

THE NEWS LETTER



April 2019

We Are Half Way There Don't Give Up!!!

There are literally hundreds of us doing the Red Letter Challenge (RLC). We are practicing following Jesus, putting His words into action, together!

April 1st is day 21 of the 40 day challenge.

Let's remember what the challenge IS and IS NOT.

- It's NOT about "getting it all done" or "doing it right"! There is so much grace! It IS about what you are experiencing along the way, what you learn about God and yourself as you walk through this.
- It's NOT about killing yourself to stay caught up. It IS about creating space to sit with Jesus...to read, reflect and actually do the challenge.

If you fall behind, DON'T GIVE UP. Go to today and start fresh. If some of the challenges are hard or uncomfortable, pay attention to that. Talk to Jesus about this. Do some writing and reflecting.

Following Jesus is not passive, it's actively seeking Him, receiving from Him and learning to listen and respond to him. He is always leading us to deeper surrender to His ways and His purposes. It's about building our lives around a relationship with Him, not doing our religious duty.

I love Zack's words in the RLC intro..."By putting the God's words literally into practice, you will find the life God has made for you. Do you hear the invitation? And do you hear the challenge? That's how we grow...Invitation and Challenge or Grace and Truth. Jesus's words to us in Luke 11:28 "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and obey it". "

We're learning to follow Jesus together! DON'T GIVE UP!

~ Brad Miller

One last thing...don't forget to share your stories! How is God using the Red Letter Challenge to change your life?

Click on this link to share...<https://www.woodburylutheran.org/red-letter-challenge/>



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Red Letter Challenge!

“But even more blessed are all who hear the word of God and put it into practice.” - Luke 11:28

As I write this we are headed into the third week of The Red Letter Challenge, I am so excited that we have given away all 1500 copies of the book and that we are a gathering of Jesus followers who are actively seeking to become more like Jesus! At the heart of the RLC is the call that Jesus gives us to take His words and put them into practice, Jesus is constantly inviting us to be with Him so that we can take what He teaches us and actually do it, imagine that!

If you are anything like me than you are a list person, I don't usually write them down, but I always have a list of things that I have to get done in my mind. If I am not really careful I can easily view my relationship with Jesus this same way, as a task or a checklist of things that I have to get done, instead of an invitation to come and abide with Him, so that I can get things done for Him!

I was very much struck by our second message in this series, entitled, “Being.” If you missed it the point was that Jesus is going to ask us to do lots of things for Him; but the truth is if we are going to be effective in our doing for Jesus then we have to understand that everything we do must flow first out of being with Him. We said it this way, “Our Doing always flows out of our Being.”

What does that mean to you? What does it

mean to be with Jesus? In the RLC we were introduced to some very practical practices or disciplines that help us to do exactly this, to be with Jesus. As I made my way through the practices I was again reminded of four truths:

1. Anyone can be with Jesus – the practices are not rocket science.
2. It is hard to find time in the busyness of our lives to be with Jesus.
3. It is always worth it to take the time to be with Jesus.
4. If you miss a day it is not the end of the world, these are called practices for a reason; we need to practice them.

I would like to challenge you to consider making these practices a regular part of your lives. The beauty of becoming more like Jesus is that whether you have been following Him for many years or just a few days the invitation to grow is a lifelong invitation. The time is now to hear the Word of God, so that we can put it into practice.

Peace,
Pastor Tom



Weddings:

Austin Kuhrmeyer & Jessica Carlson

Baptisms:

Nash Edward Drapinski
Maximus Edward Francis DeCoteau
Paisley Faith Ash
Greyson Noah Ash
Kayless Alyssa Barber
Brittany Baughman
Calvin Bowes
Reese Lauren Brandt
Cora Evangeline Clifford
Greyson Daniel Haroldson
Kinsley Krstina Hove
Noble McHenry
Anna Grace Pillman
Macey Ellis Salzmann
Nolan Salzmann
Willow Lynn Young

Deaths:

Hunter & Afton Kirby ~
grandmother, Norma Jackson
Arlene Holst ~ daughter-in-law,
Vicki Holst
Lorraine Wohlhuter ~ aunt,
Marcella Radke
The Family of Nico Drescich
Steve Lindeman - brother, Jim
Lindeman
The Family of Marlen
VanOverbeke
The Family of Muriel Lindeman

Service Times at WLC:

Saturdays at Valley Creek:
Contemporary, 5pm

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

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

Sundays at Liberty Ridge
Contemporary 10:00am

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HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

APRIL 18, MAUNDY THURSDAY

- Liberty Ridge Campus - Last Supper @ 6:00pm
- Oak Hill Campus - Last Supper @ 6:00pm
- Valley Creek Campus @ 7:30pm

