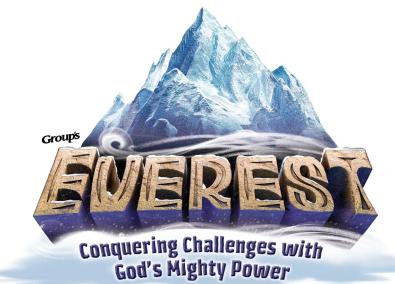
June 2015



# **Vacation Bible School**



# Every evening - June 22-26 Ages 3 years old - 5th grade Register online at www.RichlandLutheran.org

Join us at **EVEREST VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** and EMBARK ON THE COOLEST ADVENTURE OF THE SUMMER! Everest VBS is filled with incredible Bible-learning experiences as kids see, hear, touch and even taste God's mighty power and love! Sciency-fun gizmos, team building games, and cool Bible songs are just a few of the standout activities that will help faith flow into real life.

Registration is now available **ONLINE** through the RLC website, and also in the fellowship hall information table .

For ages 3 years old (and out of diapers) thru 5th grade. (preschool parents are strongly encouraged to stay and enjoy the event with their child)

> Each night starts with a Family-Dinner at 5:15 PM Program: 6:00-8:15 PM

> > Continued on page 7

The Previev

### **Congregation Council**

#### **Council Members**

Norm Gillette, Member at Large Sarah Hagensen, Member at Large Dave Larkin, President Todd Maier, Member at Large Rich Olsen, Financial Officer Don Schmid, Member at Large Joel Sorensen, Secretary Sandy Steele, Vice President Mike Strasburg, Member at Large

### Ex Officio Member

Pastor Steve Ernst, Lead Pastor

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

## Staff

**Rev. Steve Ernst, Lead Pastor** Christian Service Ministry Lead pastor.steve@richlandlutheran.org

**Rev. Corey Smith, Associate Pastor** Spiritual Transformation Ministry Lead pastor.corey@richlandlutheran.org

Joseph Farrar, Director of Music and Worship Worship Ministry Lead joseph.farrar@richlandlutheran.org

#### Open, Property and Grounds Coordinator

Kelly Westlund, Ministry Assistant for Christian Service kelly.westlund@richlandlutheran.org

*Joanne Woehle, Ministry Assistant for Worship* joanne.woehle@richlandlutheran.org

*Lisa Wiegand, Ministry Assistant for Biblical Stewardship* lisa.wiegand@richlandlutheran.org

#### Jenny Page, Ministry Assistant for Spiritual Transformation jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org

Scripture taken from the HOLY BIBLE, NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION<sup>©</sup> NIV<sup>©</sup>. Copyright © 1973, 1978, 1984, 2011 by Biblica, Inc.<sup>™</sup> Used by permission of Biblica, Inc.<sup>™</sup> All rights reserved worldwide.

### **Member Directory Changes**

Hellier, Charles & Cherie

1744 Sunshine Ave.

W. Richland 99353

4116 Fernwood Lane

Nunamaker, Susie

Richland 99354

360-969-0555

Purvis, Cynthia

Richland 99352

509-607-4020

Riensche, Mary

2024 Blue Ave.

Richland 99354

Schloss, Tami

509-554-8510

Shanley, Gordon

1505 Thayer Dr.

Richland 99354

1889 Birch Ave. Richland 99354

375-9105

900 Aaron Dr. #206

Kane, Marianne

Pasco 99301

1500 Birch

509-521-0552

967-8139

Cook, Phyllis 6912 W. 15<sup>th</sup> Ave. Kennewick 99338

Davis, Gayla & Terry 4501 W. 21<sup>st</sup> Ave. Kennewick 99338

Finger, Dawn P.O. Box 5214 Kennewick 99336

Glasford, Virginia 1629 GW Way #101 Richland 99354 578-1389

Roberts, Barbara 5025 N Road 68 Ste G Pasco 99301

Sparks, Carolyn 943-8424

Thompson, Scott & Alyce 2100 Bellerive Dr. #54 Richland 99352

Weissenfels, Bob & Kelly 1790 Brianna Ct. Richland 99352

We welcome the new members who joined us in covenant membership on May 16 and 17:

Archibald, Jason & Karoline P.O. Box 1412 Richland 99352 Emily and Lauren

### **Pastoral Acts**

Baptisms None

Weddings May 24 Danny Taasevigen and Whitney Rau

**Memorial/Funeral** 

None

### The Preview

is published monthly by Richland Lutheran Church for members and friends of the congregation. *The Preview* is distributed free of charge. Please report address changes to 901 Van Giesen, Richland, WA 99354, call 509-943-3164, fax 509-943-5383, or e-mail office@richlandlutheran.org. Richland Lutheran Church grants permission for any original content (not a reprint) to be photocopied for noncommercial, local church, or personal use, provided the copies indicate the source is *The Preview*. For any other usage, advance permission must be obtained. Electronic versions of *The Preview* may be forwarded in their entirety for noncommercial, local church, or personal use as well.

