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2011:
YEAR
OF THE
BIBLE

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Your Death is Precious to God

Precious in the sight of the LORD is the death of His saints. Psalm 116:15

In August of 1941, German pastor, theologian, and seminary instructor, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, wrote a letter to his former students. What prompted the letter was the news that four of their former classmates had been killed on the eastern front. In Bonhoeffer's search to understand why they died so young, we find words that shed light on our own death. He wrote:

To be sure, God shall call you, and us, only at the hour that God has chosen. Until that hour, which lies in God's hands alone, we shall all be protected even in the greatest danger, and from our gratitude for such protection ever new readiness surely arises for the final call.

Who can comprehend how those whom God takes so early are chosen? Does not the early death of young Christians always appear to us as if God were plundering his own best instruments in a time in which they are most needed? Yet the Lord makes no mistakes. Might God need our brothers for some hidden service on our behalf in the heavenly world? We should put an end to our human thoughts, which always wish to know more than they can, and cling to that which is certain. Whomever God calls home is someone God has loved. *"For their souls were pleasing to the Lord, therefore he took them quickly from the midst of wickedness"* Wisdom of Solomon 4:14

We know, of course, that God and the devil are engaged in battle in the world and that the devil also has a say in death. In the face of death we cannot simply speak in some fatalistic way, "God wills it"; but we must juxtapose it with the other reality, "God does not will it." Death reveals that the world is not as it should be but that it stands in need of redemption. Christ alone is the conquering of death. Here the sharp antithesis between "God wills it" and "God does not will it" comes to a head and also finds its resolution. God accedes to that which God does not will, and from now on death itself must therefore serve God. For now on, "God wills it" encompasses even the "God does not will it." God wills the conquering of death through the death of Jesus Christ. Only in the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ has death been drawn into God's power, and it must now serve God's own aims. It is not some fatalistic surrender but rather a living faith in Jesus Christ, who died and rose for us, that is able to cope profoundly with death.

In life with Jesus Christ, death as a general fate approaching us from without is confronted by death from within, one's own death, the free death of daily dying with Jesus Christ. Those who live with Christ die daily to their own will. Christ in us gives us over to death so that he can live within us. (Romans 6:1-8) Thus our inner dying grows to meet that death from without. Christians receive their own death in this way, and in this way our physical death very truly becomes not the end but rather the fulfillment of our life with Jesus Christ. Here we enter into the community with the One who at his own death was able to say, "It is finished."

Sometimes it takes me a few times reading through to understand Bonhoeffer, so you may want to carefully read that again. I found it enlightening in coming to terms with death. Remember that Jesus came to raise the dead. In Christ, our death has become the way to real life.

Yesterday morning, as I stood by the bed of Jan Burnley shortly after she passed into the nearer presence of God, I thought again how divided we are in our feelings at the death of a believer in Christ. On one hand, there is profound grief as we face the reality of life without someone we love. More profoundly, on the other hand, stands the victory that has now been fully experienced in the resurrection to life eternal. While we are divided in our feelings, God is not, for *"precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."* While it is the case that, long before we are ready, we have to say goodbye to someone we love, we believe that there are those in a far better place that are saying with Jesus, "Welcome home!"

Upcoming Events

LIFE WITH GOD
Class 101
Sunday, February 13
3-8 p.m.

This class is for anyone who . . .

- Wants to get to know more people who attend St. Luke
- Wants to join St. Luke—This is a membership class
- Desires to be married at St. Luke and is not a member
- Has questions about the Christian faith
- Wants to understand the basic truths of Christianity
- Wants to strengthen in faith
- Wants to become better acquainted with Pastor Steve

BONUS: A delicious meal will be provided for those attending this class.

Sign up in the Gathering area.

New members will be received on Sunday, February 27.



Sunday February 6

Following worship on Feb. 6, you will have the opportunity to donate a cash gift to benefit the *Lutheran Food Pantry*. Cash donations enable the pantry to purchase food from the Mid-Ohio Food Bank at a more reasonable rate than you can purchase food at the grocery store. Thanks for your support!

Quilt Tying

1st and 3rd Thursday each month,
7:30 pm
Fellowship Hall Overflow Room

Interested in starting a morning session? Please contact Nancy Pagliaro at npag@columbus.rr.com or 614-476-9773. Quilts will be provided.



