



ON THE ROAD

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BAKE SALE THIS SUNDAY

Thank you bakers and buyers! We sent \$70.98 to FISH and \$70.98 to ELCA World

Hunger.

SEEDLINGS TO SHARE

You are invited to pick up seedlings to start your own vegetable garden. Although there is no cost, donations are accepted and have raised \$57 for Food for Lane County.

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF

Our spring ingathering efforts concluded this past week. We sent the following:

- 117 quilts,
- 7 school kits,
- 137 health kits,
- 25 pounds of soap and
- 18 layettes

Thank you for your support of Lutheran World Relief.

BLOOD DRIVE

Thank you to all who participated in the blood drive in April. We donated 30 units of blood which is the most units we've had during a blood drive.



CHANCEL FLOWERS

The flower chart is located on the wall across from the church office for you to sign up to provide chancel flowers on any given Sunday. We have several spots available during the rest of this year. Sign up today!

ANNUAL MEETING

All confirmed members are requested to be present between worship services this Sunday, for the Annual Meeting of Emmaus Lutheran Church. It's a time to take "inventory" of the past program and fiscal years while looking forward to opportunities before us. In addition, new council members and delegates to the May Synod Assembly will be elected.

CAMP LUTHERWOOD

The summer program schedule is now on the web! Go to www.lutherwood.org to plan what week you'll be at camp this summer. Camps are offered for all ages from Day Camp to Family Camp. Summer staff is also being recruited. If you ~ or someone you know ~ are at least 18 years old and have a heart to work with youth in a camp setting, please e-mail andrea@lutherwood.org. The Women of Emmaus is offering a \$100 scholarship to any Emmaus child/youth who attends camp at Lutherwood this summer. Check with Lois for more details.

DO YOU THINK YOU'RE TOO OLD TO GO TO CAMP? HERE IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY

Camp Lutherwood is sponsoring a work day on June 5th. Construction, grounds keeping, painting, cleaning, and remodeling are some of the tasks of each workday. You are invited to bring your hammers, saws, power tools, hand tools, rakes, shovels, gloves, and a willingness to work. Snacks and lunch are provided free of charge. Come and join in the fun getting camp ready for the summer camping season. Questions call the camp office at 541-988-6444.



THINK SUMMER!

Something new is on the horizon for kids this summer instead of *Kids' Adventure Week* as it's previously been done. Emmaus and United Lutheran Churches will be sharing *Day Camp* with Central Lutheran the week of June 28-July 2 for kids having completed kindergarten through 5th grade. Day Camp will be from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. each day at Central. Then *Vacation Bible School* for preschoolers and also those who have completed kindergarten will be the week of July 19-23 each morning at Emmaus. (Parents of kindergartners can decide whether Day Camp or VBS is more appropriate for your child.) Mark your calendars and start inviting neighbors, friends, and relatives!

BREAD BOWL

Grace Lutheran in Corvallis just reported that they had 358 hunger activities since the beginning of 2010. Please, please give Debi Eisert your current count beginning with January 1. You can report any hunger related activity including donating money, volunteering in a food bank, working in the homeless shelter, serving at the Dining Room, etc. Please don't count other charitable activities such as giving blood, making blankets or supplies for health kits. If you are unsure whether something "counts," consult the list of activities we generated in adult forum, which is provided in the Gathering Place or ask Debi. Please count each activity only once. I want to report our numbers by May 9.

PENTECOST BRUNCH

will follow the 2nd service on Sunday, May 23rd. Please wear red and bring side dishes to share. Fellowship Ministry will provide ham and beverages. Look for some interesting Pentecost dishes on the table that will be provided by the Fellowship Ministry!

FORUMS

~ every Sunday between worship services
in Elgaard Fellowship Hall ~

While children and youth are in Sunday School,
all adults are invited
(whether or not you have kids in Sunday School).

May 16th

“Annual Meeting”

May 23rd

“The Ministries of
Outreach, Social Concerns and Stewardship”

THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has launched *Thrivent Choice*, a new charitable grant program and benefit of membership in the organization.

Thrivent Financial members 16 and older can help choose where Thrivent Financial distributes a portion of its charitable funds each year.

Members can participate in the first voting event now! It's quick. It's easy. And it can make a big difference. Help choose where Thrivent Financial distribute \$1 million in outreach funds from the following. Vote for one of these organizations:

- ELCA World Hunger
- Lutheran Disaster Response
- Lutheran Malaria Initiative
- American Heart Association
- Feed My Starving children
- Habitat for Humanity
- Thrivent Financial Should Select

Each organization receives a portion of the \$1 million, based on the percentage of votes it receives. Learn more about these organizations and cast your vote at thrivent.com/choicevote. Or, complete the reply card in the spring issue of Thrivent magazine. Voting is open April 19th—May 21st.

If more than 350,000 members vote, just 15% of membership, Thrivent Financial will distribute a bonus \$1 million to these national organizations.

PRAYER SHAWLS

We are in need of more prayer shawls. If you enjoy knitting or crocheting, perhaps this would be a ministry for you. Directions are available from the church office. Questions? Contact Merry Burbank, 541-933-3957 or by email merryburbank@yahoo.com.

FROM PASTOR STEVE . . .

Thank you for all the ways you have been and are making known to me your love, concern, and support! The blessing of family and friendship is more apparent to me than ever before. And ~ of course ~ friendship in Christ is the ultimate!

I have spoken to many of you to whom I have ministered when ill the phrase that was long ago quoted to me: *Healing takes time*. I am now making the effort to “practice what I preach,” and allow the time it takes to heal well. I have been blessed with a positive experience of surgery and hospitalization, and give thanks to God for the gift of healing. Thanks to you for your part in contributing to my healing.

