

THE NEWS LETTER



November 2017

Operation Christmas Child Good News. Great Joy.

WLC is partnering with Samaritan's Purse in packing shoe box gifts to bless children in need around the world. Every gift-filled shoebox is a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship—transforming the lives of children and their families around the world through the Good News of Jesus!

In addition to packing shoe boxes, WLC is partnering with Samaritan's Purse in providing a drop off location at both the Valley Creek campus and the Oak Hill campus for neighboring communities to drop off their gift filled shoe boxes.

During National Collection Week, there will be one and two hour shifts available at both campuses, to greet donors, record their donation, and pack them into cartons. This is a great opportunity for people of all ages! In addition, we need strong bodies for about 30 minutes, willing to load the cartons into a trailer at both locations.

Shoe Box Blessing Sunday will be Sunday, November 19. The gifts will be stacked on the altar, and volunteers are also needed to move them after the last VC service to the east end of the building.

New this year: no toothpaste or candy will be allowed, and the suggested donation to cover expenses is \$9.

The work is fun, but more importantly, the impact is eternal!

For more information on filling a shoe box, or helping with collection week, please contact Cheri Frost (cherifrost6@gmail.com) at OH, Bev Manship (jamesmanship@comcast.net) or Laurel Mills (mlekms@msn.com) at VC, or visit us in the lobby.

Join us in being the hands and feet of Jesus!



WOODBURY
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Multiplying Leaders

50 Years/500 Years Jubilee Celebration Service

Sunday, October 29,
1 pm
Valley Creek Campus

Join us for a day of remembrance, celebration and vision as we recognize the 500th anniversary of Luther's Reformation and Woodbury Lutheran's 50th anniversary.

We will look back to the origins of the Lutheran Church, and the beginnings of our congregation, as we are challenged to boldly go forward.

Messages from Senior Pastor Tom Pfothenauer, District President Dean Nadasdy and Pastor Emeritus Paul Pfothenauer. Music from the Chorale, traditional hymns, and a special contemporary hymn written by Music Minister Mark Shepperd with lyrics by Dean Nadasdy. Memories from members of our congregation via video, some Lutheran traditions to honor our roots, and, we pray, the attendance of old friends from years-gone-by.

We hope the day will inspire and bless you!

Cake and coffee reception to follow.

"Timothy, my dear son, be strong through the grace that God gives you in Christ Jesus. You have heard me teach things that have been confirmed by many reliable witnesses. Now teach these truths to other trustworthy people who will be able to pass them on to others."
-- 2 Timothy 2:1-2

One of the pieces of Multiply that I am most excited about is having a more intentional process in place to help develop leaders in our congregation. As you have heard me talk about there is a growing shortage of pastors in our Church body. In order for us to fulfill the Vision that God has given us to be a church that Multiplies we will need to raise up Pastors.

Through our denomination there is a process to be ordained that does not involve physically going to Seminary, instead a student in the context of a ministry and study works his way toward ordination - the process is called the Specific Ministry Pastor program. Our former Pastor, Derek went through this process.

Over the next several years we want to build up our Pastoral staff by raising up new pastors from within our congregation who will then be able to serve the Mission of our church. I am happy to announce that the Elders, Church Council and our current Search Team are recommending that Dean Dunavan begin this process in the Spring of 2018.

Dean and his wife Jyl have been coming to WLC for 17

years and Jyl is currently serving as the worship leader on our Oak Hill Campus. Many of you have been blessed by Dean's preaching over the years at WLC and he continues to be a key staff member at Concordia Academy where he teaches theology and serves in a variety of ways.

In order for us to move forward, a congregational vote to extend a pending call to Dean will need to take place in December. We will have an opportunity for the entire congregation to meet Dean and ask him questions before the vote and there will be more details available about both the SMP process and Dean in the weeks to come. Here is a quick sketch of the program: During years 1 and 2 Dean will be studying and serving as a part time Vicar. After completing 2 years of study Dean will be ordained and start his time serving as a pastor until he completes 2 more years of study at which time he will officially be another pastor at WLC.

Please keep this in your prayers over the next several weeks.

