

# Gedde Lectures 2013

All are invited to join us on Saturday, September 21, for the annual Gedde Lectures. The Gedde Lecture Series has been established to honor Pastor Palmer Gedde, who served RLC for 21 years, for making education a primary focus in his ministry. That he was able to do this is due, in no small part, to the decision made by his parents to see to it that education would become an essential part of his life's experience. They made that decision despite the fact that they themselves, and their parents before, had little or no formal education.

To honor Pastor Gedde's love and pursuit of education, this year we have invited the Rev. Dr. Gemechis Buba to be our presenter. He is currently serving the North American Lutheran Church as the Assistant to the Bishop for Mission. He is originally from East Africa, Ethiopia and lives in Columbus,



OH with his wife Nassisse Baro Tumsa and two children.

Ordained in 2001, he has served as a seminary professor, mission developer, Senior Pastor, Vice President of Southeastern Black Lutheran Pastor's Conference, an assistant to the Bishop of the South Eastern PA Synod, and President of the world wide union of Oromo Evangelical Churches Inc. He was pastor of St. Stephen Evangelical Lutheran Church and the African/Oromo Lutheran Church in Atlanta, GA. In addition to academic study and ordained ministry, Dr. Buba participated in multiple international ministries through revivals, leadership development conventions and evangelical mission events.

We are excited and honored to have Dr. Buba with us for the weekend of September 21-22, as he will also be our guest preacher for our worship services. The Gedde Lectures will begin with registration on Saturday morning at 8:30am and will conclude around 3pm.

If you haven't already, you may sign up on the yellow worship slip, email the church office at <u>office@richlandlutheran.org</u>, or call the office at 943-3164.

### Congregation Council

### **Council Members**

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# Member Directory Changes

Chaney, Evelyn Remove, passed away

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### Pastoral Acts

### <u>Baptisms</u>

WeddingsAugust 17Robert Dagle and Vanessa Lebarbier

Memorial/Funeral

August 2 Mike Dickey

### **The Preview**

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# From Pastor Steve



### **RLC in Mission for Christ: Worship Leaders Worship!**

In last week's sermon on God's Word I discussed the sometimes difficult time pastors, and others who teach Scripture, have in studying it devotionally. It's easy to fall into the trap of studying Scripture with the sole purpose to teach it. What a shame it is to fall into that trap and miss the rich blessings of God's Word, meeting with the personal intimate God through devotional Bible study. It is an equal shame if those who lead worship fall into the trap of leading worship without practicing worship themselves. This too is a potential pitfall for pastors and those who lead worship.

In congregations in mission for Christ, pastors and worship leaders lead worship by worshipping. They give themselves, and the congregation gives them, permission to ascribe praise and worth to God while they lead. This is a very difficult thing to do, balance between worshiping and leading, allowing yourself to be in the moment and worship while being ready to lead the next element. It's easy to fall into the trap of focusing too much on leading and miss out on worshipping. Always thinking about what you're going to do next, preparing for what's to come, forming words for the next prayer, etc.

The pastors at Richland Lutheran make an intentional effort not to fall into this trap. We seek to worship God first and lead the congregation in worship second. This sometimes makes for something less than perfection but God doesn't expect perfection he expects our worship. And we can't very well lead worship if we're not already practicing worship ourselves. As we worship and lead in worship we don't seek perfection but excellence, not performance but participation, not accuracy but authenticity, not rigidity but freedom. And in so doing we hope to put a smile on God's face.

### Equip · Empower · Encourage

# Long Range Plan Update

The Long Range Planning Team has completed their plan, "Our Guide for Today, Our Vision for Tomorrow" and has distributed it to the congregation. If you'd like a copy of the plan please pick it up at the church.

The Long Range Planning Team will be available for questions and answers regarding the plan between services in the Friendship Room on **Sunday**, **September 8**, and in the Prince of Peace fellowship area on **Monday**, **September 16 at 7:00 p.m.** 

There will be a special congregational meeting on **Sunday**, **September 29**, following the 11:00 worship service to discuss and approve the plan.

Also, please feel free to contact the team at lrpteam@richlandlutheran.org anytime.

# Financial Update

### <u>Treasurer's Report – as of July 2013</u>

|                   | Year to Date |             |             | <b>Prior Year Comparison</b> |             |             |
|-------------------|--------------|-------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                   | Actuals      | Budget      | Variance    | YTD '13                      | YTD '12     | Variance    |
| Offering / Income | \$ 411,994   | 436,800     | \$ (24,806) | \$ 411,994                   | \$ 451,694  | \$ (39,700) |
| Expense           | \$(461,330)  | \$(452,041) | \$ 9,289    | \$(461,330)                  | \$(416,742) | \$ 44,588   |
| Profit / (Loss)   | \$ (49,336)  | \$ (15,241) | \$ (34,095) | \$ (49,336)                  | \$ 34,952   | \$ (84,288) |

If you have any questions regarding this financial summary, please contact Debbie Stankovich, Lisa Wiegand or me.

In His Service,

Rich Olsen

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.

