

# The Preview

## *auf Wiederseh'n, Pastor Martens*

Barely a week has passed since the members of Richland Lutheran Church learned their much respected and beloved lead pastor resigned. In his letter of resignation, Pastor Martens expressed his deep care for the congregation and desire for it to pursue its mission effectively. And, sadly, he also expressed his assessment that a change in pastoral leadership was needed to do so. Not everyone agrees with it, but everyone can honor his decision.

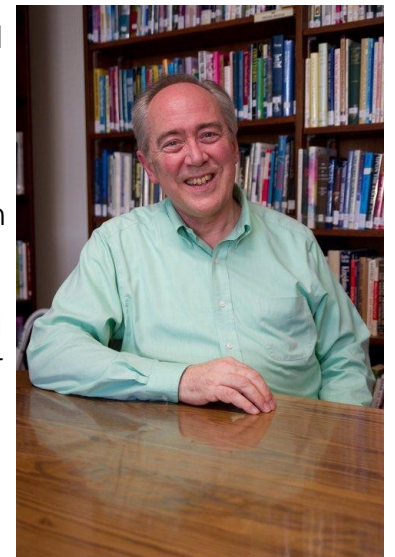
We honor his decision because we know him. He is the epitome of faithfulness to his God, God's Word, and God's call in his life. That faithfulness led this congregation through turning-point moments in our history, but especially when Richland Lutheran Church made the decision to leave one denominational body and affiliate with another. It was during that period of time the congregation came to appreciate more fully the value of Pastor Martens' personal investment in lifelong learning and familiarity with God's word.

Perhaps at no other time in recent history did this congregation grow so much spiritually as it did then. With courage equal to his convictions, Pastor Martens challenged everyone to embrace the Holy Scriptures as the inspired Word of God *and* the authoritative source and norm of our proclamation, faith, and life. He is the wonderful teacher, preacher, and pastor he is because he has lived his life making the Word of God *his* authoritative source and norm of *his* proclamation, faith, and life.

His commitment to helping each member to live a stronger, more effective Christian life with the resources of God's grace will serve us well for generations. And, there are events on the church calendar for the next year and half already that are designed to continue this area of emphasis. To leave a congregation more spiritually mature, and even hungry, is quite a legacy.

But, we will still miss you, dear Pastor. You will always be in our hearts as the quick-witted man, intensely proud of his German heritage, who liked his ducks lined up in a row (and quacking in unison), loved to be pastor to all the people in good times and in bad, and above all, loved the Lord your God with all your heart, your soul, and your mind.

"Well done, good and faithful servant!"



## Congregation Council

### Council Members

**Ben Barr**, Member at Large

**Rob Barr**, Member at Large

**Dave Brandes**, Vice-President

**Mot Hedges**, President

**Kathy Killand**, Member at Large

**Dave Larkin**, Secretary

**Sandy Steele**, Member at Large

**Mark Underwood**, Member at Large

### Ex Officio Member

**Pastor Steve Ernst**, Interim Lead Pastor

### Advisory Member

**Rich Olsen**, Treasurer

Minutes of Council meetings are available on the website and in the church library.

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## Pastoral Acts

### Baptisms

None

### Weddings

None

### Memorial/Funeral

August 5      Elijah Barr

August 15      John Nesbitt

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## Financial Update

	<u>Jan - Jul 11</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>	<u>% of Budget</u>
<b>Income</b>				
4000 · INCOME	<u>418,077.30</u>	<u>492,542.30</u>	<u>-74,465.00</u>	<u>84.88%</u>
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>418,077.30</b>	<b>492,542.30</b>	<b>-74,465.00</b>	<b>84.88%</b>
<b>Expense</b>				
5100 · BENEVOLENCE	43,047.60	43,047.60	0.00	100.0%
5200 · OUTREACH	946.49	437.50	508.99	216.34%
5300 · WORSHIP	6,899.28	7,247.90	-348.62	95.19%
5400 · NURTURE	1,039.39	2,747.60	-1,708.21	37.83%
5500 · EDUCATION	12,055.90	11,272.85	783.05	106.95%
5600 · RESOURCES	67,517.51	73,438.80	-5,921.29	91.94%
5700 · COUNCIL	333,306.34	333,583.40	-277.06	99.92%
5750 · PROPERTY ACQUISITION	19,016.65	19,016.65	0.00	100.0%
5751 · LRP IMPLEMENTATION	<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>1,750.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>100.0%</u>
<b>Total Expense</b>	<b>485,579.16</b>	<b>492,542.30</b>	<b>-6,963.14</b>	<b>98.59%</b>
<b>Net Income</b>	<b><u>-67,501.86</u></b>	<b><u>0.00</u></b>	<b><u>-67,501.86</u></b>	<b><u>100.0%</u></b>

The information is only a snapshot of the church's financial status on the day the report was generated and is not audited information. Please direct all inquiries for additional information to Debbie Stankovich, Church Administrator at 943-3164 or [debbie.stankovich@richlandlutheran.org](mailto:debbie.stankovich@richlandlutheran.org).

