

In Touch

February 5-12, 2012

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The Weekly Announcement Sheet of Christ Memorial Lutheran Church

There is no more powerful weapon to fight evil and to stand as the people of God than reading the Bible. St. Paul calls it "the sword of the Spirit." Take up the sword and fight against the devil's schemes. "Filled With Hope" is offered as a devotional reading for each day of the week. Read the Word, reflect on it, and receive God's power for daily living.

Feb 5: John 3:1-21 **Feb 9:** Hosea 1:1-2:1
Feb 6: John 3:22-36 **Feb 10:** Hosea 2:2-23
Feb 7: John 13:1-20 **Feb 11:** Hosea 11:1-11
Feb 8: John 13:21-35 **Feb 12:** Hosea 14:1-9

This Week at Christ Memorial

Sunday 1:00 – Every Knee Shall Bow (staging)-WC
Basketball @ Christ Memorial
1:15- White vs Zion Belleville
2:30-Green vs Salem Affton
5:00-Youth SuperBowl Party-Youth Room

Tuesday- 6:30-Breakfast Bible Study-Café
10:00 – D Forbes Bible Study- Rm 206
6:00-Elder Meeting-Rm 206
6:00 – Basketball – Gym
7:00-Shepherd Meeting-Café

Wednesday- 11:30 – Sonshine Kids – Rm 209
6:00 – 8th Grade Confirmation – Rm 208
6:00 – 5th/6th Grade Midweek – Rm 207
6:00 – 7th Grade Midweek – Rm 206
6:30 – C Becher Bible Study-Rm 309
7:30 – Sanctuary Choir rehearsal – Rm 208
7:30-Every Knee rehearsal w/ choir-Rm 208

Thursday- 9:00 – Bible Study w M Ferkel – Rm 210
11:30- Sonshine Kids – Rm 209
6:00 – Basketball – Gym
6:00 – Luther's Losers – Rm 208
6:00 – ESL – Rm 206
6:30-Early Childhood Asthma Initiative-Café
6:15 – Contemporary rehearsal – WC
6:30- Wolf Scout Meeting – Rm 304
7:00 – Troop 584 Meeting – Rm 310
7:00- Lifelight w S Uhlmansiek- Rm 207
7:30 – AA – Rm 210

Friday 9:00 – Friday Friends – Rm 210

Saturday – 9:00 – Youth Praise Team rehearsal – WC
1:00-Every Knee Shall Bow rehearsal-WC
5:00-Traditional Worship w/HC

Sunday, February 12, 2012

8:00 and 9:20- Traditional Worship w/HC
9:20-Sunday School
9:25-Adult Bible Hour
10:45-Contemporary Worship w/HC
2:00 – Handbells and Chocolates-WC
Basketball at Holy Cross Collinsville
1:30-White vs Holy Cross Collinsville
2:45-Green vs St Paul Des Peres

ATTENDANCE FIGURES- 769

Saturday, Jan 28 - 125

Sunday, Jan 29 - 8:00 -185

9:20 -206 10:45 -201 Reliant, Jan 29 – 52

Adult Bible Study-Session#1- 82

Session#2-12 Sunday School - 99

Financial Update

2011-2012 Weekly Contributions

Actual Weekly Total: \$23,594

Fiscal YTD: \$752,462

Budget YTD: \$819,394

Can you help? Dale McCarthy is in end-stage kidney failure and needs a kidney transplant. If you might have interest in kidney donation for Dale, please call Debbie in the church office (722-2061) or Dale's wife, Nancy (843-7537). Consultation and evaluation are confidential and at no cost.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER REQUEST

HOSPITALIZED – Mo Bapt – Larry Wilson (former member).

RECOVERING AT HOME: Bill Glass, Tony Pagano (Bethesda Southgate), Ben Simmons, Rich Stratmann; Rev. Christopher Davis from WA, friend of Mike and Diane Albers.

ON-GOING PRAYERS: Marilyn Barge, Julann Dale, Eileen Danko, Luke Davidson, Megan Kolley, Leonard Limbaugh, Dale McCarthy, Barb McClanahan, Timothy Ochonicky, Anna Smith, Lorraine Smitt, Art Wittmer; Jim Tyler, uncle of Linda Orsega and Mary Woehr; JoAnn Johnson, mother of Terrie Bick; Murphy Claire, friend of Rich Stratmann; Lucy Wharton, aunt of Linda Orsega and Mary Woehr in CA; Evelyn Jones, mother of Barb McClanahan; David Suttmoeller, father of Stephanie; Jeanne Rancilio, sister in law of Frank and Debbie Heykozi; Dawn Vandergriff, niece of Gary and Virginia Gregory; Wanda Bruene, aunt of Linda Orsega and Mary Woehr; Marie Dees, friend of Sandy Perrine; Melba Lorenz, grandmother of Janet Maltagliati; Louise Schrama, friend of Rich and Lisa Stratmann; Daniel Lueders, friend of Audrey Doran; Andrea Bay Leone, daughter of Doug and Stephanie Bay; Layla Miller, friend of Elaine McFarlin; Joyce Albee, mother of Dianne Mueller; Greg Smith, relative of Kathy Hathaway; Linda Gebhardt, daughter of Mal and Edna Murphy.