Following Jesus,
Pastor Tom





“You will receive power when My Spirit comes upon you and you will be witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere...”
-- Acts 1:8

Unleashed Power

What an incredible month October has been for our church. Here are a few ways that I have been reminded of what makes our church so amazing:

- **Jubilee Fest:** Lori Golden and her team did a tremendous job of planning and throwing our church a wonderful 50th birthday party. It was so great to see folks from all three of our campuses gathering together to rejoice in God’s goodness.
- **Feed My Starving Children:** Almost 1000 volunteers gathered over three days to pack over 272,000 meals to feed 745 children for a year – how cool is that!
- **Multiply Advance Commitment Event:** If you missed this event I genuinely feel bad for you. Over 250 folks from all three of our campuses gathered at Liberty Ridge to worship, pray and bring forward our Multiply Response commitments. It truly was an incredibly evening, where the Spirit of God was present in a significant and meaningful way.
- **Multiply:** I stand amazed to be a part of a congregation that gets excited about looking ahead and being challenged along the way. During the month of October we have seen some of the incredible things that God has done in our church while being able to look forward to where He is moving us next – there is an excitement in the air that can be seen and felt!
- **50th Anniversary Service and Celebration:** Tom Vaaler and many others have worked so hard to help make remembering our 50th Birthday something special. I am so excited for the celebration service and look forward for so many WLC friends from over the years to gather and praise Jesus for all He has done and will do.

Thank you so much for helping to make the body of Christ who gathers at Woodbury Lutheran such an amazing church! Please join me in praying, *“Jesus, unleash Your power in me, in my relationships, in our communities and in Your world. Amen.”*

Grateful,
Pastor tom

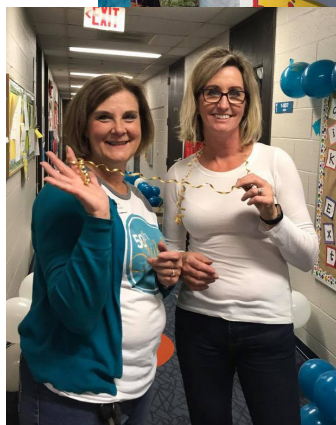
A Big Thank You!

A big thank you to the dozens of people who volunteered to serve, and the hundreds who came out to make the 50th Jubilee Fest on October 8 an incredible day of celebration. The food, the fellowship, the entertainment and the weather were all wonderful.



Praise God for His blessings!

~ WLC 50th Anniversary Team



Weddings:

Kara Hayden & Luis Hernandez
Kristine Peltier & James Kiltie
Olivia Swanson & Marcus
Laskowski

Baptisms:

Rachel Lauren Kolling
Lincoln James Jarchow
Isaac Edward Anderson

Deaths:

Sally Dunn ~ nephew, Craig
Lindala
The Family of Dale Ackerman
James Reed ~ daughter, Rhea
Hafner
Larry Knoepfel ~ father, Harlen
Knoepfel
Janet Erickson ~ niece, Beth
Florine
Reighe Nagel ~ brother, Jerome
Jones

Service Times at WLC:

Saturdays at Valley Creek:
Contemporary, 5pm

Sundays at Valley Creek:
Sanctuary, Blended 8 & 11am
Sanctuary, Contemporary
9:30am
Genesis, Contemporary 11am

Sundays at Oak Hill:
Blended 9:00am
Contemporary 10:30am

Sundays at Liberty Ridge
Contemporary 10:00am

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“...Love is mentioned 759 times. More than doubles the times of fear...”

Did I Forget Something

My mother went to heaven a little over 2 years ago. I sure do miss her. She was sharp as a tack. She was a hard worker. She had some hard times in her lifetime, but rarely complained. I have 2 sisters and a brother; Carol, the oldest in the family and Rita the youngest. Fred and I are in the middle. Carol has memory loss. Someday she will forget who I am.

We noticed confusion a few years ago and of course it's getting worse. I love Carol. Almost every week, I pick her up in my car and we go for a drive. We have a great time. Usually, I'm not sure where we will end up. Last week we drove to Red Wing. What a glorious drive that was. The colors that God painted on the leaves of the hard woods were magnificent. Someday Carol will forget the names of the colors.

As a middle child, I spend a fair amount of time worrying. I'm kind of a pro at it. I'm afraid to lose my sister and, to be honest, I'm afraid I'll lose everyone and then I will be alone. The only way I know how to derail the worry that plays out over and over, is to stop and pray. I surrender my fear and anger to God. He knows what to do with it. Someday my sister will forget what prayer is.

