

JOY LUTHERAN CHURCH WEEKLY NEWS/NEEDS

September 28, 2010

WEEKLY NEWS/NEEDS Scriptures for October 2/3

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4
Psalm 37:1-9
2 Timothy 1:1-14
Revelation 12:1-5, 13:1:1-4, 13:11-18; 21:1-6a
Sermon: Threatening Visions & The New Jerusalem

Here is What's Happening Sunday, October 3

First Communion Sunday
8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship
9:30 a.m. Sunday School for Children/Youth
 Together in Faith for 3 year olds
9:15 a.m. Adult Education classes
Thrivent Workshop: Identity Theft

October 3 is the deadline to register for the [Middle School Youth Gathering](#).

IMPORTANT DATES for your Calendar

Oct. 2/3 4th - 6th Grade Retreat @ Messiah Mountain
Oct. 3 First Communion Sunday
Oct. 9 Servant Day mini camp
Oct. 10 1st - 3rd Grade Pumpkin Party
Oct. 13 *Driven* concert (6:30 p.m.)
Oct. 24 New Member Orientation

NEW OPPORTUNITIES COMING UP

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – CHECK IT OUT

A new men's Bible Study starts on **Monday, October 4** at 7:00 PM in the Adult Education Room and will meet Monday evening until December 6. We will be studying the Book of Isaiah. We have three men who have "stepped up" to facilitate this Bible Study, and they hope that men of all ages will respond by "checking it out." It is the type of Bible Study where you do not have to attend each week to "keep up" and there is no homework (except the hope is that you might be motivated to read the book of Isaiah).

On October 4 there will be an introduction and overview of Isaiah and a discussion of what those in attendance would like to get out of this Bible Study. Each study is designed to last for an hour to an hour and a half.

One of the men is writing this "blast" and his plea is PLEASE DON'T LET THE THREE OF US BE THE ONLY MEN WHO SHOW UP ON OCTOBER 4. JOIN US – WE THINK YOU WILL ENJOY THE FELLOWSHIP.

5th Rocky Mountain Synod Ending Hunger Summit: "Getting Down to Basics"

Saturday, October 2, from 8:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Holy Shepherd Lutheran Church, 920 Kipling Street, Lakewood, The fee is \$15.00 (including snacks, lunch and all handouts). The registration deadline is Tuesday, September 28.

For more information or to register today: online: www.rmselca.org/hungersummit or phone: 303.777.6700 or 800.525.0462 or email: whobbs@rmselca.org (please include contact information). Payment in advance is appreciated and can be mailed to: Rocky Mountain Synod, Willie Hobbs, 455 Sherman Street, Ste. 160, Denver, CO 80203. **You may also pay at the door.**

WALK BY FAITH Stewardship Emphasis

During October and November, the sermons will focus on the theme of *walking by faith* to guide our stewardship thoughts. Strengthen your walk with God by being in worship for this series.

Music & Worship

Upcoming Special Music

Oct. 3 Voices of Joy/Todd and Morgan Schutte
Oct. 10 Polished Brass
Oct. 17 Jimmy Aaron/Voices of Joy with Trinity Lutheran Church choir
Oct. 24 Lauren Skinner Quartet
Oct. 31 VOJ/Sunday School kids

NEEDS

Technology Committee Members

New members are being sought to serve on the reactivated Technology Committee. If you have skills and interest in this area of Joy's ministry, please consider serving on this committee. The first meeting is **October 6** at 5:00 p.m. For more information, contact [Pastor Lyn](#)

Computer Saavy Volunteer Needed

A volunteer is needed to update the new Youth & Family Ministry calendar on the new youth website. Training will be provided. If you are interested, contact [Julie Miller](#) as soon as possible.

Evangelism Committee Needs your Help

Don't be afraid of the word "evangelism" - it simply means sharing God's love with people around us. As we seek to strengthen Joy's ministry in Parker, we need to find ways to do that sharing in more effective ways. If you have a passion and commitment to this area of Joy's congregational life, volunteer to serve on the Evangelism Committee by contacting [Pastor Lyn](#).

Audio Visual Volunteers Needed

If you are interested in learning how to operate the Sound Board and/or the video recording equipment during Sunday services, or if you are interested in learning how to edit and produce video footage of Joy's ministries in action, please plan to attend training between services on **Sunday, October 10 in the Sound Booth area**. If you are interested in being trained but cannot attend this training session, please contact Carolyn Ford (303-593-0727) to arrange training at your convenience. Service in Joy's AV ministry is open to all adults and high school age youth.

Our Sound ministry works to assure quality sound production during worship services. Our Video ministry serves those who cannot be here for worship services, primarily those deployed in the military, shut-ins, and college students, by providing DVD recordings of Sunday worship. The video ministry is expanding to include video editing and production capabilities as well. We are in need of additional volunteers to fully support both the Sound and the Video ministries.

