

THE NEWS LETTER



March 2019

Are You Ready for A Life-Changing Challenge?

**40 days of Lent - Sundays, starting March 10
through April 14 (Palm Sunday)**

The mission of Red Letter Challenge (RLC) is designed to help us live more like Jesus. Everyone at WLC across campuses are invited to pick up the 40 day devotional - **RED LETTER CHALLENGE**. They're available on Sunday morning and on Ash Wednesday.

You're invited to try out a RLC short-term small group, meeting weekly for these 40 days. Sign up at the Connection Center on all campuses or by going online at woodburylutheran.org > next-steps > small-groups.

You'll see the various Red Letter Challenge groups that are focused on the various campuses. There are also a few that are open to being with a mix of people (across campuses). Note the various days, times and locations.

Space is limited. New groups start the week of March 3rd.

Questions - contact Mary Lehman at lehmanm@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144 x201



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People Pleasing!

“Work willingly at whatever you do, as though you were working for the Lord rather than for people.” - Colossians 3:23

The Apostle Paul in his letter to the Galatians chapter 1 verse 10 writes these words, “Obviously, I’m not trying to win the approval of people, but of God. If pleasing people were my goal, I would not be Christ’s servant.” The context in which Paul pens these words sets the stage, he is talking to the Galatians about salvation and how Jesus is the only way to receive it. Paul understands that this message isn’t always popular, but that is ok because he is not in the business of pleasing people, he is in the business of following Jesus, even when it is hard.

As I pastor and lead at WLC, I too am not in the business of pleasing people, my goal is to please God in all that I do. On paper this looks really easy, but the reality is living this out in real life is hard (especially in a church that is as diverse as ours). This is especially true for me, I can be a people pleaser and I hate unresolved conflict, it eats at me. One of the lessons that I have learned over the last 6 years as your Senior Pastor is that I will never please everyone and frankly for me that is hard.

When I was interviewed for the position of Senior Pastor, one of the things I said was that I will always strive to do the right thing, even when that is hard and even when that means not everyone will be hap-

py with me. I am learning more and more to find joy in my work as your pastor not because more of you like me, but because I know that I am working for the Lord in all I do and that brings me great joy, to be working to please God and not people.

Certainly this is not a license to discount people, seek conflict and bully people into submission, instead it is a call to follow Jesus in everything and whether you are a pastor or not is not the point, the crux of the matter is will you live your life to please people or God? I love the scene at the baptism of Jesus as the Father speaks from heaven, “This is my Son who I love; He brings me great joy!” Those are the words that I want my Father to speak about me. As we continue to grow more and more like Jesus together, as your Pastor please know that I will always do my very best to please Jesus in all I do (and many times I will fall short). I pray that you will join me in doing the same in your life.

Peace,
Pastor Tom



Weddings:

Sandra Leirness & James Tobin

Baptisms:

Avery Mae Rourk
Louis Tyler Junker

Deaths:

Angela Aune ~ grandmother,
Vivian Jeseritz
Nancy Ritter ~ cousin, Jeff Imse
Reighe Nagel ~ brother, Eugene
Jones
Barb Brammer ~ father, Allan
Hanson
Steve Affield ~ brother, Sheldon
Affield



“...joining together
to pray...”

Woodbury Lutheran World Prayer Dive

How can we support our missionaries as they minister the love of Jesus in cultures all over the world? By joining together to pray for them and for their ministries!

MARCH WORLD PRAYER DIVE

- March 17 @ 8am - Oak Hill Campus
- March 24 @ 9am -Liberty Ridge Campus
- March 24 @ 11am -Valley Creek Campus

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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Please Pray...

Robin's Nest Short Term Team

Join us in praying for the Robin's Next Short Term Mission Team heading to Jamaica later this month.