### Lutheran World Relief News

Personal Care Kits: In the world's poorest regions, hygiene can be difficult. Accessible water can be scarce. Soap can be too expensive when a family struggles to afford one meal a day. Towels, toothbrushes and combs can be hard to come by. While the items within a Personal Care Kit seem simple, they make a profound impact. The kit creates opportunity - stay clean and healthy, to walk with dignity and to know that God loves them enough to inspire someone, far away, that they won't meet to provide an opportunity.

Each kit contains: bath size towel, 2 bath-size soaps (4-5 oz), wide tooth comb, nail clippers and a toothbrush. Items can be left in the container marked LWR under the mailboxes in the Prince of Peace fellowship area.

Questions? Contact LaVonne Scully

# From the Council

By the time you read this, Carol and I will be exploring Germany, the homeland of two famous Lutherans -Martin Luther and Dietrich Bonhoeffer. Martin Luther was the Augustinian monk whose faith in God's grace led him to oppose the errors in Catholic theology and practices at the risk of his own life. Dietrich Bonhoeffer died in a Nazi camp because of his opposition of the Nazi regime and his leadership in the Confessing Church.

While our trip is not focused on these two men we do hope to visit sites associated with them including Luther's birthplace, the Augustinian cloister where he was a monk, the Castle Church where he reputedly nailed the 95 theses to the door, and Schloss Wartburg where he translated the Bible into the common German language. Bonhoeffer sites are not as public but we will visit Kloster Ettal, a Catholic monastery where he wrote one of his books.

As part of my daily devotions this year I have read Bonhoeffer's book *Life Together* and am currently reading his book *The Cost of Discipleship*. Bonhoeffer believed firmly that following Christ must require a change in our lives. As he said "Cheap grace is preaching forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, Communion without confession. ... Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate. ...Luther has said that grace alone can save; his followers took up his doctrine and repeated it word for word. But they left out its invariable corollary, the obligation of discipleship. The only man who has the right to say he is justified by grace alone is the man who has left all to follow Christ...Beside Jesus nothing has any significance. He alone matters. When we are called to follow Christ, we are summoned to an exclusive attachment to his person."

The focus of the 2013 Ministry Plan for Richland Lutheran Church is becoming Christian disciples. We need to think about what it means to be a disciple of Christ. Are we willing to change the priorities in our lives including the use of our time and money? Do we seriously try to obey his commandments? And in the extreme, would we be willing to die to follow him? Dietrich Bonhoeffer made that commitment when he returned from the safety of America to Germany to support his church and as a result was executed by the Nazis at the age of 39.

Dave Larkin, Secretary

# Lutheran World Relief Thanks

### Dear Friends,

I've heard it said in many ways, in many different languages. Thank you. Thank you for your recent givftof \$2,178 to Lutheran World Relief. Thank you for the work it will support and the lives it will touch. Thank you.

The people of the Usa River Lutheran Parish thank you for the gift of hope in the face of malaria. LWR works with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania to spread awareness about the prevention and treatment of malaria. Because of gifts like yours, we can continue to fight this preventable, treatable disease.

In the Philippines, mothers like Warnita Pardillo thank you. After 2012's Typhoon Bopha destroyed her home on the island of Mindanao, gifts like yours helped us respond quickly with shelter repair kits and other critical assistance to get the families on the road to recovery.

In Nicaragua, mothers like Ana Rosa Gatica Diaz thank you. Up until recently she struggled to support her family. But thanks to people like you, she's being trained to grow quality cocoa plants that hold the potential for a better income and a more stable future.

Isn't it amazing how many lives your gift can touch? On behalf of LWR's global staff, our partners and those we serve together, thank you for being Christ's hands in the world! God bless you!

In Christ, John A. Nunes President and CEO

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# You Were Only Fuelin', While I Was Changin' The Oil

Elitist that I am (my radio listening is confined to NPR Classical), I'm not unaware of the diverse array of popular music strains in our culture. I date myself when I state favorites *include*: the Beatles; ABBA (the best!); Roy Orbison; Peter, Paul and Mary; plus other 60's and 70's folk groups of the genre. A ministerial friend of mine, pastoring a church in West Seattle, claimed he was a Classical music enthusiast in a Country and Western congregation. He coped by sneaking off to an Episcopal church Saturday evenings to hear organ recitals! I opine that even if you *don't* like Country and Western music: you *have* to love the *titles* of many of those "somebody done somebody wrong" songs. This month's column title is one.

The titles and lyrics of much of that musical style amount to love's lament. Love thwarted, or unrequited? A frequent theme. Departure of a loved one? Often sorrowfully depicted. Cheating or defrauding by or of a loved one? A recurring topic. These experiences? Nigh universal. Few want to return to the days of youth when somebody gave them a "Dear John/Jane" letter, or just "broke up" with a "steady." Ask a teenager. On the odd chance that you *are* a teenager reading this column: be assured you're not the first - nor will you be the last - to experience this devastation. Yet many, in their "mature" years are thankful they were "crushed" before a relationship developed further, as years later they reflect on what "might have been" (sometimes known as "having dodged a bullet").

