



NEWSLETTER

PASTOR'S COLUMN

"So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God." (I Corinthians 10:31)

These words stand in sharp contrast to the ways of a self-centered sinful world. This world would tell us that the service of self is to be the primary motivation for all our actions. This world would tell us that self-serving kindness and charity will satisfy a guilty conscience. This world would tell us that striving to attain ideals that will change the world for our benefit is enough.

As believers, each of us is both saint and sinner at the same time. As sinners, we are often tempted to infuse the ways of this world into our lives. We are tempted to be self-serving. We say to ourselves, "My lifestyle keeps me extremely busy. I am always on the go doing what I need to do, but I do set aside an hour for the Lord each week." "If asked, maybe once a year I volunteer to help a worthy cause and do my part." "Let's see, after everything is paid, what can I afford to give to the Lord's work at Peace With Christ Lutheran Church? What are the tax implications?" Thus, the temptation is great to put self first and God a distant second.

The letter to the Hebrews gives this admonition: "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God." (Hebrews 12:2) Through the Holy Spirit, we are brought to the realization at the foot of the cross that self-centeredness must be forgotten. We see that only with our eyes firmly fixed on Christ, who is seated in glory, can the promotion of God's glory be the object of all that we do.

Through the work of the Holy Spirit, God is glorified in us. Christ's love flows from our hearts so all that we do benefits our neighbor, glorifying the name of God. We glorify God in our daily living and exhibit our faith by the proper use of all that God has given us, including our time, abilities, wealth and money. By the power of the Gospel, we do this as an example for the "good of many, so that they may be saved". (I Corinthians 10:33)

As Christians, we pray that Christ's love may more and more abound in our hearts. We pray that we may more and more use the perfect gifts - including our financial resources - God has given us to serve others and glorify His name. God help us to this end.

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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**HAPPY
THANKSGIVING !**

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.

CELEBRATION AND THANKSGIVING CORNER

We celebrate all of you who have made food and monetary donations to the Family Care Ministry, for their special Thanksgiving food boxes that went out this week, and all the PWCCS students who have brought food offerings in their chapel. Also, thank you to Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for a special grant to help cover expenses. Thank you for your generosity to serve others in need!

PRAYER FOCUS

Pray for the families served through our Thanksgiving outreach by the Family Care Ministry. Pray that the special Thanksgiving food boxes provided this week to 102 families in our community will be a great blessing to them and that the Lord would continue to provide for their needs. Pray for our Guatemala Mission team as they prepare to go to Guatemala November 27th to December 3rd. Pray for physical and spiritual protection, safe travel, good health, good weather and that the Lord would use them in a great way to be a blessing to the people in need in Guatemala. May they be the hands and feet of Jesus as they serve others.

ANGEL TREE CHRISTMAS OUTREACH

Once again the church and school will be working together to provide Christmas gifts for approximately 100 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 will be located at the Christmas Outreach Center in the lobby, beginning Wednesday, November 23rd, at our Thanksgiving Eve service. Choose an item and return it to the tree, wrapped or unwrapped, no later than Sunday, December 18th.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT

On December 4th, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m., Peace With Christ will host the First Annual Advent by Candlelight event. This special women's event will be a time of fellowship and worship with other women while also being an outreach to women outside of our church and to a local charity, Bridgeway Homes. Be sure to invite all the ladies in your life to join us for this beautiful event. Cost is only \$5 per person! Register in the lobby. Only a few seats remain, so register ASAP to ensure a seat. Please contact Kathy Boye at [303-263-0215](tel:303-263-0215) for more information.

Senior High Student Ministry At Peace

MERGE!

MERGE is a great place for high school students to hang out with friends and have a lot of fun this summer! Check out our upcoming MERGE dates and activities:



Nov 20 th	Merge Games	5:00 to 6:00 p.m.
Dec 4 th	No Merge	
Dec 11 th	CiCi's Pizza Night	5:00 to 6:00 p.m. (Bring Money)



Souled Out!: Souled Out is a ministry dedicated to high school students. On Sunday nights, we have a time of incredible worship, Bible teaching and small groups. Dan Lillpop will lead our worship time each week.

Nov 20 th	Souled Out!	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Dec 4 th	Souled Out!	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.
Dec 11 th	Souled Out!	6:00 to 7:00 p.m.

PITP: Some people need service hours and some just want to make a difference! Don't miss how you can get involved with our downtown ministry feeding those who need a little extra to eat. You can get involved in the ministry by meeting in the kitchen the first Sunday of each month.