## Going Forward

The resignation of Pastor Martens has naturally raised some questions about what will happen next. At the last Council meeting, Pastor Ernst was appointed to serve as Interim Lead Pastor. Pastor Dave Hogan will continue in his position as a part-time associate pastor, with primary responsibility for visitation. The rest of the RLC staff will continue working in the positions for which they were hired, and will also fill in as they are needed, just as they did this summer.

The RLC Constitution outlines the process to be followed when a vacancy occurs in the Lead Pastor position. A Call Committee will be elected at the annual meeting on Sunday, October 30. In the meantime, the Council will develop a job description for the Lead Pastor position, which will eventually be posted on the LCMC website. Applications (including from Pastor Ernst, if he so desires) will be taken until the Committee believes the candidate God is calling to RLC in this capacity has been identified. At this time a recommendation will be made to the Congregation, and the vote will be taken at a special meeting. The process is expected to take several months.

As always, the Council covets your prayers during this period of discernment.

Mot Hedges, Congregation President

## *From Pastor Steve*



### **A Future with Hope**

"Now what," was the question my wife, Ginnette, asked me as she received news Pastor Martens had resigned. Now what indeed? You may be asking the same question, now what? This is a common question for congregations in RLC's situation. After the initial shock has passed, after the dust has settled, we naturally think of our future. "How will we move forward?" "Who will lead us?" "Where are we going?" "What's in store for us?" These are all natural and healthy questions as long as we seek God's truth for the answers. Though we cannot know the specifics of these questions, as yet, we do know, without question, God has a future for us that is for our welfare. A

future with hope! Jeremiah 29:11-13a, reminds us of God's words for Israel many years ago which are also God's words for us today,

*"For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me."* (Emphasis mine).

Clearly we can count on God's promise here for our future just as Israel counted on God's promise for them. And when we know the outcome of our future we can confidently move into it without fear in faith.

The key to moving forward in faith is faith, faith in our relationship with God himself. Hear the relational words of Jeremiah, "*When you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. When you search for me, you will find me.*" There is an inexplicable link between our calling and searching for God, his hearing us, our finding him, and our future with hope. Do you see it? It is almost conditional, our future with hope, predicated on our relationship with God, his hearing us and our finding him. I say almost because our future with hope isn't dependent on our faithfulness but on God's promise to us alone. I say almost because our future with hope is affected by our faithfulness, or lack thereof. Namely, if we're not paying attention to or living out God's plans for us we will not experience them. Our future with hope is there for the taking we simply must turn to God and receive it.

"Now What," Richland Lutheran Church? Now we turn to God. Now we call upon him, now we come to him, now we pray to him, and know he hears us. Now we search for him and find him. Then we, by faith, follow his plans for us, the plans he surely knows, the plans for our welfare and not harm, the plans to give us a future with hope. As we turn to our Lord, "*I am confident of this, that the one who began a good work among you will bring it to completion by the day of Jesus Christ.*" This is our future with hope!

Pastor Steve Ernst,  
Interim Lead Pastor

## Men's Ministry News

### Indian Summer BLOCK PARTY – September 10...

The short but relatively cool (by Tri-City standards) summer is almost over. Now it's Indian summer, back to school and new opportunities to serve our families, our church and our community. Men's ministry needs everyone's help to support the RLC Block Party at Stevens Park on Saturday from 4-7 p.m. Men contact Pastor Steve or the Men's Core team to volunteer. This Outreach calls for participation like we had for ShareFest.

Make this RLC's chance to reveal its HEART to the community not just the outward appearance of an "upside-down cupcake." God told Samuel to pick David from Jesse's sons because, **"Man looks at the outward appearance but God looks at the heart."** 1 Samuel 16:7

### Prayer breakfast - September 13

Tuesday, September 13, is the next prayer breakfast at Denny's at 6 a.m. See you there.

### Saturday Men's Breakfast -- September 17

Come and enjoy a hearty breakfast, good fellowship and a Bible study hour and "guy talk" in the Prince of Peace fellowship area. Food prep starts at 6:00 a.m. with Chef Perham, breakfast at 7:00 a.m. Sign up on the yellow worship slip or call Perham 545-0530, Russ Warren 967-5419 for more information.

### First Annual Eli Barr Memorial Golf Scramble – September 25

The Fall Golf Scramble September 25 will be in memory of our dear departed friend Eli Barr. At Sun Willows Golf Club in Pasco we tee off at 1 p.m. for an 18-hole best ball scramble. RLC golfers, wives and friends are invited for a great time, fun golf and great memories of Eli. Rob Barr won the "closest to the hole" drive and Tyler Wanke the longest drive in our June 5 golf scramble. Come join us on the links.

