



Making A Difference Newsletter August 11, 2010





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Thrivent Choice - Watch Your Mailbox

[Thrivent Choice](#) is the new charitable grant program through which Thrivent Financial for Lutherans members are able to direct Thrivent charitable funds. Eligible members are designated Choice Dollars, based on insurance premiums, contract values, and Thrivent Financial volunteer leadership which are directed by the member to Lutheran organizations. If you are an eligible member, watch your mailbox in August for program details from Thrivent to know how to designate your Choice Dollars either online or by using a toll-free phone service.



A direct gift from Thrivent Choice is the replacement for Thrivent's past matching gift programs. Over the years Lutheran Church Charities has benefited from Thrivent's matching gifts and relied on them for our Disaster Response work, our Parish K-9

Comfort Dog Ministry and operational expenses to continue to offer our Dollar In-Dollar Out Giving. So, when choosing a recipient for your Choice Dollars, please remember Lutheran Church Charities as a beneficiary.

You can donate your choice dollars to Lutheran Church Charities in two ways, by going to www.thrivent.com and then go to [Thrivent Choice Dollars](#) and following the directions to give on line or by calling 1-800-847-4836. Thank you for supporting Lutheran Church Charities through your Thrivent Choice Dollars. If you run into any problems please call LCC at 866-455-6466



Your support is so very important for us to continue to Make a Difference to those in Need with the Mercy and Compassion of Christ. THANK YOU

Tim Hetzner
President
Lutheran Church Charities

Prayer Wall
Post a prayer, or
pray for others!



[LCC's Prayer Wall](#)

Lives Have Been Touched & Ministry Opportunities Continue in Westchester



Lutheran Church Charities has organized over 75 volunteers to help with the clean-up in Westchester since Saturday, July 24th, when heavy rains caused flooding in the Chicago suburb. LCC is working through Faith Lutheran Church in Westchester, Illinois to bring the Mercy and Compassion of Christ to those affected by the recent flooding ([view photos](#)).



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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"Send a Spoken Prayer"

Assistance has been ongoing this week in the homes of elderly and single parents. Teams have been tearing out paneling and drywall that had been destroyed by flood waters. This week LCC will begin picking up donated items for families in the Westchester area. (please see list of needed household items in stories, below).

While the requests are coming in slower, there are ministry opportunities that continue in Westchester. Please continue to pray for families affected by the floods, see if you could meet some needs of those individuals (financially, materially or emotionally), and consider supporting the ministry of Faith Lutheran Church, Rev. David Prentice and Rev. Matthew Gunia, as they continue to reach out the individuals and families in the community providing spiritual care and assistance as families try to get their lives back in order. LLC will also continue to place a staff member out on location at Faith Lutheran to assist the church in reaching out to those who continue to need assistance.



[Donate to LCC Disaster Relief Fund](#)

Thrivent Support for Flood Relief Efforts

Thrivent Financial Associate John Fiene (office: 708-562-9326) stopped by the LCC Offices in Addison to drop off a check to support LCC's Disaster Response efforts in Westchester and surrounding communities that were affected by the recent flooding. He is pictured with Tim Hetzner, President of LCC.



Help Lutheran Hour Ministries Build Wells in Ghana

[Request from Rev. John Donkoh, Director of Lutheran Media Ministry, Ghana, West Africa](#)

Lutheran Media Ministry, part of Lutheran Hour Ministries, is based in Ghana, West Africa. Rev. John Donkoh, Director of Lutheran Media Ministry, is raising support to build Bore Holes, or wells, in different towns in Ghana as a tool for ministry. They are not only reaching out to fellow countrymen, but also to the widows that the government has forced to live as outcasts in places called Witch Camps. The goal of these wells is to provide clean water, and to display the love and compassion of Christ to those who need it.



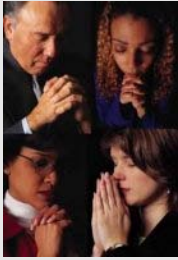
(L to R) Gary Kessler, Rev. John Donkoh, Tim Hetzner

Gary Kessler (Member of Lord of Life Lutheran Church, La Fox, Illinois) has been working with Rev. John Donkoh to spread the word about this ministry and help gain support.