To gain the object of one's love is an unexcelled delight. Courting my child bride was difficult. I knew immediately she was the one. The feeling wasn't mutual, causing a l-o-n-g courtship. I was/am confused: "Hey! What's *not* to like about *me*?" A poem of George Meredith's summarized it: "*She whom I love is hard to catch and conquer. Hard, but O the glory of the winning were she won!*" My parents were married 65 years. Mom passed at 92; Dad at 93, 10 days later, of a "broken heart" - which isn't a metaphor, but an actual medical condition most often precipitated by love's loss. Mom worried because in their prayers Dad prayed *she'd* die first. In the code of the old Midwest, his philosophy was: he'd promised to care for her until death did them part, so she'd have to go first in order for him to fulfill his vows. He did, and the loss killed him.

Someone *far* greater knows all about this. **1 John 4:8,9:** "...*God showed His love among us:* (*by sending*) *His one and only Son into the world that we might live through Him. This is love:* <u>*not that we loved God, but that He loved us*</u> *and sent His son as an atoning sacrifice for our sins.*" He loved us first. While we were "fuelin" around in sin, He offered "changing' the oil" by the Holy Spirit in our lives exchanged for the control of our sinful nature. On the Cross He literally died of a broken heart according to medical experts. **Isaiah 53:5:** "*He was pierced for our transgressions, He was crushed for our iniquities.*" Dodge an eternal bullet by NOT letting His love for you go unrequited. Oh, and "Happy Anniversary", Honey!

Pastor Dave

### Attention All Adults!

An adult Sunday school class will begin **September 22** on the book <u>How to Hear from God</u> by Joyce Meyer. Learn to know His voice and make right decisions.

You can get the book at Amazon.com, Barnes and Noble, Hastings and don't forget you can download on your tablets and smart phones. Get it soon and start reading. We will start with the first two chapters.

Looking forward to seeing you, Patti Miller

# RLC Foundation Awareness Month

September is awareness month for the RLC Foundation. On September 7 and 8 at each worship service, Jeff Dagle will be making you aware of the Foundation activities and its relationship to Richland Lutheran Church. On September 15 the Foundation Board Members will be sponsoring Hebrew's Café and will be available for questions and information.

This year, the awareness subject is wheat and how the Congregation reaps the benefits of the ministry seeds planted by the Foundation using income from gifts provided by donors to the Foundation.

A special highlight is The Biblical Wheat Experiment conducted by a mill executive that took God at his word to see what would happen by tithing a wheat crop. The experiment became known as The Dynamic Kernels Wheat Tithing Experiment. Consecrated to the Lord and depending on God's grace, The Dynamic Kernels story remains one of the country's most impressive displays of Christian fellowship and tithing.

If you cannot wait, contact one of the Board members now.

The Board members are Diane Bonin, Jeff Dagle, Lori Lachut, Ken Meek, Theresa Rathbone, Loren Schmid, and Jack Telefson.

"Bring the full tithes into the storehouse ...; and thereby put me to the test ... if I will not open the windows of heaven and pour down for you an overflowing blessing." – Malachi 3:10.

LAFF September Event



L.A.F.F.

Lutherans About Fun and Fellowship

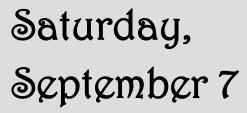


It's Fall and time to get together to have some fun!

**Tuesday, September 24, at 1:30 PM** bring your favorite dessert to share. Please also bring a White Elephant (something you can live without) item and put it in a bag or wrap it for prizes when we play BINGO.

You will have the opportunity to help decide what LAFF will do in the future. See you there!

# Neighborhood Block Party



4-7 PM

Come enjoy a fun evening of games, food, and friends as we host our neighborhood to the 3rd Annual RLC Block Party. There will be cotton candy, snow cones, burgers, inflatables, games, & prizes.

# Stevens Park



We need your help to make this event a success. Volunteer to set up, clean up, work at a booth, bake cupcakes, donate candy, or loan a generator or easy-up. Sign up at a Worship service or contact Ginnette Ernst at 528-9389 or at ginnette.ernst@gmail.com.

# Parish Health Ministry

### **School Safety**

A new school year is upon us. Students are both excited and anxious to find out about their new teachers and who will be their classmates. There are so many areas to focus on to ensure your child has a healthy enjoyable successful school year. Everything from safety in traveling to school to having a physical exam to ensure your child sees well and has his recommended immunizations.

One area I would like to remind parents and other loved ones about is keeping an open communication with your child. Your child may be exposed to drug use, bullying, weapons from others, peer pressure, and general stress from expectations to perform academically and physically while competing in activities. While your school can help educate your child on how to respond, your child will be better to handle these situations with your guidance.

You can help your child by keeping informed and getting involved as to their school and non-school activities, meeting and welcoming of their friends, spending quality time doing fun and educational activities, discussing all aspects of their life, watching for warning signs when your child is in distress and getting them help as needed. Watching our children grow over the next school period is enjoyable as each stage of development is interesting to watch. Hopefully each one of our children will have a successful safe year!

Reminder that the RLC Blood Drive will be Tuesday, September 17, from 1-6 PM. Please join us!