### FALL MEN'S MINISTRY RETREAT -- October 14-16 Plain, Washington

See the full page announcement for our men's retreat which promises to be one of our best. Speakers Pastor Steve Ernst and Pastor Mark Vander Tuig will inspire us and God's nature creations in the scenic Chelan County Mountains will provide the backdrop for a spiritual and blessed retreat experience. Register online at [richlandlutheran.org](http://richlandlutheran.org) or call 943-3164.

*Our men's ministry can make a significant contribution to our community, our church and our families if we answer the call as King David did to serve.*



## Annual Congregational Picnic

**Our annual picnic will be on Sunday, September 18**, at South Leslie Groves Park, Gazebo #1, following the 11:00 AM worship service. We will meet at the park for good food, including BBQ'd burgers and hot dogs, games, fun and fellowship. It's a time to relax and enjoy the company of our church family! Mark your calendar and plan to come!

RLC will provide the burgers and hot dogs and fixin's, along with drinks. Our fabulous Men's Ministry group will be manning the grill, as they usually do! **Please plan to bring a salad, side dish or dessert to share.**

**We will need some help** with set up of the food before the picnic and also with clean up after the picnic. You can indicate your willingness to serve in these areas on the yellow worship slip or by calling the church office at 943-3164.



## *Worship Participants*

I have a pastor friend who often says 'Many hands make light work'. That is so true. Each week when we come to worship, there have been many people already at work to prepare our worship space. There are also many people who welcome us and assist in worship so that we can more easily come together to glorify God.

We are currently short of hands. Could yours be the ones that God needs? Here are some areas of ministry that need your hands.....

**Communion Preparation:** These people prepare and set out communion for worship services. Often two people do this together; why not find a friend to help you? Training is provided.

**Communion Cleanup:** These people remove and clean up the communion ware and elements following worship. Again, nice to do this with a friend and it doesn't take very long at all.

**Communion Assistant:** These people help the pastor(s) with the distribution of the bread and the wine at communion. No special requirements needed. Training is provided.

**Acolyte Coordinator:** This is the person who schedules our acolytes for worship on Sundays and for special services. *We are currently in need of a coordinator.*

**Acolyte Assistants:** These people help make sure that our acolytes are prepared (robed up, have wicks in the candle lighter, etc.) for worship on Sunday mornings. This only takes about 10 minutes before worship, but is a vital ministry. We currently have no one helping with this, but it would be good to have a team of people available so no one person need be there each and every week.

**Lectors:** These people read the Old and New Testament lessons during worship on Sundays.

**Greeters / Church Friends:** These people greet visitors to RLC worship services. What an important ministry!

**Ushers:** Can you imagine coming to worship and there are no ushers? Unfortunately it sometimes happens. Ushers seem to be everywhere – helping the flow of our worship. Ushers are VIP's - very important people and we do not have nearly enough of them. Consider how you can help - remembering that many hands make light work. Training is provided.

**Children's Church:** These very special people work as a team to teach our children during the sermon. They work with pre-written lesson plans and materials for each week. Consider making this your ministry.

**Paraments / Banner Making:** Do you like to sew? Are you creative and like to come up with designs for the liturgical year? For years, Lucille Knutson has headed up this ministry area; she could use help and would love to pass on the art of creating paraments and banners for our worship space.

**Choirs – singers and instrumentalists:** Perhaps you like to sing or can play an instrument. That is a very special gift indeed – and a gift God enjoys hearing. Musical leadership is a vital ministry in our worship services. Here are some musical opportunities at RLC:

*Recorder Consort:* Meets on Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m. We can teach you to play.

*Bell Choir:* Meets on Tuesdays at 6:45 p.m. We really need people so this choir remains viable. Bells can be learned and we would like to teach you.

*Praise Choir:* Meets on Wednesdays from 5:15 – 6:15 p.m. This is a change in schedule from past years. This group sings and helps lead worship at the 11:00 service on Sunday mornings.

*Chancel Choir:* Meets on Wednesdays from 6:45 – 8:10 p.m. This group sings and helps lead worship at the 8:30 service on Sunday mornings.

This is a long list, isn't it? Well, every one of these ministries is short handed. Could your hands be the ones they need? Consider adding your hands to the ones that already serve in these ministries. What a blessing you will be! Sign up on the yellow worship slip at church or e-mail me [maria.frame@richlandlutheran.org](mailto:maria.frame@richlandlutheran.org). If you would like to sing or play an instrument – you can e-mail me or just come to a rehearsal.

## *The Color of Love in Mafraq*

The Color of Love in Mafraq is a fund raiser to help build a mini park/playground at the Anoor Hospital next to the baby home. Our goal is \$25,000. What is so special about a playground in Jordan?