### **From Pastor Steve**



**DID YOU KNOW...**Richland Lutheran Church is full of Christian icons and symbols throughout the facilities? Can you find this icon? Chances are you look right at it every worship service. This is one of the twelve raised Christian life symbols which are on both sides of the altar. Entitled, "Embarked on the sea of life in the ship which is the church", this icon reminds us of doing life together through the church. The next time you're in worship, try to find it.



- **DID YOU KNOW...**I will be traveling to Mafraq, Jordan on June ninth? I will be visiting Mike and Julie Penley at the Annoor Sanatorium where they serve. This is Annoor's fiftieth year and I am blessed to be there for the celebration of this great ministry. The Annoor Sanatorium for chest diseases was founded in Mafraq, Jordan, in 1965, by Dr. Eleanor Soltau and Aileen Coleman as an outreach to nomadic Bedouins. "Annoor," means "light" in Arabic. Today, the Annoor Sanatorium is the Middle East's referral center for lung diseases. This forty-bed facility is frequented by patients suffering from multi-drug resistant tuberculosis, asthma, lung cancer, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, pulmonary fibrosis, bronchiectatsis, and congestive heart failure. It also offers pediatric care and serves large numbers of malnourished children from Saudi Arabia, Syria, Iraq, and Yemen.
- **DID YOU KNOW...**I regularly read Christian books for spiritual growth and discipleship? I too find great enjoyment and pleasure growing this way in my faith. The book I just finished was, "Contentment: The Secret to a Lasting Calm" by Richard A. Swenson, MD. Over the years Dr. Swenson has become one of my favorite authors and futurists. He has a very unique and Christian perspective on the life. I highly recommend this book. Currently I am reading, among others, "Shrink: Faithful Ministry in a Church-Growth Culture. I haven't gotten very far in this one yet but what a start! My favorite quote thus far is this:

When healthy growth occurs (in the church), it will typically be centered not on the growth of a single church, but the life of an entire community. The people in our churches listening to the message each week are the ones who will extend the kingdom to the workplace, the neighborhoods, and their friendships and families, as they embody the reality that the kingdom of God brings good news to the poor, the lame, the blind, the broken, the disturbed, the handicapped, and the sick.

Wow! I can't wait to see how this plays out. If you have any good reads you'd like to share with me, don't hesitate to pass them along.



## Financial Update - April 2015

As reflected in the financial summary below, our financial results through April is on plan and slightly ahead of last year for the same period. Our offerings are up \$3,566 higher than last year compared to the same time last year. Our expenses are down (\$10,253) compared to the same time last year. Through April, our offerings are below expenses by (\$3,588) compared to (\$17,408) in 2014, a change from last year of \$13,819. These results are reflected in the columns titled "Prior Year Comparison".

	YTD - April			Prior Year Comparison		
	Budget	Actuals	Var (O)/U	2015	2014	Var O/(U)
Offerings / Income	\$273,840	\$241,163	\$ 32,677	\$241,163	\$237,598	\$ 3,566
Expenses	\$273,344	\$244,752	\$ 28,592	\$244,752	\$255,005	\$(10,253)
Net Cash Flow	\$ 496	(\$3,588)	\$ 4,084	(\$3,588)	(\$17,408)	\$ 13,819

Through April, our offerings were below budget by \$32,677, and the expenses were below budget by \$28,592. To date, our offerings are below expenses by (\$3,588). Compared to our budget \$496, we are slightly below plan by \$4,084.

If you have any questions regarding this financial summary, please contact 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.

### **GNMM Antiques and Collectables Sale**



Saturday, July 11

8:00 AM - 2:00 PM

Donations can be brought to the church on Monday, July 6, and Tuesday, July 7. If you have donations that you would like to have picked up, please call Diane Fleener at 392-2111.

