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### IMPORTANT REMINDERS

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## FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Dear Fellow Redeemed in the Light of  
Jesus Christ,

This month we are in  
both the season of  
Epiphany and Lent.



**The Transfiguration of our Lord** –  
The Shining of Jesus in bright Light on  
the mountain. God's Beloved Son who  
shines and is transfigured in glory on the  
high mountain, is also the true Man. **We  
celebrate this on Sunday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup>  
with both 8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.  
Services of Holy Communion.**

The Epiphany theme is found in the  
amazing hymn "Songs of Thankfulness  
and Praise" LSB 394. The last verse  
summarizes our waiting for his last great  
epiphany when Jesus returns in glory:

*Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord,  
Present in Thy holy Word—*

*Grace to imitate Thee now  
And be pure, as pure art Thou;  
That we might become like Thee  
At Thy great epiphany  
And may praise Thee, ever blest,  
God in man made manifest.*

Then **the 40 Days of Lent** begin. Join  
us on **Ash Wednesday Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> at  
7:30 p.m.** for a service of Corporate  
Confession and Absolution, the  
Imposition of the Ashes, Lenten Liturgy  
and Service of Holy Communion.

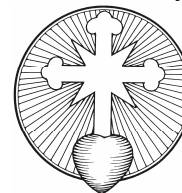
**Two of the six Wednesday Lenten  
Vespers Service are this month** (Wed.  
Feb. 22<sup>nd</sup> and Feb. 29<sup>th</sup>) with the theme:

## **"O Christ You Walked the Road."**

The services begin at 7:30 p.m. and at  
6:30 p.m. there will be a Soup and Salad  
Supper provided by various members of  
our church and its boards.

The first verse of LSB 424 sets the tone  
for the whole season of Lent:

*O Christ, You walked the road  
Our wand'ring feet must go.  
You faced with us temptation's pow'r  
And fought our ancient foe.*



We will again distribute the **Lutheran  
Hour Ministries Lenten Devotional  
booklet entitled, "Jesus Christ: Man  
on a Mission."**

Also, a special fellowship event happen this  
month:

## **The Annual Birthday Bash ! – Sunday Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 noon**

Planned by the Fellowship  
Committee and the Church  
Secretary Jackie Mullen.  
Bring a main dish and salad and/or  
dessert to share.

During this Epiphany and Lent season, may  
the Light of Jesus Christ shine brightly into  
our lives as we reflect His glory into a dark  
world so others also may "walk in the light  
of the Lord!"

In our King and our Suffering Servant Jesus,  
Pastor Nehrenz



## Lutheran Youth Fellowship

# February



### **Fruitful in February!**

**"Growing Sideways"**

**February 24th-26th**

**Camp Lutheroma** hosts this retreat for students **AGES 13-18**. Fruitful usually focuses on team building and groups will do the **Challenge Course** at Camp. The theme verse for this retreat is 1 John 4:7, ***"Dear friends, let us love on another, for love comes from God. Everyone who loves has been born of God and knows God."***

Registration is due by February 1st, please let Mark know asap if you want to go! This is a great event if you have always wanted to do the Challenge Course!



### **2012 Get Together!**

We will have a 2012 get-together and Pizza lunch or Dinner in the youth room in early February to plan for the Spring! It will be for Junior High and High School. Look for dates soon!

### **New Interim Youth Director**

Mark Nehrenz  
405-306-8465

[MarkNehrenz@gmail.com](mailto:MarkNehrenz@gmail.com)

In Youth Director Office  
Tuesdays Noon-4, Thu 3-5

### **Upcoming Events**

**1/29** - Super Bowl Sub Orders Taken

**2/5** - Super Bowl Sub Sale!

**TBA**- 2012 Planning Get-Together

**2/24-26** - Fruitful in February

### **Youth Room has a new look!**

The youth room/upper room has been reorganized by the youth and we are very thankful for the working heating and A/C! There are two new couches up there now as well!

### **Sr. High Bible Study**

We are in the process of deciding when our weekly Bible study will be in 2012, Wednesdays won't work this semester, so let Mark know if Thursday work for you! We will start up again in late January! Look for details!

