

# THE GRACE REPORTER

**JANUARY 2012**

MONTHLY PARISH NEWSLETTER OF GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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A HAPPY  
NEW YEAR

*The Church Office will be closed on  
Monday, January 2, 2012  
for the Holiday*

## Worship Schedule Changes for January 2012 at 10:00am

Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – there will be NO Holy Communion. Pastor Ed Iverson will lead the worship service.

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> – Pastor Dave Horn will lead the worship service.

Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> – Worship with Holy Communion.

## CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation will be held on Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> and January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 4:00pm.

*Dave Horn - Singing the Cross and the Empty Tomb  
Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at the 10:00am Worship*

Dave Horn is a Lutheran pastor, performing singer/songwriter and fingerstyle guitarist who proclaims the forgiveness of sins in Jesus Christ through music, story and lighthearted humor. Join us on January 8<sup>th</sup> as Dave Horn leads our worship service!

He will also be at a special Chapel service at LIFE Lutheran School on Monday, January 9<sup>th</sup> at 8:45am. All are welcome to attend.



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....

- + Janice Jones, Corenne Jackson, Dixie Rohle, Jean Frank, Norm Frank, Vernell Freitag, Tom Dostale, Clarence Henshen, Deanna Henshen, Les Kunkel, Bernice Kunkel, Olivia Hunt Spangler, Paul Reffstrup, Judy Richmond, Jovita Hunt, Robert Koester (father of Mick Koester)
- + Shut-ins: Frances Bradshaw, Ann Porisch, Evelyn Moore, Kay Johnson, Myrtle Larson, Alice Boring, Dorothy Ostermiller

## WELCOME TO WORSHIP AT GRACE

Sunday School and Adult Bible Class – 9:00am

Worship -- 10:00am

Coffee Fellowship after Worship Service

\* Holy Communion is celebrated on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays each month.

\* Contemporary worship is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month.

## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES AT GRACE

### SUNDAY

ADULT BIBLE CLASS - Begins at 9:00am

+ Pastor leads a Bible study in the Parish Hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL – 9:00am

Classes for all ages.

### WEDNESDAY

\* 6:30am Breakfast and Bible Study in Rm. #5 at 6:30am

\* 10:00am – Women’s Bible Study in Rm. #5

## ATTENDANCE FOR DECEMBER 2011

### WORSHIP SERVICES

<u>Date</u>	<u>Service</u>	<u>Attendance</u>
12/4	Sunday-10am	166
12/11	Sunday-10am	136
12/18	Sunday-10am	178

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

<u>Date</u>	<u>Children/Youth</u>	<u>Adults</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Offering</u>
12/4	13	35	6	\$9.25
12/11	10	36	3	\$0.00
12/18	17	35	4	\$32.00

Sunday School mission offerings will go toward support of 1) our Compassion child, Hendrik and 2) Terry & Janet Borchard, Lutheran Bible Translators in Papua New Guinea

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**Church Staff**  
 Rev. Dan Suelzle, Pastor  
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 Darrel Rothauge – Principal at LIFE! School  
 Linda Gurney – Organist, Handbell & Music Director  
 Olivia Hunt Spangler – Organist/Choir Dir.  
 Church Office Hours: Weekdays 8:30am – 12:00 and 1:00pm – 4:30pm

***BITS AND PIECES.....***

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The newsletter deadline for the February “Reporter” will be **Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup>!** Please submit your articles to the church office.

**Next Parish Council Meeting** will be held on **Tuesday, January 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm** in Room #5. All Board chairpersons should attend each council meeting or send another representative.

**VOCAL CHOIR** – No Vocal choir on January 4, 2012. Vocal Choir will resume on Wednesday, January 11, 2012!

**BELL CHOIR** – will have rehearsal on Wednesday, January 4, 2012.

**PLASTIC BAGS...** Please save all grocery size plastic bags. If you have any questions, please see Jean Harsch. Thank you. The Mat Makers

**CAN YOU HELP?** We still need old blankets and sturdy material for our quilts and sleeping bags. If you have questions, contact Nancy Leapaltd.

**If you would like your business listed** as an insert in the Church Directory so members can possibly use your services, please let us know by signing the sheet posted on the bulletin board in the narthex.



**WHERE CAN I PARK WHEN OUR LOT IS FULL??** On Sunday mornings our parking lot gets full at times. Just a reminder that we have permission to use the parking lot at the medical building across 18<sup>th</sup> & Hilyard (there is parking on both sides of the building). Please consider parking in this lot so our guests and first time visitors will be able to find a parking spot. Thank you!