#### Help is needed for:

- Set up on Thursday, July 9, and Friday, July 10, from 8 AM Noon
- Sale on Saturday, July 11, from 7:45 -11:00 AM or 11:00 AM 2:00 PM
  - Clean up on Saturday, July 11, from 2 4:00 PM
  - Pickup of donations

If you can help or have questions, contact: Diane Fleener at 375-6520, Debbie Honeyman at 627-5820 or Norene Erlandson at 375-5360



## From the Council

The Lutheran Church has been described as the singing church. That is certainly the case at Richland Lutheran Church. Unfortunately, many are probably more comfortable standing quietly during the singing of hymns and liturgy. We say we can't sing or we don't recognize the hymn. I once knew a church choir director who was so frustrated with congregational singing that he threatened to stand up in front of the congregation and lead in singing of hymns.

A major role of our choirs and musicians is to lead us in worship, and a major part of our worship is singing. Why should we sing? The psalmist exhorts us to "make a joyful noise unto the Lord" (Psalm 95:1 – "O come, let us sing unto the LORD: let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation.")

It is entirely appropriate to worship and exalt the Lord at church through song. Angels sang at the creation (Job 38:4 - 7) and Christ and His Apostles sang just before He suffered (Matthew 26:30). We praise the Lord with our singing. The Bible contains hundreds of references to the use of music to praise the Lord. Here are a few:

**Psalm 21:13**: We praise you, LORD, for all your glorious power. With music and singing we celebrate your mighty acts.

**Psalm 69:30** - I will praise God's name by singing to him. I will bring him glory by giving him thanks. **Psalm 95: 2** - Let's march into his presence singing praises, lifting the rafters with our hymns!

Next worship service, please join our choir or musicians and make a JOYFUL noise by singing the Lord's praises, because that is what worship is all about!

Joel Sorenson, Secretary

### **Please Welcome Our New Members**



On May 17, 2015, we celebrated and welcomed new members to the RLC family!

Left to right in photo:

Dan and Lora Gorton; Karoline and Jason Archibald and their daughters, Emily and Lauren; Cynthia Purvis; Marianne Kane; Tami Schloss; Susie Nunamaker and Joan Lund

Not pictured: Charles and Cherie Hellier, Gordon Shanley

## President's Perspectives - Christianity in America

**The Great Commission** – In the last chapter of Matthew, Jesus tells the eleven disciples; "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you." The progress Christians are making in this commission in America is currently being discussed in the press.

**The PEW Study Results -** On May 12, the PEW research center released the results of a study that looked at Americans who identified themselves as Christians. It didn't look good.

• Since 2007, the percentage of American adults who identified themselves as Christians dropped from 78.4% to 70.6%.

• The biggest drops were among Catholics and mainline Protestant denominations, e.g. Methodists, Presbyterians, Lutherans, etc. Evangelical Protestant denominations appear to be holding steady in membership. The younger the survey taker, the greater the loss in those identifying themselves as Christian. Millennials, those 18 to 30 years old, were the largest generational group to turn from Christianity. This was especially true of mainline Protestant churches.

**Evaluating the Results** – So, is the sky really falling for Christianity in America? A May 15 article in USA-Today saw it this way; yes, mainline denominations are dying, but not Evangelical churches. Conrad Hackett at PEW thinks that the percentage of committed Christians is staying constant but that people of low religious commitment are now finding it socially acceptable to admit they are not Christians. Pastor and author Timothy Keller agrees in saying that the number of devout Christians is stable.

Church attendance statistics seem to back up this position. Overall, periodic Gallup Polls have indicated that 42% of Americans since 1939 reported that they attended a church service in the past week. In late 2013, Gallup reported that 39% of Americans had attended church during the past week. Not a significant change.

**Millennials** – But clearly all is not good. The generation of Millennials is leaving the church in droves, especially from mainline Protestant denominations. Church leaders have done a lot of thinking as to why "M's" are leaving. The most common answers seem to be:

• M's find too many pastors and church members to be hypocrites. They want truth above all else and authenticity. We must always be honest.

• Many young Christians seemed bored with the church. M's are intellectually curious and want to be challenged.

- M's see the church as being judgmental. They see the church as disliking or being anti-gay. (Let's be clear here; the sin is gay sex, and not attraction to the same sex.) They also have problems when the church rejects science. We need to watch our rhetoric.
- M's believe in diversity and are more accepting of those not like themselves. We can't reach M's if we have no interest in reaching people outside our own ethnic and cultural group.
- Keep politics out of the church. Don't assume one party is right and all others wrong.

