

GRACE LUTHERAN WEEKLY

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT GRACE

- Today:** MITE BOX SUNDAY
 Pastor's Adult Bible Class – 8:45am
 Sunday School – for ALL Ages – 9:00am
 Worship Service - 10:00am
 Coffee Fellowship – 11:00am
Confirmation – 4:00pm
(EVA – 7:00pm)
- Monday:** *(EVA – 7:00pm)*
- Tuesday:** Stronghold Dinner/Bible Study – 6:00pm
(Essential Tremor Support Group – 7:00pm)
- Wednesday:** Breakfast Bible Study – 6:30am
 Women's Bible Study – 10:00am
 Bell Choir – 6:15pm
 Vocal Choir – 7:30pm
- Thursday:** *(Oregon Tuba Ensemble – 7:00pm)*
- Saturday:** "Red Hat" Birthday Party – 2:00pm
- Next Sunday:** Pastor's Adult Bible Class – 8:45am
 Sunday School – for ALL Ages – 9:00am
 Worship Service - 10:00am
 Coffee Fellowship – 11:00am
 Youth Fundraiser – Bring your cans and bottles to church

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

VOTERS' MEETING

Sunday, February 7th after the Worship service

Agenda Items

- Call Committee Update
- Nominating Committee

Youth will be having a bake sale as a fund-raiser after the worship service.
Please support the youth for their trip to the Youth Gathering in July.

Congregational Self-Study Survey

Following services on January 24, 31, and February 7, the call committee is asking for your thoughts to some questions about our congregation's goals and strengths, and our expectations for a pastor. This is an essential part of the call process, and your input is very important. **Copies of the survey will be available in the Parish Hall, along with table space to write on. Please take a few minutes to share your comments.**



REMEMBER IN PRAYER.....

- + Jovita Hunt, Kathleen Thomsen, Roland Luxford, Ralph & Alice Boring, Myrtle Larson, Judy Rust, Lester Libke, Luther Beecroft, Al Prigge, LaVern Henshen, Margie Murphree, Len Freitag (having surgery this week), Johnny Fuller (grandson of Mike & Arline Link), Ken Leom (father of Kari Hovet), Wilburn Rice (nephew of Jean Harsch), Jim Frank
- + Shut-ins: Jeannine Brauner, Walter & Mary Krumdieck, Frances Bradshaw, Ann Porisch, Margie Murphree, Mary Good, Dorothy Beikman, Evelyn Moore, Anita Colcord, Jack York
- + Our Sympathy to Jan Bachhuber on the death of her husband, Jim Bachhuber on January 16, 2010. Please keep Jan and her family in your prayers.
- + Our sympathy to Nick Richmond and Judy Richmond Rust as their cousin Vilas Gschwind passed away January 14 in Bandon, Oregon.
- + Jamie King (Matt Prehm's girlfriend) has a cousin, Drew, who is attending college in CA this year on an athletic scholarship. She was on the South Eugene swim team. Drew was in a very serious car accident this past weekend and was in surgery for many hours overnight. The doctors are not sure if she will be able to walk again. Please pray for Drew's recovery

One of our new members, Mr. Jim Bachhuber suffered a massive stroke and died on Saturday, January 16. Jim was 80 years old. He worked for many years with Shering-Plough Pharmaceutical Company. He was also a revered member of the police reserve in the city of Santa Clara, California. He and Jan were married for 53 years. They have three children, Julie Mansell, Jeff Bachhuber, and Jay Bachhuber. Jim and Jan have 11 grandchildren. Please keep Jan and her family in your prayers. If you would like to send a card to Jan her address is: 2244 W. 28th Ave - Eugene, OR 97405

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.**

Our Emergency offering taken Sunday January 17 for LCMS World Relief / Human Care - Haiti took in a total of \$756. You will have another opportunity today to give to the relief effort if you desire. Today's offering will be added to our offering from last Sunday and sent to LCMS World Relief / Human Care - Haiti. If you would like to donate online you can go to: <http://www.lcms.org/ca/worldrelief/> or if you are a Thrivent member you can go to: <https://www.thrivent.com/helpinghaiti/index.html> and select LCMS World Relief / Human Care, if you give through Thrivent the first \$2 million dollars will be matched at 50 cents on the dollar so Thrivent will send up to \$1 Million extra for relief to these poor unfortunate people living and working in Haiti.

