



# NEWSLETTER

## PASTOR'S COLUMN

The season of Advent is a time of preparation. We prepare our hearts for the celebration of our Lord's birthday. His first Advent is truly one of the greatest events in history, God became man to be our Savior. We also use this time to prepare our hearts for our Lord's second coming on Judgment Day. We know that we prepare by faith in what our Lord has done for us. Advent, the time leading up to Christmas, is meant to be so much more than buying, and more buying. It is meant to be a season of worshiping the Lord.



This year in our Advent worship services we are doing the Advent Conspiracy. It is about how Christmas can still change the world by focusing on Christ and not the idols of consumerism. It is not meant to produce guilt but to offer an alternative Advent focus that zeroes in on Christ. Please join us each Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

In Christ,

Pastor Hiller

### Worship Times and Styles

Saturdays: 5:00 p.m.

Contemporary

Sundays: 8:00 a.m.

Traditional

Sundays: 9:15 a.m.

Contemporary

Sundays: 10:35 a.m.

Contemporary

Sundays: 9:15 a.m.

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## PRAYER FOCUS

In the next two weeks we pray for the Lord to show us who we might invite to attend a Christmas worship service with us. Pray for courage and boldness to reach out to someone we know who may not know the Gospel. Pray for open hearts to receive this invitation. We also pray for our Church Nursery ministry. Thank the Lord for all of the workers who are a part of this ministry. Pray for God's protection, that all children will always be safe and secure and loved while in our care.

## CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING CORNER

We celebrate the return of our Guatemala Medical Mission team and what they were able to do in the name of Jesus as they served those in need to bring care, healing, hope and love.

## ADVENT DEVOTIONAL RESOURCES

We have a display of devotional resources available at the Information Center to help you and your family in the Advent season to keep your focus on Jesus. Advent begins this Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to check it out.

## SUNDAY MORNING ADULT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES

### 9:15 a.m. Classes:

*"Mere Christianity-Book Study"* – This six-week book study will focus on C.S. Lewis' *"Mere Christianity"* bringing together his broadcast talks of the war years, providing an unequalled opportunity for believers and nonbelievers alike to hear a powerful, rational case for the Christian faith. His writings will help you to see your faith with fresh eyes. Books are available to purchase prior to the class at the Information Center in the lobby. Von Limbaugh is the moderator for this class, meeting in the Library.

*"Living in the End Times: 1 & 2 Thessalonians"* – As we proclaim the second coming of Christ in the Advent season and wait for His return, we find both encouragement from the Gospel and a reason for hope. This study in Paul's letters to the Thessalonians will lift our hearts and give us practical guidance as to how to persevere and be prepared in these times. Paul's words hold much truth for the followers of Christ then and now. John Paulus is the moderator for this course, meeting in Room 23.



### ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Once again the church and school will be working together to provide Christmas gifts for approximately 175 children of families in need in Aurora, served through our Family Care Ministry and the Aurora Housing Corporation "Families in Transition" program. Each child will be provided with at least two gifts. The Angel Tree is located at the Christmas Outreach Center in the lobby. Choose an item and return it to the tree, wrapped or unwrapped, no later than Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>.

### RECYCLE PARTY CANS

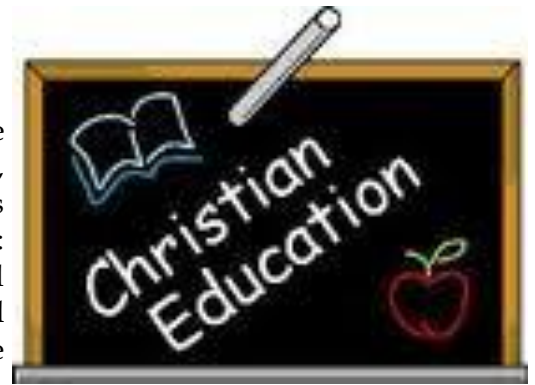
Looking for a place for all of those aluminum cans after your Christmas parties and gatherings? We have a white aluminum can recycling bin on the south end of the church parking lot with all proceeds benefiting our school.



## VIEW FROM THE EAGLES' NEST

### PWCCS

Butter Braids are back! These hand-braided pastries come in your choice of six delicious flavors: Cherry, Apple, Blueberry Crème Cheese, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, and Caramel Rolls. Classic Break Cookies "simply break and bake" are also available in five flavors including: Chocolate Chip, M & M, Snickerdoodle, Macadamia Nut, and Oatmeal Raisin. Butter Braids can be purchased beginning November 16<sup>th</sup> and ending December 7<sup>th</sup>. Check the school's Scrips/King Soopers table in the narthex or contact the school office at 303-766-7116.



Peace With Christ Christian School, voted Best of the Best for 2011 by the Denver Post, is hosting an Open House on Friday, December 9<sup>th</sup>. We would like to invite all members of Peace With Christ Lutheran Church! Beginning at 8:00 a.m. we will have Parent's Corner where you can meet with other parents of PWCCS and Mrs. Franzen, our 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. We will have juice, coffee, and treats to enjoy. Then, please stay and be a part of our school chapel service which begins at 8:30 a.m. At 9:00 a.m., students will give tours and you can get more information about our school. We look forward to seeing you there!

Also, don't forget, our school's annual Christmas service, "The Christmas Clinic" will take place on Monday, December 19<sup>th</sup> beginning at 6:30 p.m.

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## COLORADO GIVES DAY

Support Lutheran Family Services on Colorado Gives Day. When you give on December 6<sup>th</sup>, the value of your donation will be increased by the FirstBank Incentive Fund and 100% of your donation will go to Lutheran Family Services! Last year, Colorado Gives Day raised \$8.7 million for Colorado charities. Be part of this exciting day by donating to Lutheran Family Services, visit [www.givingfirst.org/lfsco](http://www.givingfirst.org/lfsco) anytime over the 24 hour period of December 6<sup>th</sup>.



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