

Sunday Learning

Lutheranism 201, Sundays starting February 21 through March 14 9:00 a.m. in Room 210

In 101 we talked about "What Lutherans believe?" in 201 we'll take our understanding of being Lutheran to the next level and focus on some of our Lenten traditions. You did not need to attend 101 to enjoy 201. This is a great conversation no matter how many times we have it, we learn something new! Caitlin Trussell, our Pastoral Intern, will be our guide.

Children's Faith Formation

Godly Play and Kids' Light classes at 9:00 a.m. Check the board outside the Great Hall for specific locations.

Weekday Learning & Study

God's Word for the Week, Room 210.

Mondays at 9:00 a.m. & Tuesdays at 7:00 a.m. with one of our pastors. No class Feb. 15 & 16.

Journey through the Bible, Mondays, 7:30 a.m. in the library - Now studying Romans, about the Gospel as the power of God for all who believe. No class Feb. 15 & 16. Resumes February 22.

Mark your calendars for MOST! Something new will be happening in February -- MOST ...Midweek Opportunities to Study Together. Beginning Wednesday February 24, 2010 and continuing through March 31, 2010 in Room 208 there will be a 5-week Bible Study based upon this year's Lenten theme: The Good Book-Hard Texts and Changing Times. These sessions with Ron Bruggeman as leader will be 60-75 minutes long and will begin 10 minutes after worship ends. Come for some of them or come for all of them. On Wednesday evenings after Lent, (April 14- May 19) there will be a spring Bible study on the book of Romans, and in the fall there will be a lively study of the book, *Everything Must Change* by Brian McLaren. This will be followed by a Bible study on the book of Luke. Stay tuned for more details as we get closer to the starting dates.

Joy of Living Women's Bible Study Hosea: God's Persistent Love, began Sept. 10, twice a month, Thursdays, 6:30-8:15 p.m., room 224. For info & guidebook (\$10), call Darla Reeves (303) 986-7046. Want renewed hope? Study Hosea. Remember God's unconditional love.

Fellowship

Lasagna Dinner - February 21. The Lover's Delight Lasagna Dinner is the first fundraiser for youth mission trips to Washington and Sky Ranch this year. This night will include a delicious dinner served by the youth, as well as a talent show. Tickets will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for children over the age of 2. Tickets will be sold in the narthex February 14 and 21. It will take place in the Fellowship Hall and the doors will open at 5:00 p.m. Serving will begin around 5:45. Bring your family, enjoy the entertainment and support the youth!

Lenten Retreat, February 25-27. Rooms Available! Our annual Lenten Retreat will be held at St. Malo's near Estes Park. We will begin with supper on Thursday and wrap up with lunch on Saturday. Please join us in preparing our hearts and minds for the joy of Easter. You can register at the Hospitality Desk.

The Luther College Orchestra is Coming! Bethany is hosting the eighty-plus Luther College Orchestra on March 23. Part of our hosting includes finding rooms for these college students during their visit. If you are interested in helping, please contact Forrest Guittar at 303-877-4200, or via e-mail at gumpman3@comcast.net to obtain details.

Weekly Calendar

<u>Sunday, February 14</u>	
Nursery	7:45 a.m.
Worship	8:00 a.m.
Habitat Sign Up	8:00 a.m.
Lasagna Tickets For Sale	8:00 a.m.
Worship	9:00 a.m.
Sunday School	9:00 a.m.
Contemporary Choir	9:00 a.m.
Blood Pressure Checks	9:30 a.m.
Worship	10:30 a.m.
Denver Young Artists Orchestra	6:00 p.m.
<u>Monday, February 15</u>	
OFFICE & BECC CLOSED	
<u>Tuesday, February 16</u>	
12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
XYZ	9:00 a.m.
Staff Meeting	9:30 a.m.
Pastor's Text Study	12:00 p.m.
Women's AA	12:15 p.m.
Stephen Ministry	6:00 p.m.
BECC Board	6:30 p.m.
Global Mission Task Force	7:00 p.m.
<u>Wednesday, February 17</u>	
12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
MOPS	9:00 a.m.
Quilters	9:00 a.m.
Stations of the Cross Art Exhibit	9:00 a.m.
Ash Wednesday Worship	12:00 p.m.
Supervised Play	4:30 p.m.
Alpha Ringers	4:45 p.m.
Deborah Circle	4:45 p.m.
Pizza & Soup	5:00 p.m.
Caroler's Choir	5:15 p.m.
Youth Choir	5:30 p.m.
Jubilation Singers	5:45 p.m.
Ash Wednesday Worship	7:00 p.m.
Carillons	7:00 p.m.
Chancel Choir	8:00 p.m.
<u>Thursday, February 18</u>	
12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
Women's Christian Spirituality Group	1:30 p.m.
<u>Friday, February 19</u>	
12 Step Group	6:15 a.m.
<u>Saturday, February 20</u>	
Men's Bible Study	8:00 a.m.
Latin Class	9:30 a.m.

Find the monthly calendar at www.bethany-denver.org.

XYZ (Xtra Years of Zip) Join us Tues, February 16. Menu: baked chicken.

Blood Pressure Checks The Volunteer Parish Nurses will check blood pressures today from 9:30-10:30 in Room 208.

First Communion Instruction, February 28, Sunday from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. and March 7 from 2:00-5:30 p.m. (correction from *Beacon* article). A faith milestone for students in 3rd grade and older. Registration deadline is February 21. Pick up your registration brochure at the Hospitality Desk. Contact Joni at 303-300-3304 or joni@bethany-denver.org.