- 10 team members led by Wendy Baumgarn & Diane Hall. Team members include: Emma Wiering, Michelle Otis, Kathy Coleman, Rob Ulrich, Kari Ulrich, Sidney Ulrich, Tommy Danner & Elyse Candell
- March 19-26 in Jamaica
- March 17 Commissioning

Campus Updates from Liberty Ridge & Oak Hill



LIBERTY RIDGE UPDATES

Here are some quick updates from our Liberty Ridge Campus:

- We had a great Valentines Carnival of Crafts event for young kinds in the Stonemill Farms community on February 13. Over 35 kids came. We are blessed to serve our community!
- We welcomed 8 new members to Liberty Ridge in February. Praise God for the way he's multiplying disciples and transforming lives!
- On Palm Sunday, April 14 at 4pm, we are looking forward to hosting a Passion play for WLC and the surrounding community.
- We are so thankful for the many people who serve at Liberty Ridge. There is a select group of individuals who make coffee and bring treats each weekend. Their service helps create a welcoming atmosphere and a reason to stop and talk in the community.
- 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 celebrated with 2nd and 3rd graders along with their families, as they received their Bibles upon completion of Bible University. Congratulations!
- It was so much fun family snowtubing with 75+ people from WLC. It was the perfect afternoon and we all had a great time!
- The campus hosted a fantastic gathering for those who serve in worship services on all our campuses. 80 servants attended this Vision Night for our Worship Teams.
- Andrew Baumgarm will confirm his faith on March 3rd at the 10:30 am service. We look forward to this important day in Andrew's faith-walk.
- March 3rd is also the day our youth attending mission experiences and the National Youth Gathering this summer will host fellowship time between services as part of their fundraising efforts. Please enjoy delicious treats between services and support our youth.
- 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.



Welcome New Members!

Manda Clark
Lynne Geistfeld
Nathan Hazlett
Stephen Kiester
James Leary, III
Brian & Cheryl McInerney
Neil & Liz Perryman,
Taylor, Bailey, Riley
& Brady
Douglas & Yvonne Pilot
Lucas Pillman & Katie
Banaszynski
Marc & Tina Raasch,
Kassandra & Paul
Earl Staats
Michele Wolf



Campus Update from Valley Creek

Here are some quick updates from our Valley Creek Campus:

- All month long our awesome custodial staff shoveled snow keeping sidewalks clear for all the people who make use of our building.
- Our Preschool celebrated National Lutheran Schools week, a week that highlights the extensive network of Lutheran Schools across the US.
- On Sunday, February 10, 28 3rd grade students graduated from Bible University and received their very own Bible in a special presentation during the 11am Sanctuary Worship service. This class is a huge blessing to both students and parents as they grow in their love for the word.
- On February 23 and 24 Baptism classes were held in preparation for the upcoming Baptism Weekend on March 30 and 31.
- 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

272,160 meals – enough food to feed over **700** children for one year!

In celebration of WLC's commitment to service and generosity, we will again team up with FMSC to pack a trailer-load of meals at our Valley Creek location.

On May 2, 3, and 4, you and 1,200 of your friends and neighbors will have the opportunity to feed hungry children around the world. In the last two years we've packed more than a million meals – this year's event will push toward the 2 million mark!

Shifts are two-hours long and will run throughout the three days. Where else can two hours of your time alleviate childhood hunger around the world?

Registration begins March 21 and is open to all. Children as young as 5 can help if they are with an adult. Groups (scouts, sports teams, youth groups) need to be in at least third grade to pack. And if you can't stand and pack, you can sit and label the food bags.

The work is fun, but most importantly, you will be putting food into the tummies of hungry children.

You can register by going directly to the FMSC website (www.fmssc.org) or by utilizing the link found on the WLC homepage as we get closer to the registration start, www.woodburylutheran.org. Questions? Contact Liz Thompson at eathompson1953@gmail.com or 651-262-9665.

Join us as we continue Woodbury Lutheran's mission to be the hands and feet of Jesus!





Kake, Alaska Your Next Step?