Ongoing prayers will be published in the InTouch for 4 weeks. If the need continues, you are asked to renew the prayer request by contacting the church office or completing a prayer card. Anyone needing prayer or who like to join us as a prayer warrior, contact the CM prayer chain-Dona Forbes at 638-4581 or Shirley Uhlmansiek at 487-6531.

HOSPICE CARE: Peggy Gabelmann; Bonnie Highberger, sister of Barry Rowold; George Richardson, husband of Judy; Stephen Hudson, friend of Mark Strahm; Mark Hatcher, grandson of Bill Glass.

IN THE ARMED FORCES/SUPPORT SERVICES - Anna Bayer; Marty Glass II; Airman Cassidy Parolin; Major Jason Warnick, grandson of Les & Virginia Stewart and nephew of Kelly; **Lt. Joe Rudebeck**, nephew of Susan Sutton; **Matthew Schlittler**, nephew of Karen Westphal; **Tyson Patton**, friend of Tim Kempf; **Michael Blumenschein**, nephew of Wayne and Marilyn Ferkel; **Jason Bergmann**, friend of Eric Homan & LHSS graduate; **Justin Rutledge**, husband of Jamie and son in law of Marilyn Coplin; **Christopher Tiefenbrunn**, son of Cindy and Dan; **Jeff Woerth**, sor of Pastor Warren and Donna Woerth; **Tommy Goldman**, nephew of Mike Dial; **Matthew Smith**, friend of Bob and Eileen Danko; **Tim Davis, Ernie Maxey and Tiffany Maxey**, friends of Lisa and Rich Stratmann; **Stephanie Goldstein**, daughter of Wynn Cassidy; **Brian Barton**, friend of the Poppitz family; **Cpt Duane Zaricor**, cousin of Linda Orsega; **Mark Hahn**, friend of the Bick family; **Andrew Woehr**, cousin of Linda Orsega and Mary Woehr; **Nicholas Alexander**, nephew of Kelly Stone; **Sgt. Sean Moran**, nephew of Garrett and Dodie Blankenship; **William Adams**, fiancé of Julie Schweer; **Kevin Hartman**, graduate of CM kindergarten class; **Dan Meyer**, nephew of Dave and Mimi Rusert.

COMFORT TO:

The family of **Clara Stuebner**, grandmother of John Moore.

The family of **Christine Martin**, mother of Amanda Goolsby.

The family of **Carol Colbert**, aunt of Kathy Hathaway.

Altar Flowers have been placed by Steve, Deb and Katie Schmich in memory of Raymond Schick; by Laura, Kennedy and Hannah Thomas in honor of husband and father, Matt's 40th birthday on 2/1.

We congratulate our member Laura Thomas, a mathematics teacher at Lindbergh H.S., for receiving a Leaders in Education Award. You can see the presentation of the award at: <http://www.lindberghlookup.com/news/2012/01/27/math-teacher-laura-thomas-wins-surprise-award/>

Get your free tickets for *Every Knee Shall Bow* beginning **TODAY**. This is a Lenten Musical that will be presented by Christ Memorial on March 9 and 10 at 7:30 pm and March 11 at 2:30 pm. All seats are FREE with reserved and open seating. Take this opportunity to invite the community. Tickets are available in the church office Monday through Friday 9:00 am. – 4:00 p.m. or Saturdays and Sundays before services. Tickets may also be reserved for Will Call via our website, ChristMemorialStl.org.

NEXT SHEPHERD MEETING – Tue., February 7 at 7 PM in the Café. We will be chatting with our five Seminarians and making plans to host an upcoming Lenten Soup Supper on Wednesday, March 7th. Think about cooking soup or a dessert and / or how you may help that evening? Also, turn in your January log sheets. Questions, call Pat or Carolyn @ 722-2065

Handbells and Chocolates-Concert and Chocolate Reception featuring the Gateway Ringers plus the Christ Memorial Ringers. Don't miss the concert of handbells featuring the Gateway Ringers and the Christ Memorial ringers February 12, 2012 at 2:00 PM. \$5 suggested donation. Treat someone you love to the angelic and joyful sound handbells and enjoy heavenly desserts at an elegant chocolate reception provided by the Manna Mamas.