APRIL 19, GOOD FRIDAY

- Oak Hill Campus - Kids RLC Stations of the Cross @ 4:00pm
- Oak Hill Campus @ 7:30pm
- Valley Creek Campus @ Noon & 7:30pm



EASTER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

APRIL 20, EASTER SATURDAY

- Valley Creek Campus - All CampusCross Reflections Men's Breakfast @ 7:00am
- Valley Creek Campus @ 5:00pm

APRIL 21, EASTER SUNDAY

- Liberty Ridge @ 10:00am
- Oak Hill Campus @ 9:00am & 10:30am
- Valley Creek Campus @ 6:00am, 8:00am, 9:30am & 11:00am



Campus Updates from Liberty Ridge & Oak Hill



LIBERTY RIDGE UPDATES

Here are some quick updates from our Liberty Ridge Campus:

- We are excited for the melting snow! After some extra snowy and cold Sundays, we are thankful for a break in the weather. It makes for easier loading/unloading of trailers.
- We've seen a large uptick in first-time guests in the last month. Almost all have been from personal invitations. Who have you invited to church recently?
- We are looking forward to our community meal together on Maundy Thursday during April. One youth will be receiving first communion that evening.
- We launched two new small groups during the Red Letter Challenge. Almost everyone at Liberty Ridge is connected to a small group. That's pretty incredible!
- We have two baptisms scheduled for baptism weekend. Praise God for the way he's bringing more people into his family!
- As we move into summer we are revisiting our current systems and teams, looking for more ways that we can use our capacity to help multiply disciples and transform lives in the neighborhood of Liberty Ridge. This includes knocking on doors, prayer walking, boosting our hospitality, and We'll need a few extra people to join us to make this possible. Might God be calling you? Talk to Pastor Jon if you're interested.
- 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:

- We welcomed 8 new members to The Oak Hill Campus. Welcome to the Oak Hill Family!
- On April 18th, join us for our Maundy Thursday Worship/M meal. As part of the evening 3 of our youth will receive their First Holy Communion.
- Holy Week at the Oak Hill Campus: Thursday, April 18th at 6pm- Maundy Thursday Worship and Meal; Friday, April 19th at 4pm- Good Friday Family Experience. Come see how your kids can apply "The Red Letter Challenge" to their lives through Bible verses, crafts, and time in prayer; Friday, April 19th at 7:30pm- Good Friday Service; Sunday, April 21- Easter Sunday; Worship at 9am and 10:30am; and Easter Breakfast Fundraiser, 8:00-10:30am. Come support our youth attending summer mission experiences and The National Youth Gathering.
- 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.



Campus Update from Valley Creek

Here are some quick updates from our Valley Creek Campus:

- Nine students completed the Confirmation Journey and confirmed their faith in Jesus on Confirmation weekend, March 2 and 3.
- The Welcome Center and Connection Centers merged on March 3 into a new, one-stop shop for answering questions, sharing information and helping you find your next step on the Discipleship Path. There are Connection Centers staffed at the east entrance and in the lobby.
- We were blessed to have students from Trinity First Lutheran School sing at the 9:30 service on March 24. Woodbury Lutheran has been a ministry partner with Trinity First for many years supporting the ministry they do in the Phillips neighborhood of Minneapolis.
- Wednesday Lenten soup suppers and services have been wonderful opportunities for fellowship and worship as we follow Jesus through the Passion narrative and prepare to celebrate Easter.
- 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.





Feed My Starving Children MobilePack

272,000 meals in 18 hours. Enough food to feed 764 hungry children one meal a day for an entire year. That is what Woodbury Lutheran has committed to do as we once again partner with Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) to attack hunger around the world. FMSC estimates that 6,200 children die each day from undernutrition. That figure should shock and dismay us all. As followers of Christ, we are called to do what we can to change this reality.

On May 2nd, 3rd and 4th you, along with 1,000 of your friends, neighbors and fellow church members, will have the opportunity to participate in a FMSC packing event to be held at our Valley Creek campus. Adults and children will measure and scoop ingredients, seal bags and prepare boxes for shipping. Children as young as five can also help as long as they are with their parents. If you are a leader of an organization that would like to participate (Scouts, etc.) then the minimum age is third grade. For more information on adult to student ratio for groups, please contact Liz Thompson (651-262-9665).

FMSC is a Christian nonprofit organization dedicated to seeing every child and person around the world healthy, nourished and whole in body and spirit. Their approach is simple: children and adults hand-pack meals, MannaPack™ Rice, formulated specifically for malnourished children. Organizations in nearly 70 countries around the world distribute these meals to children in greatest need. In 2017-18, FMSC sent 333 million meals around the world thanks to the work of more than 1.2 million volunteers. FMSC is able to spend more than 90% of total donations directly on feeding children because of its volunteers. And 99.8% of its meals are securely delivered!