In the NLT version of the Bible, fear is mentioned 330 times. The first time fear appears is in Genesis 9:2, “All the animals of the earth, all the birds of the sky, all the small animals that scurry along the ground, and all the fish in the sea will look on you with fear and terror. I have placed them in your power.”

The last time fear appears is in Revelation 19:5, “And from the throne came a voice that said, “Praise our

God, all his servants, all who fear him, from the least to the greatest.”

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Exodus 34:6, “The Lord passed in front of Moses, calling out, “Yahweh! The Lord! The God of compassion and mercy! I am slow to anger and filled with un-failing love and faithfulness.”

In the winter of our souls remember compassion, mercy, love and faithfulness and how God can redeem even fear.

~Mary Lehman, Director of Small Groups and Women's Ministry

The Klepel's Mission Update

Rosen and Oksana Klepel will be visiting with WLC this November. Here is their brief biography.

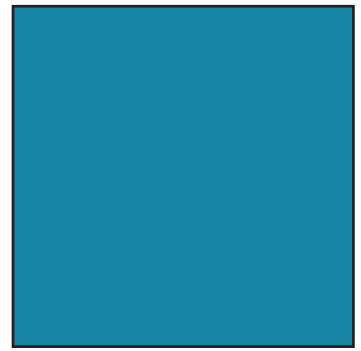
Rosen was born in Bulgaria and spent his early youth in an orphanage. At age 12 he was adopted by a missionary couple, Duane and Joyce Klepel, who are currently missionaries in Australia. Rosen was raised in Lake Elmo, MN. As a young adult he joined YWAM and became a missionary. He has 2 brothers and 3 sisters who are serving the Lord as missionaries in Thailand and Israel.

Rosen has always had a heart for children at risk, orphans, and girls that are trafficked. Oksana was born in Lutsk, Ukraine. She has 2 older brothers. Oksana has worked with YWAM Ukraine for the past 12 years, currently with YWAM's Discipleship Training School, mobilizing young people to go into missions. Rosen and Oksana have been and are involved in a variety of mission activities including: family and children at risk ministry; sustainability project with Aquaponics; horse therapy and art; working with broken families and girls that are trafficked and orphaned, teaching them life skills; summer camps for orphans; and yearly youth conferences.

Future desires include: opening a rescue house for girls that are trafficked; opening a family home for orphans, teaching them life and job skills. Rosen and Oksana want to continue showing the Father's love to each child, loving them for who God made them to be, and helping them to find their identity in Christ.

~ The Klepel's





Rebuilding Hope

"Seeing God work and being able to show His Love brings JOY...a lot of Joy. It is an unforgettable experience full of blessings." -- Jeff Linert, Team #1

The eye of Hurricane Harvey slammed into Rockport (Corpus Christi) Texas, packing 110 mph winds and leaving a path of destruction that destroyed homes, businesses, crops and lives. Insurance company denials and a lack of labor to help with cleanup and rebuilding has multiplied the impact of the storm on the communities in and around Rockport.

Woodbury Lutheran, alongside other Lutheran Church Missouri Synod congregations, is working with the LCMS Texas District to restore homes, and hope, through hurricane relief teams. We are committed to continuing to serve until the work is done. The work is varied, and matched to team skills. Can you -- will you -- help?

You may elect to drive, or to fly. Those who drive carpool and are provided with overnight accommodations on the road, accommodations (including housing, food, showers and work coordination in Corpus Christi, and reimbursed for the cost of gas and road tolls. Fly-in trips are arranged by team members (who pay for their own airfare), with ground transportation (rental vehicle) costs reimbursed by WLC. Accommodations in Corpus Christi are in place. Driving trips have been 8 days (Saturday-Saturday) while fly-in trips are as chosen by team members.

Currently, the following teams are in process:

- Team #4 -- November 9-12 (or 13). Fly-in only. Led by Larry Cornwell.
- Team #5 -- Early December. Driving team, 8 days. The core of this team are skilled (Habitat) builders. Led by Bil Lund.
- Team #6 -- TBD. November? Driving team, 8 days. Led by Sally Dunn.
- December 27-January 2. Our Savior Lutheran, Excelsior. High school/Adult team will vanpool. May be room for WLC members to join. Inquire with Vicar Christian or Vicki ASAP.