# New Members' Ministry: Shepherding Program

How would you like to partner with God in welcoming and shepherding new members through their first few months of joining God's church family here at Richland Lutheran Church?

"Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care, serving as overseers – not because you must, but because you are willing, as God wants you to be..." 1 Peter 5:2

The New Members' Ministry team invites you to join us in its **renewed** Shepherding (Sponsorship) Program. As a volunteer in this program, you will have the opportunity to serve God and your church community by welcoming and integrating new members into RLC, helping them to...

- connect with Christ, His church and its ministries and
- find God's purpose for their lives

You can also indicate your interest by signing up on the yellow worship slip found in the church bulletin or contact a team member - Sandy Steele (546-0439), Linda Totten (967-7208), or Fred Kremmer (375-4090).

There will be an orientation meeting on **Sunday, September 22, at 12:15 PM** (following the 11:00 AM service.) The meeting will be held in the Prince of Peace fellowship area and is for anyone who has already signed up for the Shepherding program, and anyone else who may be interested. There is no obligation.

| September 2013   |  |   |  |  |  |
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| Sun  | Mon  | Tue   |  |  |  |
| <b>1</b><br>8:30 AM Worship<br>9:00 AM Good News Today<br>9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe<br>10:15 AM Worship<br>6:30 PM Coffeehouse   | 2 Labor Day - Office Closed<br>7:00 PM Bible Study   | <b>3</b><br>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class<br>9:30 AM Staff Meeting<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248<br>7:00 PM Outreach Team Meeting  |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>8</li> <li>8:00 AM Rally Day</li> <li>8:30 AM Worship</li> <li>9:00 AM Good News Today</li> <li>9:45 AM Long Range Plan Q &amp; A</li> <li>9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks</li> <li>9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe</li> <li>11:00 AM Worship</li> <li>5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team</li> <li>6:30 PM Coffeehouse</li> <li>6:30 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group</li> </ul>  | 9<br>12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group<br>6:30 PM RLC Foundation<br>7:00 PM Bible Study                | <b>10</b><br>7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast at Denny's<br>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class<br>9:30 AM Staff Meeting<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248<br>7:00 PM Congregation Council       |  |  |  |
| <ul> <li>15</li> <li>9th Grade Confirmation Retreat</li> <li>8:30 AM Worship</li> <li>9:00 AM Good News Today</li> <li>9:45 AM Basic Belief Seminar</li> <li>9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe</li> <li>11:00 AM Worship</li> <li>5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team</li> <li>6:30 PM Coffeehouse</li> <li>6:30 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group</li> </ul>  | <b>16</b><br>12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group<br>7:00 PM Long Range Plan Q & A<br>7:00 PM Bible Study | <b>17</b><br>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class<br>9:30 AM Staff Meeting<br>1:00 PM Red Cross Blood Drive<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248   |  |  |  |
| <b>22</b><br>8:30 AM Worship<br>9:00 AM Good News Today<br>9:45 AM 1st Communion Training<br>9:45 AM Acolyte Training<br>9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks<br>9:45 AM Blood Pressure Checks<br>9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe<br>11:00 AM Worship<br>12:15 PM Shepherds Program Orientation<br>5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team<br>6:30 PM High School Discipleship Team<br>6:30 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group<br>7:00 PM Union Gospel Mission Service | 23<br>12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group<br>1:30 PM Dorcas Circle<br>7:00 PM Bible Study                | 24<br>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class<br>9:30 AM Hannah Circle<br>9:30 AM Miriam Circle<br>9:30 AM Staff Meeting<br>1:30 PM LAFF<br>7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 248<br>7:00 PM Lydia Circle |  |  |  |
| <b>29</b><br>8:30 AM Worship<br>9:00 AM Good News Today<br>9:45 AM Basic Belief Seminar<br>9:45 AM Education Hour/HeBrews Cafe<br>11:00 AM Worship<br>12:15 PM Special Congregational Meeting<br>5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team<br>6:30 PM Coffeehouse<br>6:30 PM Haler/Worgull Growth Group  | <b>30</b><br>12:00 PM Mary Martha Growth Group<br>7:00 PM Bible Study                                  | 32 222  |  |  |  |

| September 2013                     |   |   |   |  |  |  |
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|                                    | Thu   | Fri   | Sat   |  |  |  |
| Bible Study                        | <b>5</b><br>8:00 AM Gentle Yoga class<br>9:00 AM Bible Study<br>9:00 AM Llbrary Work<br>6:00 PM Steele Growth Group<br>6:30 PM Trinity Living Peer Coach<br>Training                          | <b>6</b><br>9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly<br>6:00 PM AA Meeting<br>6:15 PM Girl Scouts  | 7<br>4:00 PM Block Party<br>5:00 PM Worship   |  |  |  |
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### 2nd Harvest Mobile Food Bank Distribution Report

We received the following information from 2nd Harvest regarding last month's Mobile Food Bank Distribution in the RLC parking lot. Thanks to all the volunteers who helped make it a successful afternoon!