120 individuals are needed at each of the 9, 2-hour shifts, while 10 adults are needed to help set-up on May 2nd and clean-up on May 4th. You can register yourself, your family and friends and/or your organization at [FMSC.org](https://www.FMSC.org) or via the link on WLC's home page. The available shifts are:

- Thursday, May 2nd: 6-8 pm, with set-up from 3-5 pm
- Friday, May 3rd: 9:30-11:30 am, 12:30-2:30 pm, 3-5 pm, 6-8 pm
- Saturday, May 4th: Same as Friday with clean-up from 8-10 pm

A couple of items to note once you have completed your registration:

- Please arrive 10-minutes prior to the start of your shift for registration and training
- Please wear closed-toed shoes (no sandals or flip-flops)
- Please leave your jewelry at home

While we will be helping FMSC in their mission, we will also be fulfilling several of the goals of our church including broadening our church's understanding and practice of generosity and modeling Christ's love by meeting the basic needs of others. And we will be having fun! If you have questions, need more information or need help with registering, please contact Liz Thompson at 651-262-9665.

764 hungry children thank you for your generosity!

A Note From Pastor Tom

After serving on staff at WLC for 23 years, Mary Lehman has announced that she will be retiring at the end of May.

We are excited and grateful for this next step in Mary's life.

It is hard to put into words just how thankful we all are for Mary and the ministry that she has carried on at WLC for 23 years - it will leave a lasting legacy! She is our last staff member who has worked with every pastor at WLC...amazing! Her heart for Jesus and seeing His transforming work happen in the lives of God's people will be deeply missed!

Over the next few weeks we will be putting together a plan to help celebrate Mary well. In the meantime, please take some time over these next couple of months to let Mary know how she has impacted your life!

We are grateful
for you Mary!



The Cat Is Out of the Bag

I'm sure by now you have heard that I am retiring. It sounds so weird. But it is also so exciting! It's also puzzling I can't understand how old I've gotten... Retirement??? Although, I've been here long enough to have forgotten more names than I can remember.

What will I do? I am excited for learning more of God's Word. I love the Bible and WLC is all about the Word. I am sure that is why our campuses have grown the way they have. We also have a wonderful staff. Our pastors preach the truth from the Word. Our youth and kids ministry are fantastic. We could not do our jobs without our wonderful admin staff and our custodial staff. Lose them, and we sink!

I have a lovely Small Group and they have served me in hard times and celebrated in good times. They can't get rid of me, we are family. I plan to attend BSF (Bible Study Fellowship). I want to learn even more. Retirement is not stopping me.

I have always wanted to serve with the Kitchen Ladies. I want to help with funeral meals... although if they are smart they will put me on dishwashing duty rather than the cooking!

I have experienced a huge blessing through you. This place has formed my faith. This place has trusted me to help you grow on the Path. This place taught me grace.

When I came to my first worship service here, I wondered how in the world everyone knew each other. There were folks standing around drinking coffee and visiting with each other after church services? I had never experienced a church like WLC!

Thank you so much!
~Mary Lehman

Care Ministry Who We Are

Recently, a member of ours had a number of events all occur at the same time in her life where she was not able to function without help. What she was looking for was someone to sit with a relative of hers while another relative was hospitalized. She reached out to the church, we were able to identify others in the church with the expertise needed to offer assistance to her that she really needed.

At another time, a different member called, seeking some assistance with their taxes. I reached out to one person to see if they would be available to help and he graciously said yes, he was honored and excited to help.

Still another time members who have not been connected to Woodbury Lutheran for a time called with a need for a funeral for a relative. We visited about the service and were able to help the family hold the service for their relative to honor their loved one while giving God the glory for the hope that is ours in Christ Jesus.

At Woodbury Lutheran we can talk about all of the different Care Ministries that are available and doing some wonderful things, sharing the Love of Jesus with others. Sometimes, however, it's being able to help another person in tangible ways that show who we are. You truly have embraced Paul's words in Galatians 6:2, which says, "Share each other's burdens, and in this way obey the law of Christ." Thank you for being the hands and feet of Christ who are willing to help others in times of need!

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Tim





Membership at WLC Classes Coming Soon!

Do you enjoy Woodbury Lutheran? Want to become part of our family? Join us by engaging in our mission, vision, and values of as a member.

Those wishing to become members attend a one-day seminar that goes in-depth on our beliefs, practices, values, our discipleship process, and our expectations of members. Expect to meet new people and be on your way to getting connected into a small group. Contact Sunny Marshall for more information at marshalls@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144.

Upcoming Classes at the Valley Creek Campus will be held on (9am - 12pm):

- May 18
- July 20
- Sept 21

If interested in finding a membership class at Oak Hill Campus please contact Cheri Frost at cherifrost6@gmail.com. For classes at Liberty Ridge Campus please contact Pastor Jon at kuehnej@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144.

