

THRIVENT/HABITAT HOME

Saturday, March 13th, the ground breaking was completed for the new home to be built at 304 Sweet Valley Court in Mill Village (South of 3rd Avenue and 119) . Following prayers, Thrivent and Habitat introductions, the excited selected family, Charity, Patrick, Eli, and Chloe Vigil were able to get the earth turned with their "gold" shovels!

The excavation and site preparation will begin the week of the 15th of March. The three Saturdays for Bethlehem build days are JUNE 5th, JULY 10th, AUGUST 7th. Please mark the days on your calendar if you or family members want to help.

If you would like to help at other times during the home construction, please call Jenn Forristal, Volunteer Coordinator at St Vrain Habitat to get on the schedule @ 303-682-2485.

Annual Nicaragua Fund Raiser For the mission June 8-18

Goals: \$10,000 to build two homes for two homeless families renting hovels
\$2000 (Donated) to provide 40 water filters for clean water
\$6000 towards a second building for Ninos y Ninas del Futuro for the older children
\$1000 for medicine to run the clinics, including deworming
\$4800 for maintaining scholarships and helping children go to school
\$500 for providing 5 roofs on shacks
\$480 for fitting 350 pair of eye glasses

Additional donations will allow us to do more of the above.

\$3050 in Matching Funds Available

Donations in the following amounts will be matched by Bethlehem members:

\$1000 \$500 \$500 \$250 \$250
 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$100 \$50

X – indicates that a donation has been matched.

Donations of all sizes are welcome and will be used to help the abject poor! Clearly mark your envelope for the Nicaragua Mission with checks written to Bethlehem.

To Learn More:

Visit <http://www.bethlehem-lutheran.net/home/ministries/63.html> and click on Nicaragua under the mission heading.

May 2, 2010

THE WORSHIP IS OVER. THE SERVICE BEGINS.

OUR MISSION AT BETHLEHEM

GATHERED AROUND THE WORD AND SACRAMENT,
WE LIVE THE GOOD NEWS OF CHRIST'S LOVE
THROUGHOUT OUR COMMUNITY AND THE WORLD.

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▼ Available at the sound console in the back of the worship center — Assistive Listening System (ALS).

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today. Lutheran Christians believe Christ comes to us in this meal. If you are comfortable with this as a visitor, you are welcome to come to the Communion Table. If you are communing, please check "communion" column on the left side of the Friendship Pad. See an usher for large print worship folders.

Child care for birth to age 5 available Sundays, 8:00 a.m.-noon.

These numbers represent envelope giving, plate giving, holiday giving, KTV (Keeping the Vision/building) giving, intern giving, and Simply Giving comparing to the budget for those same items.

Operating Budget Giving Summary

April 25-- Week 17

Attendance: 274

Learning Hour: 50

Year-to-date budgeted gifts \$141,746
($\$8338 \times 17$)

Year-to-date actual gifts \$152,327

Weekly budgeted gifts \$ 8,338

Remaining to meet budget \$ 281,231

Last week's actual gifts \$5,768

Total yearly budgeted gifts \$ 433,558

Please remember in prayers: Ken Creamer, Arline Sahl, Faye Urbach, Dottie and George Choun, Lucille Morris, Marian Adler, Phyllis Friedrich, Jean Messinger, Charlotte Peterson, Jeremy Goodman, Maryellen Mariner, Jim Olson, Linda Jordan, Sandy Fahlstrom, Chuck Krausert, Kristy Harris and those serving our country, Seth Lewis, Doran Silker, Lance Bolt, Steven Rhoades, Devon Alexander, Stephen Vanatta, Jake Tiff, and Eric Hansen.

Altar flowers this morning are given to the glory of God in loving memory of Allen Hansen and Don Ryan by Irene Hansen and Ilene Ryan.

Jim and Nancy Tiff are pleased to announce the marriage of their son, Jake Tiff to Kristy Harris on April 29, 2010 in Jacksonville, North Carolina. We ask your prayers and pray God's blessings on them in their new life together.

Caroline Rexus of Gering, Nebraska, mother of Carolyn Greeb, passed away last week. Please remember the Greeb family in their special time in your prayers and with your support as they deal with their loss.

We will be offering healing prayers during worship this morning. If you would like prayers offered for physical, spiritual or emotional healing for you or a loved one, please come to the back of the sanctuary during the communion time. Dan Kube will be there at the 8:00 service and Carole Gardinier will be there during the 10:15 service.