Dec 2 nd	PITP meet at noon in the kitchen
Jan 1 st	PITP meet at noon in the kitchen



JR. HIGH LIFE GROUPS

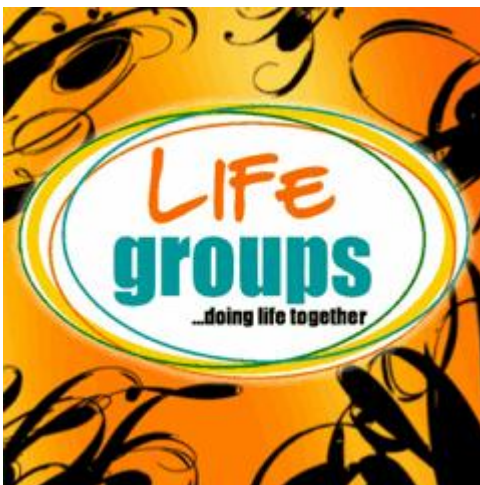
Jr. High students have a place every Wednesday night and Sunday mornings to make friends, get deeper into God's word and to be challenged as a disciple! Confirmation Life Groups are open to any student in the 6th, 7th and 8th grade. Contact Donna Patton at DonnaP727@aol.com for more information.

Game Time and Life Groups (Small Groups):

Game Time and Life Groups will not be meeting over Advent. Groups will resume on January 4th at 5:00 p.m.

Forums:

6th Grade Track Sundays November 20 th	The Commandments 9:15-10:15 a.m. Room 22
Upcoming Forums: 6 th -7 th Grade Track Sundays December 4, 11, 18	Prayer 101 9:15-10:15 a.m. Room 22
8 th Grade Track Sundays December 4, 11, 18	Lutheran Theology 2 9:15-10:15 a.m. Room 10



WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU IN OUR FAMILY!

"Joining the Church Family-101" is for all who are interested in joining the church family here at Peace With Christ. This course, taught by Pastor Hiller, deals with the vision and purpose of PWC and the foundational teachings of our church. This course will be offered on Thursday nights, January 12th and 19th, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m., or Saturday, January 21st from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. Child-care will be available in the church nursery for all sessions. If you would like to sign up for these classes, please contact John Paulus at john.paulus@pwclc.org or at 303-693-5618.

CAN YOU HELP US

A great missional opportunity! Peace With Christ has an amazing opportunity to support Jr. High students at Columbia Middle School. The Blue Cougar Backpack Club provides middle school students with a bag each Friday, which holds food to help them get through the weekend. Our church staff and PWCCS second grade are currently feeding 49 students. To meet this goal and continue to build relationships with these students, we need your help! We need.....Individually wrapped oatmeal, Raman noodles, individually wrapped cheese and crackers, granola bars, can of Vienna sausage, individually wrapped Mac and Cheese, Slim Jim's and fruit cups. Financial donations are welcome as well. Food donations can be placed outside of the food closet in the basket labeled Cougar Backpack Club. We are asking that all donations be above and beyond current food ministry donations.

FUNDRAISER FOR LUTHERAN COLLEGE IN BETHLEHEM

You won't want to miss the Advent Hymn Festival at Augustana Lutheran Church, 5000 East Alameda in Denver, on Sunday, December 4th at 7:30 p.m. The evening will feature favorite Advent hymns sung by the congregation as well as a mass choir led by area organists, instrumentalists and directors, sponsored by the Colorado Chapter of the Bright Stars of Bethlehem. A freewill offering will be received, which will be matched in part by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans in an effort to raise \$50,000 for a music room at Dar al-Kalima College in Bethlehem, the only Lutheran College in the Holy Land. For more information contact Margaret Hinchey at 303-773-9857.

COLORADO GIVES DAY

Support Lutheran Family Services on Colorado Gives Day. When you give on December 6th, 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 anytime over the 24 hour period of December 6th.



LUTHERANS IN BUSINESS

Lutherans in Business is a group of self-employed Lutheran men and women whose purpose is to advocate and promote the businesses of group members throughout the community. Members strive to foster and stimulate economic success, based upon sound Christian principles and practices. Please contact Art Rosenboom of Our Father Lutheran Church, at 303-881-7787 for further information, or go to www.lutheransinbusiness.com.