[Click here](#) to watch a video of Gary Kessler and Rev. John Donkoh discussing this project



To support Lutheran Media Ministry's efforts please [click here to donate](#).



LCC's ["Send a Spoken Prayer"](#) e-Card site is available.

To learn more, [Click Here](#)

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Update on Ghana Medical Mission Trip



(L to R) Reverend Gordon Gyampo-Kumi, Dr. Susan Busse, Dr. Alfa (head of the Ghanaian FDA), John Peterson, Bishop Paul Finn (head of the Lutheran Church in Ghana).

Hello and Blessings from the Malaria Initiative in Accra, Ghana. We have had our first meeting between the Ghana Government, Lutheran Church, and Malaria Initiative. This week we will meet with the Minister of Health, as well as the Medical Board of Advisers, and hopefully the President of Ghana. We are very encouraged with the progress thus far and ask that you keep us in your prayers.

Malaria Initiative will be in Ghana August 5th through 17th to educate pastors and other personnel in the use of a new Malaria treatment.

Malaria Initiative is continuing the research we started several years ago to bring an effective, cost effective, easily transported treatment to help spread the Gospel using this treatment as a gift to those in need.

Susan Busse M.D. and John Peterson will be heading up the mission trip that will include education, medical clinics, and relationship building with our brothers and sisters in Christ so as to spread the Good News of Jesus through out Africa.

Donations can be made to Lutheran Church Charities. Any further information can be given if you e-mail us at malaria01@yahoo.com or call us at 1-630-800-4490. Look at our website malaria01.org to see other mission trips and interviews that we have conducted.

[Click here to donate to help support the Malaria Project](#)

This Weekend!

Back to School Bash & Bike-A-Thon for Alex



Saturday, August 14th, 10 am - 3 pm
Celebration Ministries
424 Indianwood
Park Forest, IL

Bike-A-Thon starts at 10AM with Park Forest Fire Department sharing bicycle safety tips!

A \$10 donation is requested but not required to enter. Participants can get sponsorships from friends and family.

Be the Match will be present for those who would like to become a REGISTERED bone marrow donor.

Food, music, games, jumpy house, and raffles will be available through the rest of the day! (activities are free.. Food for a small cost)

Call 708-748-1995 to sign-up ahead of time for the celebration or bike-a-thon and receive your back to school gift!

[Click here for more information about 10-month-old Alex and Be The Match](#)

Flooding at Grace Lutheran School in Chicago Cleaning Supplies Needed

Just over a week ago, the city of Chicago and its surrounding communities experienced between 4 and 7 inches of rain which resulted in tremendous amount of flooding. It is estimated that Grace had between 2 and 3 feet of sewer water. This water damaged the floor in both the gym and extended care and soaked the new carpeting in the school office. A demolition crew has been at Grace removing the floor and affected wall coverings and other items impacted by the flood waters.



We are waiting to hear the fate of the art room. It is being dried this weekend, and if moisture levels are low enough, it will not have to be removed. I've attached pictures of the work being done.

At this time, our biggest concern is getting all work completed before the scheduled start of school on August 23. We don't know if this is possible, but we are trusting God to guide us through this time.

What you can do to help: We are in need of bleach and other disinfecting supplies for clean-up. These can be dropped off at the school - but please call before coming.

Grace Lutheran School
4106 W. 28th Street
Chicago, IL 60623

We have a temporary office set up in the hallway of the 2nd floor. Gift cards or monetary donations are also welcome. Please keep our school in your prayers. Ask for God's blessings on this project so that the repairs go smoothly and that the damage is less than feared. Thank God that insurance is covering the cost of repairs. Ask for His guidance on the many decisions that we will be facing over the next several weeks, both large and small.

We will have a work day later in the month to prepare for the start of school. We will let you know the date and time or you can call the school office next week at 773-762-1234.

Thank you for your support of our school. Remember: God is Good - All the Time!

[Click here to donate](#)

Your Donations Make A Difference



The students at the VBS program sponsored by Trinity Lutheran Church in Chesterland, Maryland made 22 blankets to be shipped to children in need in Haiti.

Thank you VBS students for showing the Mercy and Compassion of Christ to the children in Haiti!