M's are very much motivated by looking outside the church walls. They want to help others and eliminate social injustice.

**Words from a Millennial** – This article has gotten too long but let me end with a couple of quotes. The first from Rachel Held Evans. An "M" writing for the Washington Post.

"We're not quite as shallow as people assume and sometimes these gimmicks and those desperate attempts to be cool actually end up turning us off. Like any demographic we're just looking to connect with God and to one another; so you don't have to wear skinny jeans and give us lattes to get us back."

Christopher Hale in a recent Time magazine article summarizes by saying:

"If Christianity is to have a renaissance in the United States, it must get back to the source and summit of the faith: Jesus of Nazareth."

Dave Larkin - Congregation President

Call me (509-628-0420) or Email me (<u>dllarkin@charter.net</u>) if you have thoughts, suggestions, complaints, or want to become more involved in our church's ministries.

## Vacation Bible School, Continued

Did you know that at VBS 2014, RLC hosted 108 <u>different</u> children over the course of the week? And the average nightly attendance was 91? And, over 72% of those kids are NOT from our congregation. That's a lot of kids hearing the Good News of Jesus, some for the very first time!!

VBS is one of the <u>largest outreach ministries</u> offered at RLC. You are invited to be a part of this exciting ministry! We anticipate similar attendance numbers this year, which means we need a lot of volunteers to make this a successful event. **Would you please pray about helping in some way?** Volunteer opportunities includes:

- "Crew" leaders & assistants chaperoning a small group of kids from station to station. This requires no pre-VBS preparation. (need 32 people)
- Kitchen help help prepare, serve, clean up the family dinner offered each evening before the program. (need approx. 12 people)
- Registration table help pre-registered participants get their name tag & find their 'crew' on the first evening, assist walk-in participants register each evening. This requires minimal pre-VBS preparation, and short-time commitment each evening of VBS week. (need 3 or more people)
- Expedition photographer wanders around each evening taking candid photos of the activities. Will need your own digital camera. Will provide Jenny with digital copies of photos in a timely manner (downloading them each night would be fantastic!! No editing needed!) (need one or more people)
- Decorations set-up and/or clean-up help set up decorations during the week before VBS and clean up the week after. Time commitment is flexible. (need any number of people, as many hands make for light work!)

If you are able to lend a hand in this extremely FUN and EXCITING ministry, please contact Jenny Page and/or register to volunteer at <u>https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/vbsrlc2014</u> (link is available on the church website).

## Benevolence Thanks

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your gift to the **Voice of the Martyrs**. Persecuted Christians will appreciate your generosity. Brenda Matlock, Strategic Partner Services Manager

#### To the congregation of RLC:

It is with our deepest gratitude that we thank you for your 2014 generous donation to the **Hillspring Church Bike Ministry.** We commit to stewarding these resources to the transformation of lives through Christ-centered outreach and engagement with local youth and adults.

Blessings to each of you,

Mike Watkins, RoundAbout Cycling, Hillspring Bicycle Ministry

Dear friends,

Thank you for your recent donation to **SIGN**. We are working with a Lutheran Church in Tanzania as we have SIGN in three of their hospitals. We will use your donation toward the goal of treating the increasing number of patients due to road traffic accidents. One of these Lutheran Hospitals will be a big expenditure because we want to establish a trauma center there. They serve an area of 2 million people and the surgeon there treats people no matter their financial situation or complexity of their problem. It is a joy to work with him.

The surgeon just wrote to state that their sterilizer is broken. There are frequent power surges which mean that they have frequent electrical problems. We will use your donation toward a new sterilizer or a new surge protector for the hospital.