Some 12 years ago WLC's then-senior-pastor Dean Nadasdy surveyed his contacts in the broader church for settings in which Woodbury Lutheran could go on short-term missions. Based on recommendations and further research, he selected the remote town of Kake, Alaska. He went on that inaugural mission for WLC, and our church has sent 10 short term teams to Kake in the last 11 years. We are **launching a new team** this summer – the dates are **July 9 – 20**. *Could God be asking you to take this “next step”* in your walk on the discipleship path? This might be a great opportunity to accompany your teenager (or teen grandchild) for a spiritual challenge together. Think about it!

Kake, with its largely Native American population, is nestled on the shore of a beautiful island off the west coast of Canada. Just like in the Twin Cities, sin has resulted in broken families, economic challenges and a degree of hopelessness. While the Church exists in Kake, it is struggling. WLC joins Jesus on His mission in Kake to bring love and hope to this community. Through repeated and consistent contact WLC wants the people of Kake to see and feel the love of Jesus in our actions and words. Each summer we renew existing relationships and develop new ones. Our desire is to be part of people's discovering saving faith in Jesus, AND encouraging current followers of Jesus in Kake.

We do this through both informal contact (greeting folks as we walk casually along the streets) and formal contact. Our formal events include Vacation Bible School and sports/game time with kids; we spend time with adults during “Spa night” (ladies), Men's breakfast, community meals, serving lunch at the elders' center, and doing work projects around town. We would love for you to consider Kake this summer. Registration closes March 15. The cost is roughly \$1,650, and scholarships are available up to 25% of that amount. If you have any questions contact Mike Sabbann at sabbannm@woodburylutheran.org or 651-739-5144. Or you can register online at: woodburylutheran.org/ministries/reach-missions/short-term-mission-experiences

You're Invited To Learn More!

What: An Invitation to learn about Jungle Kids for Christ, a Christ centered ministry serving children in the Ecuadorian interior.

When: Friday March 15th at 7:30 PM

Where: Fireside Room at the Valley Creek Campus

Jungle Kids for Christ had its beginnings in the home of Roberto and Charmai Davalos after they moved from Quito Ecuador to the jungle and began homeschooling their children. Several foster children were added to the family and it wasn't long before parents from neighboring villages, seeing the value of a nurturing and learning environment, asked the Davalos' to begin teaching their children. Today this ministry has grown to include:

- Antioch Academy with over 120 students
- A student residence home that provides support to 7 area girls
- A small farm designed to provide work opportunities, vocational training, and income through sustainable projects.
- A pastoral ministry led by Yulier Licea, a missionary pastor from Cuba



As Roberto has observed: "There is a cycle of mistreatment and poverty that comes in many forms. It can be spiritual, moral, monetary, physical or intellectual. In fact, in a person's life poverty almost never presents itself in one form but is entangled with another and is the result of a direct form of poverty, the poverty of not being in a right relationship with the creator God."

This observation has led to their simple mission statement, which is "To empower children in the jungle of Ecuador for God's glory."

I was introduced to Roberto and the staff at Antioch Academy almost 4 years ago while visiting Aaron and Amanda Voth who were serving with Youth World in Quito. Through subsequent trips to the jungle, I have come to know some incredibly dedicated people making significant sacrifices to provide a future and a hope to many beautiful children. Roberto and Kelvin Johnson, the Student Residence Home Director will be sharing their experiences on the evening of Friday March 15th. Please consider coming to hear their story. You won't be disappointed.

~Harold Voth



Congratulations WLC Confirmands!

We are blessed to be able to celebrate with these students who have completed their Confirmation Journey.

The Confirmation Journey is a personal, family based experience that is driven by a student's desire to grow in their understanding of their relationship with Jesus. They have spent time serving, worshiping, participating in a small group, reading the Bible, exploring the Catechism, asking and answering questions, and each has shared a testimony of how they have experienced God at work in their life.

We celebrate with them as they stand before us and publicly confirm their Holy Spirit given baptismal faith. We join them in claiming and celebrating our identity as disciples of Jesus.

A special thanks to our Small Group Leaders who've invested so much into these students.