**NORMAL IS BROKE
 BE WEIRD!**



Dave Ramsey's
Financial Peace
 UNIVERSITY


Financial Peace University is a 13-week, video-based small group study that teaches families how to beat debt, build wealth, and give like never before.

CLASS STARTS SOON!

FREE PREVIEW
 Thurs, Feb 10th 6:30 pm
 Class begins Feb 17th

For More Info Call
 Aaron McCullough
 614-471-7326

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TEEN EVANGELISM
TRAINING CONFERENCE!

**For all
high school
and middle
school
Students.**

Coming to Columbus, OH
February 4-5, 2011

Featuring:



For more information on
Student Ministries events,
contact Youth Pastor Greg
Osborne @ 614-530-3356

6th Grade Sunday School (9:45 am - Room 110)

7th / 8th Grade Sunday School (11:00 am - Room 110)

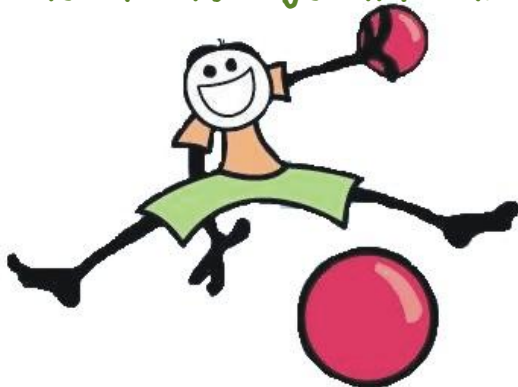
High School Sunday School (11:00 am - The Upper Room)

Parent of Teens Sunday School (11:00 am - Library)

SNL (High School Youth Group) Sundays 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Accelerate (Middle School Youth Group) Tuesdays 6:30-8:00 pm

Middle School Dodgeball Tournament



Sunday, February 1

6:30-8:00 p.m.

Bring a friend!!

Middle School Tubing Trip Mad River Mountain



Saturday March 12-10:00 a.m.

Cost \$25.00

ST LUKE LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS



Friday April 5th
St Luke Lutheran Church
4456 Morse Ed
Gahanna, OH 43230

Concert start 7:00 PM
Doors open 6:30 PM

Tickets
\$5 in advance
\$12 at the door

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for more information www.stlukeecolumbus.com

Gahanna Community Theater Presents

GUYS & Dolls

FEBRUARY 18, 19 & 20

Friday, February 18, 8:00 pm
Saturday, February 19, 8 PM
Sunday, February 20, 2:30 PM.

All performances are at the Gahanna Lincoln High School Auditorium and tickets for all performances are \$12. You may buy tickets in advance by contacting Sandy Howard at 476-8839.

LENTEEN DINNERS

The Encourage Team is asking small groups and combinations of individuals to consider sponsoring and preparing light dinners that would precede the Lenten services on Wednesday, March 16, 23, 30 and April 6 & 13. The dinners would begin at 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to volunteer for one of these Lenten Dinners, please call Sandy or Steve Howard at 476-8839. Thank you.

13th ANNUAL ST. LUKE HOCKEY NIGHT

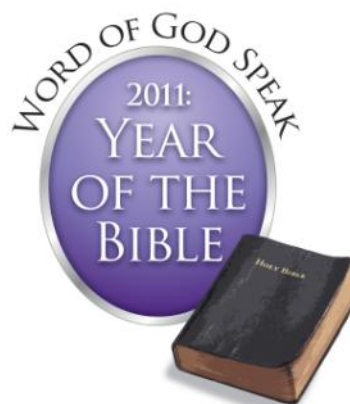
Saturday, February 5, at 7:05 PM
Schottenstein Center
OSU men's ice hockey team hosts
Michigan State University

St. Luke's block of 170 tickets are in Section 128. If you need tickets, have extra tickets, need directions, or have questions please call Steve Howard at 614-476-8839.

