



Following † Giving † Serving: It's what we do!

Stewardship Emphasis 2012

Living Matthew 10:37-39

“.....Whoever does not take up their cross and follow me is not worthy of me.....”



- *I worked hard for everything I have.*
- *I can do whatever I please with what I have.*
- *I look good when I give my things away.*
- *I deserve to treat myself to nice things.*

Have you ever heard anyone make statements like these? Maybe you have even made a few bold proclamations yourself. It is easy to see why people feel entitled to what they have earned. The world recognizes initiative and success with material rewards. However, as Christians, we see things a lot differently than the world does, and that perspective is foundational for this year's stewardship emphasis.

Whether our gifts are in the form of time, talent, or treasure, we acknowledge God as the source of all we have. Pastor Steve and Pastor Corey will be preaching on this topic during the month of November. This will be a great chance to reflect on what God is saying to you through His word as they deliver their messages and challenge us all to think differently.

November 3-4	Every gift comes from me God.	James 1:17
November 10-11	All I have is mine God's	Colossians 1:15-16
November 17-18	I give it back for my God's glory.	Mark 12:41-44
November 24-25	Be rich toward myself God.	Luke 12:13-21

You will receive a packet next week for your covenantal giving in 2013. The dedication of intended giving will take place during all worship services the last two weekends in November. Be sure to bring your card to worship with you to one of those services.

We will continue to follow Jesus, giving and serving, throughout 2013 and beyond. We want to make this the year that every RLC member is equipped, encouraged, and empowered for ministry. An exciting opportunity that will take place shortly after the New Year will be revealed soon so stay tuned!

Congregation Council

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Pastoral Acts

Baptisms

September 30 Claire Margaret Moran

Weddings

October 1 Lisa Rogers and John Bryson

Memorial/Funeral

October 1 Betty Dietz

The following fifth graders received their **First Communion** on October 7: Sophia Fetrow, Spencer Hoffner, Kjersten Jordheim, and Kayla Peterson.

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**RLC in Mission for Christ:
Moving from “Church” to “Spiritual” Conversations**

Last week Maria Frame and I were blessed to attend the LCMC Annual Gathering in Denver, CO. While there we heard some inspired speakers including Reggie McNeal, noted author and speaker. In our time with Reggie he encouraged us, LCMC, as we continue to be in mission for Christ, to move from having what he called “church” conversations to “spiritual” conversations.

You know what he means by “church” conversations, don’t you? They go like this: “Hi, Sally, keeping warm today? The sanctuary is a bit cool, I sure hope they get that fixed.” Or, “James, what color do you prefer for the new carpet? I kind of like the darker shade.” Or, “Did you hear what pastor said to Jessica’s parents? He told them it’s their responsibility, not his, to disciple their kids. Can you image?”

We all have these “church” conversations regularly. In fact, I may be chief among conversationalists when it comes to these shallow, superficial interactions. Reggie encouraged us to go deeper and more intimate with one another in our interactions to have “spiritual” conversations.

Spiritual conversations get to the heart of the life of discipleship, intimacy and love of one-another. In congregations who are in mission for Christ these are the kinds of normal conversations which take place regularly. They go like this: “Mark, how’s your life in Jesus going?” Or, “Lisa, I saw your name on the prayer list, would it be okay to pray with you about your upcoming surgery right now?” Or, “To be honest, Earl, I’m not doing well at all. I’m feeling beat down and discouraged and I’d welcome your wisdom and counsel on what’s going on.”

By far, the easier conversations to have are the “church” conversations. You don’t have to “put yourself out there” or bear others’ burdens but are these the kinds of conversations Christ wants us to have? Clearly not. Christ desires us to depend on one-another, go deep in Christian discipleship, and bear each-other’s burdens. This simply cannot happen unless we’re willing to have “spiritual” conversations. So, go for it. Find a friend, another member of this same body of Christ, and dive into conversations which really matter and which will make a difference. And see how God works!

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Financial Update

This information not available at time of printing.

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.

GNMM Arts and Crafts Fair

Saturday, November 3, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

The Arts and Crafts Fair features hand-crafted items, fresh baked goodies and you can even take a break from shopping to have lunch!