Single Mother with 5 Children In Immediate Need

As the disaster relief workers were out serving the community of Westchester a woman stopped by Faith Lutheran Church looking for help for her daughter. Her daughter is a single mom with five young children who had just moved into a house in Westchester. Because they were just moving in most of the family's belongings were still out in the garage. During the height of the flood the garage had 2 feet of water which ruined clothing,



important papers and household electronics. The basement of the house had water up to its rafters where her washer and dryer were.

She is in great need of clothing for her children (Boy 8, Boy 10, and Boy 16-18), Women's shoes size 7-1/2, women's dresses size 3-5, food, a vacuum cleaner, and a full size bedroom set (she has the mattress and box spring).

If you have any of these items to donate please contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or email LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

[Donate to LCC Disaster Relief Fund](#)

Single Mother Loses Everything in Flood

LCC is working with a single mother and her three children and grandson who lost everything in the recent flooding. They were living in a first floor apartment that was completely flooded. They have been moved to a new apartment but lost all of their furniture and household items. They are in need of the following:



- 1 Queen size bed
- 1 Full size bedroom set with mattress and box spring
- Sofa
- Futon and mattress
- Linens and towels
- Cleaning supplies

If you have any of these items to donate please contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or email LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

[Donate to LCC Disaster Relief Fund](#)

To Those Who Had Basements That Did Not Flood Can You Help Those Who Did Flood?

If your house was not affected by the recent flooding, praise God for that. However, if you are like many people you have things in your basement that you are not using. Don't wait for a flood for them to be carried out ruined and wet! Why not look at furniture and other items that you have and donate them to a family that has lost everything.



LCC is working with families in Westchester and the surrounding areas that were affected by last Friday's flooding. Many of the families lost appliances, furniture and clothing as well as irreplaceable personal items. Now is the time to take a look at what you have been holding onto in your basement and garage and donate it to flood families. Take this opportunity to clean out your basement (before it's full of water!) and share the Mercy and Compassion of Christ with those who suffered loss from the flooding.

If you have items to donate contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or email LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

[Donate to LCC Disaster Relief Fund](#)

Volunteers Needed at Warehouse Through August

The work of sorting and getting the donations ready to ship to Haiti will continue through August. Volunteer work days at the warehouse have been scheduled every Thursday and Friday from now until August 27.

The next scheduled work days are August 12th and 13th. If you are interested in volunteering to work at the warehouse please contact Dianna Bonfield at 866-455-6466 or email Dianna@LutheranChurchCharities.org



[Click Here to Donate to the Haiti Relief Fund...](#)

Comfort Dog Ministry Update

K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs in Coon Creek Days Parade

LCC Comfort Dogs Butter, Star, Tillie, and K-9 in training Leo were the special guests of St. John Lutheran Church's outreach at the Coon Creek Days Parade in Hampshire on Sunday, August 1st. LCC's K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs walked and rode in an antique Ford pickup truck as members of St. John passed out flyers about the ministry opportunities at St. John Lutheran, Burlington. St. John Lutheran is presently completing their application to be the next host church of a K-9 Parish Comfort Dog.



K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs Bring Support to Walther Lutheran High School



Last Friday, August 6th, Walther Lutheran High School's Principal James Craven sent out an email sharing that one of their students, Elias Jenkins, had died in a drowning accident. The email also mentioned that a gathering of students and staff would take place later that day. Pete Imlah - Dir. Of Mission & Outreach -contacted Mr. Craven to offer support to students and staff through our K-9 Parish Comfort Dogs and handlers. Mr. Craven accepted our offer and LCC Comfort Dogs Faith, Fuerst, Shammy, Star, Tara, and Olympia joined about 100 students and staff

member to talk, listen, remember and cry. LCC has offered continuing support to Walther Lutheran High School as they work through this difficult time.

Darlin and Fuerst at IMMANUELFEST/Car Show



On Saturday, August 7th LCC Comfort Dogs Darlin and Fuerst were at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Richton Park for the IMMANUELFEST and Car Show. The two K-9s and handlers walked around greeting and sharing the comfort, compassion, and love of Jesus Christ.

