



Making A Difference Newsletter

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Jerry Heimsoth is now celebrating eternal life in Heaven

From Rev. John Lescow at Saint Paul's Lutheran Church - West Allis, WI

The Lord welcomed him home on Monday, February 23, 2009. The funeral was held on Saturday, February 28th . LCC received the following e-mail:

Dear LCC,

Thank you for all you have done. Barb and the kids appreciate everything. She is so humble. The flowers that you sent were absolutely beautiful. The service was amazing. Their pastor even seemed to hold back the tears at times. He had all of Jerry's former students stand, then all of us whom Jerry had taught in ways other than school stood. Of course, the whole church stood.

Pastor said that Jerry was always concerned that he had not done enough for Christ and that perhaps no one would attend his funeral. He was wrong - the church was filled to capacity. He was a witness to all of us. We hope that now we can help Barb get out of debt and pay for the funeral. LCC has helped so much. Thanks again to everyone who has supported the family through donations, prayer and service. God provides through wonderful people.

\$15,000 is needed by the family to pay remaining medical and funeral expenses for Jerry. [Click here to donate](#)

[Click here to read letters](#) by Jerry's children about their father



French Hymnal Symposium

Request from Pastor Stephane Kalonji, Zion Lutheran Church, Chicago

French Version of the Lutheran Service Book and other liturgical books

Dear LCC,

I am writing to ask for your help in publicizing my need for a financial support so I can attend a symposium that is being organized by the Lutheran Church of Canada at the end of April, in Montreal. At this symposium, the participants will study the French version of the Lutheran Service Book and many other resources available in French. Airfare and ground transportation will cost approximately \$450. Any additional funds will be used to purchase song books, small catechism books... Thanks in advance!



Rev. Stéphane M. Kalonji
District's Coordinator of African Immigrant Ministry

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[To assist Rev. Kalonji in attending this conference, please donate here...](#)

Bible Translator on Medical Leave In Need Of Car and Assistance with Medical Expenses Request from Pastor Scott Bruzek of St John Lutheran Church in Wheaton, Illinois

Car need met but Financial Aid Needed for Medical Expenses



Update: Because of the car donation the Burmeisters have been able to move into an apartment at the Wycliffe Bible Center in West Chicago. Jonathon goes weekly to the hospital for treatments. He anticipates receiving the bone marrow transplant within the next two months. They are still facing heavy monthly expenses for his medications. At this point they do not have insurance to cover those costs... [Click here to donate](#)

LCC received the following request for a car on Friday, February 6th. Because of the donation of a car by Rev. Paul Haberstock, LCC was able to meet that need the same day. However the Burmeisters are in need of assistance with medical expenses



Long time members at St. John Lutheran, Wheaton, and Wycliffe Bible translator and associate member of Lutheran Bible Translators, Jonathon Burmeister and his wife Nancy have been serving the Lord for the past 36 years in Ivory Coast and Mali, Africa. Many of their furloughs from the mission field were spent in Wheaton where they attended worship, Bible study, and were involved in other activities while members of St. John. Two of their children went through youth confirmation

at St. John.

Jonathon was recently diagnosed with a particularly rare form of anemia and was evacuated from Ivory Coast in December and is being treated at the University of Chicago Hospital. Thankfully, Jonathon will be undergoing a bone marrow transplant in March, with his sister as donor.

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Bethel Lives On...



On Saturday, February 28th the sanctuary pieces from Bethel Lutheran Church in Chicago found a new home. They are now at First Immanuel in Chicago. Pastor Harry Therwanger of First Immanuel noted that "Many members of First Immanuel attended Bethel school and will find it meaningful to 'redeem' some of the furnishing from the closing of Bethel."

There are still two Communion Rails available. They are 8ft long with a slight curvature. If you are interested please contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or e-mail LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

LCC Announces "Send a Spoken Prayer"



LCC's ["Send a Spoken](#)

[Prayer](#) e-Card site is available.

To learn more, [Click Here](#)

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LCC connects needs with resources, working with more than 400 congregations to help Christians "Make a Difference in People's Lives and in God's Kingdom"

[To meet our staff, click here](#)

For more information about LCC and its human care ministry, please contact LCC staff at: LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

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LCC Comfort Dog Fuerst a Hit in Indiana!

PORTAGE | Four-year-old Jodie Brasseur wrapped her arms around the golden retriever's neck and gently kissed his head.

"He's cute," Jodie said.