The GNMM Arts and Crafts fair benefits the Good News Media Ministry television program that broadcasts our Sunday morning services into local homes each week.

Please invite your friends and family and come support GNMM in their efforts to share the good news to our community.

Member Directory Changes, Cont'd

We welcome new members received October 6:

Mike Hoffner
Spencer, Ellie & Ben

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375-4796

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Sydney
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Swanson, Craig & Liz
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967-1039

Confirmation

The following students will confirm their faith on Sunday, November 4:

Elizabeth Kelly
John Lesser
Rhett Levin
Courtney Meigs
April Mercer

Nathan Salyer
Craig Trygve Tilton
Ryan Warren
Kira Westlund

The following students will confirm their faith on Saturday, November 11:

Isabel Bartholomew
Andrew Clark
Ellie Hoffner
Kate Juergens

From the Council

Giving Thanks – Thanksgiving!!

The 2012 Advent and Holiday Season is nearly upon us. In reflection, the Council is so blessed to be associated with and able to represent the congregation of Richland Lutheran Church and to work with the outstanding RLC staff. We are truly blessed to serve and represent a church whose mission is entering and engaging the world as God himself did through the person and work of Jesus Christ.

To date, as a congregation of true and faithful Christians, we have accomplished so much and recognize there is so much more we can do. As a congregation, we have continued to show our love and Christian spirit to our neighborhood by continuing with an annual block party that in 2012 grew significantly in neighborhood participation. As a congregation, we continue to help those far less fortunate than us – we provide either human or financial support to the Second Harvest, Habitat for Humanity, the Union Gospel Mission and many others. As a congregation, we have established a well-funded benevolence policy that financially assists Christian activities and programs. As a congregation we do our best to provide generous salaries, medical and retirement benefits and resources to our staff so that we all can focus on our RLC goals with energy and commitment. As a congregation, we have renewed and revitalized programs that had become dormant, like the Cookie Ministry, which provides one dozen cookies to thank first time visitors for worshipping at RLC. For the past two years the staff and the Council have issued an annual ministry plan that assists us in focusing our Christian and spiritual direction for the year. We have established a team to issue a new RLC long range plan. The Team's efforts are founded on "The Twelve Keys to an Effective Church," which will assure input from the RLC Congregation.

Finally, as a LCMC congregation, for the first time in many years we are on target to meet our approved budget for 2012. The Council has not had to come to you asking for more financial support. This is a result of two very positive things – giving is up, even though economic times have been unstable, and the staff spending is less than budgeted.

We are all proud to be part of this wonderful church of Christians and see us advance our mission. We are all so thankful to be born in a country where freedoms are a foundation that allows us the freedom of religion and the freedom to help all those less fortunate than us.

Rob Barr, RLC Council Member at Large

P.S. Please read next month's *Preview* and "From the Council" to learn about the progress of the audio visual team in improving the RLC video and audio systems.

Lutherans **A**bout **F**un & **F**ellowship (formerly known as Senior Lutherans) will be taking a trip to The Country Mercantile for lunch and a tour of the Chocolate Factory on Tuesday, November 13. Cost is \$10 for the tour plus lunch and shopping. The tour is limited to the first 30 people who sign up. Sign up is on the bulletin board across from the Friendship Room. We will car pool from the church at 10:45 a.m.

He's not even a regular referee. Regular referees make mistakes. He is a righteous referee, however. He is *the* referee. I've been thinking about this lately. Partly because of the fall season. Partly because of a certain game played recently with which some of you may be familiar. True confessions: I only saw the last three minutes of the game in question - as I recall, my devotions must have precluded my seeing the rest of the game (puff, puff). Those final minutes turned out to be the most significant part of the game. The last play of the game (until a belated extra point conversion) turned into a major subject of controversy. It centered around exactly *who* possessed the ball in the end zone. It was exacerbated because the game referees were replacement fill-ins for regular referees embroiled in contract negotiations. It was aided and abetted by the network broadcasting the game having an agenda to stir up such controversy.