2011 – The Year of The Bible

Word of God Speak

In 2011 you are encouraged to read the Bible. You will find this to be a spiritual growth experience like few others that you have had! As a whole family of faith we will be reading through the Bible. Already we are receiving reports from people who are enjoying and growing from following the Daily Bible Readings. **If you have not yet started the readings, you are encouraged to jump in right where we are on the chart instead of trying to go back and make up the readings from the beginning of the year.** There are two paths that you can choose from: reading the New Testament and Psalms in one year or reading the whole Bible in one year. See the chart of the Daily Bible Readings in this newsletter to understand how this works. Here are the resources that are available to you for this year of the Bible:



Daily Bible Readings Each month these will be printed in the newsletter and Beacon. They are listed on our website (www.stlukecolumbus.com) under the heading "Spiritual Growth". A one-page list of the Daily Bible Readings for the whole year is available at the Welcome Place at St. Luke.

Study Guides Also available at the Welcome Place and on our website are weekly study guides with questions to help focus your thoughts about what you are reading. These can be used individually or, ***even better***, with another person or small group of people you meet with through the year. Get a Bible reading partner or join a small group in 2011! All of our small groups are encouraged to use these study guides.

Weekly Worship During most of the Sundays of 2011 the sermons will come from the readings that are done in the New Testament or Psalms each week. Sermon outlines will be available on many of the weeks.

February Calendar

Weekly Events

Accelerate—MS Youth Group	Tuesdays 6:30 pm
Cancer Thrivers Small Group	Thursdays 7:00 pm
Chancel Choir Practice	Weds 7:30 pm
Dartball	Thursdays 7:30 pm
Joyful Ringers (bells) Practice	Weds 6:15 pm
Men's Bible Study	Fridays 6:45 am
Parents of Teens Sunday School	Sundays 11:00 am
Prayer Group	Fridays 4:00 pm
Quilt Tying	Thursdays 7:30 pm
<i>1st & 3rd Thursdays</i>	
Sixth Grade Catechism	Thursdays 4:30 pm
S.N.L.—HS Youth Group	Sundays 6:30 pm
Sunday School K-6	Sundays 9:45 am
Sunday School 7-12	Sundays 11:00 am
Women's Bible Study	Tuesdays 9:00 am & 7:00 pm
Worship & Praise Band Practice	Thursdays 7:30 pm

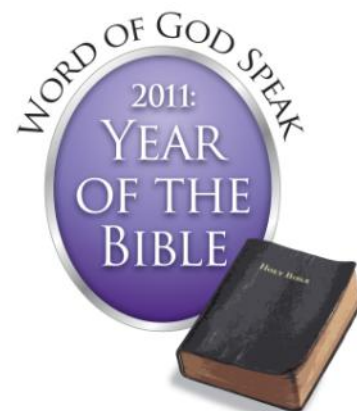
02/01	Middle School Dodgeball Tournament	6:30 pm
02/04-05	Un. The Tour <i>High School & Middle School Conference</i>	
02/05	13th Annual St. Luke Hockey Night	7:05 pm
02/06	Souper Bowl Sunday	
02/06	High School <i>Minute To Win It</i>	6:00 pm
02/10	Financial Peace University— <i>Free Preview</i>	6:30 pm
02/11-13	Women's Retreat	
02/13	Life With God Class	3-8 pm
02/17	Financial Peace University— <i>Class Begins</i>	6:30 pm
02/27	New Members Received— <i>All Services</i>	

February 2011 Bible Readings

A Year of Reading and Teaching Through the Bible

Column 1: Reading through New Testament & Psalms in one year
(5-7 minutes each day)

Columns 1 & 2: Reading through the whole Bible in one year
(15-20 minutes each day)