### **Second Harvest**

### **Mobile Food Bank Activity Report**

Mobile Food Bank Partner: Thrivent Financial for Lutherans with Richland Lutheran Church

City & State: Richland, WA

County: Benton

Date of Event: August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013

Approx. Volunteer Hours: 81

### HOUSEHOLDS:

How many total households did you serve this distribution? 178

| Age:  | Number of Clients Served per age range: |
|-------|---|
| 0-2   | 38                                      |
| 3-18  | 254                                     |
| 19-54 | 282                                     |
| 55+   | 90                                      |
| TOTAL | 664                                     |

CLIENTS: What were the ages (within given range) of the clients?

How many Special Dietary Need clients (individuals) did you serve this distribution? N/A

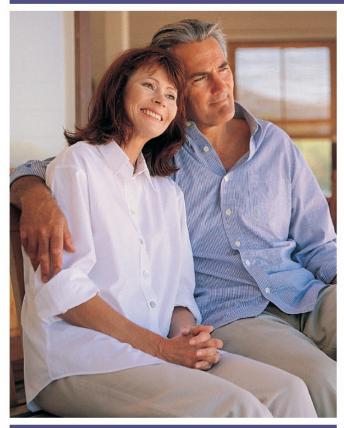
How many pounds (from <u>all</u> sources) did you distribute this distribution? <u>11,257 lbs. (Beef Counts</u> <u>Event)</u>

Did you weigh all the food you distributed? <u>YES</u> NO

Did you use an average weight then multiply by household? YES NO



# You Are Invited to Attend



### **Event Details**

Monday, October 14th @ 10:00 - 11:15 AM - OR -Tuesday, October 15th @ 7:00 - 8:15 PM

Richland Lutheran Church 901 Van Giesen Richland, WA 99354

Prince of Peace Fellowship Area

### Retirement & Estate Strategies Workshop

Join special guest speaker Melanie Meyer, CFP, CLU, Wealth Advisor • Thrivent Financial for Lutherans • 20 Years Experience.

Melanie will share strategies on:

- · How to accumulate and distribute money for retirement.
- How to pass money onto heirs or charities in a tax wise manner.
- · Increasing the probability of investment success.
- Multi-generation IRA planning ... and more!

This workshop is hosted by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and your local Wealth Advisor, Michelle A. Clary, CFP, CLU, ChFC.

Refreshments will be served.

Please call Holly at (509) 582-0570 or email holly.thorpe@thrivent.com to reserve a place for yourself and a guest.

You can also register at Thrivent.com/findaworkshop.

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# Activities for Kids



### SUPER KIDS SEPTEMBER 2013

Sept. 11 - Super Fun Kick Off! Sept. 18 - Jesus Call His Disciples! Sept. 25 - Crowds! And a Sermon!

Captain Clueless is learning all about the Beattitudes this fall with the help of his friends Marty, Katy and Professor Peabody!

Super Kids! is a Wednesday night ministry for children in 1st through 5th grade. 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 jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org

**Attention Adults!!** Pastor Steve will be leading a Bible study on Wednesday nights from 6:30-7:45 PM. Come have dinner at 6:00 PM in the Prince of Peace and then join him in the Chapel for Bible study!

### Operation Christmas Child 2013 Item of the Month — Gifts for Older Girls & Boys, ages 10-14 and \$7 Shipping Fee per box

Our goal for this year is to fill at least 150 boxes. We believe by spreading the collection process out over the entire year, we should be able to reach, and hopefully surpass, this number!

### Please bring <u>NEW</u> gifts and toys for OLDER GIRLS & BOYS:

Multi-colored Sharpies; yo-yo's, marbles, baseballs, ball caps, T-shirts, Bible story books, solar calculators, flashlights and batteries, soccer ball with pump, cars/trucks, kazoos, compass, hammer & nails, screwdriver & screws, duct tape, tape measure, travel sewing kit, fat-quarter bundles, small pots/pans with a spatula, bangle bracelets, clip on earrings, "cheerleader" pom-poms, purse, unbreakable hand mirror, flip-flops, socks, scarves, travel-sized board games, crafting kits (beads, etc), solar calculator, <u>non-liquid</u> make up. Be creative! Think about the older kids you know, and what they would like to receive. Gift items can be placed in the Christmas-y box near the mailboxes in the Prince of Peace fellowship area.

We also need \$7 per box to cover shipping expenses. We estimate that we will have up to 200 boxes! If you can help cover a portion of the \$1400 needed to send these boxes around the world, please make your check payable to "RLC" with "Operation Christmas Child" noted on the memo line. Thank you for your help in making this a year-round ministry!

For more information contact Jenny Page (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org)



### Youth Activities

### 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 worshiping, playing, learning and hanging out together. Friends are always welcome!

### <u>It's back!!!</u>

### <u>WILD is kicking off another</u> <u>amazing year of fun and learning</u> <u>on September 11 at 6:30pm in the</u> <u>Gloria Dei room upstairs</u>.

If you are in Middle School, you are invited! We play games, we do activities, and we learn more about our awesome God. We also have **dinner at 6pm** in the fellowship hall if you are interested. Hope to see you there!