ADULT FORUM FOR MAY

“A Gardener, Two Travelers, and a Cheat”

As we continue in our Book of Faith Initiative, we look at the story of four of God's people. As we read these stories, we learn not just what Adam, Abraham, Sarah or Jacob did, but we learn something about who we are and where God is in our stories. Join us!

May 2 – Adam: It Is Not Good to Be Alone (Genesis 2:4b - 4:1)

May 9 – Abraham: Trusting God's Promise (Genesis 12:1 – 5a, 10-20; 15:1-6; 22:1-18)

May 16 – Dr. David Lose – “Glimpses of Another God”

May 23 – Sarah: God Gives Laughter (Genesis 12:1-3; 16:1-10, 15-16; 17:1-2; 18:1-15; 21:1-6)

May 30 – Jacob: God's Surprising Presence (Genesis 25:19-34; 27:1 - 33:20)

GLIMPSES OF ANOTHER GOD: A JOURNEY INTO THE HEART OF SCRIPTURE!

We are blessed to have Dr. David Lose, author of Making Sense of Scripture, help us journey into the heart of the biblical witness of the God we know most fully in and through Jesus Christ. Some churches seem to portray God as watchful and stern, others suggest that God's greatest interest is in helping us all retire wealthy, and others stress God's Love. Ever wonder why? Which one helps us make sense of our lives? Together we will explore the biblical picture of God that can help us make sense of our lives in this world. Dr. Lose, professor at Luther Seminary in St. Paul, MN, is an inspiring and engaging speaker! This three-part presentation will take place at Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Longmont, CO Saturday, May 15th and Sunday, May 16th.

Saturday schedule: 10:30-11:30 Part I
11:30-12:30 Lunch
12:30-2:00 Part II
Total Cost: \$15

Sunday schedule:

Dr. Lose will preach at 8:00 and 10:15 a.m. services and lead the adult forum at 9:15 a.m.

Tickets may be purchased between Sunday services or register by email to glimpsegod@gmail.com or call the church office. Childcare for children 10 and under is \$10/family (lunch included).

FRUIT AND GOODIES NEEDED

The David Lose Luncheon on Saturday, May 15th needs some of the wonderful treats that Bethlehem bakers have provided for soup suppers and summer coffees. Stop by the Lose ticket table today in the narthex and sign up to bring fruit or sweets.

Calling all Fishers of People AND Trout

Sunday June 27th
1 to 6pm

Senior High want to go fly fishing. Can you help? If you fly fish, and would you be willing to take a few novices for a few hours, and lend poles and expertise please contact Gene Tesdahl (303) 845-0844 or genetesdahl@yahoo.com to coordinate this activity.

RELAY FOR LIFE

Cancer Walk

Bethlehem is forming a team for the Longmont Relay for Life. It will be held at Roosevelt Park, June 18-19. Registration is \$10.00, which gets you a T-shirt and materials for the walk. Questions?? Contact Colleen Beyer 303-651-2816 or colleenbeyer@comcast.net

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

A new volunteer or two, is needed to take Our Center goods to the Our Center Clothing Bank on east Rodger Road and the Our Center Food Bank at 303 Atwood St. Melissa Degen has been doing this for the past 2 years and for this, we are very thankful. If you have any questions and would like to help, please call Melissa at 303-684-9772.

DO YOU PLAY?

Here's an opportunity to get out that old band instrument you use to play and join the BOFB (guess what that stands for) to play a couple tunes for the Bethlehem Community. Get the ol' embouchure in shape, oil the valves, dust and clean the years of dirt that have accumulated and we'll get together for some interesting practices and play some easier band music for the congregation. Talk with Dave Beyer for more information.

SHAREFEST SATURDAY, JUNE 5 BURLINGTON ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

7:30 Lutheran Sacrament of Coffee
8-2 Rite of Cleansing by anointing with latex
3:00 Cymbal-clanging celebration with all the rolling saints.
Fellowship and bread-breaking included.
Low-key ceremony awarding stars for our crowns.
AN ELCA APPROVED FAMILY EVENT. BE THERE!
Fred Fanton Gene Schnabel

RANDOM ACT OF KINDNESS

Sunday May 2, 1:00 - 4:00 pm

Senior High meet at BLC for some fun-filled joy-spreading. It will be FUN. Let Gene know ASAP if you will come.

A FRIENDLY REMINDER

If you borrow something to use within the church, please remember to replace it where you found it. Also, if you borrow something to take away from the church, please let Nancy know in the office when you pick it up AND when you return it. Your help is greatly appreciated.

9Health Fair Thank You

Many thanks to all who volunteered, donated food and participated on the 9Health Fair this year. It is greatly appreciated. We had another successful fair because of all of you. Thanks again, 9Health Fair Committee