The object of Jodie's affection was Fuerst, a two-year-old "comfort dog" sponsored by Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Portage.

Holy Cross Pastor Tim Engel said Fuerst's job is to provide comfort to people in the community -- particularly in disaster situations. Sundays are also work days for Fuerst, as he greets parishioners at morning worship services.

[Click here to read the full article](#)



LCC Comfort Dogs Attend Chapel Service St. Paul Lutheran School, Skokie



On Thursday, February 26th the LCC Comfort dogs attended the chapel service at St. Paul Lutheran School in Skokie. Tim Hetzner, President of LCC, gave the chapel talk.

After the service the dogs visited the classrooms and had an opportunity to meet all the students.

Thank you, St. Paul, for the opportunity to spend time with your students and staff and for your partnership in Ministry in touching lives with the Comfort and Compassion of Christ.

Continuing Need for Bi-Lingual Bibles for Outreach to Muslim College Students

Request from POBLO Missionary, Hicham Chehab

Dear Friends,
College years are times of transformation. So we need to share the Gospel of Jesus Christ with the lost at such a pivotal stage in the lives of People.

POBLO-Chicago's student ministry is reaching out to Muslims at Moraine Valley

Community College. More Bibles and Evangelism material are needed.

Please consider donating to this cause so that we can answer the call for the Mission of God. [\[Click Here to Donate Now\]](#)

In God's Peace
Hicham



[Click Here to LISTEN](#) to K-LOVE's interview with Tim Hetzner about this need

Join Our Mailing List!

To Unsubscribe: Enter your e-mail address above, and you will be sent instructions. Thank you.

Cookbooks Available



Help support the relief efforts in New Orleans with a Cook'n for Katrina cookbook

All Proceeds go to Katrina Relief

We have always loved entertaining. A large part has been cooking with family and friends. There is nothing better than everyone crowded in the kitchen creating a meal.

After visiting Biloxi and New Orleans for Lutheran Church Charities we became very aware of the continued devastation a year and a half after Katrina hit. What we saw weighed heavy on our hearts. We knew we wanted to do something that would tell the people of the area they are not forgotten. So we did what we knew best: enlisted our family, friends and extended Curves family for support and recipes. They all came through.

Here is your chance to help and

NEW DEVOTIONAL SERIES FROM LCC

Ashes to the Empty Tomb.



Ash Wednesday started a new series of devotions for Lent, 40 devotions for the 40 days of Lent. Lent, in the church year, is the 40 days (excluding Sundays) until Easter. This series of devotions will be 42, including Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday. This means that in addition to Monday through Friday devotions, included will be Saturdays and Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

It is our hope and prayer that during this period you will turn to God with your heart, mind, soul and strength, as you prepare for Easter. It is also our hope and prayer that you will come to understand the depth of God's love for you and to know and love God more deeply as you explore the Mind, Method, Manner and Ministry of Jesus.

[For the Devotion Blog, click here...](#)

Your Donations **Make A Difference**

Here are just some of the many ways your donations are meeting the needs in the Body of Christ...

LCC Car Donations Make a Difference!

LCC received the following e-mail from Pastor Julio Loza of St. Matthew Lutheran Church in Chicago:

Dear LCC:

On behalf of Marilyn Luarca a member at St. Matthew and a volunteer at El Comedor Popular Soup Kitchen, I wish to thank you for helping her and the ministry at St. Matthew with the donation of a car. She is happy to be able to drive a safer car and also to save expenses in gas.

May our Lord continue to bless your efforts to assist St. Matthew's faith mission.



Thank you to everyone who has donated a vehicle. Your donations continue to touch lives with the Presence and Compassion of Christ

Area Rug Donated and Installed



On Sunday, March 1, LCC volunteers Doris & John Radtke of St. Paul Lutheran Church in Addison, picked up an area rug from donors Ruth and Dick Conrad (*pictured here*).

Doris and John delivered and installed the rug in the apartment of Ruth Rittmueller.

enjoy recipes from the heart!

In Christ,
Rich and Dona Martin

[Click Here to Order yours
Today](#)

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Thank You for Making A Difference Thanks to Your Generous Support, We Were Able to Provide Assistance to the Following:

- St. Paul's Lutheran, West Allis, WI - Heimsoth Family Fund
- St. John, Wheaton - Bible Translator Medical Expense Fund
- Trinity, Roselle - Bilingual Bibles Fund
- Zion, Chicago - French Symposium Fund
- St. John's, LaGrange - Jeff Smith Fund
- Christ Ev. Lutheran, Orland Park - Youth Retreat Les Cayes Haiti

Flood & Hurricane Relief Updates:

for Current Activities
& Volunteer
Opportunities, visit
our [Web Page](#)



[If you are interested in
volunteering](#) click here.

