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FOTCOH Adult Forum on February 7

Join us on Sunday, February 7, at 9:30 a.m. in Grace Hall as Paul and Trudy Vogel share their experiences from their medical mission trip to Haiti in late January. How did the earthquake affect the team and the clinic clients, and what lies in store for Haiti as rebuilding begins?

FOTCOH Silent Auction Begins February 13 Donations Due February 7

A silent auction to support FOTCOH (Friends of the Children of Haiti) is taking place at Resurrection this month. All funds raised will go to operating costs of FOTCOH, the primary use being to purchase medications to dispense at the clinic.

If you would like to donate time, talent, or material gifts to be auctioned, please bring them (or a written description) to the office cubicle closest to the Nursery by Sunday, February 7.

Items will be on display for bidding from February 13 to 21, with the bidding deadline at 10:45 a.m. on Sunday, February 21.

There will be three ways to support FOTCOH:

- Donate an item, time or talent to the auction.
- Bid on an item at the silent auction (There will be about 60 items, including several from Haiti).
- Make a financial contribution.

Thrivent will match \$1 for every \$3 raised up to \$800.

For special arrangements regarding your contribution, bid, or financial donation, please contact Trudy Vogel, Sharon Hoy, or Kathy Neil.

Resurrection Lutheran Church Annual Congregational Meeting

At the Annual Meeting on January 31, the Resurrection congregation voted to approve the 2010 Mission Proposal.

Because of the necessary updates to our giving statistics, a double report will be provided next week.

Souper Bowl of Caring Saturday, February 6, and Sunday, February 7

As part of the national Souper Bowl of Caring collection being taken by youth groups all over the United States on Super Bowl Sunday for charities who assist the poor., the LYO will be taking donations in soup pots following worship the weekend of February 6 and 7. Contributions will be divided between Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. Thrivent will match the total amount raised.



LYO members packed meals for FMSC in Aurora on January 4. FMSC has had a partnership with 200 groups in Haiti for ten years and now has an emergency response plan in place. One million meals are currently on the ground in Haiti, and, with your support, an additional three million meals for Haiti relief will be provided. With each meal costing just 17 cents to produce and 94 percent of all gifts going to the feeding program, your offerings will go a long way in the fight against world hunger. You can feed a family of five for one year for \$310!

LYO Pork Burgers and Brats Sales

The LYO continues to sell Huelskoetter Pork Burgers and Brats at RLC. Proceeds will be used to help the group fund a variety of social justice campaigns. The price is \$3 per one-pound package. Pick up your purchases from the freezer in the Mechanical Room, and place your money in the black box inside the freezer. Make checks out to the Resurrection LYO with "Meat Sales" in the memo line. Contact Chris Ayers with questions.

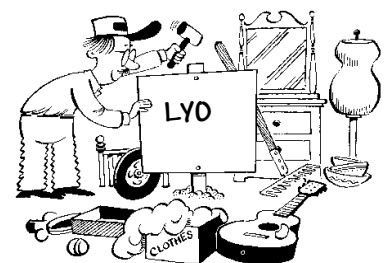
Ash Wednesday Worship Service February 17, 7 p.m.



An Ash Wednesday Service of Holy Communion and Imposition of Ashes will take place at 7 p.m. on February 17. Please sign up for People Power roles on the Kiosk in the Narthex.

LYO Group Sale Reminder

The RLC LYO (Lutheran Youth Organization) is planning its 17th annual Group Sale for Saturday, June 12. As you "replace the old with the new," please keep us in mind. We will have rooms set up to receive items in late May after Sunday School ends. We can also arrange at that time to pick up large items from your home. The money raised is used to support the annual LYO servant trip to Sunset Gap in Cosby, Tennessee. Thanks for your help!



