



Living Springs Lutheran Church

"CELEBRATE...SHARE...SERVE"
ACCORDING TO GOD'S WILL

Pentecost Seasonal Emphasis *(Reformation through Christ the King)*



God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Psalm 46:1

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Circles of Prayer and Thanksgiving—This Month from Pastor Eric

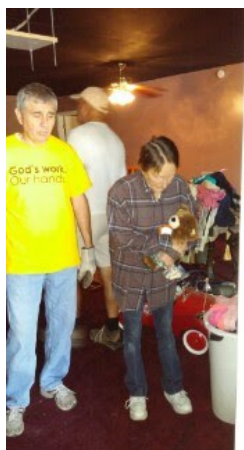
Moving into this month of November, I find myself remembering many circles of prayer and thanksgiving. I remember family members—many of whom have long since passed—circling around a Thanksgiving table, to offer prayers of gratitude for the feast set before us and the abundance of God's grace in our lives. I remember my elementary school classmates, dressed in Pilgrim hats and the garb of Native Americans, circled up to sing songs of thankfulness. I remember fellow volunteers and brothers & sisters in Christ, circled up in a gathering hall, to pray for the impoverished and alone, who would soon be arriving to share in a Thanksgiving meal to be provided for them and their families. So many circles of blessings and grace!

This past month, here at Living Springs, we too felt firsthand what it was like to be part of many circles of prayer and thanksgiving. There was a circle of volunteers and flood victims in the lobbies of Cooperative Ministry and God's Storehouse, as LS disciples dropped off an initial supply of Blessing Bags, towels, linens, children's items, and water on the Tuesday/Wednesday after the flood. There was a circle of our Sr. Youth and their friends, gathered in prayer after returning from a day of



distributing some 500 doughnuts to National Guard men and women and first responders in the initial days after the flood. There were other circles of youth, LS volunteers, and employees from Beef O'Brady's, delivering three vehicles of collected supplies to emergency distribution points at Dent Middle School and Lower Richland HS. There was a circle of LS disciples and Preschool families and neighborhood friends, gathered in prayer that same week, having just prepared 100+ hot meals and caring cards and 100 backpacks of food to share with those struggling and responding in the immediate aftermath of the flood. There was a circle of disciples who had participated in our LS

"Neighbors Helping Neighbors" Saturday, ripping up carpet and cleaning out a flooded basement—there holding hands with the homeowner who was clinging to a Pew Bear—all to find a ray of hope in her life which was filled with turmoil not only from the flood damage, but also from her severe ongoing cancer treatments, the recent loss of her husband, and the theft of her car. There was a circle of prayer in the fellowship hall of Christ Lutheran/Spring Hill AME Mission in the Denny Terrace area off Monticello Road—



where LS disciples joined hands with flood-devastated children & families & adults who had been initially missed by the flood responders and had come to find any assistance they could, including a Living Springs bus-full of another 100+ Blessing Bags, diapers, new socks & underwear, food & cleaning items that had been collected during our "Surround the Altar" offering—plus 10 more Pew Bears for flood-affected children (that had been funded by donation received from a person 2 counties away, who herself had received one of our pew bears during her own recent cancer surgery). So many circles of blessing and grace during this time of disaster!



But there have been additional circles of prayer and thanksgiving as well. There was the Sunday in October when we paused during worship to get out of our pew and gathered in a human circle of prayer encompassing the sanctuary. There was the circle of parents and confirmands gathered by the Baptismal font prior to worship on Reformation Sunday, as these young disciples prepared to affirm their Baptismal covenant in Christ. There were many circles of prayer on Monday evenings, during our 6:46 Prayer Series: circles around an outdoor cross, around a Prayer Labyrinth, around a variety of different prayer stations set up throughout the sanctuary. There was circles of prayer in living rooms and care facility rooms, as our

All Saints Sunday
November 1

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Annual Congregation Meeting
& Ministry Celebration
November 8, 9:15

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Christ the King Sunday
November 22
(Advent Family Night, 5:00)

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Thanksgiving Service
November 23
(Rehoboth Baptist, 7:00)

Where are your Spirit-tugs? Do you have Disciple-dot "God Stories" to share?

+ Active Discipleship + Ministries of Hope + Community Youth/School Partnerships +

Communion Distributors went out on their inaugural visits. There were circles of Preschool staff members, gathered around a table for their monthly Prayer Lunch, sharing hi's and lo's and reflecting on the meaning of Scripture for their lives through a Faith5 sharing. There was a circle of prayer and song in a hospital room, as our youth dropped by to encourage a member who had suffered fractures from a fall during the flood. There were weekly circles of prayer, with volunteers gathered around carts containing the 50 backpack bags of food sent out to local elementary school students in need. There was the amazing circle of prayer and thankfulness in the cafeteria at Ridgeview HS, as young men joined hands with coaches and LS volunteers in preparation for a weekly meal—and each spoke aloud their name, to be met with a chorus of teammates and caring adults responding, “You are loved!” So many powerful circles of grace!