#### Best regards, Lewis G. Zirkle, President and Founder **SIGN Fracture Care International**

June 2015					
Sun	Mon	Tue			
	<b>1</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 4:40 PM Executive Committee 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	<b>2</b> 9:30 AM Staff meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Facilities Building Committee 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Outreach Team			
<b>7</b> 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today 9:45 AM HeBrews Café 10:15 AM Worship 5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team 6:30 PM Coffeehouse 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study	<b>8</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	<b>9</b> 7:00 AM Men's Prayer Breakfast - Denny's 9:30 AM Staff meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 7:00 PM Boy Scouts 7:00 PM Congregation Council			
<b>14</b> 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today 9:45 AM HeBrews Café 10:15 AM Worship 5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team 6:30 PM Coffeehouse 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study	<b>15</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study	<b>16</b> 9:30 AM Staff meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Facilities Building Committee 7:00 PM Boy Scouts			
High School Mission Trip	High School Mission Trip	High School Mission Trip			
21 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today 9:45 AM HeBrews Café 10:15 AM Worship 5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team 6:30 PM Coffeehouse 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study	22 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study 1:30 PM Dorcas Circle Bible Study 5:15 PM Dinner and Vacation Bible School	<b>23</b> 9:30 AM Staff meeting 5:15 PM Dinner and Vacation Bible School 6:30 PM Facilities Building Committee			
28 8:30 AM Worship 9:00 AM Good News Today 9:45 AM HeBrews Café 10:15 AM Worship 5:30 PM High School Discipleship Team 6:30 PM Coffeehouse 7:00 PM Haler/Worgull Bible Study 7:30 PM Union Gospel Mission Service	<b>29</b> 9:00 AM Play Date 12:00 PM Mary Martha Bible Study	<b>30</b> 9:30 AM Staff meeting 6:30 PM Cub Scouts 6:30 PM Facilities Building Committee 7:00 PM Boy Scouts			

June 2015					
Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
<b>3</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 6:30 PM Wed. Small Group Bible Study 6:30 PM WILD!	<b>4</b> 9:00 AM Library Work 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 6:00 PM Financial Peace Univ. 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	<b>5</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA 6:30 PM Girl Scouts	<b>6</b> 4:30 PM Mafraq Prayer Team 5:00 PM Worship		
<b>10</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 6:30 PM Wed. Small Group Bible Study 6:30 PM RLC Foundation 6:30 PM WILD!	<b>11</b> 9:00 AM Library Work 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	<b>12</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA 7:00 PM Mission Trip Prayer Service	<b>13</b> 9:00 AM Mission Trip Departure 4:30 PM Mafraq Prayer Team 5:00 PM Worship		
<b>17</b> 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 6:30 PM Wed. Small Group Bible Study	<b>18</b> 9:00 AM Library Work 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 1:00 PM Piece Makers 6:00 PM Girl Scouts	<b>19</b> 9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly 6:00 PM AA 6:30 PM Girl Scouts	20 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 4:30 PM Mafraq Prayer Team 5:00 PM Worship TBD Mission Trip Return		
High School Mission Trip	High School Mission Trip	High School Mission Trip			
24 9:00 AM Sewing Bee 1:00 PM Pastor Corey's Bible Study 2:30 PM Knitting Group 5:15 PM Dinner and Vacation Bible School	25 9:00 AM Library Work 9:00 AM Pastor Dave's Bible Study 5:15 PM Dinner and Vacation Bible School	9:00 AM Bulletin Assembly	<b>27</b> 4:30 PM Mafraq Prayer Team 5:00 PM Worship		
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 that not all activities, especially Growth Group meetings and Circles, are actually held at the church.					

## **Activities for Kids**



Super Kids! is on summer break! Admiral Awesome and Professor Peabody hope you have a fun summer, and they look forward to seeing all their friends again in September!

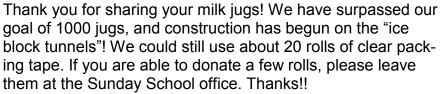


### June's Operation Christmas Child Items of the Month: Gifts for Toddler Boys (ages 2-4): toys, board books, stuffed animals, socks, balls, chunky crayons, coloring books, etc.

Your gifts may be placed in the Christmas-y box in the Prince of Peace fellowship hall.

#### Please do not include:

- Used items
- War-related items (toy guns, plastic army men, etc.)
- Liquid anything (soap, perfume, paint, bubbles, snow globes, etc.)
- Breakable items (glass, ceramic, etc.)



Please check the bulletin board in the Prince of Peace fellowship area resource center for other supplies we need to make Vacation Bible School a success later this month. Simply pick a tag or two from the bulletin board, and sign it out on the paper taped to the table. Then return your items by the date indicated on the tag to the Sunday school office. Be sure to include your tag with your returned items so we can check them in! Questions? Contact Jenny Page (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org)



### **Youth Activities**

### Middle School!



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!

June 3 - Minute to Win It!