[Click here to schedule a K-9 Comfort Dog visit](#)

[Donate to the K-9 Parish Comfort Dog Ministry](#)

Dollar per Dollar Your Donations are Making A Difference by Buying Shoes for Haitian Children

LCC provides more money for shoes and clothing to the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Haiti for distribution to the children in the Tent Cities of Haiti



Pictured at right: During the LCMS Convention in Houston, Tim Hetzner presented a check to Reverend Marky Kessa, President of ELCH in Haiti, and his wife Sydney, for the purchase of shoes for the children in Haitian refugee tent cities.



Children in a tent city in Jacmel show off their new shoes this past week.



Children receive new shoes in a tent city in Leogane this past week.

Last week more shoes were distributed in tent cities in Jacmel and Leogane. Thank you for your continual support to help all these children and for showing them Mercy and Compassion. [Click here](#) to view photos

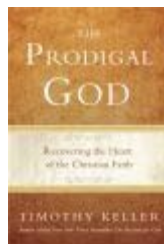
[Click here to read the original appeal](#)

Please [contribute now](#) if you are moved to help! Thank you for your compassion for these children.

Tim's Pick of the Week

[The Prodigal God](#)

By Timothy Keller



The Prayer of Jabez used a little-known story of the Bible to redefine success for Christians. The Prodigal God uses a famous story of the Bible to redefine nothing less than the central Christian message for believers and skeptics alike.

Newsweek called renowned minister Timothy Keller "a C. S. Lewis for the twenty-first century" in a feature on his first book, *The Reason for God*. In that book, he offered a rational explanation of why we should believe in God. Now, in *The Prodigal God*, he uses one of the best-known Christian parables to reveal an unexpected message of hope and salvation.

The Prodigal Son is the most well-known parable in the Bible. Incredibly, it is also almost universally misunderstood. Taking his trademark intellectual approach to understanding Christianity, Keller uncovers the essential message of Jesus, hidden in plain sight for centuries. Within this parable is the lost message of Jesus-where he outlines just how his followers are supposed to love and accept one another so they can join him in Heaven. With this book, both the devout and skeptics will see Christianity in a whole new way.

THIS WEEK! School Supplies Needed for the Back-to-School Rally

Request from Pastor Stephane Kalonji, Zion Lutheran Church

Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! This year, our back-to-school rally will take place on Saturday, August 14. As in the past, I am soliciting donations of school supplies to distribute to the students who will participate. We anticipate that we will have a little over 100 students since our summer program is serving between 55 and 68 youth and children everyday.

If you have school supplies to donate they can be dropped off at:

Zion Lutheran Church
9901 S. Winston Ave.
Chicago, IL

Or at the LCC office:
333 W. Lake St.
Addison, IL



LCC Emergency Assistance Fund



LCC gets requests daily concerning people who need assistance, and it is increasing because of the current economic times we are living in.

LCC works through our churches to provide assistance by making the need known - and dollar per dollar we give the money to a church to help the family or individual. However, we receive some requests that are emergencies, and money is needed that day or the next day and we can't always get the need out in our weekly email newsletter first.

Would you consider making a gift to our LCC Emergency Assistance fund so that when these emergency needs occur we can help (through our churches) quicker? This is an important way for the Body of Christ to share the Mercy

and Compassion and Proclamation of Christ.

[To contribute please click here](#)

Thank you for continuing to Make A Difference!

Tim Hetzner

Tools Needed for LCC's Expanding Ministry

LCC is in need of the following tools. This is a great opportunity to clean out your basement or check out the garage sales! If you have any of these tools to donate please call 866-455-6466 or email LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org

- wire feed welder w/out gas
- mechanic's assorted wrenches, sockets, ratchets
- electric or cordless sawzall
- saw horses
- bench grinder
- four and a half inch hand grinder
- hammer drill
- belt sander and/or palm sander
- jigsaw
- 4' level
- stackable tool chests
- router and bits



- assortment of pliers
- pipe wrenches
- cordless drills
- 10-inch cutoff saw
- assorted drill bits
- cutting torches
- stick welder, welding helmet and/or hand-held shield
- 8ft-10ft step ladder
- bar clamps
- small drill press

Items Needed by Ministries

We have received the following requests for items needed by ministries:

- Digital Ink Black, # 60-1520 for an ABDick 6530 Duplicator
- Still Point Theatre Collective is currently looking for a donation of a computer/printer (desktop or laptop)
- washing machine and two stoves
- couch, dresser

If you have items to donate please contact LCC at 866-455-6466 or email us at LCC@LutheranChurchCharities.org



Looking to be in a Bible Study?
Does Your Church Want to Host a
Study? Your Small Group?