In the month ahead, there will undoubtedly be many other expected and unexpected opportunities to gather in circles of prayer and thanksgiving. My hope is that you will be particularly blessed with such a circle in your home, or with friends, at some point during the Thanksgiving holiday. But beyond that, here at Living Springs, I am excited about several opportunities, in which I invite everyone to participate.

On **Sunday, Nov. 1**, we gather for **All Saints Worship**, with the special lighting of candles and prayers of remembrance to give thanks for the lives and witness of those who have passed to life in the Church Triumphant during the past year. We also rejoice in the reception of new members into the Living Springs family of faith! On **Sunday, Nov. 8**, we gather at 9:15 in the Fellowship Hall for our **Annual Congregational Meeting & Ministry Celebration**. There will be breakfast pastries for everyone, plus another edition of our LS Ministry slideshow from the past year—don't miss it!

On **Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 22**, we conclude another liturgical year by celebrating our Faith Friends ministry (re-scheduled from the flood Sunday in October). As part of this celebration, our Youth will be providing **Pancake Breakfast** for the entire congregation between the worship services. Then at 5:00, we re-gather to celebrate **Advent Family Night**, with devotional activities and service projects to prepare our hearts and homes for the upcoming Advent season (“family” here means not just parents and children, but the entire LS family of faith—all ages and stages of life).

Finally, on **Monday, Nov. 23**, we prepare for the Thanksgiving holiday by coming together with our brothers and sisters in Christ for a **Community Thanksgiving Service**. Our Living Springs Worship Team & Reconciliation Group have sought to re-vitalize this tradition. Rehoboth Baptist Church has agreed to host this year, with musical offerings from each congregation and a shared fellowship time afterward, with finger foods & desserts from each congregation. I have been asked to help coordinate the service planning, along with Rev. Dr. Ivory Thigpen of Rehoboth. Rev. David Day of Northeast UMC will be preaching, and Rev. George Ashford of Journey Church will be assisting. With the tragedy of Emmanuel AME still echoing in our hearts, I pray that all our Living Springs members will make an effort to be part of this wonderful Thanksgiving worship opportunity, as we gather to celebrate the unity of Christian faith that overshadows all aspects of human division.

There are so many ways that the Spirit invites us each to enter into daily circles of thanksgiving and prayer. It is a true blessing to see those circles develop and unfold in this community of disciples every month. I pray for much joy in your circles of thanksgiving and prayer especially this month ahead!



**NE COLUMBIA
THANKSGIVING
WORSHIP**

Monday, Nov. 23—7:00 pm
**Rehoboth Baptist, 4646
Hardscrabble**

**Sponsored by Living Springs Lutheran,
Journey Church, Northeast UMC, and
Rehoboth Baptist. Fellowship time to follow.**

With thanksgiving for all the ways you each witness to the power of God, *Pastor Eric*



Daily Advent E-Mail Devotions

This year, Pastor Eric and the Worship Team invite you to contribute your own daily devotion for our LS Advent E-mail Series. A theme & Scripture passage will be assigned for each weekday during Advent. Devotions should be approx. 300 words in length and submitted to Pastor Eric by Nov. 20. A sign-up sheet will be available in the narthex and admin building. You can sign up as an individual, couple, or family. This is a wonderful way to focus your heart on an Advent message to share with others!

This Month from Vicar Marty

Greetings Brothers and Sisters of Living Springs!:

When this newsletter reaches your email boxes, three young people, Jack Arnold, Connor Kilbourne, and Caroline Moore, will have affirmed their baptismal promises, and will be continuing on their faith journeys:

MILESTONE! But rather than us bidding them a fond farewell on their

journey of life and faith, I saw a wonderful display of what it means to be

part of a faith community. On that day, October 25th, Reformation Sunday,

I saw a wonderful thing: On a table in the narthex, next to the confirmand's festive red stoles was

placed a number of sheets of lined paper, so that each person present that day could sign their

name, and promise to pray for them. I imagined these sheets connected together in each of their

respective homes, serving as visible reminders of the faith community which stands behind them,

praying with and for them. And then I see us all praying with and for each other. And then I realize

that what we have been learning about in the Prayer Series Adult Faith Milestone class is how to do

that in all our experiences of prayer. And then I remember that in the Lord's Prayer, God teaches us

to pray not just for ourselves, but for one another. Listen to the pronouns: "OUR Father, Lead US not

into temptation, but deliver US from evil"... And then I realize that I am not just praying for my fellow

believers, but I am praying for all the children of God which of course is all people everywhere. And

at this point, my little 5 year old soul begins to rejoice, because it is at about that age, that I learned

that all people were not Christians, and were somehow disconnected with my faith family. I grieved

that, and did not know what to do about it. And now I know and understand that God has taught us

all to love and pray for one another, not just our Christian family, but all of humanity, because we are

ALL children of God's creation whether or not we acknowledge God.