Valley Creek 5pm 3/2/19

Addison Johnson
Katherine Reinhard

Valley Creek 8am 3/3/19

Sara Lower

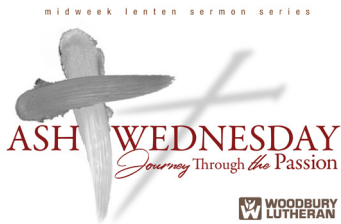
Valley Creek 9:30am 3/3/19

Elizabeth Edwards
Bennett Harris
Quinn Horacek
Madison Nystel
Noah Otto

Oak Hill 10:30am 3/3/19

Andrew Baumgarn

7th -12th graders, If you're interested in starting your Confirmation Journey, contact Lindsey Schmidt. schmidtL@woodburylutheran.org





Summer Day Camp

Valley Creek Campus

June 24-27

7380 Afton Road, Woodbury

Ages: 4 years-24th grade

(must be 4 years old by the start of camp; grade completed 6/19)

Time: 9:30-noon

Oak Hill Campus

July 23-26

9050 60th Street N. Stillwater

Ages: 4 years-4th grade

(must be 4 years old by the start of camp; grade completed 6/19)

Time: 9:30-noon

Camp in the Park-Liberty Ridge Campus

July 30-August 2

Stonemill Farms South Park

11500 Sawmill Curve, Woodbury

Ages: Kdgn-4th grade (grade completed 6/19)

Time: 9:00 am-1:00 pm Bring your own lunch

Cost: FREE for all camps Friends are welcome!

Register online @ Summer.Woodburylutheran.org starting 3/1/19

Women's Night Out & Boutique

Friday, April 5th 5pm-9pm

Woodbury Lutheran Church 7380 Afton Rd. Woodbury

Motivational Keynote -

Marilyn Sharpe



***Women For Women:
God's Plan to Bless You***

6:30pm

***\$15 per Person Speaker/
Dessert Event***

*An evening of fellowship,
encouragement
& inspiration*

Silent Auction, Boutique
Shopping, Giveaway,
Appetizers & Desserts for
Purchase

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

Register online at
preschool.woodburylutheran.org

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Journey Through the Passion

DATE RANGE :: 03.06.2019 - 04.10.2019

As we journey through the Passion of Jesus, we see Jesus and his disciples face challenges we often face in our lives: things like guilt, loss, and affliction. Jesus invites us to follow him on his Passion and experience how he has come to change the way we see and respond to these challenges.

Week #1 | March 6

- Title :: Journey of Need
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: Matthew 6;19-23
 - Key Verse :: Matthew 6:21

We all have things we need or want. As we enter into the contemplative season of Lent, Jesus reminds us that this world will pass away and invites us to see what we need the most.

WLC Values

- Movement: Faith doesn't stand still.

Week #2 | March 13

- Title :: Journey of Loss
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: John 13:33-14:4,15-17a
 - Key Verse :: John 14:16-17a

Loss. It's something that can hijack our lives and destroy our identity. It can leave us feeling helpless and alone. As he sits around the table sharing a final meal with his disciples, Jesus reminds them that while he was about to go away, they would never be alone.

WLC Values

- Compassionate Care: Bringing Hope to the Hurting

Week #3 | March 20

- Title :: Journey of Obedience
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: Luke 22:39-46
 - Key Verse :: Luke 22:42

Obedience is not always easy--especially in this sinful world. So often we are tempted to disobey and follow our own path. Yet through His own obedience Jesus show us why we too can be obedient to the will of our heavenly Father.

WLC Values

- Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

Week #4 | March 27

- Title :: Journey of Abandonment
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: Mark 14:43-52
 - Key Verse :: Mark 14:50

When they arise, feelings of abandonment lead us to question our identity and our worth. Jesus knows that feeling. When the passion of Jesus escalated, Jesus' disciples ran away, abandoning their rabbi. Even the Father turned his back on Jesus on the cross. Yet Jesus endures it all so we can know for certain that we are never abandoned by God.

WLC Values

- We Value Each Person: Come as you are.