If you would like to join one of these teams or select your own dates to form a team, contact the team leader, Vicar Christian, jonesc@woodburylutheran.org, 651-739-5144, or Vicki Strong, vickistrong@comcast.net, 651-208-4353 and specify your availability. You may also stop by the Connection Center on Sunday morning and pick up more information.



Annual Winter Coat Drive for the Christian Cupboard

Winter coats are needed for the annual winter coat drive for the Christian Cupboard. Please drop off your gently used, clean coats at the Valley Creek Campus anytime!

Campus Updates from Liberty Ridge & Oak Hill



LIBERTY RIDGE UPDATES

Here are some quick updates from our Liberty Ridge Campus:

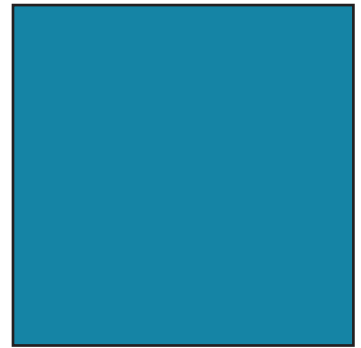
- We are celebrating an upswing in attendance as fall sets in. We're starting to see more first and second time visitors over the last month.
- We are praising God for the birth of a healthy baby, Aubrey Claire, to our worship leader, Kandi and her husband Jake!
- Many families are committing to bless their neighbors this Halloween, pledging to have hot cocoa and other extra treats to keep trick-or-treaters warm and foster conversation.
- As a congregation, we are unifying our prayers asking that God would bring in five families from the surrounding area to become part of the Liberty Ridge campus. We invite you to pray with us as we ask God to move in a mighty way.
- Our Kids Ministry is excited for the first ever Kids and Youth Christmas program at Liberty Ridge on Sunday, Dec. 3 at 10am.
- We continue to celebrate what God is doing at the Liberty Ridge Campus and we pray that He would bless us to be a blessing to the many people that live near the campus.

OAK HILL UPDATES

Here are some quick updates from our Oak Hill Campus:

- On October 1st, five members of the Oak Hill Campus ran in the Twin Cities Marathon with Team World Vision. Pictured left to right: Josh Granlund, Wendy Baumgarn, Jenny Granlund, Diane Hall, and Joel Ruud (not pictured), ran to provide clean water for 631 people throughout Africa. We thank God for the selfless giving of time, ability and energy from each of them!
- 40 people participated in the FMSC Mobile Pack this month from Oak Hill. During our Oak Hill time slot, we helped pack 36,696 meals. Praise be to God!
- We continue to thank God for the support of lay leaders and staff members across the WLC campuses during this time of transition. Thank you for your prayers and encouragement!
- We continue to celebrate what God is doing at the Oak Hill Campus and we pray that He would bless us to be a blessing to the many people that live near the campus.





Confirmation Students:

Tyler Anderson
Jacob Bloom
Bethany Brocker
Zachary Cartier
Emma Christopherson
Alison Fedorowski
Reid Fedorowski
Mckenna Fedorowski
Mia Hodne
Piper Hodne
Lukas Hruby
Tanner Ignaszewski
Ryan Kehl
Kimberly Koreltz
Evan Korsgren
Logan Longworth
Trenton Lutterman
Dillon Peterson
Erin Powell
Cameron Rhoades
Roman Rogotzke
Quinn Stoerzinger
McKenzie Voyda

Campus Update from Valley Creek

Here are some quick updates from our Valley Creek Campus:

- It was a joy to host the Jubilee Fest and see folks from all three of our campuses coming together to celebrate and rejoice over God's goodness to our church over the last 50 years.
- We had the opportunity to host 1000 volunteers who packed 272,000 meals through Feed My Starving Children. Because of your generosity and service, 745 children will be fed for a year.
- We are looking forward to Confirmation weekend on November 4th and 5th. Over the last year we have made some significant shifts in our confirmation process to do a better job of helping our students understand what it means to live as a disciple of Jesus. One of the shifts is having students be confirmed in the worship service where they normally worship; we look forward to the rest of the congregation having the opportunity to encourage these new confirmands.
- Please continue to be in prayer that the Lord would provide another pastor to help shepherd our Campus.
- We continue to celebrate what God is doing at the Valley Creek Campus and we pray that He would bless us to be a blessing to the many people that live near the campus.