Day of Week	Date	Column 1 New Testament and Psalms	Column 2 Old Testament
Tuesday	Feb. 1	Mark 15-16	Exodus 8-9
Wednesday	Feb. 2	Luke 1-2	Exodus 10-11
Thursday	Feb. 3	Luke 3	Exodus 12
Friday	Feb. 4	Luke 4	Exodus 13-14
Saturday	Feb. 5	Luke 5	Exodus 15-16
Sunday	Feb. 6	Worship	Exodus 17-19
Monday	Feb. 7	Luke 6	Exodus 20-21
Tuesday	Feb. 8	Luke 7-8	Exodus 22-23
Wednesday	Feb. 9	Luke 9-10	Exodus 24-25
Thursday	Feb. 10	Luke 11	Exodus 26-27
Friday	Feb. 11	Luke 12	Exodus 28
Saturday	Feb. 12	Luke 13	Exodus 29
Sunday	Feb. 13	Worship	Exodus 30-31
Monday	Feb. 14	Luke 14	Exodus 31-33
Tuesday	Feb. 15	Luke 15-16	Exodus 34-35
Wednesday	Feb. 16	Luke 17-18	Exodus 36-37
Thursday	Feb. 17	Luke 19	Exodus 38-39
Friday	Feb. 18	Luke 20	Exodus 40 – Leviticus 1
Saturday	Feb. 19	Luke 21	Leviticus 2-4
Sunday	Feb. 20	Worship	Leviticus 5-6
Monday	Feb. 21	Luke 22	Leviticus 7
Tuesday	Feb. 22	Luke 23-24	Leviticus 8-9
Wednesday	Feb. 23	John 1:1-18	Leviticus 10-11
Thursday	Feb. 24	John 1:19-51	Leviticus 12-13
Friday	Feb. 25	John 2:1-12	Leviticus 14
Saturday	Feb. 26	John 2:13-25	Leviticus 15-16
Sunday	Feb. 27	Worship	Leviticus 17-18
Monday	Feb. 28	John 3:1-21	Leviticus 18-20

Books of the Bible

Old Testament New Testament

Genesis	Matthew
Exodus	Mark
Leviticus	Luke
Numbers	John
Deuteronomy	Acts
Joshua	Romans
Judges	1 Corinthians
Ruth	2 Corinthians
1 Samuel	Galatians
2 Samuel	Ephesians
1 Kings	Philippians
2 Kings	Colossians
1 Chronicles	1 Thessalonians
2 Chronicles	2 Thessalonians
Ezra	1 Timothy
Nehemiah	2 Timothy
Esther	Titus
Job	Philemon
Psalms	Hebrews
Proverbs	James
Ecclesiastes	1 Peter
Song of Songs	2 Peter
Isaiah	1 John
Jeremiah	2 John
Lamentations	3 John
Ezekiel	Jude
Daniel	Revelation
Hosea	
Joel	
Amos	
Obadiah	
Jonah	
Micah	
Nahum	
Habakkuk	
Zephaniah	
Haggai	
Zechariah	
Malachi	

First week in March Bible Readings

Tuesday	3-1	John 3:22-36	Leviticus 21-22
Wednesday	3-2	John 4:1-42	Leviticus 23-24
Thursday	3-3	John 4:43-54	Leviticus 25
Friday	3-4	John 5:1-18	Leviticus 26
Saturday	3-5	John 5:19-47	Leviticus 27
Sunday	3-6	Worship	Numbers 1
Monday	3-7	John 6:1-21	Numbers 2

In the attempt to save paper and the planet, we are now offering your monthly *St. Luke Newsletter* by email! Whether you would like to receive your newsletter by email or snail mail, we need you to fill out the form below to let us know you still want the *St. Luke Newsletter* to come to your home each month. **Please choose ONE method and return this form to the Church office, if you have not already turned in your preference.**

Receiving your St. Luke Newsletter



Name _____

I would like to receive my *St. Luke Newsletter* by Email

Email Address _____

I would like to receive my *St. Luke Newsletter* by Snail Mail

Home Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____



Food Pantry Service

Mark your calendar now for these upcoming Food Pantry service opportunities to unleash God's love by serving those in need!

Thursday March 17
 Wednesday May 25
 Saturday June 25
 Wednesday August 31
 Monday October 31
 Saturday December 3

Care Letters were sent to the following members & friends of St. Luke this past month:

<p>Congratulations to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matt & Amanda Wickboldt for the birth of Travis • Erin & Tim Rile for the birth of Samuel David <p>Care Letter to Jan Burnley</p>	<p>Get Well to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Daniel Friend • Krista Lust • Cheryl DoBroka • Alice Janutolo <p>Sympathy to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Barb Lyman & Family • Clyde Magee
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FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