Girls Small Group Guide

We still need one fun loving, enthusiastic, faithful woman to serve as one Girls Small Group Guide for 7th grade girls confirmation program! Are you interested? Call or email [Julie Miller](#) for more information about this rewarding service opportunity! Direct phone: 720-536-3502

Families in Need

Joey, a child with the same disease as Kasey Fox, is going to have a bone marrow transplant in Sept and will be in the hospital for 6 months. The family is living in a hotel room and is in need of a variety of items. **A collection box will be located at Joy.** Items needed are listed below:

- 2 webcams for Skyping with family during transplant. For 1st 30 days this will be only visual communication between mom and big kids due to flu season.
- Clothes for Joey size 2t and 3t (preferably pants and long sleeve shirts for winter weather and skin protection from sun)
- Toddler hats, socks (shoe size is 5)
- Meals are \$5 each meal for parent at CoH, this is for a meal delivered to room so the parent never has to leave Joey alone.
- Toys for Joey - NO STUFFED ANIMALS, and easy to clean/sanitize
- Books (both board books for Joey and books for me to read - I can provide a list of her fav authors)
- Coloring books, crayons, markers, colored pencils (Joey loves art)
- Toiletries - unscented - can be travel size hotel type

Thank you for any items you can donate to these families in crisis.

VOLUNTEERS

JOY LOVES CARING 2 – October 9

Last spring, we held our first annual day of service. It was an amazing event that exceeded all of our expectations - hundreds participated and many times that were helped or encouraged by our work that day. We have plans to make this an annual event, but we also realize that service projects just happen in the spring. So...we are holding a "mini" day of service this fall.

Mark your calendars for October 9, 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. with a thank-you lunch afterwards at 1:00.

For this fall event, we have the following projects:

1. Adopt-a-Trail: help clean up a major trail in the Parker area
2. Parker Task Force: help sort and distribute food in the Parker Food Bank
3. Project Angel Heart: paint and color on paper bags that are used by Project Angel Heart to distribute food to those with life-threatening illnesses
4. Work for our Homebound members: help with the final mowing, rake leaves, decommission sprinklers, etc.
5. Colorado Supporting Our Troops: decorate boxes that are used to send care packages to soldiers
6. To Our Heroes: write personal notes to soldiers to be included with the care packages.
7. Women Build for Habitat for Humanity

We hope that you and everyone in your family can find something on this list of projects that you want to be involved in. Details for each project are found on the bulletin board in the narthex. Sign up soon as space is limited for some of the projects.

Adopt-a-Trail

Joy is responsible for keeping clean a section of trail system in Parker. Our next outing will be **Saturday, October 9, 10:45 a.m.-12:30 p.m.** (a **change of time for this month only.**) Meet at the dog station east of the Parker Recreation Center, and wear boots & gloves. It takes about 2-3 hours to walk the trail, round-trip. For more information on this on-going Joy mission, go to www.joylutheran-parker.org.

NEWS

Wednesday Night Faith Formation and Confirmation

5:30-6:30 p.m. Dinner

6:30-7:00 p.m. Worship

7:00-8:00 p.m. Adult classes, children's program and senior high youth group

7:00-7:25 p.m. Confirmation large group

7:00-8:00 p.m. Chimes Choir (FFH)

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Faith Formation Adult Classes are as follows:

- **Parenting Teens Discussion Forum** (Sept. 8 – Nov. 17)
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- **Shared Ministry Small Group** (Sept. 15, 22, and 29)
- **Deep Justice in a Broken World** (Oct. 6 – Nov. 17)
Oct. 6 – Guest Speaker Brad Wood, Part I
Oct. 13 – Guest Speaker Brad Wood, Part II
Oct. 27 – Guest Speaker Kayla Aspeslagh

NO FAITH FORMATION ACTIVITIES ON OCTOBER 22 because of Fall Break.

Dinner for Six for Singles

The schedule for Dinner for Six for Singles is posted on the Fellowship Board near the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Dinner for eight groups are cancelled until January. For additional information, contact Gwen Wilhelm at 303-841-2341.

Monday Morning Text Study

Discover new ears for listening to God's word in this lively discussion of the upcoming week's preaching text. Pastor Lyn leads this group each Monday, 8:30-9:30 a.m. Coffee and refreshments will be served and nursery care is available on request.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study at 9:30 a.m.

All are invited to this study on Ephesians and Colossians titled *Strength Connection*. The study is led by Pastor Lyn.