***From the Board of Christian Education***

**Come and check out a Bible study opportunity**

**Sunday Morning: 9:00am**

3 yrs to 5<sup>th</sup> Grade – taught by Corene Jackson and Arline Link  
 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade – taught by Sarah Koester  
 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> Grade – Tammy Smith.

Starting January 29<sup>th</sup> Pastor Dan will lead the 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade class

**Adult Bible Class**

Pastor Dan leads a class at 9:00am on Sunday mornings.  
Starting January 29<sup>th</sup> Pastor Ed Iverson will lead the adult class.

Men’s Breakfast Bible Study – Wednesdays at 6:30am  
 Women’s Bible Study – Wednesdays at 10:00am

**Now is a great time to start coming to any of these classes!**

***Stronghold - Campus Ministry***

**STRONGHOLD Bible Study** will be taking a hiatus while the university is on winter break. We will begin again on January 9. We will still meet at 8:00pm on Mondays at Pastor Dan and Mary’s house: 3510 Mill St. We hope to see you there! For more information and directions to their home, contact Mary Suelzle at: [suelzlemd@gmail.com](mailto:suelzlemd@gmail.com)

***Outreach Board***

**A PROJECT THAT CONTINUES AT GRACE....** We have a box in the narthex to collect items for the **Lane Pregnancy Support Center in Eugene**. There is a “wish list” on the bulletin board in the narthex and also on the box. You are invited to support this worthy project by purchasing items on the list. There is always a need for diapers, clothing for babies and other items for the Center. Some of the items needed are: Gently used/new hooded baby towels, 3-6 month boy/girl sleepers, 3-5 month onesies, 0-3 month boy tops, diapers, wipes, Maternity clothing size XL and up. You can put your items in the box at any time which is located by the nursery by the sanctuary. If you would like to donate – any amount is greatly appreciated. Make checks payable to Lane Pregnancy Crisis Center and leave in the church office. All the donations, items or money, help pregnant women who cannot help themselves.

## LIFE! LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

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### LIFE SCHOOL CHILI COOK-OFF

*Friday - January 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm*

Be looking for more information to come about the yearly and famous **CHILI COOK-OFF on January 20 beginning at 6:00 p.m.** This event has been a fund raiser for the LEST (Lutheran Elementary Schools Tournament) in Portland in February. Although the 5-8 grade students will only be going one day this year, funds are still needed to defray the cost of transportation and meals. Coming soon will be the registration forms for your most inspiring and tasty chili. Anyone can enter the contest, so begin planning and gathering your ingredients.

**ALL ARE INVITED TO REGISTER A CHILI OR  
JUST COME AND ENJOY CHILI AND SUPPORT THE SCHOOL**

**GOOD NEWS—from LIFE! LUTHERAN SCHOOL:** LIFE! now has the capability to accept donations, payments and purchases with VISA, American Express, Discover and MasterCard!! Go to the school's website ([www.lifeschool.us](http://www.lifeschool.us)) and click on the blue button on the lower right hand side of the home page: "Donation" or "Payment" where you will be linked to a page to set up your access with a password. It's easy—it's quick—it's a great way to make donations or payments to the school!

**LIFE! School still has openings for enrollment for 2011-2012.** If you know of anyone looking for smaller class sizes, share with your family and friends about LIFE School. We have classes for Pre-school through 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Thank you for your prayers and support of LIFE! School. This important ministry continues because of the love and support of people like you! **The school has new brochures available** for anyone who would like to help us publicize LIFE! in the community. Please feel free to stop by the school office and pick some up for distribution. Please contact the school office at 541-342-5433 to request the school information packet or if you have any questions. Also check out our school website at: [www.lifeschool.us](http://www.lifeschool.us).

**Here's your opportunity to impact the lives of the children who attend LIFE! School.** You can make a donation to LIFE's scholarship fund that will be matched dollar for dollar by the LIFE! Foundation. For every dollar you give, the benefit to the school will be multiplied doubly! Just send your donations to the school address marked "Scholarship Fund". Thank you so much for helping LIFE! School flourish and grow—and touch the lives of young people and their families. Your donation is tax deductible. We want to thank those who have already contributed for their support and generosity.