02/01	Alex Guinther Bob Patterson Jan Lira	02/07	Paul Davis Suzette Musch	02/14	Patience Shado Mike Skamfer	02/20	Rob Zaino Natalie young	02/26	Jan Burnley Rodney Kolbe
02/03	Paula Nicewarner William Murray	02/08	Patricia Malling Clyde Magee	02/15	Cheryl Thompson Melanie Jurca	02/21	Al Harter Donna Reinaker	02/27	Andrea Skamfer Will King
02/04	Faye caner Sam Bays	02/09	John Miller Anne Meuser	02/16	Larry Smith Lorene Nance	02/22	Diana Tyler Collin Gaffney-DeCicco	02/28	Deb Wickboldt Evan Harvey
02/05	Mike Cline Connie Kuhns Janelle McGrath	02/10	Alice Myers Dolores Kinsinger	02/18	Rhonda Peterson Aaron Moore	02/23	Nancy Myers Charlotte Secrest		Comfort Shado
02/06	Carla Wheeler Cheryl DoBroka Nikki Guinther	02/11	Patrick Neary Andrew Lewis	02/19	Catie McCullough John Tyler	02/24	Sam Burnley Nancy Myers		
		02/12	Patrick Williams Meredith Farst Morgan Lineberry		Margaret Koehler Belinda Hilliard Stephanie Heter	02/25	Heidi Jaruta		

WELCOME

New members will be received
on Sunday, February 27

If you have taken Life With God and now wish to become a member, please contact Pastor Steve by February 20.

I want to thank everyone for the Prayers and Cards after my Brother's death.

Barb Lyman

LUTHERAN MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Weekend for Couples

March 11-13, 2011

Our Guest Inn B&B—Port Clinton OH

April 29-May 1—Springhill Suites, Solon OH

For more information, contact Duffy & Nan Guthrie at 440-599-9090 or nguthrie@suite224.net or register online at www.GodLovesMarriage.org.



December 2010

Average Sunday Attendance : 319

	<u>Dec '10</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Receipts	\$ 55,611	\$570,018
Income/(Loss)	<u>\$ 56,635</u>	<u>\$535,602</u>
	<u>\$ (1,024)</u>	<u>\$ 34,416</u>

A complete summary of the Financial Report is posted on the Give Bulletin Board.

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

- 8:30 Worship with Traditional Music
- 9:45 Worship with Contemporary Music
K-6 Sunday School
- 11:00 Worship with Traditional Music
7-12 Sunday School

Nursery provided at all services.

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St. Luke Newsletter publication deadline is the **15th** of each month.
Please send all submissions to Terri Maxwell at Maxwellbays@gmail.com or drop them off at the Church office.

Council President's Letter

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Well, it's February. How are you doing on those New Year's Resolutions? Are you exercising more, eating better, spending time in God's word each day? I'm doing better in these areas than I did last year, but I will confess I am still not as disciplined as I would like to be. When I ask myself why, I usually come back to the same answer – my life is overscheduled. With so many commitments (family, work, volunteer activities, etc.), I can't keep up with it all at the level I would like. What is the answer? **SIMPLIFY** wherever I can! (Easier said than done, right?)

Simplifying means making choices – not trying to do everything at the same time, learning to say 'no' (and not feel guilty about it), finding ways to have one activity accomplish multiple purposes, and eliminating tasks where possible. It's no different at St. Luke. Last year we spent time in prayer and study to refine the vision for our congregation → "We are a sanctuary where God's love is learned, lived, and unleashed." This year the Council, Staff and Ministry Team leaders will be working together to align the work of St. Luke to this vision. In addition to being guided by Scripture and prayer, we will reference a book titled *Simple Church* (Rainer & Geiger). Join us in reading this book, if you'd like, and share your insights with any member of the staff or Council.

Please continue praying for the leadership of St. Luke – that we will properly discern how we can best use our collective resources to teach God's Word so that all might hear, believe and be saved.

In Christ, Cheryl Whatley
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Council Actions January 2011:

- The committee to review the management agreement with GEEC Preschool will meet in January 11, 2011. The agreement will be reviewed and will be approved by Council at the February Council meeting.
- Employee handbook revisions and vacation policies were reviewed approved.
- Council approved the transfer of 2 people to a Lutheran congregation in Florida at their request.
- A revised job description for the position of Children's and Family Ministry Director was reviewed and approved. A Congregational Forum to inform the members regarding the position is planned for Sunday, January 23, 2011 at 4 p.m. in the fellowship hall.
- An overnight Leadership Retreat is planned for Friday, March 18 - Saturday, March 19 for Council, staff and Ministry Area leadership Teams. The goal of this retreat is to align and recharged our St. Luke ministries with our newly articulated vision: "We are a sanctuary where God's love is learned, lived, and unleashed."
- Council reviewed a list of members who have not attended St. Luke in 2010 and who will be contacted to assess their desire to remain members of St. Luke.

