schmidtL@ woodburylutheran.org.

ARCTIC BLAST RETREAT (6th-12th): All MS and HS youth, join us on Jan. 20-22, 2017 at Camp Lebanon for a winter retreat. Registration and required camp form is online at wlcyouth.org. Early bird cost is \$100; after Jan. 1 cost is \$115 until full. Friends are welcome!!! Broomball, camp, great worship and snow tubing!

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 Roots will not meet Dec. 21 or Dec. 28. (The Bridge at VC campus will be closed as well).

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 downloading 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.

KIDS AND FAMILY MINISTRY

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OTHER MINISTRIES AND EVENTS

LIBERTY RIDGE CAMPUS: In about a month, the Liberty Ridge campus will start meeting at Liberty Ridge Elementary School in southeast Woodbury. The Liberty Ridge campus is an exciting new journey that will take Woodbury Lutheran Church to a new setting. The worship service will follow the WLC contemporary style, the sermon series will be the same as those happening at other WLC campuses, and kids ministry will happen with the same format and excitement that you might see at Valley Creek or Oak Hill. We firmly believe that God is still calling individuals and families to help this new campus. Have questions or want to be a part of this exciting journey? Contact Pastor Jon at kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org or call 651-739-5144.

DO YOU HAVE STORAGE? The Liberty Ridge campus will have its equipment housed in two, 24-foot trailers. We are seeking a barn or shed where we can keep these trailers warmer and safer throughout the week. If you can help, please contact Pastor Jon at kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org or call 651-739-5144.

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WLC YOUNG FOLK: Join us today from 4-5pm, the WLC Young Folks group will be coming together to take part in an age-old tradition of Singing Christmas Carols with the area Shut-ins and other hurting members. This has meant so much to so many individuals in the past and we will be blessed to be a blessing to others this year as well as we share in the joyful songs of Christmas. After we sing we will be coming back to the Valley Creek Campus for some hot cocoa and fun activities until we conclude at 7pm. If you are interested in coming, please plan on meeting at the Valley Creek Campus at 3:45pm. This will be an

event that is fun for the whole family, so feel free to bring the kids along too. Hope to see you there! COMMISSIONING SERVICE: Please join us for a service of commissioning for Sarah Dibbern on Sunday, December 18 at 2pm. Sarah has completed her

coursework to be certified as a Director of Christian Education in the LCMS and has been working in Kids and Youth Ministry here at Woodbury Lutheran this year. We are excited to celebrate her commissioning as a rostered worker in our church body.



CONQUERORS provides a safe place to work through the pain and difficulties to those who have had an abortion and helps in healing. It is led by those who have had abortions and can relate to others experiences. Their stories are shared in a confidential small group setting or individual mentoring sessions where women are listened to and not judged. Our group format consists of 12 sessions over 10 weeks that address the issues of post abortion stress from a biblical perspective. The group starts Monday, January 9, 6:30- 8:30pm in Crystal, MN. Cost is \$25. Preregistration is required. Call us at 612-746-5663 or email us at conquerorsafterabortion.org.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING: This is only happening in the big cities and faraway places, right? Unfortunately, this is not the case. Join us to hear what is happening in our own community from Assistant Washington County Attorney, Imran Ali, at 7pm on Monday, January 23 in room 1-250 (VC Fireside room). Small group discussion and ideas for how you can get involved will follow the presentation. Coffee and dessert will be served.