Thanks be to God!



Vicar Marty

2015 Confirmands





Nov. 2 - [Beer & Hymns](#) - a community fellowship event with...Hymn and song singing

Nov. 8 - [Annual Ministry Celebration & Congregation Meeting](#)

Nov. 22 - Pancake Breakfast - sponsored by the Sr. Youth

Nov. 22 - FAITH Friends Pairings

Nov. 22 - Advent Family Night - devotional, servant & fellowship activities for all



Community
Thanksgiving
Worship



Nov. 23 - Community Thanksgiving Service - at Rehoboth Baptist

December 2, 9 & 16 - Advent Worship Services - noon & 5:45 pm

Dec. 6 - Fellowship Christmas Party

Dec. 13 - Christmas Pageant, Elf Store & Spaghetti Dinner

Dec. 19 & 20 - Live Nativity



Don't forget ...

Living Springs Lutheran Church
Annual Congregation Meeting
Sunday, Nov. 8
9:15-10:30 in the Fellowship Hall



2016 Council Elections & Ministry Spending Plan
Update on Road-Widening Offer from DOT
Annual Ministry Celebration Slideshow
Pastries & coffee/juice! Please attend – a quorum is required.
Spending plan summaries and nominee bios will be available at church
the Sunday prior (or via email, upon request).

God At Work Through Living Springs

Flooding Response

We give thanks to God for all who have responded so generously with your offerings of time, energy, and supplies during the past week. On Thursday afternoon, the fellowship hall was filled with volunteers packing 100 hot meals, assembling 100 food bags, and making handmade cards to deliver to first responders, Meals-on-Wheels clients, and others in need. Thanks also to all who continue to reach out in love to help so many neighbors in need, in your own personal ways. May the Spirit continue to inspire our care for one another in these days!



6:46 Prayer Series



Sr. Youth Helping at God's Storehouse



Flood Sunday

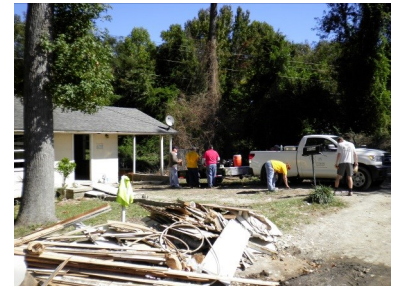
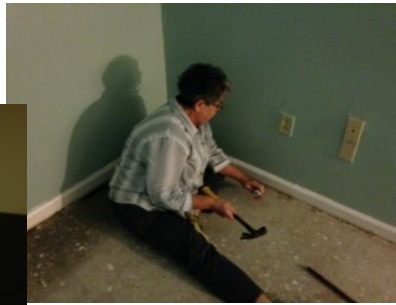
These brave attendees showed up to join the Pew Bears for worship. The bears decided they wanted front row!



PRESCHOOL GETS A VISIT FROM THE CANINE OFFICER!!



NEIGHBORS HELPING NEIGHBORS



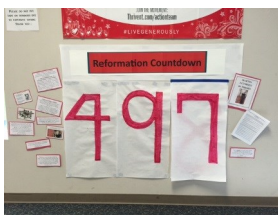
Football Food Ministry



Ladies Bible Study



Reformation Sunday



Council Clips

Staff & Ministry Reports - November 15, 2015 Meeting

Council Devotions: This month we viewed discussed the goals of the SC Synod and how we feel the Holy Spirit is guiding us here at LS. This is a snapshot of what we shared.

- ✠ Where and how are you experiencing the “fruits of the spirit” in your congregation?
- ✠ Our congregation went through a Mission Vision process where we discerned where the Holy Spirit was leading Living Springs and the people of Living Springs. Some of the Fruits of the Spirit we are experiencing are:
 - ✠ The collection of 80+ blankets the week of Ash Wednesday for the homeless.
 - ✠ Our Pew Bear Ministry, giving teddy bears to individuals for comfort.
 - ✠ Faith 5 during our Faith Formation hour the first Sunday of each month.
 - ✠ Giving quilts and prayer shawls created by our Crafty Ladies to charity organizations.
 - ✠ Our Back Pack program feeding 50 children weekly.
 - ✠ Inviting the children from Epworth to our service and a congregational lunch.
 - ✠ Creating and passing out Blessing Bags for the homeless.
 - ✠ Neighbors helping Neighbors with our response to the recent floods.
 - ✠ Disciples helping Disciples, our congregation helping each other.