A complete copy of the Minutes of Council are on file in the church Library

M.A.L.T. News

Ministry Area Leadership Teams

To learn more about how you can become involved with the ministries God has uniquely shaped you for, contact our Ministry Connector, Donna Reinaker at 614-476-9725.

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Unleash – Hmmmmm – *Unleash.....*”To set free, to give a free rein, allow to run free, allow to run riot.....” Hmmmmm....*Unleash*. Reminds me of the Rumpus the Wild Things enjoyed some months ago on a Sunday morning at St. Luke – with someone even decked out in a Pink Flamingo hat!! Allowed to run riot -- Yep, I think I like the thought of this Unleash thing that we are hearing so much about. It’s pretty cool that we can have – free rein! We have the ability to learn and live unleashed in God’s kingdom!

I shared my experience about an amazing wedding several months ago. At that same wedding, we acquired a new nephew. He’s a great young man and a wonderful newlywed husband – however, he’s an even greater professional horse trainer. With him joining our family, we have become even more aware of what he actually does for a living. We find ourselves glued to the computer screen when he is showing his reining horses and often clutching each other waiting for his scores. We have learned that these horses are to be “willingly guided or controlled with little or no apparent resistance”. They are to be given free rein....**UNLEASHED!**

Watching the horses move gracefully in circles with little resistance – it’s a feeling that simply takes my breath. And somewhere in the midst of watching him show, I have realized that this is what God’s expecting from me, too! I am to be willingly guided. I am to learn what His expectations are for me and then live them out -- he touches my heart and then he loosens the tension on the reins and encourages me to move among his people sharing the grace and freedom that his Son has given me with little or no apparent resistance. God wants us to experience the free rein that only he can give us!

We have such opportunities to unleash God’s very being. New people coming to visit us each Sunday and people that we meet each day that are looking for something – seeking God’s Word, wanting to learn about God’s love, and wanting to live surrounded by people who will help them unleash what they find!

As we move into 2011 and the “Word of God Speak” sermon series, we have the ability to invite people to St. Luke that may be anxious to learn God’s amazing story. Some of us have been in the Bible for many years and don’t recall the excitement of reading the Bible for the first time, it has just become a part of us. Some of us are still learning about the Good News and overlook the chances to share with others because we are caught up in our own joy and journey.

Wherever we are, through prayer we can be willingly guided to invite those who may never have had the opportunity to read through the Bible and learn about the incredible life of Jesus. What an experience you can share with someone! How would you feel if your invitation started someone on the road to giving their life to Jesus? Without apparent resistance, being willingly guided by God, let’s start 2011 by inviting those that are seeking to hear God’s word and give a caring welcome to those that are drawn through our doors. This could be just the beginning for someone to come to know the greatest story ever told!

Lori Black

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The news was devastating; the images, indelible. The 7.0 magnitude earthquake that struck the island nation of Haiti the afternoon of January 12, 2010, the worst in more than 200 years, killed approximately 230,000 people, brought countless buildings to the ground in a matter of seconds, and forever changed the lives of millions.

Just as the tragedy was overwhelming, so was the response. Thanks to generous supporters, LWR raised more than \$7 million for an immediate and long-term response. In the days and weeks immediately following the earthquake, that generosity provided much-needed food, water and shelter. Today, it is helping lay the groundwork for a brighter future.

The road ahead is long. Haiti continues to struggle, and challenges like the recent cholera outbreak make things even more difficult. But LWR has been there through it all, walking with the people of Haiti as they work to overcome adversity, rebuild their lives and pave the path for the future.

In the aftermath of the earthquake, LWR provided:

- 25,545 quilts, giving warmth to those forced to sleep outdoors
- 77,585 health kits, to help people living in desperate conditions maintain basic hygiene
- 1,500 layettes, to help new parents care for their infants
- 35,700 school kits, to help displaced children learn
- 39 large tents, to set up temporary schools
- 17,500 tarps, to provide temporary shelter for displaced families
- \$1.1 million to local partners to provide food, water, sanitation services and shelter



With experience and expertise in rural development, LWR focused its program interventions on the many rural communities that took in the approximately 600,000 people who fled the capital city of Port au Prince after the quake.