Random Acts of Kindness, Sunday, March 14 10:30-11:15 (Following Sunday School) Let's try a service project right after Sunday School. We'll briefly chat with the kids about the importance of giving and sharing and then give each family a stack of "What God Values" bills. We'll share these bills with our kids over the next week as we see attitudes and actions that God values. Next, the kids earn their first bill as we assemble a casserole and then deliver it on the way home to a recipient chosen by each family. Families will be asked to contribute a part of the casserole ingredients. RSVP to Lisa Christian at lisachristian99@gmail.com or 303 718-6929.

Men's Fellowship

Bethany Men's Fellowship meets every Saturday from 8:00 to 9:00 a.m. at Bethany in Room 209. Please join us for interesting discussions on relevant topics for men and Bible study. We will be reading and reviewing the Book of Mark. Contact Dave Oerke at 720-544-1659 or at davekeise@q.com.

Join the M.O.B. -Men of Bethany. Go to www.bethany-denver.org to add your name to our mailing list! Events already planned include: Golf Outings, Camping Trips, Rockies Games, One-on-One Bible Studies, Fly-Fishing trips,

Men's Book Studies, and Cooking Classes. Attend any or all of these events to help build authentic relationships with other men at Bethany. Contact Todd Little at 303-594-9925 with questions or to add your name.

Mission and Outreach

Souper Bowl Thank You Thank you to everyone who helped with the Souper Bowl of Caring; the youth who packaged oatmeal, beans, and rice on 1/27, the families who helped make soup and 'blessing' biscuits on 2/6, the children who held soup pots, the servers and clean up crew on 2/7, all who delivered soup to homes, Chef Chris, Joni, Kevin, Lisa, Jessica, and Brenda for their organization, Pastor Ron, Pastor Ruth Ann, and Caitlin for their support, and all of the congregation that helped raise \$2000 for the ELCA World Hunger Appeal and Metro CareRing. Together we're working to alleviate hunger in our world! Thank you!

Change for Good! During Lent we will ask you to collect your change for the Lutheran Malaria Initiative (LMI). Pick up a coin box and a Lenten Calendar at the Hospitality Desk and start collecting your change on Ash Wednesday. Remember, God's Math Doesn't Add Up - It Multiplies!

2010 Faith Advocacy Day Learn. Pray. Act. "Budgetary Apocalypse" Monday, February 15 from 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m. at the Colorado History Museum. Registration deadline is February 5. Cost: \$20. For more information call 303-777-6700.

Habitat: Our 2010 build (a building with five units and five families) at Bails Street in Denver (near I-25 and Colorado Blvd) began Friday, January 8. We'll need volunteers for weekends, Fridays and Saturdays, in February, March & April. See the sign up table in the narthex or sign up online through Bethany's website. For information contact Kevin Dempsey at (303) 699-1629. Habitat will be collecting coats at the site January through March for the Denver Homeless Coalition.

Youth

Spring Break Lutheran College Tour March 18-23, 2010. Still wondering what to do for spring break? We are going to check out 6 Lutheran Colleges in 5 days. We will be spending a lot of time in various campus settings, sharing worship time, meals, and in class time with students from these colleges. We are going with youth from across the area in a bus, so it will be a good time to meet new potential classmates. Price will depend on how many we have attending. Please RSVP or ask questions with Kevin, 303-639-4342 or at kevin@bethany-denver.org

Church Announcements

Lenten Theme 2010 – Bread for the Journey! ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP, Wednesday, Feb. 17, Noon, 7:00 p.m. - Imposition of Ashes. These reflective worship services marking the beginning of Lent feature Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes.

MID-DAY SERVICES, Wednesdays in Lent – Noon. Join fellow worshippers for weekly noon reflective services. Soup and bread follows the service. **EVENING PRAYER SERVICES, Wednesdays in Lent – 6:30 p.m.** Each Wednesday in Lent, join us for Taize worship.

The Lenten Labyrinth, Wednesdays In Lent, Bethany's Faith Formation Ministry Department presents the Labyrinth. Following the path of the labyrinth is an ancient tradition, a walking meditation which has served as an important spiritual practice since before the time of the early Christian pilgrims. Open from 7:00 a.m.-

9:00 p.m. with music and stations of the cross. Begins February 24.

General Fund Update

We have received 555 estimates of giving for 2010 for \$1.58 million. The Stewardship Team continues to work on reaching our goal of 600 EOGs for \$1.8m!

	Received	Needed
Last Week – Feb. 7	\$41,456	\$45,854
February	\$41,456	\$152,846
Fiscal YTD	\$1,176,901	\$1,364,425

Altar Flowers Remember a loved one or special occasion. Donation is \$35.

Festival of Faith and the Arts

Denver Young Artists Orchestra, Conservatory Orchestra & String Ensemble, TODAY at 6:00 p.m. DYOA's exceptional musicians present a program showcasing Saint-Saens, Schubert, and Tchaikovsky.

Bethany Lenten Devotional: Festival Devotional—"Messiah"—Handel, Feb 17 available via website. This devotional utilizes Handel's Messiah as its basis, prepared by Festival Director, Forrest Guittar. A donation is requested to help endow the Kathy Eggleston Music Scholarship Fund.

New Member Orientation For those interested in Bethany membership, join us May 1 from 9:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Sign up at the Hospitality Center or call Janice, 303-758-2820.

Church Staff

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