June 10 - WILD Olympics! (last WILD for the school year)

WILD is wrapping up the year with a couple weeks of fun competitions. June 10 is the final WILD for the school year, and will resume in the fall.

> Wednesdays, 6:30-8:00 PM Meet in the Gloria Dei room Friends are always welcome to attend!

> For more information, contact Ben Barr (509) 948-0461

### High School!

Grades 9-12



(Sundays at 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!

June 7 - Forgiveness

June 14 - Mission Trip (no Coffeehouse)

June 21 - S.O.A.P.

June 28 - P.B.A.

**High School Leadership Team.** 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!

### HIGH SCHOOL BEACH TRIP 2015 "Show Me Your Glory" Exodus 33:18 July 12-19 Seaside, OR Cost: \$360 (\$150 deposit due by June 14; balance due by July 11).

Signup sheet is now posted on Corey's office door Registration deadline is July 1st! Questions? Contact Corey (pastor.corey@richlandlutheran.org) or Jenny Page (jenny.page@richlandlutheran.org)

### High School Mission Trip - Lodge Grass, Montana



Ryan Warren, Woody Page, Kenny You, Kate Juergens, Kira Westlund, Ellie Hoffner, Kelly Westlund, Ellie Page, Jack Page, Zeke Ernst Jon Page, Nathan Cole, Larry Harrold, Daniel Miles

The Richland Lutheran Church high school mission trip team is just a few short weeks from their trip to the Crow Reservation in Lodge Grass, MT. Thank you for your commitment to pray for this group, and for your financial support! We ask that in the coming weeks you pray for the following:

**Sundays:** Pray for the YouthWorks staff as they prepare for training and moving to the community for the summer. **Mondays:** Pray for Our Lady of Loretto Church as they prepare to host another summer of programming and housing of staff and teams.

**Tuesdays:** Pray for the community of Lodge Grass that hearts will be softened to the expressions of love shown them this summer by the teams who are in their community each week.

**Wednesdays:** Pray for RLC's team that we will serve selflessly in the name of Jesus, shining His light into the lives of those whom we meet.

**Thursdays:** Pray for the children of Lodge Grass that they come to the programming activities with open minds and open hearts to receive God's Word.

**Fridays:** Pray for safe travel for the RLC team, and for Peace Lutheran Church in Belgrade, MT, where the team spends a night coming to and from Lodge Grass.

Saturdays: Pray that in all things related to this mission trip, God's will be done, and all things bring glory to Him!

We also invite you to join us for worship June 27 (5 PM) and June 28 (8:30 or 10:15 AM) as members of our team share about our experiences in Lodge Grass.



**Recognizing our Volunteers** 

It takes many hands to make things happen at RLC, and we appreciate all of our volunteers!

There is a reason for the radiant beauty of our courtyard with its manicured and colorful flowers and shrubbery! Jan Conley, longtime member of RLC, took on the responsibility of maintaining the courtyard several years ago. Jan firmly believes that the condition of our property should represent RLC values that reflect our commitment to being an energetic and vibrant congregation. Following the loss of her husband, Jan was away in Idaho for two years. During those two years, she found time to frequently return to RLC and care for her beloved courtyard. Now she has returned, and the courtyard never looked better. When you see Jan, be sure to give her a big 'Thank You" for her efforts!