Week #5 | April 3

- Title :: Journey of Guilt
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: Luke 22:54-62
 - Key Verse :: Luke 22:62

We've all experienced guilt. Peter reminds us how much guilt takes over our lives when we sin. Guilt is a nagging reminder that we're not perfect, that we do not lead good lives the way that Jesus calls us to live. It leads us to despair. Yet, Jesus invites us to bring that guilt to his cross

WLC Values

- We value Compassionate Care: Bringing hope to the hurting

Week #6 | April 10

- Title :: Journey of Affliction
- Readings
 - Primary Reading :: Luke 22:63-23:25
 - Key Verse :: Luke 23:4

Affliction: the cause of pain and suffering. Sometimes we are the ones who experience the affliction. Sometimes we are the ones who do the afflicting. On the cross and in his passion Jesus takes all of the affliction to give the promise of paradise: eternal life with him.

WLC Values

- We value Relationships: Life is better together

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RED LETTER CHALLENGE



As disciples of Jesus we believe that through the power of the Holy Spirit we are called to become more and more like Jesus, but how does this happen in our lives? At the end of His Sermon on the Mount Jesus challenges us to not only hear His words, but to put them into practice. Over the next 40 days as we travel through the season of Lent we will seek to hear the words of Jesus and then act on them as together we take The Red Letter Challenge.

March 9/10

Title: True Disciples

Reading: Matthew 7:21-29

Verse: Matthew 7:24

2nd Reading: None

Focus: Every parent has had the frustrating experience of telling their child one thing and then watching them do the opposite, God has the same experience with us. The reason He has given us His Word is because He wants us to live according to His Word. The Words of Jesus are meant not only to be heard, but to be listened to; He actually calls us to put them into practice!

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

March 16/17

Title: Being

Reading: John 15:1-8

Verse: John 15:4

2nd Reading: None

Focus: Before we are called to do anything for Jesus, we are called to be a certain kind of people in Jesus. In John 15, Jesus tells us that the key to doing good things is in being with Him. The more time we spend with Jesus, the more we become like Jesus.

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

March 23/24

Title: Forgiving

Reading: John 8:1-11

Verse: John 8:11

2nd Reading: None

Focus: At the very heart of the mission of Jesus is forgiveness. Because His forgiveness for us reaches to our deepest darkest, most broken places and offers us hope, in response we will lead the way in forgiving giving the world a picture of the radical grace that Jesus alone offers!

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

March 30/31

Title: Serving

Reading: John 13:1-17

Verse: John 13:4-5

2nd Reading: None

Focus: Jesus' ministry on earth revolved around serving others. This is why He healed people and taught people and, ultimately, died for people. The night before Jesus dies, He gives His disciples a lesson on service as He calls upon us to serve the vulnerable in ways that can make us vulnerable.

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

April 6/7

Title: Giving

Reading: Luke 21:1-4

Verse: Luke 21:4

2nd Reading: None

Focus: Jesus loves to give! This is why He gives His life for the life of the world. Jesus wants us to reflect Him in how we are generous with others. And we don't need a lot to be generous. With just a little – two small coins – Jesus can do a lot.

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

April 13/14 (Palm Sunday)

Title: Going

Reading: Luke 8:26-39

Verse: Luke 8:39

2nd Reading: None

Focus: As disciples of Jesus, we have the greatest message and hope in the world. Jesus wants us to go and share the hope that lives in us with the world. When one man declares what Jesus has done for him, it changes the whole region in which he lives. How can we change our regions with the message of the gospel?

Value: We Value Movement: Faith Doesn't Stand Still

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Lifetouch will be photographing all of our families for a new church directory.



What to expect

- A professional photography session, no session fees.
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You will receive

- One FREE 8x10 standard print and church directory.
- PLUS free gift with purchase.

Schedule your session and be included in our new directory.