Working with local partners, LWR:

- Provided health and hygiene training for 10,253 people
- Built 253 collective and family latrines to serve thousands of families
- Assisted 8,151 people through cash-for-work programs that repaired roads, improved farms and built latrines and community water filters
- Provided seeds and tools to thousands of farmers to ensure an adequate food supply
- Stocked community stores in 12 rural communities to provide basic necessities at subsidized prices
- In October, an outbreak of cholera, a potentially fatal intestinal infection, began spreading rapidly through Haiti, making already difficult conditions even worse. Working with local partners and in coordination with the Ministry of Health, LWR responded in five Departments (Artibonite, Northwest, North, Southeast and South) by
- Procuring and distributing medical supplies to health facilities (public and private hospitals as well as local health centers that have been set up to respond to the cholera epidemic).
- Distributing water filters to schools
- Distributing oral rehydration salts, soap, and water treatment tablets to vulnerable populations in rural communities

From the Lutheran World Relief Website www.lwr.org

Here at St Luke we had a wonderful response to this disaster - with contributions, many health kits, school kits and Quilts. It is wonderful that we can help make a difference when there is a disaster. For more information on the work done all over the world by Lutheran World Relief, you can go to www.lwr.org

Contributions are always welcomed, and if you wish to contribute please make the check out to St Luke with Lutheran World Relief in the memo. You can either specify Haiti Relief or just let it be used for whatever need is greatest. We will forward all contributions at the end of every month.

Kathy Clark

Learn Ministry

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Judy Cerqua
Greg Osborne



Children's Sunday School 2011

We are off to a great start, and really enjoying our new curriculum!

Each week we learn a lesson based on Jesus' teachings. The children do numerous activities to help them remember the lesson. Please remember to stop by and say thanks to the dedicated Sunday school teachers and assistants!

Stay tuned for flyers about our upcoming
Family Movie Night & Family Game Night!

Prayer Ministry

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- If you or a family member are hospitalized, please call our Church office. We would like to visit and pray with you.
- Prayer partners will be available to offer individual prayer with you during Communion at all services on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

Remember in Your Prayers:

St. Luke Members: Heidi Bowman • Bertie Allen • Tabby Cline • Susan Crosby • Jean Damman • Cheryl DoBroka • Marilyn Edwards • Jared Gaffney • Alice Janutolo • Kenny Jones • Rella Kehl • Jerry Keller • Dorothy Lybarger • Krista Lust • Kimberly Malone • Terri Maxwell and Family • Janelle, Jim and Daniel McGrath • Florine Miller • Dolores Roscow • Jennifer Scott • Rose Wetherill

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TURN YOUR DREAMS INTO REALITY!

By Dave Ramsey

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This is your year. To make things happen.

To pursue your dreams. To say no to wimping out.

To be weird!

Think about something you've always wanted to do. Go on, let yourself day-dream a little. Is it skydiving? Going back to school? Starting your own business? Backpacking across Europe with your best friend? Getting a dog?

Whatever it is, this is the year to end all procrastination. **Too many people waste their time *thinking about something they want to do, but very few people actually do it.*** Don't let yourself become another sad statistic of someone not being motivated enough to pursue their goal.

Excuses Are Enemies. Think about what's stopping you from chasing your dream. Is it fear? Are you afraid you'll take a chance and fail? Maybe it's money. Are you so worried about money that you let it push your dreams to the side?

A lot of people use time as an excuse. We're all busy, and it's no secret that Americans are getting even busier and have problems saying no.

But you can't let any of the excuses put a halt on your goals. If you want something bad enough, you will make the time to turn your dreams into realities. Figure out what's stopping you from pursuing your goal, and determine a way to get around that.