### **Got Activities?**

Youth – send Mark Nehrenz a copy of your performance or sports event schedule so we can come and cheer you on!

### **Super Bowl Sunday Subs Fundraiser**



**Sub Orders: Jan 29**

**Sub Pick up: February 5th**

**The High School** students will do their annual Super Bowl Sub Sandwich Sale (SBSSS for short) as a youth fundraiser!

Subs are **\$5** for a footlong, a deal that can't be beat and is a great way to support the Trinity Youth!

Make sure you put in an order on January 29th!

### **Servant Events:**

Christ has called us to love others and serve them as he loves and serves us. We want to do a few different servant events this Spring and are in the process of deciding what to do. We will discuss ideas at the Pizza meeting in early February. Be thinking of ideas and let Mark know if there is a way to serve the community that you would really like to do!

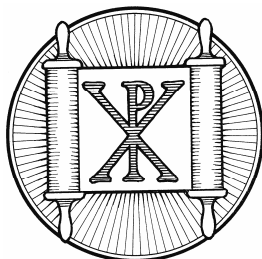
# Meetings and Reminders

## **BOARDS AND COUNCIL**

**Sunday, February 12th**

We THANK YOU all for serving in our congregation!

**12:00 noon** School Board  
**1:00 p.m.** Stewardship  
**1:30 p.m.** Elders  
**5:00 p.m.** Trustees  
**6:00 p.m.** Council



### **See calendar for:**

- Education Board - Wed. Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:00 p.m.  
 - Evangelism Board - Tues. Feb. 7<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.

All Board members please note these times and plan to attend. Thanks for serving the Lord and His people!

## **SCHOOL/CHURCH STAFF ADMINISTRATORS MEETING -**

Tues. Feb. 21<sup>st</sup> 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.

## **NORMAN CIRCUIT PASTORS CONFERENCE -**

Thurs. Feb. 16<sup>th</sup> - in First Lutheran Church in Ada  
 Pastor and Vicar will attend.

## **OKLAHOMA DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

meeting Sat. Feb. 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.  
 At Holy Trinity in Edmond. Pastor Nehrenz is the 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-President of the District.

Also Pastor will attend an Oklahoma District Convention Planning Meeting Friday Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>

**LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES SUNDAY** is Feb. 5<sup>th</sup> We will highlight our work on radio, TV and the Internet.

**OUR NEXT COMMUNITY BLOCK PARTY** will be **SUNDAY SEPT. 30<sup>th</sup>**. You may begin making donations to assist in funding this event. Please write "Block Party" on the memo part of your check. The first planning meeting will be Sat. March 10<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.

## **SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASSES 9:15 AM**

Join us at our Sunday morning Bible study at 9:15 a.m. while your children and teens are in Sunday School. Come and be with us for your growth in God's Word!

### **WITH PASTOR:**

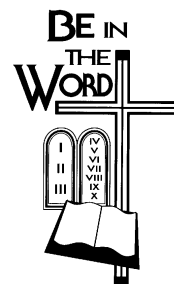
The Book of Hebrews

### **WITH VICAR:**

The Book of Exodus

### **WITH BOB LEE:**

"Promise: God for Us"



## **MEN'S BREAKFAST WITH PASTOR**

Saturday - Feb. 18<sup>th</sup>

**"Being a Real Man of God - Peter"**

8:30 - 9:30 a.m.

Men come bring some food to share and fellowship and leadership ideas!

## **ELDERS TRAINING MEETING**

Sat. Feb. 11<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

## **SENIOR CITIZENS LUNCH AND BIBLE STUDY**

Thursday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> at 11:15 a.m.

(gather at 11:00 a.m.)

Come join us for a special time for devotion, food and fellowship!

## **ELDERS' LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY!**

Title: **"Heroes of the Faith"**

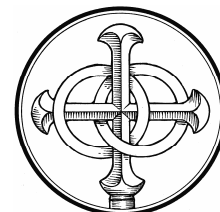
Tuesday evenings at 7:00 p.m.