Handing Down Your Faith

Thanksgiving's almost here and, depending on the ages and stages of your children and grandchildren, someone is probably wondering: What is

Thanksgiving all about? Is it the turkey and fixings? The family gathering? Is it just a “bump in the road” for us to get past on our way to Christmas? Why do, or should, we celebrate Thanksgiving?

Thanksgiving is much more than the dinner and family gathering. It began to express thanks to God and this is still the reason for us to celebrate. But it's also an opportunity for grandparents to be intentional as we hand down our faith. As Thanksgiving draws near, I'm thinking about goals for my grandsons; I want them to be boys who grow in their walks with God, have sincerely thankful hearts, and are quick to serve others. So this Thanksgiving I have three things I'm doing with them.

- We have a Thanksgiving tradition where before the meal each person takes permanent ink pens and writes—or draws—on my white tablecloth something for which he is thankful (I put wax paper between the tablecloth and table). When my grandsons were babies, we traced their little feet! As they grew they drew (or scribbled) and now write the things for which they are thankful. (I always asked about their “drawings” and wrote a few words, so we knew what they were!) I want my grandsons to hear and see our thankfulness for God's many blessings, big and small; and each year we are reminded of them.
- After Thanksgiving dinner I have a special gift planned. My grandsons will receive empty notebooks. Each month I'll mail a page on which I'll write how I'm thankful for them and a verse as well. Over time as they fill these notebooks, they'll have a record of what an intentional,

thankful life looks like—and reminders of how thankful I am for them. You may do this whether your grandchildren live near or far and no matter their age.

- Thanksgiving focuses attention upon being thankful, but it's also the perfect opportunity to focus upon living thankful lives by serving others. My grandsons are nine, six, and four, so as part of our “countdown to Christmas” I'm giving them little gifts that focus on helping them give to others—“gifts” of opportunities to serve together. They'll make bread with Grandma and then take a fresh-from-the-oven loaf to an elderly neighbor, or make a special ornament for their Sunday school teacher, or help Poppa clear snow from Great Grandpa/ma's walkway, etc.


I want my grandsons to know, and experience that being thankful is about more than just the words we say (though they do matter), but it's also about the lives we live and how we give to others.

And, if you have adult children or grandchildren who have wandered, these things may allow you to share your faith. Be assured, God loves them and will not leave them! This gives you more for which to be thankful!

by Lynda Freeman

*Lynda has three sweet rascal grandsons who make her heart happy! She also writes the blog *Grandma's Cookie Jar* and *Generations Quest* to help grandparents pass on their faith. Lynda is a senior writer and editor for the *Legacy Coalition*.*

 <http://www.grandmascookiejar.net/2017/09/hand-down-your-faith-connect-with.html>

 <http://generationsquest.com>

Taken from the November 2017 HomeFront Monthly Newsletter.



JOIN US FOR **UNFORGETTABLE**
FAMILY FUN!

Sunday, November 19

3:00-4:00pm

WLC-Valley Creek Campus: Genesis Room

During this 1 hour interactive program, kids and their families will create their very own Keepsake nativity scenes to treasure for years to come. But that's not all! They'll also watch as the nativity scene comes to life on stage. Mary, Joseph, and an angel will share memories from the very first Christmas and encourage families to celebrate the best Keepsake of all...Jesus!

Hot Chocolate, Christmas Cookies and
Family Photos to follow the program!

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From the Mouths of Angels

Four hundred years is a long time for God to be silent. During the four centuries between Malachi and Matthew many lost hope. Suddenly messengers from heaven began announcing the coming of a Savior. Words of holy guidance from the mouths of angels met people of all different backgrounds and situations with hope and comfort. They touched hearts and inspired faith in many. We all come from different backgrounds, yet we've all wrestled with things like doubt, inadequacy, fear, and limitations. What might we hear if we stop and listen anew to those words from the mouths of angels?

November 25/26

Title: For Those Who Doubt

Reading: Luke 1:5-20, 57-66

Verse: Luke 1:64

2nd Reading: Isaiah 35:1-7

Focus: Wouldn't it be great to have faith and never doubt? Everyone wrestles with doubt at some point. We face circumstances that don't add up. We see suffering and injustice in the world. Doubt grabs our minds and emotions. Over 2000 years ago an angel came to a man named Zechariah with a story that seemed doubtful. What happened next has the capacity to change what we think of doubt in light of the promise of Jesus.