[Indicate Your Interest Here](#)



➤ [Register Online - Click Here](#)

Looking to Host a Bible Study?



**WORD AMONG US Bible
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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](#)

Form Your Class Now!

[Cover to Cover - Year 1](#)

St. Matthew, Hawthorn Woods
St. John, Country Club Hills

St. Paul, Matteson
[Cover to Cover - Year 2](#)

Trinity, Lansing
[The Gospel of John](#)

St. Paul, Thornton
[Philippians](#)

Lord of Life, LaFox
St. Paul, Winfield

[James](#)
Trinity, Huntley
Pueblo, Colorado

[Jonah](#)
Shepherd of the Hills,
Onalaska, Wisconsin

[Proverbs](#)
St. Luke, Itasca

Short-Format Courses

- James: *5-week course*
- Philippians: *5-week course*
- Jude: *1-week course*
- Jonah: *3-week course*
- Proverbs: *10-week course*
- Know that God Exists: *1-week course*
- Esther: *5-week course*

Long-Format Courses

- Cover To Cover: A Journey Through The Bible *60-week course*
- The Gospel of John *31-week course*
- Apocalypsis Jesu Christus: The Book of Revelation *30-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



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](#)"



Other Stories Still Seeking Support

- [Historic St. Matthew Makes an Urgent Appeal](#)
- [Lutheran Woman in Need of Assistance](#)
- [Single Woman Needs Assistance with \\$2000 in Medical Bills](#)
- [Lutheran Couple in Need of Assistance](#)
- [Continuing Need for Bilingual Bibles for Outreach to Muslim College Students](#)
- [God's on the Go in Ghana](#)
- [Help Train Pastors in Ethiopia](#)
- [LCMS Pastor Starts Orphanage in Ethiopia](#)

Items Available to a Ministry

- 2752 150 Blue Pew Bibles - NIV version
- 2687 School Library Books
- 2686 10 junior executive style desks

- 2570 10 bin sorter with stapler Collator series 300/400
- 2527 60+ sparton Foam Soap dispensers for bulk soap
- 2198 Schulmerich Quadrabell carillon

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

New Items Free for the Asking

LCC works THROUGH churches and is not a Direct Service Ministry. To request an item on our "Free for the Asking" list please contact your Church and ask that they call us (866-455-6466) requesting an item. Arrangements will then be made to connect the item with you. If you are not a member of a Christian Church then please call LCC to place you in contact with one of our LCMS churches who can assist you.

- 2773-2778 Wood office desk 38"x75" with 3 file drawers and 2 desk drawers
- 2772 Dishwasher
- 2771 Complete set of white kitchen cabinets (7-8 uppers and 7-8 lowers of various sizes)
- 2770 1940's Foot treadle Sewing machine (manual) in cabinet with 6 drawers by the Free Sewing Machine Company (machine located in Ridgefield, WA)
- 2769 Whirlpool 30" freestanding, sealed burner, black and white gas stove
- 2768 GE Heavy Duty 8 cycle, 2 speed white washer
- 2767 200 yards of flame retardant, black, slightly fuzzy, black out BLACK fabric. Can be used for draperies.
- 2766 Maytag Heavy Duty Auto Dry Control Gas Dryer (Model DG412)
- 2765 Wood Bookcase/Library Shelf - approx 6-7ft. Tall x 30" Wide (3 shelves on top and cabinet doors on the bottom)
- 2764 Wood Bookcase/Library Shelf - approx 6-7ft. Tall x 30" Wide (3 shelves on top and cabinet doors on the bottom)
- 2763 Microwave hood
- 2762 KitchenAid Electric range, convection oven, 30" free-standing

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](#)

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...

- [Mother and 5 Children in Need of a Car](#)
- [Van Needed for Faith, Stickney](#)
- [Truck Needed for Sexton at First Saint Paul's, Chicago](#)
- [Cars Needed for Immigrant Families](#)

[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*

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](#)

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. Access to Expanded Job Listings through National Labor Exchange...



