

Bethany Lutheran Church Announcements

March 6, 2011



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www.bethany-denver.org

Today at Bethany...

Narrative Eucharist, TODAY at all three services we are going to have a narrative Eucharist: as we go through every part of the service, Gather, Word, Meal and Sending, we will stop and give a “play by play” or a “pray by pray” explanation of what we are doing and why we are doing it.

Good Coffee for a Good Cause The Global Mission Task Force will sell fairly traded coffee, tea, hot cocoa, and chocolate in the narthex today. Proceeds support small farmer growers through Lutheran World Relief and their partners, Equal Exchange and SERRV International.

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.

Hope Totes for the Denver Rescue Mission Come pick up your purple bags and fill them with toiletries. Bags available TODAY to March 26. We will take bags in from March 13 - April 3. For information please call Sylvia Boedeker at 303-758-8445.

TODAY Carnevale di Bethany - Lasagna Dinner Extravaganza, March 6, 5:30-8:00 p.m. Bethany Fellowship Hall. Enjoy an evening of tasty lasagna and lively entertainment. The Talent Show Extravaganza will wow you with acts from our very own talented youth and church members. View and bid on masks artfully and individually created by our youth and their families. Tickets on sale in the Narthex TODAY. Adults are \$10/Children ages 4-12 are \$5. Children 3 and under are free. Doors open at 5:30 p.m., with dinner served at 6:00 p.m. All proceeds go to support this year's youth summer mission trips to Ecuador and Wyoming.

This Week at Bethany...

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.

XYZ Tuesday, March 8 from 9:30-1:00 in Fellowship Hall. Please join us! Menu: roast beef, au jus, twice baked potatoes, vegetables.

VOICES Women's Film Festival March 8-13 This 6-day film festival presents documentaries, feature films, and many in-person guests showcasing thought-provoking, inspirations stories from around the world. Visit www.denverfilm.org.

Ash Wednesday Worship March 9 at Noon and 7:00 p.m. Our Lenten journey begins. Each service

has a reflective atmosphere and features Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes.

Bethany's Professional Networking Group - 1G Network Wednesday, March 9th, 7-8:15 a.m., Great Hall In a time of slim budgets and elevated goals, it is increasingly imperative to work more efficiently and more focused. This Wednesday morning, the 1G Network welcomes fellow Bethany member and operations expert, Scott Zimmerman. Scott will introduce techniques for looking at your business from a process perspective, how to set priorities for improving your operations, and tips on how to evaluate technology solutions appropriate for your business. Scott has deep logistics experience and is the founder of Perum, Inc., a management consulting firm for operations & supply chain, using Lean, Six Sigma, and technology solutions. Invite anyone interested in learning and networking. 1G Network's purpose is to bring innovative professionals together to share new ideas and make meaningful connections. No registration required!

Thursday Women's Bible Study Group – Meets every Thursday at 1:30 p.m. - Room 208. We invite you to join us for our Lenten study using “The Cup of Life” by Joyce Rupp.

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

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.

Young at Heart Friday, March 11 in the Fellowship Hall beginning at 11:30 a.m. The meal is corned beef & cabbage, salad, rolls and brownies. Program: Dr. Colorado, Tom Noel “The History of Colorado”. Tom writes a column for the *Sunday Denver Post* and appears on Channel 9's “Colorado and Company.”

Looking Ahead...

Lent at Bethany “Blessed to Be a Blessing”. Every Wednesday in Lent visit the Lenten Labyrinth all day in Room 412. Walk with meditation and journey with others walking the path. Then each Wednesday you are invited to join in reflective services at noon and in the evening Taizé and Holy Communion.

“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.

“Do this for the remembrance of me...”

FIRST COMMUNION. A Faith Milestone for students in 3rd grade and older. PART 1 Sunday, March 27 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. & PART 2 Sunday, April 3 from 2:00 – 5:30 p.m. Registration forms at the Hospitality Desk.

Journey to the Cross For preschool, elementary, middle school, high school, and adults – all are welcome! Sunday, March 27, 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. Journey to the Cross (aka Easter Walk) is a dramatic telling of the Passion Week story. Participants move through six stations to hear parts of the Easter story.