I won't belabor the description of the play. You'll get a sense of it in a description of some lessons we can learn about God, life and salvation, in what follows. It will be necessary for you to "play along with (humor?) me" in this allegory or analogy. Consider the ball as a metaphor for human life. Maybe that life's even *yours*. *Who* possesses that life? We're *all* propelled in one direction of the *end* zone - a metaphor for, well, the end of life. There's nothing we can do to stop it no matter how much we dye graying hair or cover up balding heads or any myriad other ways we create the impression we're not headed to the grave. **"...people are destined to die once, and after that to face judgment," (Hebrews 9:27).** There's no after-the-fact *conversion* in this game.

Through grace-granted faith, Jesus is on our team. The good news is He's already in the end zone awaiting us. **"Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes,"** says St. Paul in **Romans 10:4**. That word "culmination" would better be translated as "goal". Indeed that's what Paul, again, means in **Galatians 3:24**: that the law was to bring us to Christ.

Jesus, for a catch, only needs to get one hand on us (one-handed catches are legal catches). **"I will uphold you with My righteous right hand." (Isaiah 41:10).** Christ is such a sure receiver that no matter how much the *Enemy* might contest for our life, He can beat him with one hand! **(John 10:28)** As this isn't an amateur version of the game being played, the test of an immaculate reception is: the receiver must have *both* feet on the ground in the end zone with a hand on the ball.

"I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end He will stand on the earth." (Job 19:25) **"I see heaven open and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God." (Acts 7:56)** In His incarnation and ascension, your life takes its firm stand with Christ by faith. God, the Ultimate Referee, is right there on top of the play, and: **"Will not the Judge of all the earth do right?" (Genesis 18:25)**

*Christ is such a sure receiver that no matter how much the
Enemy might contest for our life,
He can beat him with one hand!*

Upcoming Events - Mark Your Calendar

Calling All RLC Women!

Come to our annual **Christmas Brunch/Tasting Party**

Saturday, December 1, at 11:30 A.M.

Please bring favorite **homemade Christmas cookies or hors d'oeuvres** to share and taste.
Watch weekly bulletins for further details.

9th Annual Lutheran Advent/Christmas Concert

Friday, December 7, 7:00 PM

Richland Lutheran Church, 901 Van Giesen, 943-3164

Daniel Niebuhr will direct the massed choir.

The freewill offering will be given to Grace Clinic.

Meet the Staff

The staff at RLC is here to serve Jesus and partner with you in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are blessed to have a fantastic staff and want you to get to know them better. This month we'd like to introduce you to Debbie Stankovich, our Director of Administration.

Debbie and husband, Mike, have been married for 18 and a half years and they have five children. They are eager to be first-time grandparents in March! And by the way, it's a girl!!

Debbie and Mike are season-ticket holders for Seattle Seahawk games, and they both enjoy spending time in Seattle to watch the Seahawks play. Debbie also likes to sew and crochet. She loves to entertain and have friends over to her home.

She has worked at RLC for over 11 years. One of Debbie's favorite things about her job here is the diversity of her responsibilities. She gets to spend time doing bits of all the things she truly enjoys, whether it be paperwork for taxes or solving problems or leading Trinity Living sessions. She is happy about being able to come to work and know that her day will be anything but routine. One thing Debbie has learned in her years here at RLC is that God's to-do list for her day isn't always the same as her own to-do list. She finds that she has a sense of eager anticipation for whatever God will bring her way.

Debbie comes to work each day with the hope that every person will be able to find their place, their personal ministry, their connection to the way God has wired them for service in helping others find Jesus. That place may be setting up chairs or cleaning up after an event, but that each person may know that they are doing something, big or little, to further God's kingdom is very important to her. In fact, she finds it very exciting to help people find their niche in serving!

Your word is a lamp to my feet, and a light to my path. Psalm 118:105 is Debbie's favorite Bible verse, because she believes that anything we are facing is addressed in God's Word.

Debbie's office is located in the back of the sanctuary near the main office. Please stop by to say hello or introduce yourself to her if you don't already know her!



November 2012

Sun

Mon

Tue

The Richland Lutheran Church calendar changes daily!