Thrivent Workshop: Identity Theft: What you need to know (2 identical sessions) October 3 and 17

These classes will help you gain a better understanding of how identity theft can occur. You'll also learn about steps you can take to help protect your identity and what you can do if identity theft happens to you. It will be presented by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans representatives [Greg Haertling and Maria Martz](#). The registration

deadline is Monday, October 4 for the October 17th workshop. To register, call the church office (303-841-3739) or register online at www.thrivent.com under the "Find a Workshop" tab and look for Parker's "Identity Theft: What you need to know" workshop listings. For more information, call Heather Pankratz at 303-883-2701.

Evangelical Lutheran Book of Worship (ELW)

ELW/Cranberry Hymnals are HOPEFULLY coming....The Music and Worship Committee would like to begin the process of purchasing the Evangelical Lutheran Worship Hymnal (ELW-Cranberry Book). It was released in October 2006 by Augsburg Fortress. It is a combination of the Lutheran Book of Worship (LBW-Green Book) (53%) and With One Voice (VOW-Blue Book) (20%) as well as some new liturgical settings and hymns. If you like to see a copy of the new hymnal, three copies are available in the office for check out. Please sign out with Karol or Carol.

We would like to have the purchase completed by Easter 2011. The purchase price is \$22.50 per hymnal and we estimate we will need approximately 300 hymnals. Look for future announcements about our plans to fund this exciting purchase. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk with Jennifer Kramer or any member of our Music & Worship Committee.

Building and Grounds

The Building and Grounds committee will meet Monday, October 4 at 6:00 p.m.

2010 General Fund's Financial Position as of August 31, 2010:

	<u>Year to Date Budget</u>	<u>Year to Date Actual</u>	NOTE: () = deficit
Total Income	\$ 304,997	\$ 268,127	
Total Expenses	\$ 297,370	\$ 263,884	
Net Income/(Loss)	\$ 7,627	\$ 4,243	

If you have any questions regarding the financial position of Joy, please feel free to contact Pastor Lyn, Pete Jensen (General Fund Treasurer) or Terri Schulken (Joy's accountant).

Weekly Offering

9/21 – 9/27 General Fund Offering was \$6,639

9/21 – 9/27 Building Fund Offering was \$230

2010 Capital Fund III Summary as of August 31, 2010):

(Reminder: We have received only \$59,000 of our 2010 pledges (\$113,000). If possible, please try to complete your pledges.)

Total Mortgage Payments Due for 2010	\$163,211.52
Amount Received through 8/31/10 (Pledged)	(\$99,818.03)
Amount Received through 8/31/10 (Unpledged)	(\$11,839.66)

Amount Still Necessary of 2010 Mortgage Payments \$51,553.83

Note: Our mortgage payment has been modified to \$13,444/month.

Inclement Weather Notice

As fall and winter approach, please note Joy activities will be cancelled according to the Douglas County School District schedule. If school is cancelled, so are Joy weekday events. Joy cancellations will also be posted on 9NewsTV. Weekend service cancellations, if necessary, will be posted on 9News and information dispersed via the telephone tree by neighborhood Shepherd groups.

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY

Check Out the NEW Youth Web Site

Find comprehensive info about the [Youth & Family Ministry](#) program on the new youth web site which was launched recently.

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1st – 3rd Grade Pumpkin Party and Canned Food Drive

October 10, 11:45 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Senior High Youth Gathering

November 19-21 in Estes Park
Registration Deadline is Wednesday, October 6

Middle School Youth Gathering – January 14-16
Registration Deadline is Sunday, October 3. Get more info on the [Youth Web site](#).

Volunteer Youth Leader Training at Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp
October 21-24

For more information, contact Sara at info@rainbowtrail.org or 719-276-5233.

SERVANT REFLECTION

Staff Reflection by Chriss Rewalt, Joyful Mission Preschool Director

Joyful Mission Preschool has had the honor of creating a memorial garden for Tom Claiborne. Tom was a proud graduate of Joyful Mission Preschool and was a wise man in the Christmas program in 1987. I have been thinking a lot this past month about what amazing gifts children are. I have watched many of our young children walk through Tom's garden and I wonder if they understand the significance of this special spot. Many of our parents have shared with their children that Tom was a Marine who flew helicopters. The kids just think that is so cool. Many have also shared how Tom lost his life almost a year ago and this garden is a way to remember him. One morning I had a mother of one our students tell me how touched she and her son are by Tom's story. She told me that her son runs across the pavers in the garden everyday. He told her that this was his special way of telling Tom hi and thank you. Everyday I have the incredible privilege of watching God's Love shine through these little gifts He has given to us. I am often in awe of how faithful children are. They can take something as simple as walking through a garden to get to school and make it something extraordinary.

Reminder: The Church Office closes at 3:00 p.m. on Fridays.

For more information about Joy Lutheran Church, go to www.joylutheran-parker.org.

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