HELP Still Needed to help
Families Rebuild lives!

Your help is desperately needed to
continue to help families who have
lost everything rebuild and replace
the basic essentials that were lost.

**To help financially [Click
here](#)**

UKANDU Youth/Adult Summer Mission Trip 2009

On Thursday, February 19, volunteers with UKANDU were in Chicago looking for different mission/service projects for 200 youth to be involved with this June.

Youth come into Chicago from Illinois, Wisconsin and Michigan to serve others in the name of Christ.

If your youth group would like to participate please contact Tim Hetzner at Lutheran Church Charities at 866-455-6466 or LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org



Bethlehem Lutheran Church-River Grove has joined Angel Food Cares

Beginning March 1st, they will be taking orders for March 28th pick-up.
Bethlehem Lutheran Church is located at 2624 Oak St, River Grove, IL 60171



Angel Food Ministries is a non-profit, non-denominational organization dedicated to providing grocery relief and financial support to communities throughout the United States. The program began in 1994 with 34 families in Monroe, Georgia (between Atlanta and Athens), and has grown to serve hundreds of thousands of families every month across 35 states. The Angel Food program is now helping provide food relief to more than 500,000 families each month

[Click here for more information](#) on the Angel Food

program at Bethlehem

Visit their website www.angelfoodcares.com

Mended *Little* Hearts

[Mended *Little* Hearts](#) of Children's Memorial Hospital of Chicago is a nonprofit organization that provides hope, caring and support to families who have children with heart defects and heart disease. Families are often devastated when a child is diagnosed with a heart defect, and Mended Little Hearts of Children's Memorial Hospital lets them know that they are not alone. We are in this together. Membership is free, and there are no dues.



Mended Little Hearts of Children's Memorial Hospital is a chapter of Mended *Little* Hearts, a program of The Mended Hearts, Inc., which is affiliated with the American Heart Association. Mended *Little* Hearts groups meet together to share experiences and emotions so that we can work toward healing. We also have educational speakers so members can understand how to best care for their child and the best treatment options available.

[Click here for more information and to find support group locations](#)



LCC Staff and Comfort Dogs available for Church Functions and School Chapels!

For more information on scheduling LCC and the K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs for an event or chapel at your church, contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or email LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

To help support the growing Ministry of the Comfort Dogs [click here...](#)

To find out information on how your congregation can get one of the [LCC K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs Click here](#)

[Click here for some Photo Albums](#) showing some of the many places the dogs have brought comfort.... And [click here for the Dog Blog](#), featuring "[Tara's Twitter](#)"



Urgent Request for \$2,270 from Rev. Marky Kessa, President of the Evangelical Lutheran Church of Haiti
Need Met - Because of your generous donations, the young people were able to go on Retreat.

Please help us to get our young people to Les Cayes, they will be joining the youth of the Lutheran Church of Les Cayes. We will spend 6 days there plus transportation: the price for each youth is \$ 37.70 so we need \$ 2,270 to make it happen; we count on your willingness to help to make it a reality.

Please give what you can.
God's Blessing,
Pastor Marky Kessa





News from Bethel Library

Hello, Bethel Family Prayers!

It's been a busy season around here! New Life Community Church, our new church/organization, kicks off services with its GRAND OPENING on March 29th. (Come on out--10 am Spanish, 12 noon English!) The dust and paint is flying in preparation--construction is everywhere. We've relocated to some beautiful new digs, and we're now enjoying ourselves up on the second floor...

[Click here to read the rest of the update](#) | [Click Here for the Photo Album](#)

Vehicles Needed to Help Individuals and Ministries

All vehicles that are donated to LCC go directly out to families or individuals through our congregations. NO vehicles are sold.

Photo: Jennifer's daughter had medical needs that required a vehicle with a Lift. This donated van helped to meet that need



Here are some of the most recent requests, but we have others are are still waiting for some word...