Please call the church office, 943-3164, or check the website, www.richlandlutheran.org, for the most current information. Please note

4
 8:30 AM Worship
 9:00 AM Good News Today
 9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe
 11:00 AM Worship
 11:00 AM Rite of Confirmation
 5:30 PM High School Leadership Team
 6:30 PM Coffeehouse
 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

5
 12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group
 4:30 PM Girl Scouts
 7:00 PM Long-Range Planning Team
 7:00 PM Truth Project

6
 8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class
 9:00 AM Classic Yoga class
 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
 11:00 AM Financy Ministry Team Meeting
 5:30 PM Recorder Consort
 5:30 PM Women's Ministry Team Meeting
 6:45 PM Bell Choir
 7:00 PM RLC Foundation Meeting
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248
 7:00 PM Outreach Team Meeting

11
 8:30 AM Worship
 9:00 AM Good News Today
 9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe
 11:00 AM Worship
 5:30 PM High School Leadership Team
 6:30 PM Coffeehouse
 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

12
 12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group
 4:30 PM Girl Scouts
 7:00 PM Long-Range Planning Team
 7:00 PM Truth Project

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
 5:30 PM Recorder Consort
 6:45 PM Bell Choir
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248
 7:00 PM Congregation Council

18
 8:30 AM Worship
 9:00 AM Good News Today
 9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe
 11:00 AM Worship
 5:30 PM High School Leadership Team
 6:30 PM Coffeehouse
 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

19
 12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group
 4:30 PM Girl Scouts
 7:00 PM Long-Range Planning Team
 7:00 PM Truth Project


20
 9:15 AM Yoga for Moms
 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
 5:30 PM Recorder Consort
 6:45 PM Bell Choir
 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
 5:30 PM High School Leadership Team
 6:30 PM Coffeehouse
 7:00 PM Union Gospel Mission Service
 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group

26
 12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group
 1:30 PM Dorcas Circle
 4:30 PM Girl Scouts
 7:00 PM Long-Range Planning Team
 7:00 PM Truth Project

27
 9:30 AM Hannah Circle
 9:30 AM Miriam Circle
 9:30 AM Staff Meeting
 5:30 PM Recorder Consort
 6:45 PM Bell Choir
 7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248
 7:00 PM Lydia Circle

November 2012

Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<p>1</p> <p>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class 9:00 AM Bible Study 9:00 AM Classic Yoga class 9:00 AM Library Work Time 9:30 AM Ministry Lead Meeting 12:00 PM GNMM Arts/Crafts Sale Set-up 6:00 PM Steele Growth Group 6:30 PM Trinity Living</p>	<p>2</p> <p>12:00 AM GNMM Arts and Crafts Sale Set-up 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 7:00 PM Al-Anon</p>	<p>3</p> <p>8:00 AM Organ Rehearsal 9:00 AM GNMM Arts and Crafts Sale 5:00 PM Worship</p>
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<p>21</p> <p>9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 1:00 PM Read thru the Bible 3:30 PM Knitting Group 6:45 PM Chancel Choir</p> <p>7:00 PM Service of Praise and Thanksgiving</p>	<p>22</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Office Closed 6:15 PM Girl Scouts 7:00 PM Al-Anon</p>	<p>24</p> <p>8:00 AM Organ Rehearsal 5:00 PM Worship</p>
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Parish Health Ministry

Maintaining Your Optimal Health

One Step at a Time

Preventing Falls

Falls can occur anytime, anyplace, and to anyone while doing everyday activities. The number of falls and the severity of injury when one falls increases with age.

Those who fall are two to three times more likely to fall again. This is due to a physical and psychological component. A person who falls may have balance or strength issues which contributed to the fall. They may have impaired vision or medication side effects which are contributing to falls. The physical environment may be unsafe, leading to a likelihood of further falls. A person may also develop a fear of falling which may lead to limiting activity, thus increasing the chance that continued weakened muscles and imbalances cause the very thing one is trying to avoid - falling. We can address these issues to help prevent falls.

Speaking with one's doctor is essential. An eye exam, bone density test, a check of one's hearing, a thorough examination of medication (interactions and side-effects), and permission/recommendation of an exercise program are all topics to discuss.

