

Bethany Lutheran Church Announcements

February 6, 2011



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www.bethany-denver.org

Today at Bethany...

Pastor Ron is worshipping at St. Martin in the Fields in London where he is visiting museums, churches and taking lots of pictures of angels for his Lenten h2odevos.

TODAY is the Souper Bowl of Caring – Get your dollars ready to 'vote' for the Super Bowl winner, come to the soup luncheon or deliver soup to our homecentered members and friends.

BE A "DIVINE CHOCOLATE" SWEETHEART
Bethany's Global Mission Task force will be in the narthex **TODAY** selling Fair Trade Divine Chocolate from our partner SERRV International and Fair Trade coffee, tea, cocoa and chocolate from Equal Exchange. Proceeds support small farmer growers in Latin America, Africa and Asia through Lutheran World Relief.

TODAY is Scout Sunday! This is the day that our church acknowledges current and past Boy and Girl Scouts, leaders and parents of Scouts and the excellent Scout organizations.

Classes TODAY for Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Godly Play classes are for 2 ½-K. Kids' Light classes are for 1st-5th grade and Connect is for Middle School and High School age youth.

This Week at Bethany...

XYZ Tuesday, February 8 from 9:30-1:00 in Fellowship Hall. Please join us! Menu: shrimp scampi, angel hair pasta & vegetables.

God's Word for the Week, Room 210. Mondays at 9:00 a.m. & Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m.

Journey through the Bible Monday mornings 7:15-8:30 a.m. Bible study class continuing the Journey Through the Bible series, this time on the Gospel of John. We have lively discussions and welcome new members. Facilitated by Gretchen Hack.

1G Network, Feb 9th session topic:

Navigating This Year's Tax Law Changes

To assist with a very timely topic we're welcoming fellow Bethany member John Dundon. John is a seasoned tax practitioner who will provide an overview of the new tax law changes. Before filing your personal and/or business taxes this year, you'll want to hear what John has to tell you. John will reserve time after his presentation to answer any of your tax questions as well. John Dundon is a Federally Authorized Tax Practitioner who provides an assortment of tax services, including his focus of representing and providing resolution for honest, hardworking taxpayers regarding tax disputes with the IRS. We hope to see you Wednesday morning. Invite a friend along. I'm sure they'll appreciate learning

about the tax law adjustments too. Bring your business cards! www.bethany-denver2.org/1g-network

Women's Study Group meets Thursdays in Room 208 at 1:30 p.m. Join us for the "Book of Romans".

Esther Circle will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1 p.m. in room 208 for Bible Study, refreshments and conversation. All are welcome to join us. Contact Mary Webb, 303-745-9590 for more information.

Deborah Circle Bible Study meets every Wednesday, from 4:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. in the library. We are using the Bible study from the Lutheran Women Today magazine: "The People of God: Unity in the Midst of Diversity". We welcome new members. Contact Susan Wiggans at susanpw4@gmail.com or 303-355-0372.

Joy of Living – Women's Bible Study Meets every other Thursday 6:30 p.m. in Room 224 studying "Women of Faith in Christ: Healing the Heart" from Gospel Light (\$20). Call Darla Reeves 303-986-7046 for info & guide book.

Business Leaders Forum - Please join us for the quarterly Business Leaders Forum on Friday, February 11 from 7:30am to 9:00am in the Great Hall. This is an informal networking and information sharing opportunity that is open to everyone. If you plan to be there, please contact Joel Halvorson at joel@bethany-denver.org or 303-639-4348.

Young at Heart Join us on Friday, February 11 in the Fellowship Hall at 11:30 a.m. The meal is a potluck and the program is "Beloved Sons and Daughters, Happy Valentine's Day!" Sing along to love songs with Brenda Greenwald.

Denver Lyric Opera Guild Sat. Feb. 12 at 9:30 a.m. (Free Event) An open masterclass for competition hopefuls and the public!

Next Sunday

"I ♥ MCR" - the Cupcake Truck is Coming to Bethany! We've baked up a new idea to help take a bite out of hunger! The famous Denver Cupcake Truck will be parked at Bethany Lutheran Church from 8:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. on February 13. Buy your sweetheart a delicious, made-from-scratch cupcake for Valentines Day and 25% of your purchase will be donated to Metro CareRing! Single cupcakes are \$2.75 and four packs are \$10. Enjoy Red Velvet, Chocolate Chocolate, Vanilla Party, Denver Snowball with Pink Buttercream and gluten-free Red Velvet, all decorated in a Valentines Day theme. "Four Cupcakes = 25 lbs. of food for Metro CareRing." Now's your chance to indulge...after all, it's for a good cause! Save yourself some time – pre-order on Bethany's website. Reminder: no donuts served on February 13. Anyone interested in preparing for or helping at this event, please contact

Cathy Nixon at 303-641-1904 or email
cathrynsnixon@gmail.com.