December 2/3

Title: For the Inadequate

Reading: Luke 1:26-38

Verse: Luke 1:28

2nd Reading: Isaiah 43:10-13

Focus: Inadequacy whispers: "I don't have what it takes." For some, inadequacy drives the pursuit of power, prestige, or possessions. For others, inadequacy pushes them toward the sidelines of living life with purpose. Mary was a teenager who seemed wholly inadequate, yet the message of one angel radically altered her life and calls us to rethink inadequacy altogether.

December 9/10

Title: For Those Afraid

Reading: Matthew 1:18-25

Verse: Matthew 1:20

2nd Reading: Isaiah 41:4-10

Focus: Life can be scary. Not being afraid just seems impossible. Fear trips us up and holds us back. It stops us from doing everything we could. Joseph was in the same place: afraid of what might happen—afraid of what people might think. Yet the words of an angel changed his perspective, and they invite us to live a life without fear...even when there's something to be afraid of.

December 16/17

Title: For All People

Reading: Luke 2:8-15

Verse: Luke 2:10

2nd Reading: Isaiah 9:2-7

Focus: Sometimes we like limits. We limit who we hang out with or who we see as “good people”. We even limit how much we're willing to give up for someone else. But God broke down limits. He sent his messengers to the middle of nowhere to announce his Son's birth—to a hill country with no one but shepherds around. But the message of the angels was world-shattering: a Savior had come. Not for some. Not with limits. Jesus was born for all.



Worship

HEALING SERVICE

Our Healing Service is held at the Valley Creek Campus every third Sunday. For prayers of healing, attend our service on November 19 at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

CONFIRMATION WEEKEND IS JUST AROUND THE CORNER...

On November 4th and 5th we will get to celebrate with our young people who have completed their Confirmation Journey. These students have set aside many hours over the past year to intentionally invest in their understanding of and relationship with their Lord, Jesus. They've served, participated in Worship, invested in others and been invested in on Wednesdays in their small groups, as well as setting aside time at home to personally study the Bible and catechism. Be sure to be here on November 4th and 5th as dozens of our youth will be confirming the faith that was given to them in their Baptisms and standing up here as a young adults making a public declaration that they are disciples of Jesus and they will be continuing to grow as an adults following Jesus. Join us as we will pray over each student on Saturday, November 4th at 10:45am at the Valley Creek campus Sanctuary.



Grow

BEHOLD, BE READY: A STUDY OF ISAIAH

Isaiah was sent to prepare Israel for their coming Messiah, Jesus Christ. As we enter the season of Advent, you are invited to come and learn exactly what the prophet Isaiah foretold: who the Messiah would be, why He would enter into the world in which we live, and what his life would mean for God's chosen people. Join us on Sundays as we dig into this powerful book over seven weeks. Times and Locations: 9:30-10:30am, Genesis

Room (VC), 9:00-9:45am, Back Hallways (LR).

DISCOVERING GOD'S WILL

What is God's will in your life? Determining God's will can be a difficult process, especially when we need to make a decision in a hurry. Join class facilitator, David Nelson, and others over eight weeks as we journey through the important steps of decision making, pursuing God's will, seeking counsel from others, learning to use discernment, and understanding the mind of God through Scripture as you seek His will. Times and Locations: Sundays, 9:30-10:30am, Family Center (VC)

THE STORY: NEW TESTAMENT

Join others in discovering the Bible as The Story: 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 intimidated, confused, or overwhelmed with reading a normal Bible. We'll be going through the New Testament portion of The Story over 10 weeks. Come to understand God's Word more fully and engage with it more easily because God's story is our story. Times and Locations: Wednesdays, 10:00-11:30am, Fellowship Hall (OH)

A MAN NAMED MARTIN, PART 3

A Man Named Martin - Part 3 will show how the Reformation accelerated the transformation of a world already in flux. While armed conflicts, theological disputes, and heated controversies marked segments of society throughout medieval Europe, the march of the Reformation left its imprint on the face of culture and citizen alike. Everything from education, politics, science, theology, marriage, and the family-and even extending to one's view of vocation and his relationship to God-came under the shaping and seminal influence of the Reformation. But all things go back to the three solas of the Reformation: grace alone, faith alone, and Scripture alone. What does this mean for our lives today? Join facilitator Jane Dibbern for this five week session starting Sunday,

November 5. Times and Locations: Sundays, 9:15-10:15am, Church Office(OH).