### Reminder: Our first Confirmation Retreat is October 18-20!

### 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 worshiping, playing, laughing, discussing, learning, praying...among other things! Friends are always welcome!

We are kicking off Coffeehouse this year on September 1<sup>st</sup> with a Dust Devils game! Watch Facebook for more details. Then we will begin a new year with some interesting ways to see God more, and develop your own discipleship.

### September 13-15 is our final Confirmation Retreat for our ninth graders. Please sign up with the church office, or facebook Corey and let him know you're going!

High School Discipleship Group will begin meeting September 8 at 5:30pm in the Friendship Room. If you are interested in deepening your faith and growing closer to other Christ-followers, this may be the group for you!



**Sunday School begins September 8** for kids age 3 years old through high school! We'll gather in the Prince of Peace fellowship area at 9:45 AM to meet our teachers, complete registration forms, and enjoy some refreshments. Each week, the children will gather in their classrooms to explore the Bible, sing songs, and build their relationship with Jesus.

This year, the preschool and elementary children will be using the Spark Lectionary series curriculum. The 5th graders will be following a pre-confirmation curriculum specially developed for our needs. The middle school and high school students will be using studies especially crafted for a variety of topics pertaining to living life as a young adult in our world today.

The RLC Sunday School follows the age guidelines used by the local school districts. Children should be age 3 by Aug. 31, 2013 to begin Sunday School.

For more information, contact Jenny Page at the church or by email (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org).

### Men's Ministry Retreat

# Stonewater Ranch Plain, Washington October 4-6, 2013



Join us for our annual fall retreat at scenic Stonewater Ranch

### Pastor Dave Hogan's topic on our spiritual retreat in the mountains: <u>"Men in the Wilderness: cleanup Aisle 1 with an Interactive compass"</u>

We can learn much from men in the Bible who found themselves in the wilderness. They listened to God, were faithful to His message, and grew in wisdom. Can we hear that "voice in the wilderness" guiding us in wisdom to deal with the moral/ethical morass of today's culture/world? Isaiah 40:3

**Registration:** 

 Name\_\_\_\_\_
 Church \_\_\_\_\_

 Address\_\_\_\_\_\_
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$115.00 (includes two nights lodging, five meals and priceless spiritual benefits)

Send registration and checks to RLC 901 Van Giesen Drive, Richland, WA 99354

Questions or more information contact RLC at (509) 943-3164, <u>office@richlandlutheran.org</u> or Norm Gillette at (509) 378-5898 or email <u>nlg1939@msn.com</u>.

Register online at richland-lutheran.org.

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

# Thrivent Social Security Seminar

### **SOCIAL SECURITY: Strategize to Maximize**

# Did you know that there are hundreds of options associated with your Social Security retirement benefits?

Join us at **6:30 PM** on **Tuesday**, **October 1**, at Tagaris Winery & Taverna, 844 Tulip Lane, Richland (in the Estate Room) for a wine and hors d'oeuvres presentation to explore how to sort through the choices. Help ensure the decisions you make are ones you can live with—for the rest of your life.

Contact Financial Representatives Mike Bernard, FIC or Tyler Wanke, FIC at 783-7050 or tyler.wanke@thrivent.com to RSVP (by September 22nd). Space is limited!

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans and its respective associates and employees have general knowledge of the Social Security tenets; however, they do not have the professional expertise for a complete discussion of the details of your specific situation. For additional information, contact your local Social Security Administration office.

No products will be sold at this event.

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# Bake - Collect - Build - Gather - Paint - Sew - Sculpt - Weave -Nail - Knit....

Whatever your talent, craft or art may be, it's time to get ready for our annual

### Good News Media Ministry Arts and Crafts Fair!

This year the Fair will be held on Saturday, November 9, 2013 in the Prince of Peace fellowship area. All proceeds go toward the Good News Media Ministry.

More details will follow. Don't miss this opportunity!