- taught by the Board of Elders

### **Schedule:**

-Time: 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

-Refreshments provided



**BIRTHDAY BASH!**

All Congregation Fellowship Event!

**Sunday February 19<sup>th</sup> 12:00 noon**  
**in the Fellowship Hall**

**Fun!** We will sit at our birthday month table.

12 different tables, each decorated for one of the 12 months of the year.

**Food!** Bring a main dish and salad and/or dessert to share.

**Festivities!** Games and funny stories at our tables.

**Fellowship Committee:**

Alan and Kim Hager, Loren and Sandy Dunaway,  
Peter and Kay Brueckner, Jonathan and Tisha Merchant



**Plan to be with us that Sunday and also come on Saturday February 18th at 10:00 a.m. to help decorate the tables!**

**LENTEN VESPERS SERVICES**

**“O Christ You Walked the Road”**

LSB Hymn 424

LHM Lenten Devotional Booklet Theme:

**“Jesus Christ: Man on a Mission”**

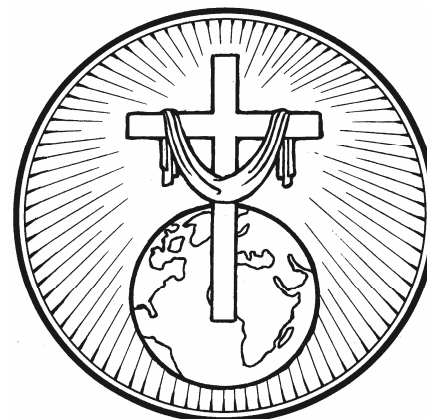
*(Soup / Salad Supper provided by various church members and boards)*

**Wednesday Lenten Vespers Schedule:**

**DATES:**

**February 22<sup>nd</sup> - Ash Wednesday**

- 9:15 a.m.** Time for Prayer and Imposition of Ashes  
*(join the children of our School in the chapel)*
- 12:00 noon** Time for Prayer and Imposition of Ashes
- 6:30 p.m.** Soup and Salad Supper
- 7:30 p.m.** - Corporate Confession and Absolution  
- Imposition of the Ashes  
- HOLY COMMUNION



**Lenten Vespers 2 – February 29<sup>th</sup> - at 7:30 p.m.**

**“O Christ You Walked the Road”**

**6:30 p.m. – Soup and Salad Supper**

Join us during the 40 days of Lent to meditate on and walk the road with Jesus to the cross.

## Trinity School and Childcare News

### Silent Auction – Fundraiser for our School and Child Care

Baskets and items will be on display for one week – from Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> to Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>.

Call or come by the school office for a bidding number. Mark your bid/s on the items you would like to purchase. Check back throughout the week to be sure you are not in a “bidding battle”.

The bidding will end promptly at 7:00 pm on Thursday evening, February 9, 2012.

Our school and child care students will present a program of praise songs and Bible verses while the bids are tallied. Dessert will be served while we visit (and pay for our auction items).

This Silent Auction is our only school/child care-sponsored fund-raiser for the year.

Your support is appreciated!

**PTO Meeting** – Tuesday, February 7 – Pizza at 6:00, meeting at 6:30

**In-House Enrollment - February 15** – Our current school and child care families have an opportunity to enroll before we open enrollment to the public. We have already heard from most of our families and look forward to seeing their children in the classrooms next year!

### OPEN HOUSE

Our open enrollment will begin March 1<sup>st</sup> with an open house from 6:00 – 8:00 pm.

Please support our efforts by telling your family and friends about our wonderful child care and school.

### Sonic Night – Thursday, February 16 from 5:00 – 9:00

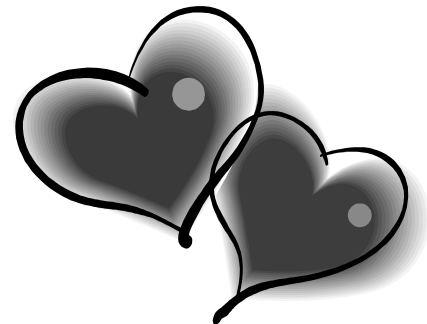
Remember to join us at the Sonic on NW 24<sup>th</sup> Avenue. We usually receive \$200 - \$250 each month from Sonic. Our PTO uses this money for fellowship activities and to support our teachers.