Parenting Enrichment Seminar is Back: “I’m a Keeper!” This 3 part parenting series will help you take a giant step in understanding your child, help you avoid conflicts with your child, help you understand the interaction between your temperament and your child’s temperament, help guide your child to achieve his/her potential, help increase your child’s self-esteem and return your confidence in parenting, as well as help you lead your child to faith in God. Our second course offering will be held on April 10, May 15, & June 5 from 9am-1pm. Free childcare. Pick up a flyer at the Hospitality Desk.

April 30 - Save the Date - A Dinner/Auction to benefit Boy Scout Troop 712 will be held at Bethany from 6:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Stop by the Troop 712 display after church during April for details.

The Healing Wheels Tour: June 11 Looking for a new and challenging ride that starts and finishes in the mountains but is easy to get to? The 3rd Annual Healing Wheels Tour, benefiting Inner City Health Center, is the perfect early season training ride where you’ll experience a challenging elevation gain and a unique ride through historic Colorado towns. Get off the city bike paths and join us for this European-style scenic ride, all while helping a great cause. If you can’t ride but would like to volunteer, contact Steen at 720-833-5092 or email steenk@innercityhealth.com. To register for the ride or get information, go to www.healingwheelstour.com.

Lutheran Men in Mission Gathering July 22-24 Called! Equipped! Sent! This summer, July 22-24, as many as 1,000 men will be in attendance at the Lutheran Men’s Gathering to be held at the Denver Marriott Tech Center. Dynamic speakers, a variety of workshops, and great music, including Peter Mayer, Jimmy Buffett’s lead guitarist, will inspire and motivate your personal faith journey. Some of the most gifted men’s leaders in North America will share their experiences and insights on how to have an effective, life changing men’s ministry. Saturday afternoon opportunities will include everything from workshops to rock climbing & fly fishing classes, to a service opportunity with Project CURE. For info, or to register, go to www.lutheranmeninmission.org or call 773-380-2595

“Come and See...” Pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Egypt, October 10-26, 2011. Walk in the footsteps of Jesus. See the Holy Stones and meet the Living Stones, the people of the Holy Land, as we visit Jerusalem and the sites of Jesus’ ministry in Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum and the Galilee. Our

days will include devotions, scripture readings at the holy sites, and time for reflection. Pastor Paul Rowold, an experienced guide, will be our leader. See first-hand the inspiring ministries of Lutherans today in Jerusalem and Bethlehem. 17-day Holy Land/Egypt tour: \$4470, from Denver. Reservation deadline: April 1. Details: www.pilgrimageholyland.blogspot.com or contact Jan Miller: janlmiller@q.com.

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.

Habitat for Humanity Build - Our winter/spring build is at 7144 Ivanhoe, Commerce City, 80022. We started work on February 18 and currently have dates through the end of April. Check out this link www.surveymonkey.com/s/habitatbuild to see all 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.

C.A.R.E. (Caring Adults Responsible to Educating

"Serving is as much of a blessing for the one serving as the one being served. Everyone gains when we step forward to lend a helping hand." E. Holmes and E. Tolle *"Everyone has the power for greatness, not fame, but greatness, because greatness is determined by service."* Martin Luther King Jr. Our schools and our children want to excel, yet "cut backs" in education are making it difficult for children to succeed and achieve their dreams. Serving as a volunteer is an attitude which strengthens the giver as well as the receiver. Join our volunteer group as we sign up to serve in a variety of roles in local schools. We need your time, talents, and passion to help schools and students succeed. Please contact Karen at 303-221-4292 or Kherzteach@aol.com.

General Fund Update

	Received	Needed
Last week – Feb. 27	\$30,208	\$25,547
February	\$147,123	\$140,267
Fiscal YTD	\$1,281,676	\$1,342,861

Altar Flowers Today’s flowers are given by Bernie Cone and family in remembrance of the wonderful life of Ross B. Cone. Remember a loved one or special occasion. Donation is \$35.

Emergency 911 calls - In case of an emergency, always dial 911 from a land line if possible. This applies whether you are at Bethany, at home, at work, the grocery store, etc. If you call from a cell phone, precious time may be wasted as the cell phone does not provide location-specific information to the dispatcher.