- [Walther Student Needs Car for Work](#)
- [MiniVan Needed for Single Mother of Three](#)
- [Single Mother in Need of Transportation](#)
- [Egyptian Refugee Family in need of Transportation](#)

[Click here for the complete page listing the needs](#)

If you have a vehicle to donate, please contact LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org or call 866-455-6466

Maximum Impact Simulcast - Friday, May 8, 2009 LCC to host: Leadership that Inspires



Speakers for the event include:

- John Maxwell, Leadership expert, best selling author
- Tony Blair, Former Prime Minister of the United Kingdom
- Jack Nicklaus, Internationally acclaimed golf champion
- Al Weiss, president of Walt Disney Parks & Resorts
- Bill George, Harvard Business School professor, former Medtronic CEO and author
- Linda Kaplan Thaler, creator of the Aflac ad campaign, CEO and author
- Kevin Carroll, former Nike creative, author and speaker
- Liz Murray, inspirational speaker
- Mark Sanborn, best-selling author of "The Fred Factor"
- Ernie Johnson, host of TNT's "Inside the NBA"

[Click here to Learn More](#) | [Click Here to Register Now!](#)

COME LORD JESUS, BE OUR GUEST ...



You recognize this prayer written by Martin Luther ...

*Come Lord Jesus, be our guest
And let thy gifts to us be blessed. Amen*

If we really mean this prayer and want Jesus to be our Guest - wouldn't we feed him also?

Consider becoming a part of LCC's individual challenge and FEED THE INVISIBLE GUEST - AND MAKE HIM VISIBLE program to help feed the

hungry.

[Click here for more details](#) | [Click here to donate now](#) | [Click here for a Bulletin Insert](#)

Other Stories Still Seeking Support

- [Haitian Family of 12 - House Destroyed by Fire](#)
- [Car and Computer Needed for Ethnic Ministry](#)
- [Crisis Pregnancy Center Providing Items Needed by Expectant Mothers](#)
- [Short Term Assistance Needed for Father and Daughter as They Start Over](#)
- [Family Needs Assistance After House Fire](#)
- [Son of Church Worker Needs Medical Assistance](#)
- [Young Couple Need Car for Work and School](#)
- [Church Organist Risks Being Evicted](#)
- [Industrial Accident Leaves Pastor's Brother-in-Law Disabled; Family in Need of Assistance](#)
- [Lutheran Church in Ethiopia Needs Financial Assistance for Family Ministry](#)
- [Retired Teacher Shares God's Love as She Serves in Asia](#)
- [Help Needed for Liberian Seminary Student](#)

Tim's Pick of the Week

When The Game Is Over It All Goes Back In The Box By John Ortberg

[Click Here to Order](#)

through the
LCC Gift and Book Shop



Holy Habits for the Holy Season of Lent by Rich Bimler

This popular speaker and writer offers Lenten devotions sharing 47 positive "holy habits" a.k.a. "resurrection routines" for Lent--or anytime. Bimler begins with a Scripture for each day of Lent and Holy Week and connects it with a specific "holy habit" intended to help readers focus more intentionally and joyfully on the Resurrection message for them in Christ's Cross and the Empty Tomb. Guaranteed to lighten hearts and brighten smiles.

[To Order, Click Here](#)

Looking to be in a Bible Study?

Available January 11 - 10-week course

Proverbs: The Way of The Wise

Course Description:

Over the years, I have come to greatly appreciate the Book of Proverbs and have yet to meet a Christian who has found the Book of Proverbs to be boring or unprofitable. Many have found it to be the most useful study of their Christian experience. My goal is not to teach through Proverbs as I have other books of the Bible, beginning at chapter 1 and ending with chapter 31. Instead, I want to expose you to a sampling of the wisdom of Proverbs, hoping that you will make this book a life-long study. In this course, I intend to provide you with a model for study by doing various character studies of the simple, the fool, the scoffer, the sluggard, and the wise. When this course is finished, we will have only scratched the surface of the riches to be found in this book. From then on, the challenge will be yours.

➤ [Register Online - Click Here](#)

Looking to Host a Bible Study?

WORD AMONG US Bible Studies

Lutheran Church Charities In-Depth Bible Studies - WORD AMONG US - May be your Solution!



- Free for Congregations!