Serve This Summer At Trinity First!

Trinity First Lutheran School is a very special place only a hop, skip, and a jump away in the heart of the Phillips Neighborhood in Minneapolis. Trinity First is so much more than a school. While serving students from three years of age through eighth grade, it constantly works to educate and encourage children and families from diverse backgrounds, socioeconomic statuses, ethnicities, nationalities, and even beliefs.

“At Trinity First kids work hard” is a phrase often heard from students and teachers in the halls and classrooms. Trinity First firmly believes in giving God their best by providing top-notch education and instruction to all students and families. It is a place that values prayer, relationships, inclusive education, family involvement, servanthood, integrity and excellence. By embodying these values, the students, families, and staff all demonstrate the importance of being productive citizens not only here in their day to day lives on earth, but also as faithful citizens of God’s Kingdom.

This summer there is a special opportunity for us at Woodbury to get involved. Each summer the Trinity First students participate in three weeks of summer school called Summer Bridge to Success. During Summer Bridge, students are served breakfast, lunch, and snack. They continue to receive educational instruction: participating in art, science, and P.E classes. They also have the opportunity to go on a fun educational field trip. Woodbury has volunteered to help the school during the last week of Summer Bridge. This is a time when you would have the opportunity to work alongside teachers and students at Trinity First. During this week, you will build meaningful relationships and serve God’s People. You will take care of projects in and around the building. And you will get to know the community while we clean up the grounds, pick up trash, and put on a family night BBQ event.

This is an opportunity to serve Trinity Lutheran School, brothers and sisters living in your backyard that need help. You will work alongside others from Woodbury and build relationships with people you might not have met before. You will also get to connect with students, staff, and families at Trinity First. This opportunity is exciting because it is right here in the Twin Cities. You will move in your faith without ever leaving the state.

This opportunity is taking place Monday, June 24th – Friday, June 28th. It will be lead by Vicar Georgie Dunholm and Cassie Kuehne. The daily schedule is roughly 8:45am – 6:00pm. Whether you are able to help out one day or all five days, whether you love working with kids or working with your hands, we would love for you to join us!

Peace,
Cassie K. & Vicar Georgie





Would you STOP and Take 5 Minutes to PRAY for Our Missionaries?



The folks listed here are 5 of the 11 missionaries WLC supports around the world. We'll show the remaining 6 in the May newsletter (and ask you to pray then, too!)

- Tim & Lisa Beckendorf, Botswana, Africa
- JJ & Steph Wessman, Pretoria, South Africa
- Grant & Danielle Hoel, Duluth, Minnesota, USA
- Rosen & Oksana Klepel, Ternopil, Ukraine
- Pastor Demelash Yosef, Twin Cities, Minnesota & Ethiopia, Africa

“WORLD PRAYER DIVE!”

What to PRAY about? Here are 3 ideas – feel free to pray as you're led:

1. For our missionaries' relationships with Jesus to grow deeper
2. For the message of Jesus to be clearly proclaimed in and through their words and lives
3. For good health for them and their families

MODELING IDENTITY

As a parent you are the first role model for your children. When they're younger they will look to you to know how to become kind, respectful, and generous and how to love others. As your children grow, they will come to you for advice on things such as time management, finances, and making good decisions. From the moment you become a parent, someone is watching you to learn what it means to live in God-given identity. No pressure, right?

We live in a world where false identities constantly barrage us—through social media, our friends, our family, and even ourselves. It's easy to feel “blown and tossed by the wind” as we chase after this role or that thing to fulfill our deep needs for meaning and satisfaction (James 1:6).

How do we ground ourselves? The best way I know to combat false identity is to fill my heart with God's Word and let His voice be louder than anyone else's. When I still myself and allow the Creator to tell me who He's made me to be, I naturally begin to live differently. Things that once hindered me and made me insecure lose power as I remind myself daily of my true identity: I am loved, protected, and known by the one true God.

As a parent, when you make space to hear your heavenly Father speak identity over you, you begin to overflow with truth and model to your children who God says you are—and tell them who they are from a place of integrity!

On the following page you will find an easy and fun illustration to help you communicate this truth to your children.

“FROM THE MOMENT YOU BECOME A
PARENT, SOMEONE IS WATCHING YOU
TO LEARN WHAT IT MEANS TO LIVE IN
GOD-GIVEN IDENTITY.”

Taken from the April 2019 HomeFront Monthly Newsletter.