With your doctor's permission, begin physical activities designed to strengthen muscle, improve your balance and increase your endurance. A proper exercise program can decrease your risk of falling. When exercising at home, practice near an immovable object such as a wall or kitchen counter so you can catch your balance, if needed. Keep a cell phone, portable phone, or MedicalAlert/Lifeline in a pocket or on a lanyard "just in case." Learn the proper technique of how to use a sturdy chair to get up and down from the floor and practice doing so. Place a sturdy chair in every room in your house, again as a "just in case," and also to give you peace of mind.

One's environment can be made safer to where falls are less likely to happen. An excellent listing of "Prevention Tips", a checklist of environmental hazards to correct at home can be found in an article, "Preventing Falls in the Elderly" by K.R. Tremblay, Jr. and C.E. Barber from Colorado State University at www.ext.colostate.edu/pubs/consumer/10242.html.

A short list of things to do to prevent falls includes:

- Don't hurry
- Wear proper footwear - fitting shoes, nonskid soles, replace loose-fitting slippers, avoid high heels, and never walk in stocking feet
- Improve the lighting in your home, including a night-light along the bedroom/bathroom route
- Use caution outdoors, watch for unmarked curbs and uneven ground

Most importantly - Prepare. Prepare yourself now. Prepare your home now. An ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure.

Jenifer Haler attended Oasis Physical Therapy's seminar "Stand Strong, Prevent Falls." This article is based on that seminar as well as other sources.

Operation Christmas Child

Pack a Shoe Box!



Wednesday, November 7, is our packing date! Last year, we filled 113 boxes! How many will be packed this year? Come join the fun at 6:30 PM in the Prince of Peace fellowship area and find out! You can drop off gifts and personal care items for the boxes at any time to the Sunday school office (a list of acceptable items is available outside the office and on the Children's Ministries page of the church website.). We are also looking for sponsors to cover the cost of shipping the boxes. It costs \$7 per box to get the gifts into the hands of a child somewhere in the world. If you are able to help with this aspect of the ministry, please make your check out to "RLC" and in the memo line put "Operation Christmas Child 2012". Thank you!

For more information, contact Jenny Page at 943-3164 or by email (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org).

Sewing Bee

We received a check from Thrivent Financial for \$400 to help pay our quilting expenses. They are truly a blessing to us.

The Sewing Bee needs people to sew quilt tops at home. At the end of the mail boxes in the Prince of Peace fellowship area there is a vertical box with stacks of quilt blocks ready for someone to sew. They have instructions included with each set of blocks. When the quilt top is completed, place it in the blue tub under the mailboxes that is marked Sewing Bee or Quilters. You will be able to work from home and you will be helping a very necessary and worthy cause. Thank you in advance for doing this.

If you have questions contact Lois Harrold at 946-0923.

Christmas Giving Tree

Please join our mission to the
Union Gospel Mission
November 3 to December 9

For the 4th consecutive year, RLC has chosen the Union Gospel Mission as the beneficiary of the 'Christmas Giving Tree'. The tree will be decorated and officially lit on November 3 at the conclusion of the Craft Fair for Good News Media Ministry. Just as last year, the gifts are not to be wrapped.

The tags on the giving tree in the Narthex are for new items. **YOU DO NOT NEED A TAG TO BUY A GIFT.** Just keep in mind that we are concentrating on gifts for men because there are more men at the Mission than women and children. We are also concentrating on underwear and/or warmth. Please bring socks, underwear (tee-shirts and shorts), and long underwear.

In addition, you can give other items. The Mission provides items to the community in general and would be grateful for any serviceable, clean item. They will take shoes, serviceable undergarments (i.e. old tee-shirts), coats, children's toys, etc.

The items donated will be taken to the Mission as they are collected so that they can be used as soon as possible. The last delivery will be after church on December 9. If you have any questions, contact the RLC office, 943-3164, or call Betty Quinn at 967-5216.



Activities for Kids



SUPER KIDS NOVEMBER 2012

Nov. 7 - Operation Christmas Child! *Please bring small toys & other items to fill a box!*

Nov. 14 - "Forgive us our trespasses..."

Nov. 21 - *No Super Kids! Join us at worship!*

Nov. 28 - "As we forgive those who trespass against us..."