X-TREME CHALLENGE GLADIATOR FUSION ARENA February 13, 3:00 – 4:30 p.m. X-treme Challenge is a place designed for energetic groups of people in its X-CLUSIVELY fun atmosphere. We will encounter games of skill, wit, and determination! It's an X-CITING place to challenge us to think out of the box while enjoying hilarious physical fun. Best of ALL our time at X-treme Challenge is X-CLUSIVE!!! And will be filled with spectacular memories! The cost is \$20. For information or to RSVP contact Christie Tew at csunnytew@gmail.com.

Adult Learning, Principles of Faith Formation, Sundays, February 13, 20 & 27 at 9:00 a.m. led by Pastor Ruth Ann. The Vibrant Faith Frame identifies six places where faith formative relations happen. Join us!

Looking Ahead...

Bethany Early Childhood Center is now enrolling for Fall 2011. Our nurturing, Christian program offers preschool classes and extended child care for children beginning at age 2 -1/2. Children do not need to be potty-trained. We currently have a couple of openings for the remainder of this school year in our three and four year old classes as well! Please call Susan Swank at 303-758-0266. Check out www.becc-denver.org.

A Colorado Snowshoeing Adventure! Strap on your snowshoes and join the Bethany Young Adults (20s & 30s) for snowshoeing at Lost Lake just outside Nederland, CO on Saturday, February 19th. We'll meet at Bethany at 8:30 a.m. and then carpool up to the mountains for a day of rejoicing in God's creation! If needed, snowshoes can be rented at all REI locations and several other local outdoor gear shops. Please contact Lori Roenfeldt at LoriRoefeldt@gmail.com with any questions.

Family Faith Night February 26, 4-7p.m. My Word - The Bible for Everyone!

We are born to hear God's word. The texts we hear, discuss, repeat, sing, and wrestle with are truly the Spirit of God reaching out to us at every moment in our lives. Lutherans have long believed that within the pages of the Bible is an entrance to a life that looks for a God who is active and out in the world. By hearing God where we KNOW He is speaking (in scripture) we can train our ears to discern God's voice in the midst of all the noise around us. Learn how to implement ways to make scripture a regular part of family life and find ways to move from words on a page for you and your children to an encounter with a living God who speaks through the Bible but is also present and active in all of life. Dinner will be provided for the whole family, and our evening will conclude with a worship service designed with youth and kids in mind. Child care is provided for our youngest members. Registration is required for this event. Deadline is February 20. Cost is \$25 per family. Contact Joni Grundman 303-300-3304 or joni@bethany-denver.org.

Some of the Best Things Come in Small Packages . . . and the Small Catechism is one of them! Join us at the Lenten Retreat, March 10-12, when we will explore the "Blessings of the Small Catechism". The Lenten Retreat is an excellent opportunity to relax, enjoy the company of other adults, and find time for serious Bible study and spiritual renewal. Register at the Hospitality Desk or contact Janice at 303-758-2820 or janice@bethany-denver.org

Habitat for Humanity Build - Our winter/spring build will be at 7144 Ivanhoe, Commerce City, 80022. The first volunteer date is Friday, February 18th. Check out this link www.surveymonkey.com/s/habitatbuild to see other dates. More will be added as we go along. You can sign up online, look for a sign-up table on Sundays between services, call Kevin Dempsey at 303-699-1629, or email him at kmdmpsy@aol.com. Thank you for your support!

The Bible in 25 Minutes Sunday, February 27 8:00, 9:00, and 10:30am worship services. You may have heard many of the stories from the Bible. But have you ever put it all together? Now you have a chance to see how all of these stories, the familiar ones and the not-so-familiar ones, string together to make up God's story, which is our story. Come and experience the Bible in 25 Minutes. Join us as we travel from the time before there was ever time, when the Spirit of God hovered over the darkness and deep waters, through the wilderness, to the psalms and prophets, to the New Testament, all the way to the Heavenly City where God's light shines 24-7 -where the host arrayed in white worship and honor the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Invite people to "come and see."

"90 Day Bible" Begins in Lent Take the challenge with others to read God's Word as we journey to the cross. Sign up at the Hospitality Desk.

How to Help...

Bethany Seeks Director of Health & Wellness

This part time position is designed to provide whole person, health promotion, disease prevention, services with an emphasis on spiritual care. The major accountabilities and job activities of the role are integrator of faith and health, health educator, personal health counselor, referral agent, developer of support groups, trainer of volunteers and health advocate. Registered nurses interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity may contact Pastor Ron or Pastor Ruth Ann at 303-758-2820.

General Fund Update

	Received	Needed
Last week – Jan. 30	\$15,929	\$22,214
January	\$146,080	\$144,649
Fiscal YTD	\$1,134,553	\$1,202,594

Altar Flowers Today's flowers are given by Bob & Judi Newman in celebration of Jennifer Newman's 40th birthday. Remember a loved one or special occasion. Donation is \$35.



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