Thrivent Financial members invited to join in \$3 million Helping Haiti effort

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans members who want to make a financial contribution to support disaster response efforts in Haiti can have their donations to one of four Lutheran relief agencies multiplied by the fraternal benefit society. To participate, visit www.thrivent.com/helpinghaiti and make a contribution to one of the following:

- Lutheran World Relief
- ELCA Disaster Response
- LCMS World Relief/Human Care
- WELS Committee on Relief

Thrivent Financial will add \$1 to every \$2 its members donate, up to a total Thrivent Financial contribution of \$1 million. That means a potential of \$3 million or more to support relief efforts: \$2 million + from its members and \$1 million added by Thrivent Financial. For questions or alternative ways to donate through this program, please call 800-236-3736. When promoted, say “directory” and enter ext. 83003.

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

- * Breakfast Bible Study - Wednesday, January 27th at 6:30am
- * Women’s Bible Study - Wednesday, January 27th at 10:00am
- * Stronghold Dinner/Bible Study – Thursday, January 28th at 6:00pm

FOR 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!**

CHILDREN’S MESSAGE – we are looking for volunteers to do a Children’s Message on Sunday mornings. If you would be interested in doing this occasionally, please contact Peggy in the church office.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you are interested in being on the Prayer Chain, or have questions about the prayer chain, please call Betty Libke at 541-345-5551.

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.



RED HAT “BIRTHDAY PARTY” - Saturday – January 30th at 2:00pm in the Parish Hall. Everyone is invited to attend!

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 31st**. The youth will take care of recycling the cans/bottles.

Thanks for your help!



YOUTH FUNDRAISER – BAKE SALE - Sunday – February 7th

The Youth will have a bake sale after the worship service and before the Voter’s Meeting. Please support the youth for their trip to the National Youth Gathering in July.

ALL YOUTH are invited to go Bowling at Strike City (Highway 99) on **Sunday, February 21st at 1:00pm**. The cost is \$2.00/per person.

STRONGHOLD – CAMPUS MINISTRY

ATTENTION COLLEGE STUDENTS and Grace members providing dinner for Stronghold: **STRONGHOLD (Campus Ministry) IS MOVING TO THURSDAY EVENINGS at 6:00 pm during winter term!!!** Everyone college-age is invited to join the group for dinner and Bible study this Thursday evening. The group is currently studying the Parables of Jesus. Jeff Bolinger leads the group. Questions: contact Jeff Bolinger: bolinger@uoregon.edu or Paula Walker (Campus Ministry Comm.) at paula@lanepds.org or gwalker512@comcast.net

Grace members and friends: A sign-up sheet for providing dinner on Thursday nights for the Stronghold group is on the table in the narthex next to the church mailboxes. Thank you for your willingness to participate!

The Lutheran Hour Broadcast

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

Rev. Ken Klaus delivers the messages.

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.

February 7 – “His Light For Your Darkness” (John 8:12) Suicide doesn’t solve problems, it only amplifies problems and transfers them to the loved ones who are left behind. Jesus brings light to those lost in dark despair.

February 14 – “A Faithful Savior” (Hebrews 3: 1-2) In the midst of life’s disappointments, both large and small, we might overlook God’s love and the price Christ paid to redeem us.

February 21 – “Falling for an Old Trick” (Luke 4: 5-7) If temptation is more art than science, Satan must surely be the master artist. Christ overcame the temptations that so often trip us up.

February 28 – “To be announced”

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.

Paul’s Second and Third Missionary Journey 2010 – Pastor Jim Markus of Trinity Lutheran Church in Cottage Grove will lead a 10 day Greece/Turkey journey of a lifetime. There is a poster on the bulletin board in the narthex. For more information call Pastor Markus at 541-942-2373.

LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

Phone: 342-5433

Email: office@lifeschool.us

Website: 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. 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.

January opportunity to help Lutherans for Life!

Baby Blue Laces for Life is a pro life awareness campaign. By wearing shoelaces in a baby blue color with the words "Laces for Life" printed on them, pro life people are able to make a very visible and clear message in support of unborn life in the womb. By providing awareness through your Laces for Life, you are changing minds and hearts on the issue of abortion.

All proceeds during the month of January will be donated to Lutherans for Life.

To make a purchase to to: <http://babybluelaces.org/> click on the drop-down arrow to indicate if you'd like to buy the Laces for Life, Wristband, or both and click "Buy Now". On the following page you may indicate how many you would like to purchase, then click "continue" to enter your payment information. You will receive a confirmation email upon your purchase.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to let me know.

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