The Penleys are working at the Anoor Hospital and it is composed of three parts: the clinic, the hospital, and the baby home. It is for Bedouins who come from all over the Middle East, Yemen, Syria, Sudan, Jordan, & Egypt. They are an outdoor people with very little money, generally live in tents, and sit on the ground to eat. Coming to the Anoor Hospital in Mafraq is a major event whether they come as patients to the clinic or hospital or come as visitors to see a family member.

In parks and playgrounds, we rest, play, talk, eat, we share and care for one another. The playground at the Anoor Hospital becomes a Christian oasis in a Muslim country, a place where Bedouins come, eat and rest, and maybe hear the name of Jesus for the first time. Afterward they travel back to their tents, to their own countries. Those seeds of hope might be carried in their hearts, and perhaps, shared with others.

Jesus has given us a mandate—to care for others and to make disciples of all nations. Our Lord has blessed us with this opportunity in Jordan to serve Him.

In the Prince of Peace fellowship area, there are photos for you to see more clearly what has been done and what still needs to be done. You can help by:

- Praying with the Mafraq Prayer Team
- Considering going to Mafraq to help
- Making a donation

Donation envelopes are available in Prince of Peace fellowship area and on The Color of Love in Mafraq board in the Narthex. Funds are needed for a shade structure, fencing, plants and trees, drip irrigation and ground covers.

If you have questions contact Karen Gardener (375-6125) or Susan Schmieman (371-1311)

*Seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.*  
*Matthew 6:33*

*"The hearts of those who need Him are often deceived and exploited by those who hate Him. And so we have a needy world, and a call to help meet its needs. The Giver has made us part of the solution. Part of seeking His Kingdom and His righteousness is acting it out in this world." From Worship the King by Chris Tiegreen*

Play equipment outside the baby home at the Anoor Hospital in Mafraq, Jordan



# September 2011

Sun

Mon

Tue

# Block Party



We've invited the neighbors for a casual evening of fun, carnival games, and a BBQ!  
Join us on Saturday, September 10 from 4 - 7 PM at Stevens Park (across from RLC)



For more information or to sign up to help, contact Jenny Page at [jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org](mailto:jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org) or 943-3164

**4**  
9:00 AM Good News Today  
9:30 AM Worship  
10:30 AM HeBrews Cafe  
5:30 PM Page Growth Group  
6:30 PM Coffeehouse

**5**  
LABOR DAY - OFFICE CLOSED

**6**  
8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class  
9:00 AM Classic Yoga class  
9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
3:00 PM Girl Scout Jr. Troop  
5:30 PM Recorder Consort  
6:45 PM Bell choir  
7:00 PM Mafrag Prayer Team  
7:00 PM RLC Foundation Meeting  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248  
7:00 PM Outreach Team Meeting

**11**  
8:30 AM Worship  
8:30 AM Rally Day  
9:00 AM Good News Today  
9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe  
11:00 AM Worship  
5:30 PM Jr. & Sr. Leadership Bible Study  
5:30 PM Page Growth Group  
6:30 PM Coffeehouse  
7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

**12**  
11:00 AM Kadlec Auxiliary  
12:00 PM Mary-Martha Growth Group  
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

**13**  
6:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's  
8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class  
9:00 AM Classic Yoga class  
9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
3:00 PM Girl Scout Jr. Troop  
5:30 PM Recorder Consort  
6:45 PM Bell choir  
7:00 PM Mafrag Prayer Team  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248  
7:00 PM Congregation Council Meeting

**18**  
8:30 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Good News Today  
9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:30 PM Congregational Picnic  
5:30 PM Jr. & Sr. Leadership Bible Study  
5:30 PM Page Growth Group  
6:30 PM Coffeehouse  
7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

**19**  
12:00 PM Mary-Martha Growth Group  
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

**20**  
8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class  
9:00 AM Classic Yoga class  
9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
3:00 PM Girl Scout Jr. Troop  
5:30 PM Recorder Consort  
6:45 PM Bell choir  
7:00 PM Mafrag Prayer Team  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248

**25**  
8:30 AM Worship  
9:00 AM Good News Today  
9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe  
11:00 AM Worship  
12:15 PM First Communion Class  
5:30 PM Jr. & Sr. Leadership Bible Study  
5:30 PM Page Growth Group  
6:30 PM Coffeehouse  
7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group  
7:00 PM Union Gospel Mission Service

**26**  
12:00 PM Mary-Martha Growth Group  
1:30 PM Dorcas Circle  
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study

**27**  
8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class  
9:00 AM Classic Yoga class  
9:30 AM Hannah Circle/Miriam Circle  
9:30 AM Staff Meeting  
3:00 PM Girl Scout Jr. Troop  
5:30 PM Recorder Consort  
6:45 PM Bell choir  
7:00 PM Mafrag Prayer Team  
7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248  
7:00 PM Lydia Circle