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March

1 Andrea Austin John Blaisdell Harrison Brigl Danielle Broucker Jane Cavanaugh Keith Daniels Caleb Fett Jessica Hammett Diana Olsen Mary Shepperd Min Starzynski Mary Wess	6 Tom Burger Lisa Corrigan Kathy Hegna Hannah Meek Robbie Sivill Mike Petrich	Pat Schank Dwight Schultz Xander Spreigl Lev Wagner Colton Widen	Molly Law Paul Lieder Deanna Link Gene Niezgocki Andrea Shugg Bradley Wilkie	Melody Golnitz Thomas Kinmonth John LaVenture Allyson Leonard Erik Nelson	Hannah Walker John Wildman Margaret Wolsky Sue Zabilla
2 Hanna Arndt Brady Bertram Caden Boe Kathleen Klinzing Hanna McGuire Richard Ritter Mike Rollefson Alexander Rome Parker Taylor Robert Thomas	7 Gary Baran Deanna Bieniek Shari Devine Jeff Hagen Lucas Johnson Andy Kroohn Drew Lodermeier Kay Moquist Daniel Rogers	12 Ginny Broucker Bradley Butler Jeanne Doane Karen Heaton Kayleigh Kamealoha Mike Peterson Rachel Rasmussen Glenn Rogers Todd Schwarzenbach Paula Walther	17 Ken Drevnick Tracy Finch Ross Goertzen Monica Knox Jim Liljedahl Kelly Parker Patty Pearson Micah Schulze Jordan Neutz Kaycie Schlichenmaier Jenna Vislisl Soren Voth	22 Erik Carlson Hannah Carpenter Mary Jane Hood Landon Huber Burt Nagel Hannah Parks Sue Ratliff Keri Rojas Satoru Sudoh Patty Bolin	27 Joan Cooper Katherine Fliss Amanda Gervais Mallory Law Doug Mackey Lynnette Mahlke Mathew Muellner Laura Same Paul Stiebner Darlene Tibbets James Widen
3 Kristen Albrecht Gary Jorgensen Tim Lamkin Jenny Moody Julie Runge Brian Schmidt	8 Robert Chad Bev Jechort Olivia Kruase Colton Lindeman Karlee Pitt Thomas Nelson Lori Schouvieller Nancy Shaver Robert Treadway	13 Stephen Butz Gayle Cornwell Samuel Hohenstein Barb Koch Stacy Moran Jane Nelson Myron Tank Kim Thommes Kris Wesser Tom Wolfram	18 Rod Beseman John Broucker Caleb Bloomer Nick Ginn Mary Lehman Josephine Mingus Christian Opheim Eli Perlt Alyssa Radecki Allison Stohlmann Brandon Thompson Sondra Wagner	23 Sarah Hughes Maddie Mills Nathan Mueller Sandy Peterson Brenda Ratzloff Heather Rohm Michele Starr Diane Frisk Kim Berven Gene Jones Ramesh Krishnanmani Darlene Meissner Chris Radecki Grayson Reyes Ann St. Jacque Hayley Zwakman Tyler Zwakman	28 Brian Daniels Lisa Deverell Roger Fockler Jacob Lambrides Rodney Nelsestuen Tad Schmidt Sally Schumacher
4 Kristin Charlson Renae Holthaus Evan Parkhurst Dennis Wenker	9 Riley Belak Melissa Dahlin Peter Heintz Lucy Jorgensen Aaron Lindeman Cindy Linert Sarah Mazzares Elijah Mueller Jennifer Spreigl	14 Noah Aalderks Sally Carlson Lillie Cloose Jolynne Colvin Tiffany Fitzgerald Dana Harelstad Kathy Janacek Chad Kurth Zachary Lehmann Lois Rogers Mitch Schank	19 Mark Jechort Dan Peterson Amanda Witt Emily Anderson Darcy Bertram Jeff Haines Joy Klasinski Jerry Linser Elizabeth Niezgocki Hatti Score Tim Schubbe Matthew Stoddard Aidan Zuehlke	24 Diane Frisk Kim Berven Gene Jones Ramesh Krishnanmani Darlene Meissner Chris Radecki Grayson Reyes Ann St. Jacque Hayley Zwakman Tyler Zwakman Jon Dibbern Erin Hattenberger Carol Nelson Vanaja Samuel Peyton Schrachta Holly Sonn Ryan Topp Mark Wollner Lavonne Buchanan Kasey DeJonker Merlene Lieder Jude Scholz Garrett Stennes John Vander Louw	29 Karl Hohenstein Olivia Olek Allie Olson Mason Pflieger Steve Raebel Joshua Riehle Marina Rizzo Marcia Strharsky Matthew Eddy Mark Johnson Sunny Marshall Rikki Mohlenhoff Ava Vislisl Jameson Bieniek Natalie Coughlin Megan Dyck John Hukee Cael MacLeod Andy Ogren Lin Peterson Anna Tveit
5 Samantha Bradshaw Eric Bridenbecker Bob Carlson Michelle Cattell Sarah Dibbern Brienne Drost Matt Fluegel Caleb Fox Sally Kolb Jack Leis Kenya Skytte Illiya Spreigl Mason Tuman Caden Vo	10 Robert Baty Joe Blomquist Brinley Brusewitz James Gillard Matt Jorgenson Carol Koehn Kevin Meissner Paula Morton Jeff Southward Conner Delaney Michaela Hartinger Kathy Johnson Carol Roeller	15 Matthew Baumgarn Jacob Brammer Donald Harrison Kevin Landgrebe Cheryl Olofson Lisa Parvey Marissa Sandrock Joy Taraldsen Cal Branton Gracy Jagger	20 Emily Anderson Darcy Bertram Jeff Haines Joy Klasinski Jerry Linser Elizabeth Niezgocki Hatti Score Tim Schubbe Matthew Stoddard Aidan Zuehlke Matthew Bagan Kris Bohrer Delores Fitzgerald	25 Jon Dibbern Erin Hattenberger Carol Nelson Vanaja Samuel Peyton Schrachta Holly Sonn Ryan Topp Mark Wollner Lavonne Buchanan Kasey DeJonker Merlene Lieder Jude Scholz Garrett Stennes John Vander Louw	