December 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 6:30 p.m. Celebration Arts 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	2 No Events Scheduled 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game 6:00 p.m. Pisteuo Winter Guard	3 8:00 a.m. Pisteuo Winter Guard 5:00 p.m. Worship/Communion 7:00 p.m. Open AA and Al-Anon Meeting
4 8:00, 9:15, 10:35 a.m. Worship/Communion 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 12:00 p.m. - PITP 6:00 p.m. The Journey	5 6:15 p.m. Friendship Ministry 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	6 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir 6:36 p.m. The Experience/Jungle 7:00 p.m. Grief Share 7:00 p.m. C.A.R.E. Meeting 3:15 p.m. Basketball	7 7:00 p.m. Advent Service 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	8 6:30 p.m. Celebration Arts 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	9 7:00 p.m. ELC - Full Day Christmas Program	10 8:00 a.m. Pisteuo Winter Guard 5:00 p.m. Worship 7:00 p.m. Open AA and Al-Anon Meeting
11 8:00, 9:15, 10:35 a.m. Worship 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 5:00 p.m. Sr. High Merge - CICI's Pizza Night 6:00 p.m. The Journey 6:15 p.m. Souled Out! 7:00 p.m. Pre-K Christmas	12 6:15 p.m. Friendship Ministry 6:30 p.m. ELC Preschool Christmas Program	13 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir 6:36 p.m. The Experience/Jungle 7:00 p.m. C.A.R.E. Meeting 7:00 p.m. Grief Share 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	14 7:00 p.m. Advent Service 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	15 6:30 p.m. Celebration Arts 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	16 3:30 p.m. Basketball Game 6:00 p.m. Pisteuo Winter Guard	17 8:00 a.m. Pisteuo Winter Guard 5:00 p.m. Worship/Communion 7:00 p.m. Open AA and Al-Anon Meeting
18 8:00, 9:15, 10:35 a.m. Worship/Communion 9:15 a.m. Christian Education 11:45 a.m. Church Council 5:00 p.m. Sr. High Merge 6:00 p.m. The Journey 6:15 p.m. Souled Out!	19 6:15 p.m. Friendship Ministry 7:00 p.m. PWCCS Christmas Program	20 6:30 p.m. Celebration Choir 6:36 p.m. The Experience/Jungle 7:00 p.m. Grief Share 3:15 p.m. Basketball Practice/Game	21 7:00 p.m. Advent Service PWCCS - Start Christmas Break!	22 6:30 p.m. Celebration Arts 6:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal	23 6:00 p.m. Dress Rehearsal	24 4:00, 6:00, 8:00 p.m. Worship
25 10:00 a.m. Worship Merry Christmas!!!!	26 No Events Scheduled	27 No Events Scheduled	28 No Events Scheduled	29 No Events Scheduled	30 No Events Scheduled	31 5:00 p.m. Worship/Communion

DECEMBER SERVING TEAM SCHEDULE

USHERS: 5:00 p.m. John & Rhonda Westcott, Steve Hamilton
 8:00 a.m. Jim Mahler, David Mahler
 9:15 a.m. Mike Anacker, Dave Roberts, Bob Roth, Mark Simonds
 10:35 a.m. Tony & Selma Rendon

COUNTERS: Ken Mills, Trudy Bennett, Lenore Weber

INFORMATION CENTER: The Care Crew

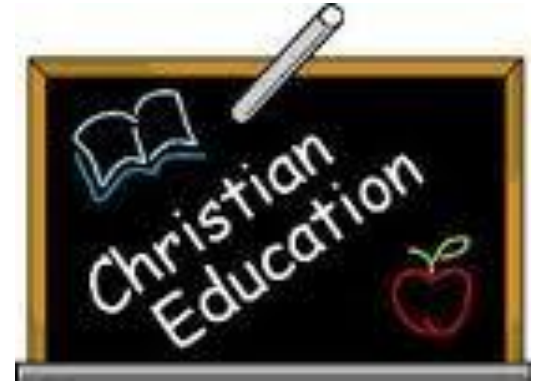


SERVICE:	Dec. 3 rd & 4 th	Dec. 10 th & 11 th	Dec. 17 th & 18 th	Dec. 24 th & 25 th
LAY READERS/ COMMUNION ASSISTANTS:	5:00 - R/C Mike Farley C Tim Grauer 8:00 - R/C Phil Franklin 9:15 - R/C John Nierengarten C Butch Hueske 10:35 - R/C Brian Franzen C Troy Stelling	5:00 - R Larry Wedding 8:00 - R David Dibbern 9:15 - R Bob Roth 10:35 - R Joan Van Noske	5:00 - R/C Dennis Fodness C Bob Miller 8:00 - R/C Ty Saucerman 9:15 - R/C Rod Germeroth C Dennis Fodness 10:35 - R/C Darrell Johnson C Jeff Kukuk	<u>Christmas Eve</u> 4:00 p.m.- R 6:00 p.m.- R 8:00 p.m.- R <u>Christmas Day</u> 10:00 a.m. - R <u>Pending the Holiday Schedule!!</u>
ATTENDANCE:	Dennis Bretting	Dennis Bretting	Gina Vodraska	Rose Martin

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 16th and ending December 7th. Check the school's Scripts/King Soopers table in the narthex or contact the school office at 303-766-7116.



THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE

Wednesday, November 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

ADVENT SERVICES

Wednesdays, November 30th, December 7th, 14th, and 21st at 7:00 p.m.

CHRISTMAS EVE AND CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICES

Saturday, Christmas Eve at 4:00, 6:00 and 8:00 p.m.

Sunday, Christmas Day at 10:00 a.m.



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