WHAT YOU'LL NEED

- water
- tall, clear vase
- waterproof tray
- ping-pong balls
- permanent marker

WHAT YOU'LL DO

1. Together as a family, talk about some false identities or labels the world or people around you may offer (your worth comes from being the best, having money, being beautiful, being smart, etc. If you aren't, the world may offer labels like dumb, ugly, weak, not good enough. You may then tell yourself you are worthless, unseen, unlovable).
2. Have each member of your family write a false identity he struggles with on a ping-pong ball. If your children are young, you can have them color the balls black and talk about lies the enemy may want people to believe.
3. Remind your children that our true identity comes from our Creator—God. It is very important to read His Word to find out who He says we are.
4. Put the vase on the tray and place the ping-pong balls in the vase; explain that the vase represents our hearts.
5. Begin to fill the vase up with water.
6. Tell your children, “When we read God’s Word it fills up our hearts with truth.”
7. Fill the vase up so the false identities (ping-pong balls) begin to fall out.
8. Explain to your children that when our hearts are full of our God-given identity there’s no room for false identities.
9. Remind them that we are human so we can forget who God says we are and believe something different even after we claim our identity in Christ. Put one of the ping-pong balls (false identities) on top of the water in the vase. Tell your children that since we’ve engraved who our heavenly Father says we are in our hearts, identities that aren’t congruent can only rest on the surface temporarily—until we remember or read more of God’s truth about us.
10. When we remember who God says we are and live in that confidence, others will see Christ in our lives.

by Rayshawne Hayes

Rayshawne is the Friday Night Elementary Coordinator at New Life Church in Colorado Springs, CO. He is a Colorado native and loves spending time with his family, hiking, swimming, and going to coffee shops. Rayshawne was called to minister to elementary students after a mission trip to Tijuana, Mexico. He loves pouring into the next generation and empowering children of any age to own their faith.



SHOW UP (When Jesus Shows Up...)

04.21.19 - 05.26.19

When Jesus shows up Lives are Transformed. Following His resurrection from the dead, for 40 days Jesus Showed Up in the most amazing of ways. As He appeared doubts were erased, minds were blown, purpose was given and the resurrection was proved. Jesus is still showing up today and whether you are curious or doubtful He invites you to see Him for who He actually is, the Risen Son of God!

Week 1 | 04.21.19 - EASTER SUNDAY

Title :: Show Up!

Primary Reading :: *Luke 24:1-12*

Key Verse :: *Luke 24:2-3*

Week 2 | 04.28.19

Title :: When Jesus Shows Up... He meets you where you are

Primary Reading :: *Luke 24:13-34*

Key Verse :: *Luke 24:15*

Secondary Reading :: *Psalms 34:1-8*

Week 3 | 05.05.19

Title :: When Jesus Shows Up... Minds are Blown

Primary Reading :: *Luke 24:36-48*

Key Verse :: *Luke 24:38-39*

Secondary Reading :: *James 1:2-8*

Week 4 | 05.12.19

Title :: When Jesus Shows Up... He Proves It.

Primary Reading :: *John 20:24-31*

Key Verse :: *John 20:31*

Secondary Reading :: *John 10:22-30*

Week #5 | 05.19.19

Title :: When Jesus Shows Up... Shame is Interrupted

Primary Reading :: *John 21:15-25*

Key Verse :: *John 21:15a*

Secondary Reading :: *Isaiah 6:1-6*

Week #6 | 05.26.19

Title :: When Jesus Shows Up... We Are Invited to Trust

Primary Reading :: *1 Corinthians 15:1-17*

Key Verse :: *1 Corinthians 15:6*

Women's Night Out & Boutique

Friday, April 5th 5pm-9pm

Woodbury Lutheran Church 7380 Afton Rd. Woodbury

*Invite a friend for an evening of fellowship,
encouragement & inspiration*

Silent Auction, Boutique Shopping, Giveaways,
Small Plate Dinners & Desserts for Purchase

An Evening to Celebrate Women



**Motivational Keynote -Women
For Women: God's Plan to Bless
You**

Presented by Marilyn Sharpe

6:30pm

***\$15 per person includes
dessert during speaker event***

*An evening to support Christian Education at
Woodbury Lutheran Preschool*

Register online at preschool.woodburylutheran.org

Questions may be directed to Lisa Schommer
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April