Commit your work to the LORD, and your plans will be established. Proverbs 16:3

# Worship Participants

| September   |                   | Sunday  | Sunday   | Sunday   | Sunday   | Sunday   |
|---|-------------------|---|--|--|--|--|
| 2013  | Time              | Sept. 1<br>8:30 & 10:15 AM  | Sept. 8  | Sept. 15   | Sept. 22   | Sept. 29   |
| Pianist<br>(Saturday)   | 5:00 PM           | Keith Lozano  | Teresa Zorich  | Teresa Zorich  | Teresa Zorich  | Teresa Zorich  |
|   | 8:30 AM           | Keith Lozano  | Teresa Zorich  | Keith Lozano   | Teresa Zorich  | Keith Lozano   |
|   | 11:00 AM          | Joe Potts (10:15)   | Joe Potts  | Joe Potts  | Joe Potts  | Joe Potts  |
|   | 8:30 AM           | Dolores Jaech   | Norm Gillette  | Kathy Killand  | Jim Salaba   | Peggy Pilger   |
| Lectors   | 11:00 AM          | Karen Clark (10:15)   | Len Ross   | Valerie Bettinson  | Alicia Phaneuf   | Susan Schmieman  |
| Communion   | 8:30 AM           | Jenifer Haler<br>Larry Haler<br>Charles Davis<br>Elaine Davis           | Sara Gillette<br>Norm Gillette<br>Clarine Watkins                    | Larry Haler<br>Jenifer Haler<br>Pam Hedges                         | Clarine Watkins<br>Alesia Chaney<br>Charles Davis                      | Emil Leitz<br>Jann Leitz<br>Alesia Chaney                          |
| Assistants  | 11:00 AM          | Jon Page<br>Jenny Page (10:15)<br>****<br>****                          | Karen Clark<br>****<br>****  | Valerie Bettinson<br>Mike Bettinson<br>Kelly Westlund              | Karen Clark<br>Jon Page<br>Jenny Page                                  | Kelly Westlund<br>****<br>****                                     |
| Setup/Cleanup<br>Communion<br>(Saturday)<br>Sunday 8:30 setup | 5:00 PM           | Nancy Ballard   | Joanne Woehle  | Jim & Sue Worgull  | Nancy Ballard  | Carl & Judy<br>Schroeder   |
| Cleanup 8:30, Set up<br>11:00 Sunday                          | After<br>8:30 AM  | Alicia Phaneuf  | Lois Harrold<br>Karin Nickola  | Rick Nunamaker<br>Pam Warren                                       | Carol Schmid   | Mike & MaryJo<br>Schroeder   |
| Clean up<br>Communion   | After<br>11:00 AM | Rick Nunamaker<br>(10:15)   | Doloros Erickson   | Carl & Tobi<br>Schroeder   | Jim & Jean Loss  | Rick Nunamaker   |
| Acolytes  | 8:30 AM           | Robert Warren<br>Mikayla Mars   | Cayden Tanasse<br>Kyle Prigge  | Ella Sperline<br>Alexis Riensche                                   | Adam Pilger<br>Patrick Schroeder                                       | Katie Schmid<br>Sarah Schmid                                       |
|   | 11:00 AM          | (10:15)<br>Daniel Miles<br>Nathan Mitchell                              | Carlyle Keyes<br>Kenny You   | Conner Budzeck<br>Nathan Lipton                                    | Woody Page<br>Trond Tilton   | Jennifer Williams<br>Zeke Ernst                                    |
| sisting Ushers  | 8:30 AM           | H – Mike Schwartz<br>Karen Schwartz<br>A – Gary Weible<br>Eunice Weible | H –Chuck McCargar<br>Sue McCargar<br>A – Harold Hogue<br>Larry Haler | H – Fred Kremmer<br>Mac Dixson<br>A – Jim Peterson<br>Bruce Lander | H – Gary Weible<br>Larry Corning<br>A – Jon Erlandson<br>Laura Stevens | H – Larry Haler<br>Jim Peterson<br>A – John Lesser<br>Kiane Lesser |
|   | 11:00 AM          | H – Carol Hexum<br>Alan Hagensen<br>A – Rick Budzeck<br>Janet Budzeck   | H - ****<br>****<br>A – Jim Loss<br>Jean Loss                        | H - Jim Loss<br>Jean Loss<br>A – Mike Strasburg<br>Charles Rogers  | H – Rick Budzeck<br>Janet Budzeck<br>A – Rick Snyder<br>Kathy Snyder   | H – Mike Bettinson<br>Valerie Bettinso<br>A - ****                 |
|   | 8:30 AM           | Lois Harrold  | Carleen & Len Lust   | Marge & Harold   | Carol Schmid   | Mille & Ray  |
|   | 11:00 AM          | Karen Clark   | Kathy & Rick<br>Snyder   | Hogue<br>LaVonne Scully  | Debbie Honeyman  | Nierman<br>****  |
| Children's Church   | 8:30 AM           | Melissa Schmid<br>Katie/Sarah Schmid                                    | ****   | John Huebner<br>****   | ****   | Astrid Goplen<br>Neal/Freja  |
|   | 11:00 AM          | Pam Hedges<br>Kira Westlund   | Julie Bishop<br>****   | Trina Miles<br>Daniel Miles  | ****<br>****   | ****   |
| Producer/Audio Mix  | 8:30 AM           | Brian Killand   | Jim Moran  | Mike Schwartz  | Mike Stankovich  | Brian Killand  |
|   | 11:00 AM          | Woody Page  | Ben Barr   | Drew Snyder  | Jon Page   | Drew Snyder  |
| Tech Director/Live  | 8:30 AM           | Jon Page  | Woody Page   | Jack Page  | Bob Thompson   | Woody Page   |
| Streaming Coord.  | 11:00 AM          | Drew Snyder   | Jon Page   | Drew Snyder  | Jon Page   | Jack Page  |
| Cameras   | 8:30 AM           | 1 - Fred Kremmer<br>2 - Ken Meek  | 1 – Jon Erlandson<br>2 – Don Schmid                                  | 1 – Larry Haler<br>2 – Paul Hedges                                 | 1 – Robert Warren<br>2 – Ryan Warren                                   | 1 – Fred Kremmer<br>2 – Ken Meek                                   |
|   | 11:00 AM          | 1 – Zeke Ernst<br>2 – Kenny You   | 1 – Andy Clark<br>2 – Zeke Ernst                                     | 1 – Woody Page<br>2 – Kenny You                                    | 1 – Andy Clark<br>2 – Zeke Ernst                                       | 1 – Kenny You<br>2 – Robert Warren                                 |
| Sound System  | 8:30 AM           | Chuck Richardson  | Chuck Richardson   | Chuck Richardson   | Chuck Richardson   | Chuck Richardson   |
| Operators   | 11:00 AM          | Jeff Dagle  | Jeff Dagle   | Jeff Dagle   | Jeff Dagle   | Jeff Dagle   |
| Editor/Post Prod.   |                   | Ben Barr  | Ben Barr   | Ben Barr   | Ben Barr   | Ben Barr   |
| Cashiers  |                   | Nancy Ballard   | Nancy Ballard  | Judy Riggers   | Nancy Ballard  | Kathy Snyder   |
| Flowers   |                   | Debbie Honeyman<br>Dave & Ann Brandes                                   | Debbie Honeyman<br>John & Jan Fulton                                 | Lori Hogan<br>Irv & Elaine Solbrack                                | Doris Barchet  | Janet Budzeck  |