Here are five steps to take your aspiration from a pipe dream to a page in your personal history book:

- 1. Create a plan.** Remember what stopped you from pursuing your goal until now? Well, come up with a plan to not let that reason stop you anymore. Whatever the issue, having a plan in place will give you the confidence boost you need to actually make this happen!
- 2. Do your research.** Get advice from others who have done what you want to do. Learn from their mistakes. Read books from and about them. Having lots of information before you head into something is always a great way to be prepared.
- 3. Be realistic.** Some people have a dream of traveling across the globe in a year or hiking to the top of Kilimanjaro. Although it's great to have goals, you need to make sure your dreams are doable for you within the time frame you have set. You should still challenge yourself and not make your goals so easy that there's no motivation or sacrifice involved.
- 4. Cover the financial aspect.** Of course we're going to tell you to do a budget! Dreams can cost money. Whether it's \$300 for a flight lesson or \$5,000 for an Italian getaway, money is a crucial factor. Write up a plan for your money to make sure you have what you need to chase your goal.
- 5. Take a chance and go for it!** This step can be the hardest one to do because fears are holding you back. But if you've followed the previous four steps, you're ready! Now it's time to make it happen. Don't talk yourself out of this dream. Life involves risks, but when you've planned ahead, those risks are a little less scary to take.

Once you've mastered these five steps, you will soon be marking off your dream from your bucket list. Perhaps it will even inspire you to dream up more goals for yourself! *Conquer whatever it is that's stopping you, and be weird in 2011!*



Worship Servant Schedule

Acolytes 8:30

02/06 Jeannette Anderson
 02/13 Alexis Hutchison
 02/20 Kiana King
 02/27 Katherine Pirro

11:00

Paxton Lewis
 Paulina Martz
 Alex Maxwell
 Will Murray

If you are unable to serve when scheduled, please contact the service coordinator. Thank you.

8:30 Gary Page 614-475-5984
 9:45 Aaron McCullough 614-940-2754
 11:00 Irene Pierce 614-478-5114

Greeters 8:30

02/06 Margaret & Arnold Koehler
 02/13 Pam & Chuck Kluve
 02/20 Bob Patterson, Sam Burnley
 02/27 Jean & Greg Garman

11:00

Irene Pierce, Kelli Rudie
 Renee Lawshea & Betty Comer
 Open
 Janet & Phil Dixon

9:45 Welcome Center

Cheryl Boltz, Sheri Pirro
 Laura & Terry Warren
 Chrissy & Mike Cline
 Deb & Roger Wickboldt

Ushers 8:30

02/06 Mary Jane & Clyde Magee
 02/13 Sandy & Gary Page
 02/20 Nadine & Bob Mehl
 02/27 Connie Kuhns, Sue Rose

11:00

Al Harter, Dorothy Schultz
 Steve Howard, Julie Neary
 Irene Pierce, Don Huffman
 Andrew Wilch, Pat Hagenlocker

9:45

Brent & Sue Pettiford
 Tim & Kay Bally, Scott & Suzy Penny
 Dean DeCicco, John & Pat Miller, Tim Steckelberg
 Harry Bushwack, Connie McClintic, David Keene,
 Sue Reed

Communion

Assistants 8:30

02/06 Nancy & Lou Himmer,
 John DoBroka
 02/20 Elaine Wakely, Beth Spangler
 Lonnie Jenkins

11:00

Lonnie Jenkins, Lorraine Jackson
 Kathy Clark, Sandy Howard

9:45

Eric Gault, Mariah Rousseau, Tim Steckelberg,
 Deb & Roger Wickboldt, Karen Annis, Greg Osborne
 Sheri Pirro
 Bob Russo, Lynn Harmon, Rich Marinzal, Rob Murray,
 Emily Brown, Bryana Black, Dan & Pat Volkema,
 Janelle McGrath

Lay Readers 8:30

02/06 Connie Kuhns
 02/13 Gregory Melick
 02/20 Nadine Mehl
 02/27 Sandy Howard

11:00

Dennis Roeder
 Dorothy Schultz
 Open
 Rob Zaino

Nursery Staff (with volunteers)

8:30 Charlotte McCullough
 9:45 Tiffany Hayes
 11:00 Sara Dietrich

Communion Bread

02/06 Valerie Howard
 02/13
 02/20 Judy Brewer
 02/27

Worship Leader (11:00)

Bob Schwalm
 Gordon Nygren
 Elizabeth Zaino
 Aaron McCullough

Flowers

Open
 Marty & Elaine Wakley, Bob & Nadine Mehl
 Bernie & Dean DeCicco, Donna & Rick Reinaker
 Dennis & Doris Roeder

Altar Guild

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Sanctuary Service

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