Captain Clueless is learning there's more to the Lord's Prayer than just reciting it every night before bedtime and at worship every week. He's beginning to see that so much of how he should live life is tied up in those few verses from Matthew 6!

Super Kids! is a Wednesday night ministry for children in 1st through 5th grades. Friends are always welcome to join us, and newcomers can jump in at any time!

We meet from 6:30 to 7:45, immediately following the family dinner at 6:00 PM, in the Prince of Peace fellowship area. Worship and prayer, Bible lessons, scripture memorization, games, crafts, and lots of fun happen each week!

For more information, contact Jenny Page at 943-3164 or by email (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org).

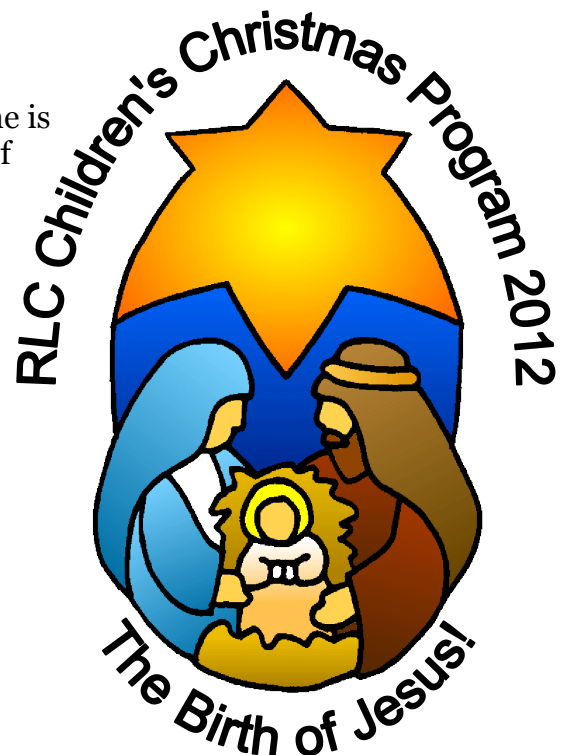
Mark your calendar! You won't want to miss this year's Children's Christmas Program! So much more than just a story, it's the birth of the Savior!

New this year! Immediately following the program, everyone is invited to attend a **Birthday Party for Jesus** in the Prince of Peace fellowship area. Crafts, snacks, fun and games await!

Sunday, December 9, 4:00 PM - 5:30 PM

(please report at 3:30 for costuming)

Rehearsal - Saturday, December 8, 10:00 AM -12:00 PM



Activities for Youth

Middle School!

Grades 6-8

WILD Wednesdays!

WILD is our program for all middle schoolers. Every Wednesday night we meet from 6:30pm to 8 pm in the Gloria Dei multi-purpose room (up the stairs). We spend time worshipping, playing games, learning about Jesus through the stories in God's Word, and hanging out together. Friends are always welcome! We also have dinner together at 6 pm in the fellowship hall for all who would like to join us!

**There will be NO WILD on
November 21.**

**Instead we are having a special
service of praise and thanksgiving
at 7pm.**



High School!

Grades 9-12

Sunday Night Coffeehouse

This is our weekly meeting for high school students. We meet from 6:30pm to 8:30pm each Sunday in the High School room at the very top of the stairs. We spend time worshipping, playing, laughing, discussing, learning, praying...among other things! Friends are always welcome!

4: Reconfirming

11: Honoring our soldiers

18: Give thanks

25: Getting ready

NOVEMBER 4 IS CONFIRMATION SUNDAY! Our 9th graders will be professing their faith at the 11am service! Come and support them on this momentous day. Remember, confirmands, that we'll have a brief rehearsal on Wednesday, October 31st at 6 pm in the Sanctuary.

High School Leadership Team. We meet at 5:30pm in the Friendship Room. If you are interested, please talk to Corey!