February 6 to 14 RLC Ministry Events

- Sat., 2/6** **Alive @ Five Worship, 5 p.m.**
 Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
 Boy Scout and Cub Scout Recognition
- Sun., 2/7** **Worship, 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.**
 Souper Bowl of Caring Collection
 Boy Scout and Cub Scout Recognition
 Sunday School/Zero 39, 9:30 a.m.
 FOTCOH/Haiti Adult Forum, 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.
 Prayer Partners Kick-Off, 2:15 p.m.
 LYO Super Bowl Party, 5:01 p.m., off-site
 February 12 *Spirit* Deadline
- Mon., 2/8** Stretch and Pray, 5:45 p.m.
 Disciple Bible Study, 7 p.m.
- Tues., 2/9** Visual Enhancements Team, 5:30 p.m.
 Stephen Ministry, 6:30 p.m.
 Executive Team, 7 p.m.
 LYO to Midwest Food Bank,
- Weds., 2/10** Midweek Prayers, 10 a.m.
 Confirmation, 5:50 p.m.
 Eco-Justice Team, 5:45 p.m., @
 Jamani Java
 Adult Choir, 7 p.m.
- Thurs., 2/11** No Events Scheduled
- Fri., 2/12** No Events Scheduled
- Sat., 2/13** Family Bowling, 1 p.m.
 @ Pheasant Lanes
Alive @ Five Worship, 5 p.m.
 FOTCOH Auction Begins
- Sun., 2/14** **Worship, 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.**
 Sunday School/Zero 39, 9:30 a.m.
 "Love Is . . ." Adult Forum, 9:30 a.m.
 Adult Choir Rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.
 LYO, 6:01 p.m.
 February 19 *Spirit* Deadline



February 14 Lectionary

The **Transfiguration of Our Lord** scripture references for February 14, 2010: **First Lesson** – Exodus 34:29–35; **Second Lesson** – 2 Corinthians 3:12–4:2; **Gospel** – Luke 9:28–36 [37–43a]; and **Psalms** 99.

Reflection: Witnesses to the glory of God in the face of Jesus will be unable to avoid reflecting that glory in the world. It was true for Moses. It was doubtless true for Peter, James, and John. We pray that it will be true of all of us who see the glory of the Lord in the word and in the supper and who are being "transformed into the same image" by the Spirit of God.

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February People Power Calendars

Printed copies of the February People Power Calendars are available on the table in the Nursery Alcove. Check out our new and improved format!

For the LYO worship services on February 20 and 21, a limited number of Third Week Team members have been assigned to serve.

February 6 and 7 People Power Reminders First Saturday and Sunday Teams

From Monday to Thursday, please contact Marcia (663-8252; marciafetzerrlc@verizon.net) to report trades or substitutions. On Friday, Saturday, or Sunday morning, call the Steward for your worship service with changes.

You can also note changes on the People Power calendar posted on the bulletin board in the Nursery Alcove. Stewards: be sure to always check the calendar for the most recent information prior to the start of worship.

“Love Is . . .” Adult Forum Sunday, February 14, 9:30 a.m.

Celebrate Valentine’s Day with some of the most well-known verses from scripture! On Sunday, February 14, Pastor David will facilitate an Adult Forum focusing on the “Love” passage from 1 Corinthians 13.



Ministry Prayers

Prayer Partners: We lift up all the youth and adults involved in our Prayer Partner program and pray that they will be encouraged to pray for each other and develop a rewarding relationship as they get to know each other together in the upcoming weeks.



God’s World . . . Our Hands

Adapted from <http://www.realsimple.com/home-organizing/green-living/planet-friendly-tips-10000001604538/index.html>.

Your Eco-Bit

Earth-Saving, Energy-Saving Tips and Tidbits from the Eco-Justice Team

Standard washing machines use 40 gallons of water per load. Whenever possible, wash full loads (saving 3,400 gallons of water a year) in cold water. Americans can conserve enough water to fill more than 7 million swimming pools if they reduce their laundry by one load per week.

Do You Have an Eco-Bit to Suggest?

What steps have you and your family taken to save energy or other resources in your home, school, or workplace? The Eco-Justice Team is looking for simple, relatively inexpensive tips to share with our readers. Please send suggestions to Mary Meier (MaryMeierRLC@verizon.net; 663-8252). If possible, include a website or other reference.



Lenten Soup and Bread Suppers Help Needed

Ministry Teams and individuals are asked to help prepare, set up, and clean up our Soup and Bread Suppers on Wednesday evenings during Lent. Open dates are March 3, 10, and 17. Each meal begins at 5:30 p.m., and the services start at 7 p.m.

For each supper, we need four gallons of meat soup and three gallons of vegetarian soup (should not contain cheese). We also need several people to help with set-up and clean-up.

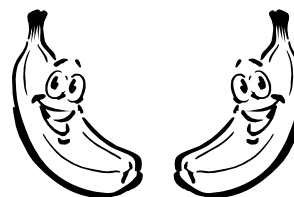
Please sign up on the Kiosk in the Narthex, and pick up an instruction sheet.