**NO SCHOOL** – Friday, February 17 and Monday, February 20

## SENIORS

**Thursday, February 2**, is the date for our next senior meeting. As usual, we can expect an inspiring devotional, a sumptuous lunch and fellowship with friends. Of course, the theme will be centered around St. Valentine's Day with singing of lots of old, familiar songs. It is always interesting to hear stories of how one met his/her spouse, so be thinking of something you would consider sharing. The devotional begins promptly at **11:15**, so arrive earlier with a covered dish, and come prepared for a great time together!

On **Friday, February 17**, the bus will leave the church promptly at **9:30** to convey us to Oklahoma City to visit the Firefighter's Museum. Inside the museum one can see the first fire station in Oklahoma Territory. In addition, there are 13 antique fire trucks, which have been restored. Hand drawn equipment, as well as a horse drawn steamer are also on display. The oldest artifact dates back to 1730. Admission is \$2.00. Mark this date on your calendar, and arrive at the church in time to leave at 9:30 for a fun and entertaining experience. J.B. Dufran will have selected a lunch place for us.



# LWML NEWS

Please pray for the following Mission Grants that were approved.

Our Mission Goal is \$1,825,000.00  
Total received as of Nov. 30, 2011 is 503,706.25.

This Goal is for 2011 thru 2013. We have \$1,321,293.75 to go in 2 years. Ladies, we can do it. Bring those MITES.

## **LWML \$50,000.00 GRANT**

The LWML shows God's love to two international or minority seminary students at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, Missouri, by providing scholarships to assist with housing and tuition expenses so that they may pursue their studies and become fully trained to serve as pastors in international partner churches or in ethnic congregations in the United States.

## **\$100,000 GRANT**

The students at Hong Kong International School, including children from several missionary families, take field trips to learn more about the area where they live. Here, an elementary school class goes to a local museum. Students love to have class in new ways, no matter where they live! These students are having their art class outside! LWML shows God's love to missionary children, commonly called "missionary kids" (MK's), by meeting their educational needs in a variety of ways so that they may be lovingly nurtured with a well-prepared, positive, Christian education so that they are better equipped to transition successfully between cultures.

Dear God of All Creation, it is Your desire that all people come to know You and receive the life-giving truth of salvation through Jesus Christ. To this end, You have called men and women to go to "the ends of the earth" to spread the Gospel to all people. These missionaries often have children who need to study in a variety of settings, from home schools to Christian boarding schools. Enable these MKs to transition successfully between cultures with a well-prepared, positive, Christian education. Bless the funds provided by this LWML grant to help missionary parents provide good opportunities for their children to learn in an effective way. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.

## **LADIES FELLOWSHIP** **OPPORTUNITIES FOR FEBRUARY**

**BUNCO** is always the last MONDAY of each month (February 27) at 7:00 pm Bring a friend and join us for some lively fun and refreshments. It is a great time to get acquainted and enjoy fellowship with our Lutheran members and friends. We finish by 9:00 pm.

## **BIBLE STUDIES TAUGHT BY** **PASTOR – THIS MONTH:**

**Ruth Circle** meets the 3rd Tuesday of this month (February 21) at church at 9:30 am. Pastor will lead the study this month on the topic, "The Truth of Jesus – Friend of Sinners." Bring your Bibles and join us.

**Hannah Circle** meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of this month (February 7) at church at 7:30 pm. Pastor will be teaching Lesson 8: "For What Should I Pray? – God's Goodness!"

Serve the Lord with Gladness! Psalm 100:2

## FROM THE VICAR

Greeting in the Lord!

This month I want to talk to you about Polycarp. No, I am not talking about a great day out on the lake fishing. I am talking about Saint Polycarp who the Church remembers on the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of this month. When we think of February we of course think of Saint Valentine, but allow me to show you why Polycarp should garner more of your attention in the days ahead.