Birthdays

& Anniversaries

1 John & Ellen Kistner Jerry & Jan Steffel	Bob & Mary Jo McNeal Peter & Marta Rowcliffe	19 Rob & Kristi Starzynski	26 John & Lyndis Vander Louw
3 Steve & Diane Hall	14 Tom & Jodi Burger	20 John & Courtney Colton Ron Linden & Leann Radel	28 David & Shirley Schelling
5 Fred & Donna Peting	15 Jacob & Sophia Van Jaarsveld	21 Alan & Lyn Wilkie David & Janet Jacobson	29 Richard & Judith Lindemeier
7 Doug & Renee Boehme Richard & Marilyn Sinclair	16 Perry & Debbie Firkus Rick & Nancy Hoffman	22 Tyrone & Raquel Beucler	30 Don & Virginia Broucker Jay & Lisa Deverell
12 Brad & Julie Fisher	17 Kent & Mary Emerson John & Janice McLean	23 Jeff & Melissa Rones	31 Richard & Beth Ferguson Richard & Sarah Stinogel
13 Ben & Tami Lower		25 Kurt & Barb Brammer	



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 stutelbergm@woodburylutheran.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 March 7.

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

ALL CAMPUS MIDDLE SCHOOL MANIA

Join us at the OH Campus: 6:30-8:30pm on Friday, March 29. We're going to be playing games like sardines! 6-8th graders from all campuses won't want to miss it! Free! Friends welcome.

MARCH CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Students who are confirming their faith on March 2/3, we will see you on Saturday, March 2, 9:30-11:30am at the VC campus for the Confirmation brunch for students, parents & loved ones. We will take pictures, rehearse, and have a blessing and prayer service. Don't forget your robe/stole for both March 2 and for the confirmation service you will be attending on March 2 or 3.

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

Wednesday night ministries for 6th-12th meets at the VC and OH campuses (LR youth attend at VC or OH) is from 6:30-8:15pm, TAKE NOTE: We will not meet on March 6 or March 13. We return and will meet March 20 thru April 10 at our usual time. But, things will look a little different during lent: We will meet from 6:30-7pm for large group teaching; 7-8pm Worship in the Sanctuary, 8-8:15pm Small group recap. New students please register online at wlc youth.org.

NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING(NYG)

Interested? We have 5 spots left! Registration cost goes up on March 1 and the sign up deadline is March 15! The gathering will be in Minneapolis, July 10-15, 2019. Registration is open to current 8th-12th graders. To find out more go to

wlc youth.org or contact Patrick Brewer directly. Our first NYG meeting will be March 24, 12:30 - 2pm at the VC campus.

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.

MARCH MADNESS WATCH NIGHT

HS youth come hang in the bridge and watch multiple March Madness games at the same time! We'll have food, couches, and all the basketball you can eat! Even if you're not a sports fan you can still hang out, play games, and shoot pool! Event is March 22, 6-9:30pm at the VC Campus.

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

The Easter Breakfast youth fundraiser sign up will open online for one shift per person for Middle School families March 31-Apr. 6 and 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 Jill Hillyer as she presents, "Continuous Improvement" on March 14, 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 Jeffry Brown as he presents, "Enable Your Competitive Advantage" on March 28, at 7pm, room 1-250 (VC). For more information about this

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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.

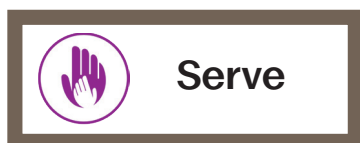


HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE - NEW ITINERARY (OCTOBER 23-NOVEMBER 5, 2019)

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

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. This Seder Dinner celebrates the last supper of our Lord Jesus Christ. Volunteers are needed to help make this special event a success. What we need: Set-up 3-5pm (3 spots), Serving 5-7pm (30 spots—wear dark pants and white shirts please) and Clean-up 7-8pm (10 spots). Sign up opens in March 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. Teen leaders who are 9th & up are welcome to apply to be teen leaders. Go to wlc-youth.org for more information and to sign up.

SUMMER YOUTH SERVANT EXPERIENCES

Summer Servant Trips registration is closing soon. Sign up by MARCH 15!! We would love for you to join us as we 'MinneSERVEta' this summer. Middle School (MS) Summer Servant Trip will be June 9-12, 2019 in Rochester MN, cost is \$100. Contact Lindsey Schmidt with questions. High School (HS) Summer Servant trip will be June 16-21, 2019 at Camp Lebanon, Burtrum MN, cost is \$175 (NYG discount available). Contact Patrick Brewer with questions. Go to wlc-youth.org and click on mission experiences to sign up for one of these great service opps! Upcoming Service Trip meetings: MS meeting is March 31, 3-4:30pm at VC campus; HS trip meeting is April 14, 12:30 - 2:30pm at VC campus.

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.



March 2019 Calendar

2 (O) Saturday Morning

Men's Bible Study

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

2 (V) Saturday Morning

Men's Bible Study

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

2 (V) Baptism Class

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

4 (O) Women of the Word

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

4 (V) Monday Men's Bible Study

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

4 (V) Monday Afternoon Women's Ministry

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

5 (V) Cancer Companions

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

6 (V) Women of the Word

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

6 (V) Ash Wednesday Lenten Service

Wednesday, 12:00pm

6 (V) Mitten Ladies

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

6 (O & V) Lenten Meals

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

6 (O & V) Ash Wednesday Lenten Service

Wednesday, 6:30pm @ OH and
7:00pm @VC

7 (V) Celebrate Recovery

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

13 (V) Noon Lenten Services

Wednesdays, 12:00pm

13 (O & V) Mid-Week Lenten Services

Wednesdays, 6:30pm @ OH
and 7:00pm @VC

14 (V) Career Transition Connection

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

18 (V) Directory Pictures

M-S, 2:00pm
Contact: Mary Law,
651-739-5144 x222

22 (V) All Campus Middle School Mania

Friday, 6:30pm
Contact: Lindsey Schmidt,
651-739-5144 x219

28 (V) Career Transition Connection

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

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