## September 2011

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p><b>1</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class            9:00 AM Bible Study            9:00 AM Classic Yoga class            9:30 AM Library Work Time            6:00 PM Growth Group/Steele</p>	<p><b>2</b></p> <p>7:00 PM AI-Anon</p>	<p><b>3</b></p> <p>5:00 PM Worship</p>
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Sewing Bee            3:30 PM Knitting Group            5:15 PM Praise Choir            6:45 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>8</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class            9:00 AM Bible Study            9:00 AM Classic Yoga class            9:30 AM Library Work Time            6:00 PM Growth Group/Steele</p>	<p><b>9</b></p> <p>7:00 PM AI-Anon            7:00 PM Ultreya</p>	<p><b>10</b></p> <p>4:00 PM RLC Block Party            5:00 PM Worship</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div>
<p><b>14</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Sewing Bee            1:00 PM Read-through-the-Bible ] Group            3:30 PM Knitting Group            5:15 PM Praise Choir            6:00 PM Family Dinner            6:30 PM G3 - God Gives Growth            6:30 PM WILD!            6:45 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>15</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class            9:00 AM Bible Study            9:00 AM Classic Yoga class            9:30 AM Library Work Time            4:00 PM Preview Deadline            6:00 PM Growth Group/Steele</p>	<p><b>16</b></p> <p>5:00 PM Wedding rehearsal            7:00 PM AI-Anon</p>	<p><b>17</b></p> <p>7:00 AM Men's Ministry Saturday Breakfast            1:00 PM Wedding and Reception            5:00 PM Worship</p>
<p><b>21</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Sewing Bee            1:00 PM Read-through-the-Bible Group            3:30 PM Knitting Group            5:15 PM Praise Choir            6:00 PM Family Dinner            6:30 PM G3 - God Gives Growth            6:30 PM WILD!            6:45 PM Chancel Choir            7:30 PM GNMM Board Meeting</p>	<p><b>22</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class            9:00 AM Bible Study            9:00 AM Classic Yoga class            9:30 AM Library Work Time            6:00 PM Growth Group/Steele</p>	<p><b>23</b></p> <p>5:00 PM Wedding rehearsal            7:00 PM AI-Anon</p>	<p><b>24</b></p> <p>3:30 PM Wedding            5:00 PM Worship</p> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 10px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>The Richland            Lutheran Church            calendar changes            daily!</b></p> <p style="text-align: center; font-size: small;">Please call the church office, 943-3164, or check the website, <a href="http://www.richlandlutheran.org">www.richlandlutheran.org</a>, for the most current information. Please note that not all activities, especially Growth Group meetings and Circles, are actually held at the church.</p> </div>
<p><b>28</b></p> <p>9:00 AM Sewing Bee            1:00 PM Read-through-the-Bible Group            3:30 PM Knitting Group            5:15 PM Praise Choir            6:00 PM Family Dinner            6:30 PM Confirmation Parent Meeting            6:30 PM G3 - God Gives Growth            6:30 PM WILD!            6:45 PM Chancel Choir</p>	<p><b>29</b></p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class            9:00 AM Bible Study            9:00 AM Classic Yoga class            9:30 AM Library Work Time            6:00 PM Growth Group/Steele</p>	<p><b>30</b></p> <p>7:00 PM AI-Anon</p>	

# Far Above Rubies



*An Event for Girls in  
Grades 7-12,  
and their mothers or other adult female  
mentors*

Bringing teen girls the message of hope that their true identity lies in being daughters of God, freed by Jesus, and to equip teen girls to live in sexual purity and integrity, build healthy relationships, and pursue the dreams to which God has called them.

Featuring Special Guest Speaker Rebecca Meidinger

Saturday, October 1, 2011 - 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
Richland Lutheran Church, Richland, WA  
Register online: [www.RichlandLutheran.org](http://www.RichlandLutheran.org)

## *2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Mobile Food Bank Distribution at RLC*



Join RLC on Wednesday, September 21, from 12:00pm to 4:00pm as we help 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Food Bank distribute food to over 500 needy families. 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest Tri-Cities serves the Tri-City area with food for those who are in need. RLC is partnering with 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest to reach out to our community with hands of service to evidence God's love and care for them. We need 20 folks to help 2<sup>nd</sup> Harvest distribute food from their mobile food truck on the 21<sup>st</sup>. We ask you prayerfully consider joining the RLC team in this endeavor. If you'd like to serve or have further questions please contact Jon Erlandson 375-5360 or Norm Gillette 627-6012 for more information.

# **Men's Fall Retreat - Richland Lutheran (LCMC)**

## **October 14-16**



*Come join us for a spiritual retreat  
at the tranquil and scenic mountain resort  
Stonewater Ranch  
Plain, Washington*

Christian men daily face spiritual challenges in our families, at work and in our communities. Come share this opportunity to recharge your spiritual batteries, communing with God and nature in a pastoral and reverent setting.