My love and prayerful thoughts,

Pastor Steve

THANK YOU...

to our Emmaus family for the cards, flowers, and support you offered after the loss of our papa, uncle, stepdad and husband, **Rob O'Connor**. We especially appreciate your support and encouragement during the years of Rob's struggle with cancer. Thank you also to

Pastor Steve and David Horton for a truly meaningful and helpful memorial service. A special thanks goes out to Rosario and Ernesto Perales for providing a fabulous feast for us and the Emmaus Church Family.

Sincerely,
The O'Connor, Goldstein and
Grabofsky Clan.

FINANCIAL UPDATE AS OF MARCH 31, 2010	
2010 budgeted expenses	278,555.00
2010 actual income	+62,803.96
2010 actual expenses	-69,932.55
Difference between actual 2010 income and actual expenses	-7,128.59
2009 carry over	+2,900.98
Financial condition as of March 31, 2010	-4,227.61

FIRST QUARTER GIVING STATEMENTS are now available in the Gathering Place on the information table.

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

May 16 — Seventh Sunday of Easter — Acts 16:16-34; Psalm 97; Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21; John 17:20-26				
<u>8:30</u>	Lector:	Gerry Stolp	<u>11:00</u>	Judy Ramstead
	Communion Assistant:	Gerry & Heidi Stolp		Merry Burbank
	Acolyte:			Alex Grabofsky
	Ushers:			Loran Burbank
	Greeters:			Eric, Annie, Donovan, Ella & Keaton Carlson
Coffee Fellowship: Linda Henry & Cheryl Adcock				
Flower Delivery:				
May 23 — Day of Pentecost — Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34, 35b; Romans 8:14-17; John 14:8-17, 25-27				
<u>8:30</u>	Lector:	Jackie Barbour	<u>11:00</u>	Lois Brown
	Communion Assistant:	Bruce Brown		Bruce Brown
	Acolyte:	Brad Schoellhorn		Cora Zitek
	Ushers:			
	Greeters:	Linda Gosch George Hull		
Coffee Fellowship: Pat & Ashley Arts				
Flower Delivery:				

You will notice many blank spaces! Please sign up on the charts in the Gathering Place to assist.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT EMMAUS

SUNDAY, MAY 16
8:30 am — Holy Communion
9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am — Sunday School/Annual Meeting
11:00 am — Holy Communion
5:30 pm — High School Phunday Nite
MONDAY, MAY 17
2:00 pm — Esther Circle
TUESDAY, MAY 18
8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
WEDNESDAY, MAY 19
9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
10:00 am — Bible Study
*3:00 pm — Girl Scouts: Youth Room
5:00 pm — Youth Choir
5:45 pm — Confirmation
7:30 pm — Choir Rehearsal
THURSDAY, MAY 20
*7:00 pm — Valley Calligraphy Guild: Fellowship Hall
FRIDAY, MAY 21
*6:30 pm — Kolb Student Recital: Sanctuary & Fellowship Hall
High School Lock in @ Camp Lutherwood
SATURDAY, MAY 22
*10:00 am — Oregon Synod Global Mission Committee
Prayer Calendar: Week 9
*Community groups meeting at Emmaus

SUNDAY, MAY 23
8:30 am — Holy Communion
9:30 am — Coffee Fellowship
10:00 am — Sunday School/Forum
11:00 am — Holy Communion
12:00 noon — Pentecost Bruch
5:00 pm — High School Phunday Nite
TUESDAY, MAY 25
8:30 am — Pastor's Text Study
7:00 pm — Congregation Council
WEDNESDAY, MAY 26
9:00 am — Elva's Raiders
10:00 am — Bible Study
5:00 pm — Youth Choir
5:45 pm — Confirmation
7:30 pm — Choir Rehearsal
FRIDAY—SUNDAY, MAY 28-30
Oregon Synod Assembly in Portland
OLYO Convo
Prayer Calendar: Week 10
*Community groups meeting at Emmaus

EVER YOUNG SENIORS SAVE THE DATE...

June 9th and 10th for an overnight trip to Mt. St. Helen's. All retired folks are invited. Watch for more details in coming newsletters.

YOUTH YARD SALE IS COMING...

As you begin your spring cleaning, save your items for the annual yard sale on June 19th. Donations will be accepted the week before the yard sale.

RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

DATED MATERIAL

From the Pastor...

Dear Emmaus Family,

Trina Robertson forwarded these twelve commandments to me. I wish I could include the pictures that were part of the e-mail! I think these are good things to think about.

1. Make up your mind to be happy. Learn to find pleasure in little things.
2. Make the best of your circumstances.
3. Don't take yourself too seriously.
4. You can't please everybody. Don't let criticism worry you.
5. Don't let your neighbor set your standards. Be yourself.
6. Do the things you enjoy doing, but stay out of debt.
7. Never borrow trouble. Imaginary things are harder to bear than real ones.
8. Since hate poisons the soul, do not cherish jealousy.
9. Have many interests. If you can't travel, read about new places.
10. Don't hold postmortems. Don't spend your time brooding over sorrows or mistakes. Don't be someone who never gets over things.
11. Do what you can for those less fortunate than yourself.
12. Keep busy at something. A busy person never has time to be unhappy.



In Christian partnership,
Lois

MISSION STATEMENT

EMMAUS LUTHERAN CHURCH IS A
FAMILY
OF GOD'S CHILDREN,
RESPONDING
TO THE GRACE OF GOD, WHICH
UNITES
US IN JESUS CHRIST BY
SERVING
THE LORD WITH GLADNESS.
EMPOWERED
BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, WE
ADDRESS THE NEEDS
OF GOD'S CREATION BY MAKING
JESUS CHRIST KNOWN.

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FRIDAY, MAY 14