Meals of Love - Christ Memorial will be sponsoring a "Meals of Love" food drive during the next few weeks to benefit three area food banks---St John's Lutheran in the city, Feed My People and the Concordia Seminary food bank. Grocery bags with sample menus for the meals of love will be distributed at the weekend services on February 18 & 19th. Bags will also be available in the Commons area during the following two weeks. The meals of love bags should be returned to the church **no later than Sunday, March 4th**. Remember the words of Jesus in Matthew 25:40---"Inasmuch as you have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, you have done it unto me."

Mardi Gras Celebration 2012 - CMLC Library will be holding our second annual Mardi Gras Dinner and Silent Auction on Saturday, February 18, 2012 at 6:30. The band this year will be the Funky Penguin Jazz Combo and includes CMLC's own Jordan Woods. Tickets are \$15 or a table of 8 for \$110. Tickets will be sold on Sunday Jan. 29, Feb. 5 and Feb. 12 from 9:00 to 11:00 in the Commons.

Pairs and Spares – Sunday, February 19 at 1:00 PM. Come join us for a pot luck dinner, featuring a presentation by our own Gerald Perschbacher. His topic is "Walk With Four Through the Civil War" It is a German and Mo Synod Lutheran perspective of the Civil War. Must call Eileen Danko at 910-0172 for reservations by February 16 and let her know what dish you will bring. Cost is \$5/members. Guests are free.

CM's Back Row Ministries is proud to present Mario Kart Wii and Ping Tournament on Saturday, February 25 from 7:00-10:00 pm. Registration fee is \$5. Register in the Commons or call/email Sarah Kempf @ 34-267-1177 or email: tandskempf@yahoo.com.

TWO MONTHS TO GO! St.LOUIS! In an effort to raise money for our Health and Fitness Ministry, CM is joining Go! St. Louis. We need RUNNERS and SPONSORS! If you have already signed up to run, please inform Chris so you can receive your sponsor sheet. Need more information? Ask Chris Wilson or Amanda Cook!

Youth Ministry

Notes from Daniel Meyer

daniel.meyer@christmemorialstl.org

Sunday School – Week 4 of our student leadership series. Learn how to be a good Christian leader at home, school and with friends.

Next OASIS – Wednesday, February 15 from 7:00- 8:30 PM.

Sr High Super Bowl Party – TODAY at 5:00 PM until the game ends. Cost is \$10 – 2 big screens, games, the gym, friends and food. Please RSVP to Daniel.

Mission Trip 2012- We will be working again in Joplin with tornado clean up. This is open to all youth finishing 8th – 12th grade. Registration deadline is Sunday, February 12th. Contact Daniel with any questions.

Join our new 6 week **High School Girls Bible Study Group** which begins Sunday, February 19 at 9:25 am in the Fitness Center. We will study "and the Bride Wore White" by Dannah Gresh. Contact Abby (601-2937) or Shelby Dobrich (546-5769) to reserve your copy.

Luther's Losers continues to have great success. There are many from the class who have lost 20, 30, even 50 pounds! We would like the opportunity to offer this class during the daytime as well as the current class that meets in the evening. If you are interested in leading this class, and have a degree in nursing or dietetics, please call Chris Wilson at 631-0304.

Help Wanted-*Every Knee Shall Bow* is looking for volunteers to usher and assist with ticket distribution. Contact Lynette Jost lynettejost@workwebs.com if you can help.

Sue Hasselbring's newest missionary prayer letter is on the table in the Commons. Please pick one up and learn of her work in Asia and say some prayers for her.

Early Childhood Asthma Initiative – Thurs, Feb 9 @ 6:30 PM. This program will provide valuable asthma information to families of children with asthma on management and environmental triggers and identification. Please call 631-0304 to RSVP.

Mark your calendar for Friday, February 10, 2012, at Royale Orleans Banquet Center. **Green Park Lutheran School** will be holding a **Dinner Auction**. The theme for this year's auction is "Rooted in Faith." Forms for donations will be available in the church office or at the school office.

Christ Memorial ChildCare Center Trivia Night – Friday, February 17 @ 7:00 PM in CM Gym. \$140 – Table of 8 or \$20/individual. Reserve your table today by calling 314-631-0992.

Volunteers are needed – If you like working with children maybe this could be for you. The Oasis Intergenerational Tutoring Program is looking for help. There is a short training program required. If you are interested, you can contact Lu Ann Beumer at 842-4826 or email: blbeumer@gmail.com

Grace Place Lutheran Wellness Ministries' annual Soup for the Soul event will be held at the Lutheran Church of Webster Gardens on Sun., February 26 from 4-7 PM. There will be over 25 soups, plus breads and desserts. The whole family is invited. Fill up on soup, have fun with friends, and help support a ministry that serves God's servants. Valet parking is available. Contact Patti Allen @ 637-1996/ pallen@graceplaceretreats.org or Melissa Hower @ 578-9800/mhower@graceplaceretreats.org for ticket info.