If you would like to be a host site [click here](#)

IF you would like to join an existing class - [click here](#)

If you would like to take a course by internet - [Click here](#)

This Fall - New Courses

Schedule for 2008-2009 - Release Dates - Week of:

- September 7 - James: 5-week course
- October 12 - Philippians: 5-week course
- November 16 - Jude: 1-week course
- November 30 - Jonah::3-week course
- **January 11 - Proverbs: 10-week course**
- March 22 - Know that God Exists: 1-week course
- April 19 - Esther:5-week course

For more information and registration, [Click Here...](#)

To Find out more information contact **Tim Hetzner** at **866-455-6466** or email at WAU@LutheranChurchCharities.org



Servant at Heart Lutheran Church Charities' On-Line Christian Business Directory

Looking for a Christian business? Lutheran Church Charities has an on-line Christian Business Directory called Servant@Heart. This on-line directory allows:

- Christians businesses to advertise their services without cost.
- Others to seek out Christian businesses.

Each member of the directory has their church and pastor identified in their listing.

Search at ServantAtHeart.org to find Christian businesses or to have your business listed. You can also go to www.LutheranChurchCharities.org or call (866) 455-6466.


It is the people of God working together that fully allows God to build for His Kingdom!

Job Seekers and Employers - Connect Online!

Christians contact us frequently who are looking for employment - either because the company they are with has downsized, closed or has had layoffs. If you are looking for people to hire and would like to consider a fellow Christian for a position, please check here www.servantatheart.org.

Job seekers can post their resumes, and employers can post job openings. Coming Soon! Access to Expanded Job Listings through National Labor Exchange...



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Items Available to a Ministry

- 36 sets of dishes. They are place settings of 4, 6, and 8. A place setting includes the following items:
 - Dinner plates (grey and rose ribbon on white plate) (perhaps 10" diameter)
 - Salad / dessert plates
 - Coffee cups
 - Saucers

The sets include flatware and a plastic "popcorn" bowls in each box

- The following accessory items are available upon request until they run out
 - All white dinner plates/serving plates - (22 available)
 - Larger dinner plates/serving plate (perhaps 12" diameter) - (10 available)
 - Oval serving plate (not large, perhaps 7" x 10") - (10 available)
 - Grey water/lemonade pitchers - (7 available)
 - Gray gravy boats - (6 available)

Please call Dianna Bonfield if interested in the above items (866) 455-6466.

- 2328 - 150 LW (1941) Hymnals
- 2311 - 8 drums & 10 bottles of ink for a Savin #3360 Duplicator
- 2300 - Wooden teacher's desk, formica top; 59.5"wide; 29.5"deep, 30.5" high
- 2299 - Metal Typewriter stand
- 2298 - Dell Ink-Jet Printer
- 2297 - Laser Printer
- 2296 - 6 ft tall, very narrow standing shelf unit for VCR storage; imitation walnut
- 2295 - stereo tuners, cassette deck players and a few wall speakers
- 2269 - 100 "Rejoice Our Savior is Born" Christmas Day bulletins (new) - 8-1/2x11
- 2249 - 15 padded wooden church pews - dark wood, antique maroon-colored padding, 11 feet long
- 2198 - Schulmerich Quadrabell carillon-older model (no longer made; plays from a tape)
- 2172 - Off White Accordion Folding Wall 9' ht. X 15' w. Ceiling track not included.

HYMNALS AVAILABLE... check the web site listing for the latest updates...

[For More items, click here to view the latest updates on our DONATE Web Page...](#)

New Items Free for the Asking

- 2327 - 5 used toddler cots
- 2325 - Betty Crocker Cookbook
- 2324 - Recliner Rocker - Brown Fabric
- 2323 - Sofa Bed (queen) - Pastel Plaid Fabric
- 2321 - 1 metal ram with leather back & set bar stool
- 2320 - 1 Tappan microwave oven
- 2316 - white baby crib (no mattress)
- 2315 - 2 Green with lightwood seat 3 ft bar stools
- 2314 - Wicker Saucer chair with large round cushion
- 2313 - corner shelving unit: wood, painted tan, 4 shelves (4' W x 4' D)
- 2311 - 8 drums & 10 bottles of ink for a Savin #3360 Duplicator
- 2310 - M111 Hammond Organ, Early 70's - Maple - [click here for photos](#)
- 2299 - Metal Typewriter stand
- 2298 - Dell Ink-Jet Printer
- 2297 - Laser Printer
- 2296 - 6 ft tall, very narrow standing shelf unit for VCR storage; imitation walnut
- 2294 - burgundy suede sofa bed; 34.5" wide; 78.5" long, 36" high
- 2286 - Floor Fan
- 2279 - Porcelain and cast-iron two-basin kitchen sink w/ gooseneck faucet
- 2278 - Upper and Lower Dark Oak Kitchen Cabinets (includes beige countertop as well)
- 2268 - Twin Bed mattress, boxspring & frame
- 2260 - Dining room table with 2 leaves, 4 chairs and large hutch (glass doors & lighted shelves)