Worship Participants

November 2012	Time	<i>Sunday November 4</i>	<i>Sunday November 11</i>	<i>Sunday November 18</i>	<i>Wednesday November 21</i>	<i>Sunday November 25</i>
<i>Pianist (Saturday)</i>	5:00 PM	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame
<i>Music Leaders</i>	8:30 AM	Maria Frame	Maria Frame	Maria Frame		Maria Frame
	11:00 AM	Felicia Iedema	Felicia Iedema	Felicia Iedema		Felicia Iedema
<i>Lectors</i>	8:30 AM	Peggy Pilger	Kristen Imhoff	Jim Peterson		Jim Salaba
	11:00 AM	Karen Clark	Zemmie Iedema	Jon Page		Alicia Booth
<i>Communion Assistants</i>	8:30 AM	Kathy Killand Emil Leitz Jann Leitz	Sara Gillette Norm Gillette Clarine Watkins	Pam Hedges Jeff Pilger Larry Haler	Charles Davis Elaine Davis	Clarine Watkins Jami Prigge Jason Prigge
	11:00 AM	Jon Page Jenny Page ****	Cheryl Nixon-Erickson **** ****	Cheryl Nixon-Erickson Kelly Westlund ****		Kelly Westlund Jon Page Jenny Page
<i>Setup/Cleanup Communion (Saturday) Sunday 8:30 setup</i>	5:00 PM	Joanne Woehle	Nancy Ballard	Dave and Ann Brandes	Kay Aase 7:00 PM	Gwen Dodge
<i>Cleanup 8:30, Set up 11:00 Sunday</i>	After 8:30 AM	Dan and Vicki Jordheim	Carol Schmid	Mike and MaryJo Schroeder	After 7:00 PM Dave/Ann Brandes	Karin Nickola Lois Harrold
<i>Clean up Communion</i>	After 11:00 AM	Kelly Westlund	Kelly Westlund	Mike and MaryJo Schroeder		Jim and Jean Loss
<i>Acolytes</i>	8:30 AM	Grace Corning Morgan Oberlander	Josh Mars Mikayla Mars	Anna Lesser Cayden Tanasse	7:00 PM Woody Page Kyle Prigge	Aaron Cole Garrett Streufert
	11:00 AM	Zeke Ernst Nathan Mitchell	Daniel Miles Nathan Lipton	Madeline Haynie Coley Levin		Willow Whitney Conner Budzeck
<i>Head Ushers & Assisting Ushers</i>	8:30 AM	H – Fred Kremmer Bill Frame A – Gary Weible Eunice Weible	H – Chuck McCargar Sue McCargar A – Larry Haler Harold Hogue	H – Mike Schwartz Karen Schwartz A – Lisa Bartholomew Mac Dixon		H – Dave Wunschel Larry Corning A – Jon Erlandson Laura Stevens
	11:00 AM	H – Carol Hexum Alan Hagensen A – Jim Loss Jean Loss	H – Mike Bettinson Valerie Bettinson A – Rick Budzeck Janet Budzeck	H – Rick Budzeck Janet Budzeck A – Mike Strasburg ****		H – Jim Loss Jean Loss A – Rick Snyder Kathy Snyder
<i>Church Friends</i>	8:30 AM	Lois Harrold	Carleen & Len Lust	Sara & Norm Gillette		Carol Schmid
	11:00 AM	Karen Clark	Ann & Dave Brandes	Kathy Snyder		Debbie Honeyman
<i>Children's Church</i>	8:30 AM	Michelle Clary Andy Clary	Astrid Goplen Neal/Freja	John Huebner Brittney Crisp		Melissa Schmid Katie/Sarah
	11:00 AM	Pam Hedges Nathan Mitchell	Julie Bishop Kira Westlund	Trina Miles Daniel Miles		Karen Clark Andy Clark
<i>Video System at 8:30 am service</i>	Console Camera 1 2	Brian Killand Ken Meek Jon Erlandson	Mike Stankovich Fred Kremmer Bill Frame	Mike Schwartz Don Schmid Traci Moran		Jim Moran Luke Thompson Paul Hedges
<i>Sound System Operators</i>	8:30 AM	Chuck Richardson	Chuck Richardson	Karen Schwartz	Chuck Richardson	Chuck Richardson
	11:00 AM	Jeff Dagle	Tammy Carswell	Jeff Dagle		Jeff Dagle
<i>Cashiers</i>		Nancy Ballard Dick Arnst	Kay Aase Marge Hogue	Kathy Snyder Doris Barchet		Nancy Ballard Tom Frislie
<i>Flowers</i>		Todd & Cheryl Erickson	Mike & Karen Schwartz	Jay & Cindy Dixon Tess Webster		
<i>Recycle</i>		Mike Hoffner	Valerie Bettinson	Joan Perham		Karen Schwartz