Polycarp is said to have been a disciple to John the Apostle, the writer of 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> John; as well as Revelation and the Gospel which bears his name. He was probably one of the first life-long Christians, likely being baptized as an infant. Later, he became the Bishop of his hometown of Smyrna which is in modern day Turkey. After many years of serving as Bishop, Christians in his region came under persecution. On the twenty third of February, in the year of our Lord one-fifty-six, Polycarp was executed for the crime of not burning incense in worship to the Emperor. When the governing authorities urged him to recant, so to spare himself from execution, Polycarp replied, "Eighty-six years I have served Him, and He never did me any wrong. How can I blaspheme my King who saved me?"

Unlike St. Valentine, who we know VERY little about (perhaps there could have been as many as three people by that name), we know so much about the faithful St. Polycarp. Our Lord says in Revelation chapter two, "Be faithful unto death, and I will give you the crown of life." By God's grace and Spirit, may he keep all of us faithful unto death like Saint Polycarp. If you want to know more about Saint Polycarp I encourage you to read *The Martyrdom of Saint Polycarp*, it's a short document and it can be found for free on several internet sites.

### **Lutheran Student Fellowship**

LSF has started up for the semester. College students, please join us on Tuesday nights at 6:45 for a meal and a study of God's Word.



**English as a Second Language**  
**Meets on Saturdays from 10:00 am – 12:00 noon**  
**in the Forum Building at OU located at 1724 Asp Ave.**

They are still looking for people to give 30 minute casual presentations on topics related to American culture and hobbies to the group this Spring.

Also, you may come out and serve the community by helping these foreign students and their families learn English and by leading conversations with them.

If interested, contact Emily Jerman at 227-7874 or at [esl.trinity@gmail.com](mailto:esl.trinity@gmail.com).



# FEBRUARY

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

### *Birthdays*

Kelly Stapp	2/1
Heidi Brown	2/3
Keely Brown	2/4
Penny Voss	2/5
Justin Hartman	2/6
Chloe Barefoot	2/9
Anna Burgess	2/9
Jeanne Voerster	2/9
Emily Venk	2/13
Jackie Mullen	2/15
Mackenzie Burley	2/17
Megan Mason (Foster)	2/19
Donald Nist	2/19
Jennifer Parker	2/19
Gary Hines	2/21
Hadley Meinders	2/21
Ryan Thomas	2/21
David Huntley Jr.	2/24
Theo Otte	2/25
Joshua Hartman	2/26
Becky Buie	2/27
Kadence Ward	2/27
Ron Barnes	2/28
Jeanie Brinkoetter	2/28
Larry Miller	2/28

### Anniversaries



'Cack' & Patsy Roller	2/10/1954	58
Edward & Vivian Hasbrook	2/14/1987	25
John & Jackie Farquharson	2/18/1967	45
William & Sue Ebey	2/28/1992	20

**PLEASE MAKE THESE CHANGES / ADDITIONS  
TO YOUR DIRECTORY**

#### Birth/Baptism

Congratulations to Greg & Stephanie Burge at the birth of their son, Samuel Woodham Burge, who was born on December 30<sup>th</sup>! Samuel was baptized on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

#### New members/Adult Instruction

Nolan & Heather Johnson  
1317 NW 6th Pl  
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## God's Servants

### ACOLYTE

**8:00 a.m.**  
Preston Hunter  
**10:30 a.m.**  
James Hunter

**ALTAR CARE**  
Tammy Lemke &  
Sascha Looper

### USHERS

**8:00 a.m.**  
Jim Hunter  
Steve Wendte

**10:30 a.m.**  
Sandy Dunaway  
Loren Dunaway  
Jim Hunter

**ASH WEDNESDAY**  
Eric Burley Elder of the Day  
James Hunter- Acolyte

**LENT VESPERS** 1 (2/29)  
Steve Amendt- Elder  
Julia Jorns -Acolyte

### ELDER OF THE DAY

**8:00 a.m.**  
Steve Lemke  
**10:30 a.m.**  
Steve Amendt

**GREETERS** sign up in  
narthex or call Sascha Looper  
at 796-7285

**8:00 am**  
Bill & Sue Ebey

**10:30 am**  
Kelly Stapp & Rhonda Hines

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