### Anniversaries & Birthdays

#### ANNIVERSARIES

September 5 Elaine & Pastor Hogan Curt & Karen Juergens Edie & Pete Lakey

September 6 Jann & Emil Leitz Sharleen & Glenn Thesenvitz

September 7 Lynne & Harry Rice Shawn & Don Welch

September 8 Tomi & Steven Chalk Jan & Erlan Leitz

September 9 Gloria & Russell Richman

September 10 Lisa & Jason Corning Elaine & Irv Solbrack Irene & Richard Ulvin

September 12 Janice & John Fulton Patti & Tom Miller

September 15 Lauren & Rob Crum Judith & Michael Wells

September 16 Margaret & Jerry Dagle Jean & Roland Thompson

September 17 Laurel & Matthew Palmblad

September 20 Lynn & Joel Tanasse Loris & Jack Tellefson Joanne & Bernie Woehle

September 21 Gayla & Terry Davis

September 23 Betty and Felix Quinn

September 24 Lauren & Rusty Heaslet

September 26 Lois & Larry Harrold September 27 Kelly & Brian Duchscherer Amy & Josh Gardner Lori & Todd Hanson

September 28 Lori & Michael Hogan Brenda & Andrew Hoyt

September 29 Charlotte & Rick Epperson Ruby & James Ulseth

September 30 Tara & Mike Bevelacqua

### BIRTHDAYS

September 1 Ila Pitkin Judy Simonen

September 2 Danielle Kinmark Morgan Oberlander

September 3 Jantz Levin

September 4 Tammy Carswell Carol Goplen Avalyn Hogan Vickie Kelly

September 5 Alesia Chaney Benjamin Kelly

September 6 Jacqueline Foss Nancy Jewell Leslie Sievers

September 7 Steve Moritz

September 8 Adele Sorensen Ashton Wick

September 9 Trey Bush Rhet McCullough Madeline Miller Gavin Sievers September 10 Chelsey Bettinson Sophia Fetrow Kathy Killand Susan Miller Shaune Salter Jeri Sandberg Angela Scherer

September 11 Alec Richardson Don Schmid Janet Sliter

September 12 Payton Barry Ken Dodge Isabella Fetrow Jennifer Williams

September 13 Scott Conrad Mary Lipton Kristin Mensinger Walker Miller

September 14 Christy Rasmussen Ruth Vail

September 15 Kathy Snyder

September 16 Dorothy Beyer Eli Dobie Roland Harvey Cheryl Nixon

September 17 Iris Purtzer Judith Wells

September 18 Jacquelyn Cross Ben Hoffner Nancy Olsen Vivian Stangeland

September 19 Brian Duchscherer Carl Schroeder, Jr. Roland Thompson September 20 Lindsey Bussell Chelsea Johnson Joan Perham

September 21 John Bartholomew Bill Eller Sherry Foreman Kurt Imhoff John Lesser Mallory Mercer Sue Vernon

September 23 Julie Deen Eileen Koski Irene Ulvin

September 24 Mary Jo Schroeder

September 25 Olen Bishop Doloros Erickson Jennifer Foss Kaylyn Lesser

September 26 Andrea Montvale Patty Newton Leah Smith

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



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Traditional Worship with Holy Communion Sundays at 8:30 AM

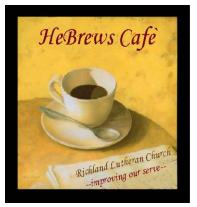
> Worship with Holy Communion Sunday, September 1, at 10:15 AM Beginning Sunday, September 8: Sundays at 11:00 AM

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

Audio files of sermons are available on the website: www.richland-lutheran.org



Come to HeBrews Café Sunday mornings, between 9:45 AM and 10:45 AM (Sunday, September 1 9:45-10:15 AM)

It's where Richland Lutheran Church members are refreshed, 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.

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