

# GRACE LUTHERAN WEEKLY

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## WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GRACE

**Today:** Pastor's Adult Bible Class – 8:45am  
Sunday School – for ALL Ages – 9:00am  
Contemporary Worship Service - 10:00am  
Coffee Fellowship – 11:00am  
Confirmation – 4:00pm

**Monday:** LWML Meeting – 1:00pm  
(EVA – 7:00pm)

**Tuesday:** Stronghold Dinner/Bible Study – 6:00pm  
LIFE! School Board Meeting – 7:00pm  
Stewardship Board Meeting – 7:00pm

**Wednesday:** Breakfast Bible Study – 6:30am  
Women's Bible Study – 10:00am  
Bell Choir – 6:15pm  
Outreach Board Meeting – 6:30pm  
Vocal Choir – 7:30pm

**Thursday:** Fellowship Board Meeting – 7:00pm  
(Oregon Tuba Ensemble – 7:00pm)

**Saturday:** (E.A.R.S. – 10:00am)

**Next Sunday:** Pastor's Adult Bible Class – 8:45am  
Sunday School – for ALL Ages – 9:00am  
Worship Service w/Holy Communion - 10:00am  
Coffee Fellowship – 11:00am  
NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

*Those activities in ( ) indicate outside groups meeting in the building.*

## REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....



+ Jovita Hunt, Kathleen Thomsen, Roland Luxford, Ralph & Alice Boring, Myrtle Larson, Judy Rust, Lester Libke, Luther Beecroft (at McKenzie-Willamette Hospital)  
Johnny Fuller (grandson of Mike & Arline Link), Ken Leom (father of Kari Hovet), Wilburn Rice (nephew of Jean Harsch)

+ Shut-ins: Jeannine Brauner, Walter & Mary Krumdieck, Frances Bradshaw, Ann Porisch, Margie Murphree, Mary Good, Dorothy Beikman, Evelyn Moore, Anita Colcord, Jack York

**END OF YEAR STATEMENTS** are in your mailboxes out in the narthex. Please pick your statement up along with any other mail you might have. Thanks.

**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:** The Newsletter deadline for submitting articles for the **February newsletter is Sunday, January 17<sup>th</sup>**. Please submit your articles to the church office.

**USHERS:** Please check the “**Unavailable Usher Schedule**” which is located in the narthex. The schedule for **FEBRUARY** is posted. If you are unable to usher in February, please mark the schedule or talk to Todd Baker.

## BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

- \* **Stronghold Dinner/Bible Study – Tuesday, January 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm**
- \* **Breakfast Bible Study - Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30am**
- \* **Women's Bible Study - Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:00am**

## ADULT CLASSES ON SUNDAY MORNINGS!

- \* Pastor Joel Nickel will lead a class in Room #5 starting at **8:45am**.
- \* Dan Gauche will do a video class on Philip Yancy's book "The Jesus I Never Knew" in the Parish Hall starting at **9:00am**.

**In regard to Emergencies...** If you have an emergency, please let the Church Office know at 342-4844 on Monday through Friday. On the weekends, Saturday/Sunday, please call Bert Wheeler at 747-1442. Peggy or Bert will get in touch with Pastor Nickel to inform him of any emergency that arise.

As a reminder, Pastor Nickel will be available in Eugene from Saturday evening through Sunday afternoon. **His office hours are:**

- **10:00am to Noon on Tuesdays**
- **9:00am to Noon on Wednesdays**

**Other times – by appointment on Sunday, Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons.**

## SERVICE OF PRAYER AND ANNOINTING

**On the fourth Sunday of each month** we will hold a semi-private service of prayer and anointing for those who have health concerns. This will be held following the close of the worship service. Those who would like anointing of oil and prayers for the sick should come to the front pews. Pastor Nickel will join you after greeting people at the door following worship.

**REMINDER: BULLETIN/WEEKLY DEADLINE** – If you would like something in the bulletin or Weekly (blue notes) – please have your information to the church office by **10:00am on Wednesdays!**

**A NOTE ABOUT 2010 OFFERING ENVELOPES...**

**Please pick up your 2010 Offering Envelopes from your church mail box.** Please discard any un-used 2009 Offering Envelopes (Yellowish colored) and make sure you no longer use them.

The reason for this is that if your 2009 Offering Envelope number was changed (which many were) your offering will then have to be reconciled to your proper number for 2010 so that we can properly credit your gift. Please make it easier for everyone and only use the 2010 envelopes and discard any un-used envelopes from the previous year.

If you were not given envelopes for 2010 and would like to have some, please contact Randy Ronne at 541-343-0327.



**PAINTING PARTY**

**Saturday – January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am**

The Property Board invites you to come and help in painting the Fellowship Hall. Help is needed to cover furniture and floors and move furniture and of course – paint! If you can help, please come on January 23 at 9am.

**VOTERS' MEETING**

**Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup> after the Worship service**

**Agenda Items**

- Call Committee Update
- Nominating Committee

**FOUND...** A pair of women's brown shoes in the church van. They are in the church office.

**FOUND...** A little red pouch with two sets of beads inside. If you have misplaced this or know of someone who did, please pick it up at the church office.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** is a quarterly booklet that contains daily devotions and prayers. The new **January-March** booklet is available on the table in the narthex. Take one home for your daily devotions.