## *The Lutheran Hour Broadcast*

Sunday Mornings – 8:00am ---- on KKNX – 840 AM

*Rev. Gregory Seltz delivers the messages.*

**January 1 – “The Lord Will Have the Last Say!”** (2 Timothy 4:6-8) The Lord Jesus saves, the Lord Jesus reigns, and in all things He will have the last say! We begin the new year in His Name.

**January 8 – “Jesus’ Baptism: Solidarity with Sinners to Save Them!”** (Mark 1:4-11) Jesus stepped into the Jordan River for a baptism He didn't need in order to save a people who didn't deserve it. He showed solidarity with sinners so that they might receive God's forgiveness and mercy by grace.

**January 15 – “Bought with a Price!”** (1 Corinthians 6:12-20) What are you worth? We live in a world that doesn't know how to answer that question. Your true value is found in a restored relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ.

**January 22 – “Living a Life With Purpose”** (Mark 1:14-20) In Christ, God has a plan for you – a life with purpose, life to its fullest measure, life in Him – for others.

**January 29 – “One With Authority”** (Mark 1:21-22) Speaker Emeritus of the Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. Even Jesus' enemies had to admit that He spoke with authority. What's more, Jesus showed His power and authority to forgive sins and conquer death itself.

The Lutheran Hour can also be heard on the internet or downloaded onto an MP3 player at [www.lutheranhour.org](http://www.lutheranhour.org). If you would like to listen to The Lutheran Hour message and need assistance with the above options, please call Barb Ronne at 343-0327.

## *Camp Lutherwood*

### LOOKING TOWARDS 2012...

- **Summer staff recruitment has begun!** Staff applications are available at: <http://lutherwoodoregon.org/summer-staff> We are looking for young adults to be part of our awesome staff this summer
- **Register today for summer 2012.** Our new online registration is up and running. Register now for an exciting week at camp!

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## CELEBRATING A BIRTHDAY IN JANUARY



- 1 Len Freitag
- 3 Daniel Hovet
- 5 Bob Sylwester
- 6 Lauren Murphy
- 8 Stephanie Blank
- 9 Anna Zemke  
Holly Jenkins
- 10 Pastor Dan Suelzle
- 14 Ray Erdmann
- 15 Dee Wheeler
- 16 Elaine Barbisan  
Michael Burgess
- 18 Ken Reffstrup  
Brittany Parham
- 19 Roy Genthner  
Norah Suelzle
- 23 Sharon Gee
- 26 Denise Daue
- 27 Jonathan Gunson
- 29 Amy Follett

## CELEBRATING A WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN JANUARY



- 5 John and Lorilee Mundfrom
- 14 Marc and Patty Burgess
- 19 Allen and Peggy Bohlander

## THOSE SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE IN JANUARY

### January 1, 2012

Children's Message: Ralph Krumdieck      Acolytes: Rebecca Farnham, Sarah Hovet  
Lector: Lynne Coates      Greeters: Betty Libke, Jan Bachhuber  
Coffee Hosts: Fellowship Board      Altar Flowers: Len Chase  
Ushers: \*Rick Krumdieck, Jerry Fibelstad, Todd Baker, Rob Wiesert

### January 8, 2012

Children's Message: None      Acolytes: Hunter Frank, Nate Koester  
Lector: No Lector Needed      Greeters: Bob Jones, Judy Klupenger  
Coffee Hosts:      Altar Flowers:  
Ushers: \*John Stoecker, Devon Kirkpatrick, Taylor Kirkpatrick, Tammy Smith

### January 15, 2012

Children's Message: Jody Johnson      Acolytes: Ben Thompson, Casey Genthner  
Lector: Paula Walker      Greeters: Holly & Roy Genthner  
Coffee Hosts:      Altar Flowers:  
Communion Assts: John Stoecker, Bert Wheeler      Altar Guild:  
Ushers: \*Byron Baule, Roy Genthner, Mick Koester, Paul Thompson

### January 22, 2012

Children's Message: Pastor Dan      Acolytes: Max and Anika Harkins  
Lector: Matt Thompson      Greeters: Bert & Dee Wheeler  
Coffee Hosts:      Altar Flowers:  
Ushers: \*Ken Reffstrup, Clarence Henshen, Randy Ronne, Rob Wiesert

### January 29, 2012

Children's Message: Mary Suelzle      Acolytes: Teal Henshen, Harrison Wiesert  
Lector: Dan Gauche      Greeters: Nick & Jan Richmond  
Coffee Hosts:      Altar Flowers:  
Ushers: \*Kirk Gunson, Tammy Smith, Jerry Lacey, Ben Lacey