Submitted by Larry Harrold

# Worship Support

	Time	Sunday June 7	Sunday June 14	Sunday June 21	Sunday June 28
Lectors	8:30 AM	Kathy Killand	Jim Peterson	Dolores Jaech	Norm Gillette
	10:15 AM	Karen Clark	Sue Meek	Susan Schmieman	Valerie Bettinson
Acolytes	8:30 AM	Robert Warren Blake Vopalensky	Kayla Peterson Aiden Lesser	Josh Mars Cayden Tanasse	Sophia Fetrow Mason Ciolli
	10:15 AM	Jantz Levin Coley Levin	Andrew Miles Daniel Miles	Jennifer Williams Conner Budzeck	Nathan Mitchell Spencer Hoffner
Ushers	8:30 AM	H-Mike Schwartz Karen Schwartz A-Dave Larkin Harold Hogue	H-Fred Kremmer Jon Erlandson A-Mac Dixson Larry Haler	H-Larry Corning Jim Peterson A-Dave Larkin Fred Kremmer	H-Gary Weible Eunice Weible A-Bruce Lander Jim Peterson
	10:15 AM	H-Carol Hexum Alan Hagensen A-Jean Loss Jim Loss	H-Kathy Snyder Rick Snyder A-Janet Budzeck Rick Budzeck	H-Janet Budzeck Rick Budzeck A-Mike Strasburg Charles Rogers	H-Jean Loss Jim Loss A-Mike Bettinson Valerie Bettinson
Communion Assistants	8:30 AM	Sue Meek Larry Haler Jenifer Haler	Clarine Watkins Pam Hedges Kathy Killand Charles Davis	Jenifer Haler Larry Haler Charles Davis	Clarine Watkins Pam Hedges Elaine Davis
	10:15 AM	Karen Clark Ginnette Ernst Heidi Dagle	Jenny Page Mike Bettinson Valerie Bettinson *****	Jenny Page Kelly Westlund Dawn Salyer	Kelly Westlund Amy Sperline Jeff Sperline
Setup/Cleanup Communion	Saturday 5:00 PM	Jim Worgull Sue Worgull	Nancy Ballard	Joanne Woehle Bernie Woehle	Rick Nunamaker Susie Nunamaker
Cleanup/ Setup Communion	Sunday After 8:30 AM	Pam Warren Joy Stuenkel	Dan Jordheim Vicki Jordheim	Lois Harrold Karin Nickola	Carol Schmid
Clean Up Communion	After 10:15 AM	Jean Loss Jim Loss	Kelly Westlund	Rick Nunamaker Susie Nunamaker	****
Church Friends	8:30 AM	Lois Harrold	Jim Worgull Sue Worgull	Carol Schmid	Debbie Honeyman
	10:15 AM	Ann Brandes Dave Brandes	****	LaVonne Scully	Kelly Westlund
Children's Church Leaders	8:30 AM	John Huebner	Desiree Hall	Lori Lachut Jim Lachut	Melissa Schmid
	10:15 AM	Pam Hedges	Julie Bishop	Trina Miles Andrew Miles	Jana Strasburg
Producer/ Audio Mix	8:30 AM	Andrew Clark	Larry Haler	Andrew Clark	Bob Thompson (10:15)
Tech Direc- tor/Live Stream Coordinator	8:30 AM	Mike Schwartz	Brian Killand	Mike Bettinson	Jim Moran (10:15)

## Worship Support, Continued

	Time	Sunday June 7	Sunday June 14	Sunday June 21	Sunday June 28
Cameras	8:30 AM	#1-Ryan Warren #2-Fred Kremmer	#1-Ken Meek #2-Don Schmid	#1-Robert Warren #2-Don Schmid	#1-Jack Page (10:15) #2-Woody Page
Editor/ Post Production	8:30 AM	Karen Rogers	Bob Thompson	Bob Thompson	Karen Rogers (10:15)
Sound System Operators	8:30 AM	Larry Corning	Paul Hedges	Larry Corning	Paul Hedges
	10:15 AM	Tammy Carswell	Tammy Carswell	Jeff Dagle	Tammy Carswell
Coffee Preparation and Cleanup	8:30 AM	Patti Miller	Sandy Steele	****	****
	10:15 AM	****	****	****	****
Offering Custodians	Sat. 5:00	****	Rob Barr	****	****
	8:30 AM	Schwartz Weible	Larry Harrold Harold Hogue	Fred Kremmer Jim Peterson	Jon Erlandson Lois Harrold
	10:15 AM	Alicia Phaneuf Alan Hagensen	Rick Budzeck Bettinson	Jana Strasburg Mike Stankovich	Rick Snyder Rich Barchet
Sat. Evening Worship Support	5:00 PM	Steve and Debbie Moritz	Marcia and Kelly Arnzen	Liz and Craig Swanson	Chris & Diane Bonin Joe Soldat Kathy Barr
Cashiers		Nancy Ballard Marge Hogue	Judy Riggers Janet Budzeck	Nancy Ballard Debbie Honeyman	Kathy Snyder Doris Barchet
Recycle		Karen Schwartz	Susan Schmieman	Karen Clark	John Lesser
Flowers		Schwartz	Fordham/Perham	Sorensen	Hardman

Please check over the schedule carefully. If you cannot serve when you are scheduled, please trade with someone or find a substitute for yourself and let the church office know.

\*\*\*\* indicates an available service opportunity. If you can fill in, please let the church office know.