Servant at Heart

Lutheran Church Charities' Online 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!

 Forward to a Friend

This Weekend! 20th Annual Pig and Corn Roast!



Sunday, August 15th - Rain or Shine
St. Matthew Lutheran Church
24500 N. Old McHenry Road
Hawthorn Woods, IL 60047

St. Matthew Lutheran Church (Old McHenry Road between Quentin and Midlothian Roads), Hawthorn Woods will sponsor its 20TH ANNUAL PIG ROAST on Sunday, August 15th. Food will be served from 12:00 to 5:00 P.M.

Admission is \$12.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children 4 through 10. Children under 4-free.

For additional information visit www.stmatts.net

For ticket purchase or ticket information, please call the church office (847) 438-7709.

The Church Has Left the Building!



Outdoor Celebration/Community Service Event
Sunday, September 5, 2010
St. Paul Lutheran Church & School
Mt. Prospect, IL

Dress comfortably as immediately following the worship celebration we will disperse into our community to serve on various service projects with the love of Christ.

There will be something for all ages and abilities.

This is the second annual **Church Has Left The Building** servant event day that we have sponsored. Last year nearly 300 individuals of all ages took part through the following: home improvement projects for Mount Prospect residents in need, local food pantry collection, clean up of local parks, free water give away at the Farmer's Market, packing of school supply back packs for children in need, Hats of Hope visit to a local hospital, a special project for Feed My Starving Children, ... and more!

The true Church is not and never has been a building ...or a steeple. The true Church is made up of people transformed by the eternal love of Jesus... people who also have a heart to make a difference.

The Church has Left the building!

Come Be the Church!

Saint Paul Lutheran Church & School
100 South School Street
Mount Prospect, IL 60056
Phone: 847-255-0332

See the website at www.Serve-Saint-Paul.org to sign up or for more information.

Chicago Urban Ministry Summit Sponsored by LCMS World Mission



September 30 - October 1, 2010
Koehneke Community Center
Concordia University Chicago
7400 Augusta Street
River Forest, IL 60305

Pastors, church workers, and laypeople who would like to learn more about reversing the trend of urban church decline in Chicago and how they can support God's work in this city.

Dinner only: \$65 per person or \$55 per person if purchasing a table of 10

Summit only: \$35

Dinner and Summit: \$90

Contact Rev. Kenety Gee at Kenety.Gee@lcms.org or register online at www.chicagourbanmissions.org

Make checks payable to
LCMS World Mission and mail to:
Rev. Kenety Gee
Chatham Fields Lutheran Church
8050 S. St. Lawrence Ave.
Chicago, IL 60619

[Click here for flyer](#)

Walcamp Fall Festival



October 3, 2010
Walcamp Outdoor Ministries
Kingston, IL

We have a spectacular day planned for you! We will start with a worship service at 10AM followed by our traditional roast pork dinner with all the fixins' at 11AM. Hot dogs, hamburgers, brats and pulled pork sandwiches along with other yummy tidbits will be available outside.

President & Mrs. Lincoln have graciously accepted our invitation to visit the Festival this year. You will see them at the Civil War Living History or visiting any of our other attractions. You will hear and see entertainment at the lodge you have never seen at Walcamp ever! Come see who they are.

The bake sale was SO well received last year that we brought it back this year. Right next to that is the familiar Farm Stand. Many crafters/vendors will join us in and around the pavilion.

New this year will be a vintage baseball game with Creston playing Lockport . . . bring your lawn chair or blanket and grab a hot dog for an exciting afternoon of baseball!

One person's trash is another person's treasure . . . what treasures will you find at our Country Auction. Come see what we have to offer!

No we haven't forgotten the children . . .we'll have games, inflatables and horse rides to help keep them entertained.

And last but not least the Camper Reunion . . . anyone who has ever been in summer camp or attended a retreat or RV' or tent camped . . . or worked in the kitchen . . . or been a counselor . . . in other words everyone come and see who will be here that you know . . . but wait . . . there will be a MYSTERY GUEST! Will the mystery guest sign in please . . . ??? ??????

Mark your calendar early so you won't miss any part of this spectacular day! Questions? call 815-784-5141

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