### Retreat leaders

Pastor Mark Vander Tuig, LCMC Service Coordinator

Pastor Steve Ernst, Outreach Pastor, RLC

*Cost: \$115.00 for two nights' lodging in the beautiful Chelan County mountains, five hearty meals, Christian fellowship and priceless spiritual benefits. Recreation can include hiking, horseback riding, fishing or just enjoying the autumn colors and scenery around Plains.*

### **REGISTRATION:**

**Registration is available online at [richlandlutheran.org](http://richlandlutheran.org) or by notifying**

**'RLC' at 901 Van Giesen, Richland, WA 99354 or email at**

**[office@richlandlutheran.org](mailto:office@richlandlutheran.org). For more information call Norm Gillette at (509) 378-5898 or 627-6012 or RLC at (509) 943-3164.**

**REGISTRATION DISCOUNTS: Groups of five (5) or more 10% off.**

**Early registration before September 15 for individuals 5% off.**

*We expect a full house - - - space is limited - - - - - register ASAP*

## Activities for Youth

Join us **Sunday, September 11, at 9:45** in the Prince of Peace fellowship area to register your children for Sunday School!

This school year, classes will be available for **children ages 3 through high school**. Age groups are based on birth date, similar to what the school districts use. For example, the 3 year old room accommodates children who are age 3 by September 1. Younger children may be in the nursery during the Sunday school hour.

On September 18, adult classes will begin. Please watch the Sunday bulletin for more information regarding these opportunities.



### High School!

Grades 9-12

### *Sunday Night Coffeehouse*

(6:30 PM in the High School Room) This is our weekly meeting for high school students. We spend time worshipping, playing, laughing, discussing, learning, praying...among other things! Friends are always welcome!

- 4: Australian Father's Day—  
Bring your dad for some volleyball!!!
- 11: 9/11 Remembrance
- 18: What Do They Believe? (WDTB?)--Islam
- 25: WDTB?--Mormons

**SEPTEMBER 10 is our Neighborhood Block Party** at Stevens Park. We need all the help we can get! Please sign up for helping (there are many ways to help)!

### Middle School!

Grades 6-8

**WILD** is our program for all middle schoolers. Every Wednesday night we meet from 6:30 PM to 8 PM in the Gloria Dei Multipurpose Room (up the stairs). We spend time worshipping, playing, learning and hanging out together. Friends are always welcome!

**We kickoff WILD on  
SEPTEMBER 14<sup>TH</sup>!!!**

Our first Confirmation Retreat this year will be **October 21-23** at Camp Ghormley. **Make sure you sign up with the church office.**

**Jr. and Sr. Leadership resumes September 11.** We meet at 5:30 PM on Sunday nights. If you are interested in learning more about being a Christian leader, and want opportunities to lead various activities, please join us!

**All Youth:**

Sunday School begins September 11 on Rally Day! We've got some great stuff planned for this year!

I can't wait to see you at Sunday School!



Squiggles, our Bible bookworm buddy from Sunday School!

## *Coming this fall to a Children's Ministry near you!*

Meet Marty and Katy. They're super. They're kids. They're **SUPER KIDS!** They love Jesus, and they love sharing the love of Jesus with others. And sometimes, when they need to help their friend Captain Clueless learn a biblical truth, they even wear a cape, because they can do all things through Christ who strengthens them! Come meet Marty and Katy, and Captain Clueless at **SUPER KIDS**, a mid-week ministry for kids in grades 1st through 5th, Wednesdays, beginning September 14 at 6:30 PM, immediately following the family dinner at 6:00 PM.



### **Super Kids! Empowering kids to live a life in Christ!**

**When:** Wednesdays, beginning Sept. 14

**Time:** 6:30 (family dinner at 6:00)

**Who:** Kids in grades 1st - 5th, open to everyone, not just RLC members

**Where:** Meet in the Prince of Peace fellowship area at 6:30

**Why:** To be empowered to live a life in Christ!

## *Opportunities to Serve*

### **Sunday School Office Help Needed**

Are you interested in helping with education ministry, but not necessarily teaching a class? The Sunday School office is in need of help each week with collecting attendance envelopes and classroom offerings. If you're interested in filling this role, either every week, or only a couple times a month, please contact either Jenny Page or Corey Smith. Thanks!

### **Children's Church - Sharing the Good News with our youngest congregational members**

With a skip in their step and a twinkle in their eyes, the young worshippers rush out of the sanctuary and down the hall. Where are they headed, you may ask? To the Children's Chapel, a worship space made just for these little ones to give their praise and prayers to our Holy God. Once there, they experience songs, a message and prayers, much like what is occurring in the sanctuary. It's a very special time each week. Would you be interested in helping lead or assist with Children's Church? Help is needed, and volunteers are being sought to continue this ministry during Sunday morning worship times. If you'd like to learn more, please contact Jenny Page ([jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org](mailto:jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org), 943-3164).