Birthdays

01	Mireille Fenelon John Kuhmeyer Kayley Pokrandt Stuart Priest Jason Schubbe Benjamin Stevensen	07	Donna Jensen Lee Jorgensen Diane Mergens Elden Banitt Jocelyn Colton Jennifer Jechort Mary Lou Krengel Brock Lundervold Linnea Lundervold Emma Moris		Ben Feldkamp Vicki Hunst Ezri Jankiewicz Sandy Lewis David Mammenga Mia Morgan Emily Odegaard Sheila Olson Colin Schlattman Chase Ashby Peter Cavanaugh Karl Grant Steve Haehn Gary Kanne Molly Nystel Shanna Salzman Kip Sander	19	Kaden Longworth Amy Pflieger Devin Gervais Ann Goodell Dick Peterson Christopher Smith Chuck Stakston Ellis Swanson Gina Vogelsberg Tom Crist Kelly Mack Norma Mackey Rachel Scholz Tonya Smith Elijah Weiss Diane Wollner		Jan Rowan Cathy Swenson-Goetz
02	Richard Betts Vicki Hogeboom Paul Jeske Madeline Meyer Layla Schmidt Marilyn Sinclair	08	Jim Blass Sawyer Crist Robert Fischer Connie Gott-McCoy Bobbi Nibbe Ben Retter	14	Steve Haehn Gary Kanne Molly Nystel Shanna Salzman Kip Sander	20	Janice Belmonte Caden Cummings Zack deZeeuw Morgan Jenkins Tracey Jensen Megyn Gillard Paul Pfotenhauer Juliana Ruud Olivia Schouvelier Eric Stifter	26	Liviah Anderson Tom Charley Derek Decker Derek Landsverk Nicole Nelson Shelby Sadowski Abbey Schwarzenbach
03	Ayoka Adeyinka Leanne Bloom Tom Bystrycki Karin Davidson David Ferguson Kally Lombard-Kutz Jacob Meek Gary Nelson Kellen Ochiagha Malar Ramesh Kristin Reed Lorraine Rogers Robert Stolp	09	Barb Brammer Barbara Cavanaugh Patty Ehlers Peter Fleming James Gland Karen Johnson Jason LaMott Soraya Rothchild Karsen Schlattman Bernie Spaudie Logan Traynor Susan Twait Kaeli Wuotila	15	Lisa Bloomer Kyle Duffy Alison Glatzmaier Reighe Nagel Diane Nelsestuen Corey Peterson Elsie Riehle Jennifer Schmidt Jan Steffel Eric Welsh Larry Wolfgram	21	Juliana Ruud Olivia Schouvelier Eric Stifter Lou Greengard Cynthia Gustafson Dave Hove Dylan Jackson Carson Loeffler Sara Murphy Tom Novak Allayna Pennington Isaac Smith John Waldo Cyprin Wright	27	Julia Burns Perry Eggers Alyssa Morningstar Amelia Morningstar Kevin Ostrom Tim Reberg
04	Virginia Becker-Langan Karen Bergh Angie Fish Eva Hane Logan Huber Barbara Jackson Chesney Klusmann Christopher Lee Bonnie Pollock Jill Radabaugh Olivia Ramin James Riehle Eliana Stork John Tepe	10	Jon Bloemendal Avery Carr Rick Gibbs Phyllis Letendre Monica Monson Patty Noren Henry Reinhard	16	Isabella Pertzsch Matthew Price Nathan Price John Wutke	22	Nicholas Reed Tyler Reed Roger Rodgers Mark Rygh Emily Schulze Tessa Score Vivian Thiesse Clara Wuotila	28	Jennifer Carlson Bailey Engen Daniel Matasovskiy Janis Myers Grace Nixon Wellington Rothchild Michele Zilka
05	Tyler Anderson Elijah Gamble Josh Granlund Taylor Karrow Herb Lyson Sue McNally Margorie Prestegord Shelagh Stoerzinger Grace Wright Genevieve Young	11	Christian Bertram Jadyn Norring	17	Marian Cunningham Christina Dawit Melissa Gerver Susan Jamison Jack Krueger Breck Meissner	23	Clara Wuotila Jenna Blass Brian Follett Maximus Henderson Gladys Keopp Joann Kjelschus Bev Manship Donna Robertson	29	Samuel Ankrah Sandy Hayden Diana Jensen Carson Johnson Kevin Moquist
06	Haley Courteau Lisa Horacek Quinn Horacek	12	Evelyn Andrasfi JoAnne Arndt Avery Burger Isak Ehnstrom Jason Haberman Jim McCoy Shirley Rodgers Evan Roepke Jesse Stone Deb Stutelberg Dan Timmers	18	Tony Adams Todd Albrecht Mark Jelinek Alexandra Johnson Duane Johnson Mary Law	24	Donna Robertson	30	Dan Jamison Layla Khang Bil Lund Maxine Lundequam Laurie Muenstermann MaryJo Pearson Kallie Spates Pat St. Germain
		13	Dan Arend Scott Daniels Krista de Zeeuw						