Thank You from LSM

Resurrection recently received a letter from Pastor Marty Eckert of the Lutheran Student Movement at Illinois State University thanking Resurrection for a \$500 gift received in December 2009 to “help us share the good news of God’s love with students full of questions and doubts like so many of us.” The entire letter is posted on a bulletin board in the Entryway Alcove.

Prayer Partners Kick-Off! Sunday, February 7, 2 to 3:15 p.m.



- ☾ Getting-to-know-you activities!
- ☾ Introductions! Prayers! Refreshments!
- ☾ If one but not both Partners can attend, please come anyway, and we will match you up with a "Partner for the Day."
- ☾ If both Partners cannot attend, they should pick up a packet from the table by the church office after February 7.
- ☾ Please contact Mary Meier (663-8252; MaryMeierRLC@verizon.net) if you have any questions about Prayer Partners.

Scout Recognition Weekends

On Saturday, February 6, and Sunday, February 7, Resurrection will recognize and pray for our Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts. All Scouts are encouraged to wear their official uniforms to the worship services.



Girl Scout Sunday is March 7. Any Girl Scouts who wish to be honored during that weekend's worship services should contact Pastor Mary to make arrangements.



First Communion Classes for All Ages Wednesdays, February 17 and 24, and March 3, 5:45 to 7 p.m. First Communion Celebrated at 10:45 a.m. on March 7

Resurrection is offering a class for children and adults of all ages to prepare for First Communion. The course will be a three-week basic introduction to First Communion and will include materials appropriate for different age groups.

A donation of \$3 per participant for class materials is suggested. At least one parent is required to attend each class with their child.

Childcare will be available for those needing to have their other children watched during class time.

Soup suppers will be served at 5:30 p.m., with classes beginning at 5:45 p.m.

Please register by Wednesday, February 10 – we need to have a minimum of five children enrolled to offer the class.

If your child has special needs and can't participate in the class, please let Pastor Mary know, so she can make arrangements for one-on-one classes.

Please contact Pastor Mary to sign up or ask questions (PastorMaryRLC@verizon.net, 663-8252; 212-0888; or 451-8643). You can also fill out a registration card at the display in the Narthex.

First Communion will be received at the 10:45 a.m. service on Sunday, March 7. A celebration in Grace Hall will follow the worship service.



Lutheran Men in Mission Region 5 Gathering

Lutheran Men in Mission is an independent organization closely affiliated with the ELCA. The group works to strengthen men's Christian faith, relationships, witness, and service in their homes, congregations, and communities. A Region 5 Gathering will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church in Brookfield, Wisconsin, on April 16 and 17. For details and registration forms, see http://www.lutheranmeninmission.org/events/regional_gatherings.html.

“God’s People Speak”

Alive @ 5 Service, Saturday, February 6, 5 p.m.

During the Alive @ Five worship on Saturday, February 6, Jerry Worden will share his personal testimony. Please join us for this special service.



Family Bowling Afternoon

Saturday, February 13, 1 p.m., @ Pheasant Lanes



Enjoy an All-Congregation Bowling Afternoon at Pheasant Lanes on Saturday, February 13, from 1 to 3 p.m. The cost is \$3.25 per game per person, and bumpers will be available for children. Shoe rental is free.

Please sign up at the Welcome Center so we can reserve enough lanes for the group. Contact Sandy McAuley of the Fellowship Team with questions.



“Shoeman” Shoe Collection Continues through February 27

Bring your old shoes to RLC and place them in the collection box in the Narthex. They will be recycled, and the proceeds will be used to purchase hydraulic drilling rigs for digging wells that pump clean water for people in Kenya.

For details, contact Sharon Hoy or visit www.shoeman.org.

“Lord, When Did We See You?”

Little Gethsemane Prayer Garden Verses

One of Resurrection’s *Core Values is Serving Others in Justice for the Church, Community and World*. These verses from Matthew 25:35-41 provide insight for why we value service to others.

We invite you to meditate on them as you spend time in the Little Gethsemane Prayer Garden by the church entrance.

- For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in,
- I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.
- “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink?’
- When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?
- When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?
- The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’
- Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels.’





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Alive at Five Saturday Worship – 5 p.m.
Sunday Worship – 8:15 and 10:45 a.m.

Sunday School for All Ages – 9:30 to 10:30 a.m.

Office Hours: Monday to Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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RLC Vision:

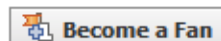
Communities claimed and empowered by God for hope and wholeness

RLC Mission:

Resurrection Lutheran Church exists to:
Invite people into the body of Christ,
Ignite passionate growth in faith, and
Excite believers for lives of service.



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