[For More Items Available, click here to view the list on our DONATE page...](#)

To [OFFER](#) an item for this section, or to get a Receipt for an item you have donated, [CLICK HERE for the NON-MONETARY DONATION FORM](#)

Women's Retreat

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN'S
SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUP ANNOUNCES

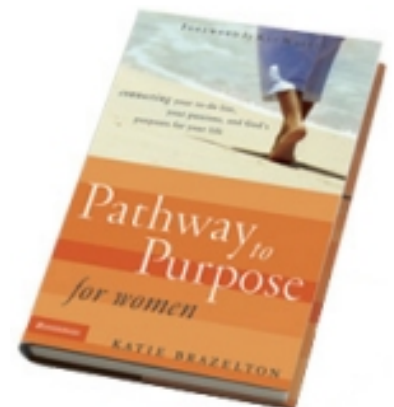
"Women's Retreat 2009 - Pathway to Purpose"

The 2009 Women's Ministry Retreat is scheduled for **March 6-8, 2009** at The Cove of Lake Geneva, Lake Geneva, Wisconsin.

Come join our guest speaker, Jamie Beran, Certified Life Purpose Coach, Life Plan Facilitator and Instructor, as she shares about finding your purpose in Jesus.

St. Matthew members and women in surrounding communities are cordially invited to attend.

For further information, please call: Scarlett Mankowsky at 847-540-5501.



Seminar on Severe Weather Preparedness

LCC has received news of a training event to be held at Wheaton College.

Of particular interest is the Friday, March 13th seminar on Severe Weather Preparedness. This session is geared to those who manage facilities such as businesses, schools, churches, daycares, hospitals and nursing homes.

Please note that there is a separate registration for the March 13th seminar, [Click here for more information.](#)



Feed My Starving Children Food Packaging Event

Sponsored by Saint Paul Lutheran Church - Mount Prospect

MARCH 14 & 15 - A FAMILY SERVICE EVENT TO PACKAGE 225,000 MEALS

Show your love and concern for starving children around the world by packing nutritious life saving meals!

Over 18,000 children die from hunger each day!

Register to volunteer for a 2 hour time slot measuring and scooping dry rice and soy based meals to prepare for shipping to various countries around the world.

Children (2nd grade and up) as well as adults can participate in this life saving mission project.

[Click Here for More Info...](#) or [Register Now](#) to participate

Grace is the Place!

All children are invited to join us for our [Annual Resurrection Easter Egg Hunt!](#) Hunt for eggs and hear the awesome story of the resurrection of Jesus! Children who find our "special eggs" will receive a special prize! Sponsored by Grace Sunday Kids Club and Grace PreSchool & Kindergarten.

Saturday, March 21, 2009 - 1:00 pm
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH,
780 South Bartlett Road,
Streamwood, IL 60107

Phone: 630-289-3996

YEP... IT'S FREE!!

K-Love Radio will be covering this on the radio the week of the event and will be there on the day giving away FREE VIDEOS, CD'S and MORE! So come and join us!



Spirit of Life Chorus Concert Series

The SPIRIT OF LIFE CHORUS presents its Spring 2009 concert series "How Great Thou Art" that is centered around the greatness of our God, the sacrifice He made for us through His son Jesus Christ, and the meaning of all that can and should have in our lives. The musical selections are typical SPIRIT in style. They are spiritually uplifting, motivating and exciting! The musical goal of SPIRIT is to bring each member of their audience just one step closer to God; one step closer to His presence in our lives.

So join SPIRIT at one of their FREE concert venues listed below as we stand in HIS presence and sing HIS praises."

Sunday, March 8th
Immanuel Lutheran Church
5211 Carpenter Street
Downers Grove
concert Start: 4:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 14th
Bethlehem Lutheran Church
401 West Main St.
West Dundee
concert start: 5:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 22nd
Huntley High School
13719 Harmony Rd
Huntley
concert start: 4:00 p.m.