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

Join us for this low pressure DVD bible study where all ages, gender and relationships are welcome. The topics focus on God's continuous presence and promises in our lives. Contact: Michael Zenner, 651-592-9435.

YOUTH SUMMER MISSION TRIPS

Registration for the 2018 Summer Mission trips is now open. Middle School will be going to the Quad Cities, borders IA & IL, July 15-20, 2018. High School will be going to West Chicago, IL, July 6-14, 2018. Go to wlcyyouth.org and click on mission experiences to sign up for one of these great service opps!

OAK HILL GAME NIGHT (6-12TH)

Game night the first Thursday of every month, 7-8:30pm. Join us on Nov. 2. Meet at Caribou Coffee, 1830 Market Dr. Stillwater, MN 55082. Come hang out with Sarah and play games!

YOUTH & PARENT EVENT - FIGHT THE NEW DRUG

"With a simple desire to make an impact on the world, we used science, facts and personal accounts to help spread the message about the harmful effects of pornography." This awesome organization is coming to the Valley Creek campus this fall to speak to students (6th-12th) and their parents about the realities of pornography. Please plan to be there on November 8, 7pm! This is an all campus event. Oak Hill families please meet at VC that evening. Find out more at <http://fightthenewdrug.org/>.

NOVEMBER CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Students who are planning to confirm their faith on November 4/5th. Remember that on Saturday, November 4, 9:30-11:30am we will have our Confirmation brunch for students, parents & loved ones. We will take pictures, rehearse, and have a blessing and prayer service. Contact Lindsey Schmidt if you have any questions or go to wlcyyouth.org.

Getting Connected

HIGH SCHOOL "SOUPER" SENIOR SUNDAY

12th graders and their parents are invited to attend 'Souper' Senior Sunday on November 12, 12:30pm in the Isaiah room (VC)! Being a senior presents a very unique set of challenges and opportunities for both the student and their parents. We'll have some soup as well as tips on how to thrive during this final year of high school and how to prepare to successfully (and peacefully) launch afterward. Register at wlyouth.org. For more information please contact Patrick Brewer at brewerp@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144.

LIBERTY RIDGE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

6th-12th graders are invited to be a part of the Liberty Ridge Christmas Program! It will be on December 3, during the 10am worship service. Youth will be able to sign up for roles such as: scripture reader, advent candle acolyte, prayer leader, or usher. A practice will be held at Liberty Ridge following the worship service on November 19. Please contact Laura Stennes at stennesl@woodburylutheran.org or 651-503-6768 to get involved.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA

December 1, 6:30-8:30pm. 6th, 7th, & 8th graders we're going to be playing big church games and having a blast. Grab your friends and come ready to play! This is an all campus event held at the Oak Hill Campus. Contact: Lindsey Schmidt.

CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION

We welcome **Sandy Zeiszler** as she presents, "Why Having a LinkedIn Profile Isn't Enough" on November 9 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at www.careertransitionconnection.org.



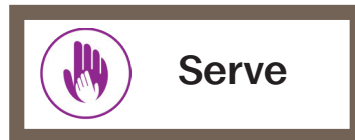
SHORT TERM MISSION TRIPS!

Have you considered living out the Discipleship path through missions? Join a

WLC Short-Term Mission Experience in 2018:

- Robin's Nest, Jamaica - June 14-22
- Phillips Neighborhood, Minneapolis - July 21-28
- Kake, Alaska - TBD
- Quito, Ecuador - July 6-16

Applications (<http://www.woodburylutheran.org/resources-media/missions/short-term-mission-experiences/>) and \$100 deposit due 1/31. Email Kehlr@woodburylutheran.org with questions.