Anniversaries & Birthdays

ANNIVERSARIES

- November 2**
Marilyn & Robert
Schumacher
- November 8**
Cindy & Mark
Underwood
- November 9**
Zemmie & Stuart Iedema
- November 10**
Joclyn & Scott Conrad
- November 14**
Elaine & Greg Keyes
Rada & Simo Petric
- November 18**
Julie & Michael Penley
LaVonne & Don Scully
Pamela & Russell Warren
- November 19**
Ruth & Ken Rueter
- November 23**
Marjorie & Marvin
Nelson
- November 26**
Mary & Butch Machinal
- November 28**
Leslie & Fred Sievers

BIRTHDAYS

- November 1**
Diane Fleener
Sydney Johnson
Debra Myers
Tayler Schienbein
Val Silva
Loren Stangeland
Jan Wisness
- November 2**
Brian Chaney
Becca Rogers
- November 3**
Gloria Bentley
- November 4**
Newell Oyen
Dasha Perham
- November 5**
Jeff Nixon
Jim Salaba
- November 6**
Ann Brandes
Dave Larkin
- November 7**
Traci Moran
Yvonne Venema
Josh Woehle
- November 8**
Linnea Preston
Jen Ranta
- November 9**
Mikayla Hamilton
Lauren Heaslet
Gabriel Kissire
- November 10**
Barbara Westlund
- November 11**
Kelly Doyle
Lila Lloyd
Victor Trujillo
- November 12**
Nancy Bergman
Lynn Tanasse
- November 13**
Courtney Button
Matt Schwartz
Garrett Streufert
Melissa Woehle
- November 14**
Heidi Dagle
Lori Lachut
Samuel Salter
- November 16**
Jason Bender
Peyton Pardini
Don Scully
- November 17**
Dave Brandes
Alan Hagensen
Amanda Kissire
- November 19**
Brock Streufert
- November 20**
Christina Carro
Jim Lachut
Rylee Mercer
Thomas Mercer
Kris Mitchell
Kristin Smith
- November 21**
Rob Barr
Loren Peterson
- November 22**
Barbara Roberts
Deborah Romine
Art Tackett
- November 23**
Bobbi Bergman
Barbara Sandness
Floyd Thompson

- November 24**
Michelle Hamilton
Pam Hedges
- November 25**
Nancy Fiess
- November 26**
Kathryn Bonnette
Jan Leitz
Sydney Miller
Helen Page
Bob Zimmerman
- November 27**
Matthew Corning
Tim Lamberson
Elin Schienbein
- November 28**
Ona Lander
Coley Levin
Nathan Lipton
Aaron Schmieman
- November 29**
Margaret Arnst
Lois Phaneuf
Rebecca Skinner
- November 30**
Kathy Bush
Courtney Olsen





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Worship Schedule

Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sundays at 8:30 AM

Worship with Holy Communion
Sundays at 11:00 AM

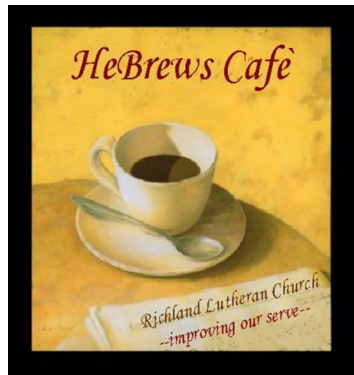
Worship with Holy Communion
Saturdays at 5:00 PM

Service of Praise and Thanksgiving
Wednesday, November 21 at 7:00 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

**Printed copies and audio files of sermons are
available on the website: www.richland-lutheran.org**



Daylight Savings!
Remember to turn your
clocks back an hour on the
weekend of November 4!!

**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.
Sign up on the bulletin board in the narthex.**

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We are a congregation of Christ followers who are making Jesus Christ known to all people and advancing His Kingdom.