## Graduation 2015

**Congratulations to the high school graduating seniors!** The RLC Sewing Bee gave eight lap robes to these RLC seniors as our way of wishing them God's blessings as they follow their dreams for their future. This is our small way to let them know they are in our prayers and to remind them of God's loving care. RLC Sewing Bee Members

Our 2015 Graduating Seniors:

James Bennett, David Juergens, Jack Page, Devin Ramsay, Tyler Wiegand,

### **Anniversaries & Birthdays**

#### ANNIVERSARIES

**June 1** Jenifer & Larry Haler Donna & Mark Williams

June 2 Joy & Ted Stuenkel

**June 3** Barbara & Gerald Sandness

June 4 Julie & David Deen Mille & Ray Nierman

June 6 Karen & Ronald Filipy

June 7 Nancy & Roy Ballard Debbie & Jim Honeyman Carleen & Len Lust

June 8 Jackie & Bruce Slonecker Ethyl & Robert Somerville

June 9 Debbie & Allen Maier Jana & Mike Strasburg Sharon & Dave Wunschel

June 10 Carol & Loren Schmid

June 11 Casandra & Brian Blakely

June 12 Judy & Bob Riggers

June 14 Hermine & Charles Fordham Kathy & John Hooks Joan & Jim Perham

**June 18** Jean & Jim Loss Kim & Joe Sundal

June 19 Cindy & Jay Dixon **June 22** Theresa & Josh Woehle

**June 23** Bobbi & Norm Stout

June 25 Melissa & Tom Bratvold Ginnette & Steve Ernst Lynn & Jerry Weldon

June 26 Karen & Steve Solnicka

June 27 Karoline & Jason Archibald Lisa and John Bartholomew Debbie & Scott Hardman Alyce & Scott Thompson

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

**June 1** Dan Gorton Madeline Pilger

June 2 Lori Hogan Michelle Machinal Derek O'Dell

**June 3** Linda Korpi Tim Mraz Willow Whitney

June 4 James Bennett Karen Solnicka

June 5 Diane Bonin Lily Kissire Carter Maier Charles MacLeod Michael McCargar June 7 Evelyn Davis Sara Gillette Wally Hendrickson Vicki Piipo John Williams

June 8 Lauren Carlson Luke Hagensen Steve Richardson

June 9 Todd Haynie

**June 10** Betty Hartcorn Tyler Williams Adam Woehle

June 11 Steve Solnicka

June 12 Kathy Barr Megan Ross

June 13 Kurt Lyso April Mercer

June 14 Gail Gilbertson Ron Hollenbeck Carl Imhoff Richard Ulvin

June 15 Karen Clark

June 16 Kate Juergens Erlan Leitz Bobbi Stout

June 17 Allison Boynton Karen Gardner Matthew Smith Mary Ellen Thomas

June 18 Matthew Monroe Judy Riggers **June 19** John Cagle

June 20 Mike Penley

June 22 Chuck McCargar Cindy Underwood

June 23 Todd Hanson Debbie Honeyman

June 24 Rich Barchet Jaycob Salter Jaydin Salter

June 25 Dawn Blankingship Birdie Halverson Jase Vopalensky

June 26 John Cunningham

June 27 Jeff Hardman Leigh Haynie Carol Schmid Kira Westlund

June 28 Cameron Smith Lynn Weldon

June 29 Payton Hammill Fiona Maloney Julie Penley Alicia Phaneuf

June 30 Lisa Glasford Zorann Johnson Theresa Monroe Melissa Schmid Aaron Scully Lori Whelan

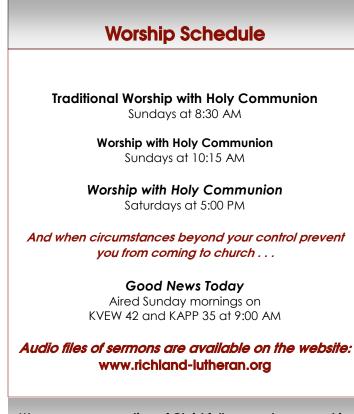


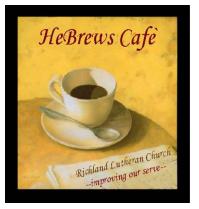
### MONTHLY PUBLICATION

### **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

Mailing Label

.....





Come to HeBrews Caté Sunday mornings, between 9:45 AM and 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.

Equipping. Empowering. Encouraging.

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