**COFFEE SIGN-UP SHEET** is posted on the door by the Fireside Room. The Fellowship Board will have coffee hour every first Sunday of the month. Please sign up to help the other Sundays. Coffee and treats will be provided but you can also bring treats if you wish. People need to set up before and clean up after the coffee hour. If you have questions, please contact Kirk Gunson.

**FLOWER CHART FOR 2010!!** The **new 2010 Flower Chart** is located by the mailboxes in the narthex. If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of someone, please sign your name on the Flower Chart for the date you would like. Floral arrangements can be from your garden, a store or from a floral shop. You will receive a reminder the week prior to your Sunday. Please remember to take your flowers with you after the 10:00am service.

**STRONGHOLD – CAMPUS MINISTRY**

**Stronghold Bible Study/Dinner** meets on **Tuesday evenings at 6:00pm** for a home-cooked dinner and Bible study. Jeff Bolinger leads the group. **Stronghold will start up again beginning January 12<sup>th</sup>.** Questions: contact Jeff Bolinger: [bolinger@uoregon.edu](mailto:bolinger@uoregon.edu) or Paula Walker (Campus Ministry Comm.) at [paula@lanepds.org](mailto:paula@lanepds.org) or [gwalker512@comcast.net](mailto:gwalker512@comcast.net)

**Grace members and friends:** A sign-up sheet for providing dinner starting up again in January 2010 is on the table in the narthex next to the church mailboxes. Thank you for your willingness to participate!



**GRACE YOUTH NEWS**

**YOUTH FUNDRAISER:** The Youth will be having a can/bottle drive to raise money for the youth gathering. Please start saving your cans and bottles and bring them to church on **Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.** The youth will take care of recycling the cans/bottles. Thanks for your help!

**HABITAT FOR HUMANITY**

From **January 4th through about January 18th** the new Habitat ReStore facility and Office will be putting up shelves and making preparations for opening their new location at 1210 Oak Patch in Eugene, OR 97405. If you can help, please bring a pair of work gloves and a joyful spirit as we assemble shelves and do general clean up. Working hours will be from **10am until 3pm** on most days. Please call if you would like more information. Even if you can only spare an hour that would be appreciated.  
Grace Church Contact: Randy von Ronne at 343-0327

## LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

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Email: [office@lifeschool.us](mailto:office@lifeschool.us)

Website: [www.lifeschool.us](http://www.lifeschool.us)

**LIFE! Lutheran School 2010 enrollment continues!** Packets are available at the school office. Take time to view the website at [www.lifeschool.us](http://www.lifeschool.us). If you know of anyone who is interested in receiving information about enrolling at LIFE! Lutheran School, please contact the school office at 342-5433.



### **21<sup>st</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off**

**Friday – January 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6:00pm**

Plans are underway for the 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off. This fundraising event supports and is used to defray the cost of sending our 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students to the Lutheran Elementary School Tournament (L.E.S.T.) in Portland. Start thinking about what chili you will be entering and watch for more information to come. **EVERYONE IS INVITED TO ATTEND!!!**

### **The Lutheran Hour Broadcast**

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

*Rev. Ken Klaus delivers the messages.*

**January 17 – “They Needed Wine”** (John 2: 1-5) Why did Jesus miraculously change water into wine and save a wedding party from ruin? He did it, in part, because He wants us to come to Him with our problems, big and small.

**January 24 – “A Savior Almost Seen”** (Luke 4:22) Many people mistook Jesus for someone He wasn't. It's still that way today. Jesus remains for many a Savior almost seen.

**January 31 – “Gifted”** (1 Cor. 13: 1-7) God's gifts are meant for giving away, not for showing off. Guest Speaker: Rev. Anthony Creeden of Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, Livonia, Michigan.

The Lutheran Hour can also be heard on the internet or downloaded onto an MP3 player at <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.

### **FocusOn<sup>®</sup> Investment Fundamentals workshop: Make a smart investment in your financial future.**

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#### **Join us for a free workshop**

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- . Make your money work harder for you.
- . Grow your money with tax-deferred investments.
- . Steer clear of common investment mistakes.

The one-hour workshop will be presented by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representatives: Tina Barthlow, Clay Camper, and Don Conant.

**When:** Thursday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, from 6:30pm to 8:00pm.

**Where:** The Hampton Inn West 11<sup>th</sup> Eugene, OR  
Desserts will be served at 6:30pm

#### **Sign up for this free workshop today!**

Call Jan Howe at Thrivent, 541- 741-1999 or e-mail her at [jan.howe@thrivent.com](mailto:jan.howe@thrivent.com).

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## ENTRY FORM

### **LIFE! Lutheran School's 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Chili Cook-Off**

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes! I will enter my chili in the cook-off!**

**I want to enter the category of:**

\_\_\_ **Most Exotic Chili**

\_\_\_ **Hottest Chili**

\_\_\_ **Best all-Around Chili**



**Friday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**6:00 – 7:30pm**

**18<sup>th</sup> & Hilyard, Eugene**

**(Grace Lutheran Church/LIFE! Lutheran School)**

“Votes” will be cast by those attending the chili cook-off by placing coins, bills, or checks in the voting cup in front of each cook-off station. Votes may be cast for any number of chili choices. Participants may vote as often and as much as they want.

Each person entering is asked to bring your pot of chili and a serving ladle. You will be assigned a serving station which you may decorate to promote your chili. Be sure to “staff” your chili station to serve samples to everyone. And, or course, you should encourage people to vote for your chili.

Please drop this form off at the school office or in the envelope attached to the bulletin board by the school office so we can reserve your station.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_