& Anniversaries

3	Tom & Kaye Christianson		Jerry & Terri Swanson		Judy & John Pirkil
4	Greg & Cindy Johnson		Michael & Sue Zabilla	26	Kevin & Janna Duban
	Richard & Michele Starr	17	Jim & Patty Noren		Tom & Gail Mullaney
9	Gary & Sonya Anderson	18	Jason & Melanie Haberman		Matt & Allison Weiss
10	Kelly & Mady Parker	19	Dave & Deb Reynolds	27	John & Sharon Wess
11	Harold & Lori Voth		Victor & Vivian Thiesse	28	Barrett & Jill Connolly
12	Earl & Judy Moquist	20	Satoru & Hide Sudoh		Erik & Paula Dikken
	Michael & Laurie Muenstermann	21	James & Melissa Butzler		Ryan & Brooke Hansen
14	Michael & Lisa Karcher	22	Tom & Ruth Camilli		Gary & Lee Jorgensen
	Tom & Carol Roeller		Kody & Brianne Drost		Charles & Renee Kenow
	Larry & Emily Rossow		Gary & Elizabeth Melin		Neil & Mary Beth Schwartz
15	Paul & Mary Jeske	23	John & Sharon Baranick	30	Brian & Shari Devine
16	Dan & Judy Donovan		Ron & Pat Gehring		Jean & Bob Everson
	Jan & Tamara Karlstrand	24	John & KC Swanlund		Nathan & Katherine Williams
	Bob & Sandra Petrich	25	Joe & Kaye Bradshaw		



Worship

HEALING SERVICE

Our Healing Service is held at the Valley Creek Campus every third Sunday. For prayers of healing, attend our service on March 17 at 12:15pm, in room 1-250 (VC Fireside). Questions, call Pastor Tim at 651-739-5144.

TEXT TO GIVE

Text your gift amount to 651-504-0500. You'll receive a text with a link. Enter your info with the credit/debit card you'd like to use. Only fill out this form once! Next time just text your gift amount to 651-504-0500.

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 myWLC.org and click on the Give tab. For more information contact: Mark Stutelberg at 651-739-5144 or stutelbergmwoodburylutheran.org.

STOCK DONATIONS

There are many different ways we can donate our time, talents and treasures to Woodbury 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.



Grow

OAK HILL GAME NIGHT (6-12TH)

Game night the first Thursday of every month, 7-8:30pm. Join us on April 4

Meet at Caribou Coffee, 1830 Market Dr. Stillwater, MN 55082. Come hang out with Sarah and play games!

ALL CAMPUS MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA

Human guinea pigs are needed to test ridiculous, newly invented games that have never been played before. Much laughter, fierce competition, and ice cream will abound! Come to the VC campus on April 12, 6:30 -9:30pm for a game Lab. Current 8th graders are encouraged to attend this event too!

LIBERTY RIDGE SUNDAY DONUTS AND DEVOTIONS (6TH-12TH)

On the 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month we will gather to enjoy donuts together as we meet in the kids/youth area to have fun, get to know each other more, spend time in God's word together, and connect as a Liberty Ridge community. 9-9:45am. Contact Laura at stennesL@woodburylutheran.org with any questions.

WEDNESDAY YOUTH PROGRAMMING

Now through April 10 things will look a little different at the VC campus during lent: We will meet from 6:30-7pm for small group, 7-8pm Worship in the Sanctuary, 8-8:15pm Small group recap. Regular Wednesday night ministries schedule resumes on April 24, 6th-12th meet at the VC and OH campuses (LR youth attend at VC or OH) from 6:30-8:15pm, New students please register online at wlc youth.org.

CONFIRMATION JOURNEY

What is Confirmation Journey? A year long, devotion led, family-based experience for students (7th-12th grades) designed to prepare to publicly confirm their faith in Jesus as their Lord and Savior. This process is for mature students who want to explore their personal relationship with Jesus and grow in their understanding of what it looks like to be a disciple of Jesus for a lifetime. The process involves Worshiping, Growing, Serving, and Reaching (sharing their faith with others) and is a great opportunity for students who want to personalize their faith and grow as a disciple. If you're interested, set up a Confirmation Launch meeting

with Lindsey Schmidt.

EASTER BREAKFAST FUND RAISER (6TH -12TH AT OH & VC CAMPUSES)

The Easter Breakfast youth fundraiser sign up is open online for one shift per person for Middle School families through Apr. 6 and then High School families from April 7-13. Then beginning April 14 anyone can sign up for multiple shifts until full. Go to wlc youth.org to sign up.

CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION

We welcome Charlie Beverashe presents, "FRANTastic Executive Opportunities for Business" on April 11, at 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at www.careertransitionconnection.org.

CAREER TRANSITION CONNECTION

We welcome Cindy O'Donovan as she presents, "The Hiring Game" on April 25, at 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this event and CTC check out the website at www.careertransitionconnection.org.

PEOPLE OF FAITH

A Bible Study group for adults with different disabilities and meets at the VC campus. The group develops relationships, trust, and fulfillment in scripture and God's will for us. This is a Bible-based study. We do require aides to stay with the participants. A typical evening opens with prayer, a question, verse, song, or word that brings conversation and attachment to a biblical teaching. For dates and times please contact Maureen at 612-719-0661.