# Worship Assistants

<b>September 2011</b>	Time	<i>Communion</i> 9:30 September 4	Time	<i>Communion</i> 8:30 & 11 am September 11	<i>Communion</i> 8:30 & 11 am September 18	<i>Communion</i> 8:30 & 11 am September 25
<i>Pianist (Sat.)</i>	5:00 p.m.	Maria Frame	5:00 p.m.	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame
<i>Organist</i>	9:30 a.m.	Maria Frame	8:30 a.m.	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame
			11:00	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame
<i>Lectors</i>	9:30 a.m.	Jeff Dagle	8:30 a.m.	Dolores Jaech	Kathy Killand	Norm Gillette
			11:00 a.m.	Jessi Thompson	Zemmie Iedema	Karen Clark
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	9:30 a.m.	Charles Davis Elaine Davis Pam Hedges	8:30 a.m.	Clarine Watkins Emil Leitz Jami Prigge	Sara Gillette Norm Gillette Cloyde Hardman	Clarine Watkins Carl Schock Larry Haler
			11:00 a.m.	Julie Deen Carl Schroeder ****	Jon Page Jenny Page Kelly Westlund	Julie Deen Valerie Bettinson Mike Bettinson
<i>Setup/Cleanup Communion for Saturday and setup for Sunday 8:30 am</i>	5:00 p.m.	Nancy Ballard	5:00 p.m.	Ann and Dave Brandes	Jim and Sue Worgull	Kay Aase
<i>Cleanup 8:30, set up for 11 am Communion</i>	After 9:30 am service	Lois Harrold	After 8:30 am service	Jim and Jean Loss	MaryJo and Mike Schroeder	Judy and Carl Schroeder
<i>Cleanup after 11 am service</i>			After 11:00 a.m.	Joanne Woehle	Doloros Erickson	Judy and Carl Schroeder
<i>Acolytes</i>	9:30 a.m.	Alexis Riensche Trygve Tilton	8:30 a.m.	James Bennett Nathan Salyer	Ben Kelly Elizabeth Kelly	Sarah Schmid Morgan Oberlander
			11:00 a.m.	Max Bartholomew Isabel Bartholomew	Kira Westlund Grace Corning	April Mercer Peter Morris
<i>Ushers</i>	9:30 a.m.		8:30 a.m.			
			11:00 a.m.			
<i>Church Friends</i>	9:30 a.m.	Lois Harrold Karen Clark	8:30 a.m.	Carleen and Len Lust	Sara and Norm Gillette	Ray and Mille Nierman
			11:00 a.m.	Marilyn Mitchell	Marilyn Mitchell	Debbie Honeyman
<i>Children's Church Leaders</i>	9:30 am	John Huebner ****	8:30 am	Russ Warren Pamela Warren	Michelle Clary Andy Clary	Sue Long ****
			11:00 am	**** ****	Trina Miles Daniel Miles	Lauri Whitney Emma Whitney
<i>Video System at 9:30 am Service (9/11) 8:30 am service</i>	Console Camera #1 #2	Mike Stankovich Ken Meek Bill Frame	Console Camera #1 #2	Mike Stankovich Traci Moran Dale Geiger	Ed Simonen Luke Thompson Jon Erlandson	Mike Schwartz Don Schmid Paul Hedges
<i>Sound System Operators</i>	9:30 a.m.	Jeff Dagle	8:30 a.m.	Chuck Richardson	Chuck Richardson	Chuck Richardson
			11:00	Jeff Dagle	Jeff Dagle	Tammy Carswell
<i>Cashiers</i>		**** Tom Frislie		Nancy Ballard Doris Barchet	Kay Aase Marge Hogue	Warner Blyckert Jon Erlandson
<i>Flowers</i>		Sharleen & Glenn Thesenvitz		Vicky Willingham	Karen Gardner	Kathy Baumgarten Ken Kenton
<i>Recycler</i>		Laura Stevens		LaVonne Scully	Jeff & Heidi Dagle	Rich Barchet

# Anniversaries & Birthdays

## ANNIVERSARIES

### September 5

Carissa & Guy Jones  
Curt & Karen Juergens  
Edie & Pete Lakey  
Eileen & Larry Pederson

### September 6

Jann & Emil Leitz  
Sharleen & Glenn  
Thesenvitz

### September 7

Lynne & Harry Rice  
Shawn & Don Welch

### September 8

Tomi & Steven Chalk  
Jan & Erlan Leitz  
Arika & Brian Schienbein

### September 9

Gloria & Russell Richman

### September 10

Lisa & Jason Corning  
JoeAnne & Bert  
Oberlander  
Irene & Richard Ulvin

### September 12

Janice & John Fulton  
Patti & Tom Miller

### September 15

Judith & Michael Wells

### September 16

Margaret & Jerry Dagle  
Jean & Roland Thompson

### September 17

Beth & Steven Ray

### September 20

Helga & Randy Nelson  
Lynn & Joel Tanasse  
Loris & Jack Tellefson  
Joanne & Bernie Woehle