JOURNEYS OF PAUL TOUR/CRUISE (APRIL 21-30, 2018)

A Biblical tour of Greece - e.g. Athens, Philippi, Corinth, Thessalonica, Isle of Patmos, Ephesus - where Scripture is read and explained at each Biblical site - Grecian Island Cruise included! Contact Rev Darold Reiner, retired LCMS pastor & former International LWML Counselor, for a brochure: 406-890-1149 or imhis38@gmail.com

MONDAY AFTERNOON WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Would you be willing to knit or crochet shawls, soft chemo/Neuro surgery caps or baby caps/afghans which would be given to someone who is experiencing a life trauma, an illness, or loss? We would love to have you join us on Monday afternoons at the Valley Creek Campus, or bring your completed items to us at the Valley Creek Campus. Call Tamara (651)734-3974 or tskarl@comcast.net for more info on how to be connected with this ministry.

EAGER HANDS QUILTERS

We are seeking volunteers who enjoy sewing to sew and assemble quilts for the Salvation Army on Tuesday mornings (34 N. Farrell, Maplewood). If interested, please contact Delores Fitzgerald at 651-738-1812.

SINGERS!

The Woodbury Lutheran Chorale invites

singers from ALL THREE CAMPUSES to join them in presenting our annual CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL CONCERT, Dec. 8-10. Beginning Wednesday, Oct. 11, from 7:45-8:45PM the Chorale will begin learning music for the concerts. Come and join us! Questions? Contact Mark Shepperd, director, at shepperdm@woodburylutheran.org

DRAWSTRING BACKPACKS

Our small group is assembling school kits containing basic school supplies which Lutheran World Relief ships to children in Africa. We are seeking donations of gently, used lightweight drawstring backpacks. Contact Lauren Danner at 651-739-2328 for more information.

CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL CONCERT

Inspirational music, carols old and new, and classic songs.

Friday & Saturday,
December 8 & 9 at
7:30pm; and Sun-
day, December 10 at
4:00pm

Featuring the Woodbury Lutheran Chorale, Celebration, Praise Band, JuBELLee Ringers, Children's Choir and 30 piece orchestra.

Ticket envelopes (freewill offering) will be available at the Welcome Center (all campuses) beginning November 12.



November 2017 Calendar

1 (V) Women of the Word

Wednesdays, 9:15am
Contact: Mary Lehman,
651-739-5144

1 (V) Wednesday Evening Bible Study

Tuesdays, 7:00pm
Contact: Mike Zenner,
651-592-9435

2 (O) Women of the Word

Thursdays, 9:15am
Contact: Mary Lehman,
651-739-5144

2 (V) Celebrate Recovery

Thursdays, 6:30pm
Contact: Larry Smith,
651-308-9113

4 (V) Baptism Class

Saturday, 9:30am
Contact: Rachel Symmank,
651-472-1975

4 (O) Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 8:00am
Contact: Molly Schulze,
651-739-5144

4 (V) Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 6:30am
Contact: Jeff Linert,
651-387-9428

4 (V) Confirmation Brunch

Saturday, 9:30am
Contact: Lindsey Schmidt,
651-739-5144 x219

6 (V) Monday Afternoon Women's Ministry

Mondays, 12:00pm
Contact: Tamara Karlstrand,
651-734-3974

6 (V) Monday Morning Men's Bible Study

Mondays, 10:00am
Contact: Pastor Tim Marshall,
651-739-5144 x221

7 (V) Cancer Companions

Tuesday, 7:00pm
Contact: Vicki Strong,
651-208-4353

8 (V) Fight the New Drug

Wednesday, 6:00pm
Contact: Lindsey Schmidt,
651-739-5144 x219

9 (V) Career Transition Connection

Thursday, 7:00pm
Contact: Tom Colosimo,
612-386-3715

14-21 (V) OCC Collection

Tues-Tues, Various Times
Contact: Laurel Mills,
651-503-9090

19 (V) Healing Service

Sunday, 12:15pm
Contact: Pastor Tim Marshall,
651-739-5144 x221

22 (V) Ecumenical Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Wednesday, 7:00pm

23 (V) Thanksgiving Worship

Thursday, 10:00am

23-24 (O & V) WLC Office Closed

Wed-Thurs, All Day

THE NEWS LETTER

Want more events?

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Valley Creek Campus (V)
7380 Afton Road
Woodbury, MN 55125

Oak Hill Campus (O)
9050 60th Street North
Stillwater, MN 55082

Liberty Ridge Campus (L)
11395 Eagle View Blvd
Woodbury, MN 55129

St. Croix Campus (S)
Afton, MN 55001

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