Reach

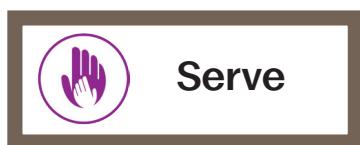
HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE - NEW ITINERARY (OCTOBER 23- NOVEMBER 5, 2019)

Led by Pastor Paul & Rhoda Pfothenhauer. Contact Pastor Paul at 651-261-3416 or paulrhoda@comcast.net

Getting Connected

FISHER'S SOFTBALL TEAM

Do you have what it takes to be a Fisher? Woodbury Lutheran Church sponsors a Men's Class E Softball team called the Fishers!! We play on Tuesday nights at HealthEast Sports Center. The season starts the end of April and goes through the end of July. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Chris Radecki at 651-274-8912 or cradecki@live.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.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Valley Creek Holy Communion Class Seder meal on Thursday, April 18 is in need of volunteers (5th grade through adults). The final session of the Holy Communion Class is the Family Seder Dinner. Volunteers are needed to help make this special event for our communicants a success. What we need: Set-up 3-4:30pm (4 spots), Serving 5:30-7:30pm (20 spots—wear dark pants and white shirts please) and Clean-up 7-8pm (10 spots). Sign up at wlc youth.org. Great service hours for Confirmation students! Questions: Contact Lindsey Schmidt at schmidtL@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144.

SUMMER STRETCH (6TH-8TH)

Registration opens for participants and Teen Leaders on April 1. Students who've completed 6th grade as of the summer of 2019 are welcome to join us on

Thursdays during the summer for service and fun. SPECIAL RATE available from April 1 to June 1, If you are coming to all 5 dates the cost is \$75, after June 1 the cost is \$95. Or you can pay per time (cost is \$20 per date, Valleyfair is \$30). Go to wlc youth.org for more information and to sign up. Scholarships are available and friends are welcome. Youth who are 9th & up are welcome to apply to be teen leaders online as well. Questions: Contact Lindsey Schmidt.

SUMMER YOUTH SERVANT EXPERIENCES (6TH-12TH)

- High School (HS) Summer Servant trip will be June 16-21, 2019 at Camp Lebanon, Burtrum MN, HS trip meeting is April 14, 12:30 - 2:30pm at VC campus. Parents arrive at 2pm and join the meeting. Contact Patrick Brewer with questions.
- Middle School (MS) Summer Servant Trip will be June 9-12, 2019 in Rochester MN. Your next meeting is April 28, 1-2pm at VC, Parents please attend. Contact Lindsey Schmidt with questions.

Garage Sale Treasures Needed!

Is it Spring Cleaning Time at your house yet? Start a garage sale stash for the Youth Garage sale! The youth will be collecting those slightly used "treasures" for the upcoming Lions Garage Sale held on May 9-11. Collection dates will be May 7, 5:30-8:30 pm and May 8, 4:30-8:30 pm. Please drop donations at the East entrance of the Valley Creek campus during the designated collection times. We ask that you have all clothing sorted, bagged and labeled in the following categories - men, boys, women, girls and infants. It helps tremendously - thanks! Please no tube TV's or old computer equipment. Sale proceeds support youth attending mission trips. If you have any questions call Shanna Salzman at 612-859-1365 or email at ssalzman1@comcast.net.



April 2019 Calendar

1 (V) Monday Men's Bible Study

Mondays, 10:45am
Contact: Pastor Tim,
651-739-5144 x221

1 (V) Monday Afternoon Women's Ministry

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

1 (O) Women of the Word

Mondays, 9:30am
Contact: Jane Dibbern
651-239-0258

2 (V) Cancer Companions

Tuesday, 7:00pm
Contact: Vicki Strong,
651-08-4353

3 (V) Women of the Word

Wednesdays, 9:00am
Contact: Mary Lehman
651-739-5144 x201

3 (V) Mitten Ladies

Wednesdays, 12:00pm
Contact: Lyndis Vander Louw
651-459-3313

3 (O & V) Lenten Meals

Wenesdays, 5:15pm @ OH
and 5:30pm @VC

3 (O & V) Wednesday Lent-en Service

Wenesday, Noon @ VC;
6:30pm @ OH; and 7:00pm
@VC

4 (V) Celebrate Recovery

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

5 (V) WL Preschool Women's Boutique & Night Out

Friday, 6:30pm

6 (O) Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

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

6 (V) Saturday Morning Men's Bible Study

Saturdays, 7:00am
Contact: Jeff Linert,
651-387-9428

6 (V) Baptism Class

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

11 (V) Career Transition Connection

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

25 (V) Career Transition Connection

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

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Stillwater, MN 55082

Liberty Ridge Campus (L)
11395 Eagle View Blvd
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St. Croix Campus (S)
Afton, MN 55001

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