### September 21

Gayla & Terry Davis

### September 22

Jacquelyn & Erik  
Ben-Zekry

### September 23

Betty and Felix Quinn

### September 26

Lois & Larry Harrold

### September 27

Amy & Josh Gardner  
Lori & Todd Hanson

### September 28

Lori & Michael Hogan

### September 29

Charlotte & Rick  
Epperson  
Ruby & James Ulseth

### September 30

Tara & Mike  
Bevelacqua

## BIRTHDAYS

### September 1

Paige Fischer  
Ila Pitkin  
Judy Simonen

### September 2

Danielle Kinmark  
Clifford Ledford  
Morgan Oberlander

### September 3

Jantz Levin  
Tucker VanWormer

### September 4

Tammy Carswell  
Carol Goplen  
Avalyn Hogan  
Vickie Kelly  
Samuel Lippert  
Bob McAdoo

### September 5

Alesia Chaney  
Benjamin Kelly

### September 6

Jacqueline Foss  
Donna Kary  
Leslie Sievers

### September 8

Adele Sorensen  
Ashton Wick

### September 9

Trey Bush  
Kerrie McCartney  
Rhet McCullough  
Gavin Sievers

### September 10

Chelsey Bettinson  
Sophia Fetrow  
Kathy Killand  
Susan Miller  
Shaune Salter  
Angela Scherer

### September 11

Eric Page  
Alec Richardson  
Don Schmid  
Janet Sliter

### September 12

Payton Barry  
Ken Dodge  
Isabella Fetrow  
Douglas Quesnell  
Jennifer Williams

### September 13

Scott Conrad  
Mary Lipton  
Beth Ray

### September 14

Christy Rasmussen  
Ruth Vail

### September 15

Kathy Snyder

### September 16

Dorothy Beyer  
Eli Dobie  
Roland Harvey  
Cheryl Nixon-Erickson

### September 17

Iris Purtzer  
Judith Wells

### September 18

Jacquelyn Cross  
Nancy Olsen  
Vivian Stangeland

### September 19

Carl Schroeder, Jr.  
Roland Thompson  
Sophia VanWormer

### September 20

Lindsey Bussell  
Chelsea Johnson  
Joan Perham

### September 21

John Bartholomew  
Sherry Foreman  
Kurt Imhoff  
John Lesser  
Mallory Mercer  
Sue Vernon

### September 23

Julie Deen  
Eileen Koski  
Irene Ulvin  
Jacque VanWormer

### September 24

Mike Canoy  
Heather Colwell  
Mary Jo Schroeder

### September 25

Olen Bishop  
Doloros Erickson  
Jennifer Foss  
Kaylyn Lesser  
Kellianne McAdoo

### September 26

Andrea Montvale  
Simo Petric  
Leah Smith  
Kelly Weissenfels

### September 27

Elaine Davis  
Dragica Vukojevic

### September 28

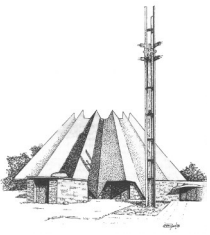
Stacy McCullough  
Debbie Simonen

### September 29

Marion Speck

### September 30

Lila Andor  
Jaime Femreite  
Peter Mattich  
Jason Prigge  
Ruthanne Willy



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***Worship Schedule***

**Sunday, September 4**  
Worship with Holy communion  
9:30 AM

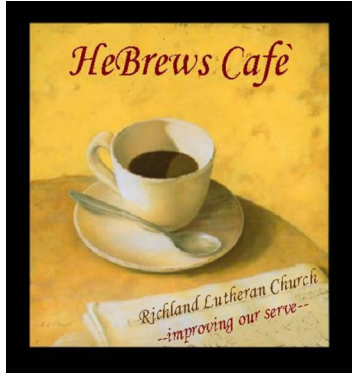
**Beginning Sunday, September 11:  
Traditional Worship with Holy Communion**  
Sundays at 8:30 AM

**Worship with Holy Communion**  
Sundays at 11:00 AM

**Worship with Holy Communion**  
Saturdays at 5:00 PM

*And when circumstances beyond your control prevent  
you from coming to church . . .*

**Good News Today**  
Aired Sunday mornings on  
KVEW 42 and KAPP 35 at 9:00 AM



**Sunday September 4 - HeBrews Café will be open  
from 10:45-11:45 AM**

**Beginning Sunday, September 11,  
Come to HeBrews Café Sunday mornings,  
between 9:45 AM and 10:45 AM**

**It's where Richland Lutheran Church members are re-  
freshed, rejuvenated, and renewed for work in the  
Kingdom!**

**There are still some Sundays available for serving.**

**Richland Lutheran Church is here to help people build strong, effective Christian lives with the resources of God's grace.**