The SPIRIT OF LIFE CHORUS ("SPIRIT") is a 100+ member ecumenical Christian concert chorus performing in church sanctuaries and auditoriums throughout northern Illinois. Since 1990, SPIRIT has had a solid, musical reputation of dynamic concerts with strong emotional appeal performed from the heart of each member. "SPIRIT" style music is presented with joyous dedication in bringing the love and forgiveness of Jesus Christ to all who listen. For more information on SPIRIT see their website: www.spiritoflifechorus.org

A New Outreach Resource for Congregations

Lutherans For Persons Developmentally Disabled (LPDD); a support service of Voice of Care; has invited the Marklund Organization to share about a new service they are providing to congregations. They will discuss ways to equip congregations to reach out to families of disabled or elderly loved ones to share and demonstrate the love and compassion of Christ to a significant un-church group in our communities.

Come listen to ways of meeting the needs of those who are in the need of respite care. Lois Kramer and Julie Pandya from the Marklund Organization will talk to us about some of the exciting plans for respite care in our area, including training congregational members to be respite workers who would be both compassionate and skilled.



LPDD will be meeting:

When: Sunday, March 22nd, 2009

Time: Sign In & Refreshments 1:30 PM
Meeting 2-4 PM

Northern Illinois District Office
Where: 2301 S. Wolf Road,
Hillside, IL 60162

[Click here](#) to read about other out reach resources to aid your congregation to reach out to the 95 % of disabled families who are un-church and don't know the Savior.

Rush of Fools in Concert - March 22 - Schaumburg



EDAN CONCERTS Edan Concerts & Ministry presents
WONDER OF THE WORLD TOUR
RUSH OF FOOLS
with special guests
JIMMY NEEDHAM, SARAH REEVES & JOY LIPPARD
SUNDAY, MARCH 22
6:00 PM
ST. PETERS LUTHERAN CHURCH
208 E. Schaumburg Rd. • Schaumburg, IL
TICKETS: \$15.00 advance, \$12.00 groups of 10+
\$25.00 Gold Circle
Tickets available at area Christian bookstores
Charge by phone: **800-965-9324**
Online: www.iTickets.com
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For Information
847-885-3350 • EdanConcerts.com

Where: St Peter Lutheran Church, Schaumburg, IL
When: Sunday, March 22, 2009 @ 6:00p
Tickets: [on-line](#) or discounted at St Peter

Band's Web site (w/sample music):
<http://www.rushoffools.com>



2009 Lutherans For Life of Illinois Conference

"Are You Alive in a Culture of Death?"

Saturday, April 25, 9:00am to 3:30pm.

St Peter, Joliet - St Peter Lutheran Church and School, 310 N Broadway, will be the site for the 2009 Lutherans For Life of Illinois Conference. [Click here for map](#)

Please make your reservations by Friday, April 17, 2009. Registration is \$25 per person; \$40 per couple; and \$15 per student (age 13 or older). Free babysitting will be provided. Registration includes continental breakfast and lunch. Registration and continental breakfast begins at 8:30am. [Click Here to Register](#)

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Apologetics Seminar

A Study In Christian Apologetics
 You Can Give An Answer
 An Informative Course on Defending The Christian Faith

October 26-30, 2009

Jacksonville, Arkansas

Instructor: Rev.,Dr. Steven A. Hein

Cost:\$200.00

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Upcoming Events - [Click Here for a complete listing of Upcoming Events](#)

Women's Retreat	March 6-8, 2009	Lake Geneva, WI
Spirit of Life Concert	Sunday, March 8th	Immanuel Lutheran, Downers Grove
Spirit of Life Concert	Saturday, March 14th	Bethlehem Lutheran, West Dundee
Seminar on Severe Weather Preparedness	March 13	Wheaton College
Annual Resurrection Easter Egg Hunt	March 21	Grace Lutheran Church, Streamwood
Spirit of Life Concert	Sunday, March 22	Huntley High School, Huntley, IL
Outreach Resource for Congregations	March 22 - 2-4 pm	NID Office - Hillside, IL
Rush of Fools in Concert	March 22 - 6 pm	St. Peter Lutheran Church, Schaumburg, IL
2009 Lutherans For Life of Illinois Conference	April 25 - 9am - 3:30pm	St. Peter Lutheran Church, Joliet, IL
Lutheran Summer Music Academy	June 21 - July 19, 2009	Luther College - Decorah, Iowa
Apologetics Seminar	Oct 26-30, 2009	Jacksonville, Arkansas
Oberammergau Passion Play -Study Trip	Taking Reservations Now	Germany



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