Council Actions:

- ✠ A motion to accept both of the spending plans from the Finance team as presented. The preschool will contribute a minimum of 33% towards the mortgage and will increase their contribution if their finances allow. Motion carried.
- ✠ A motion from the Facilities Team to spend approximately \$600 to install magnets at the fire doors between the Fellowship Hall and the Admin building. Motion carried.
- ✠ A motion to approve the request for membership from the Sheldon family. Motion carried.
- ✠ A motion to host the AmeriCorp teams and allow the use our facilities while they are providing flood relief. Motion carried.

Here are some ways we have beheld God at work in our midst:

- ✠ Through the overwhelming sight of towels and children’s items piling up in the hallway.
- ✠ Through 100 blessing bags going out of the door on Tuesday immediately after the rains ceased.
- ✠ Through LS teenagers sorting children’s toys at God’s Storehouse.
- ✠ Through LS Youth gracing guardsmen and first responders with hugs and 500+ doughnuts to then gather in a circle of prayer in the narthex.
- ✠ In a fellowship hall filled with disciples cooking meals, sorting desserts, making cards and packing backpacks.
- ✠ At an altar surrounded by offerings of socks, underwear and more blessing bag contents.
- ✠ Through monetary disaster offerings in a baby Moses’ basket and the regular offering plate.
- ✠ Through our “Neighbors Helping Neighbors” day to help in the time of disaster and need.
- ✠ Through the incredible way the choirs and other worship leaders have pulled together in this time of transition.
- ✠ At the amazing NC/SC join worship experience in Charlotte.
- ✠ At our third P.I.E. Gathering which is now extended to educators beyond our own congregation and as the conversations helped us to connect on matters of brain research and how each of us brings God into our classrooms, workplaces, etc.
- ✠ Through the continued JV football Food ministry.
- ✠ Through the preparations for Jack, Connor, and Caroline’s confirmation.
- ✠ As disciples gather on Monday evenings for our Adult Milestone Prayer Series.
- ✠ As our young people learned about Abraham and Sarah’s blessings and how God has blessed each of us.
- ✠ Through the Preschool Blessing of (stuffed) animals as each child came forward with their special friend and received a blessing to remind them their friend AND God are present with them and they are never alone!

We can never truly comprehend all the ways that the Spirit is at work in our midst – but in weeks such as these, we can perhaps especially just pause and ponder in wonder this amazing God!

Adult Faith Milestones

DEEPENING RELATIONSHIPS



DO YOU FEEL AN URGE TO GO DEEPER AND EXPERIENCE EVEN MORE JOY IN SOME ASPECT OF YOUR LIFE IN SOME OF THE RELATIONSHIP THAT YOU ARE IN With God? With Your Spouse or Family? With Your Vocation or Daily Calling?

This fall, Living Springs Lifelong Discipleship Team is kicking off a new “**Adult Faith Milestones**” emphasis, to provide opportunities for all adults of any age to grow deeper in the primary dimensions of our lives.

Partnership of Joy & Love: Growing Deeper in Relationship with our Spouse

(Winter 2016: Weekend Retreat, led by Pastor Kris Cox, director of Marriage Enrichment, US Air Force Chaplains)



Worship the Lord: Growing Deeper in our Experience of Worship

(Winter 2016: 4-week series, led by Pastor Eric and the Lifelong Discipleship Team)



The Vocational Journey: Growing Deeper in Daily Life Callings (*First Job, New Jobs, Retirement & Beyond!*)

(Winter 2016: format and leaders TBA)



If you have an interest or Spirit-Tug in any of these areas, [click here](#) to grab a form to select the areas of interest and place this slip in the offering plate on Sunday (or return to the church office).



Youth Faith Milestones

“Come to Jesus Christ. He is the **living stone** that people have rejected, but which God has chosen and highly honored. ⁵ And now you are **living stones** that are being used to build a spiritual house. You are also a group of holy priests, and with the help of Jesus Christ you will offer sacrifices that please God. ⁶ It is just as God says in the Scriptures, “No one who has faith in that one will be disappointed.”
1 Peter 2:4-6



Our **Passing on Faith Milestones Ministry** team provides instruction and resources to equip families, children, youth, and adults to pass on faith and live well in Jesus Christ. By paying attention to the milestones of our lives, we create rituals and traditions that shape us and nurture us in our faith. The promises we make at Baptism point to the spiritual milestones in our children’s lives.

You are invited to remember, celebrate and uphold your Baptismal promises by participating in our Faith Milestone events.

- ✠ **On Sunday, November 15th**, we will host our *Kids and Money Faith Milestone*. This milestone is designed for 1st-2nd graders but if your child hasn’t been through this milestone and would like to go through it, we invite all ages to participate.
- ✠ **On Sunday, November 22nd**, we will host our PARENT MEETING for our God and Family Faith Milestone to be held on January 9, 16, & 23 from 9am-12pm each time. This milestone is designed for 4th- 5th graders, but if your child hasn’t been through this milestone and would like to go through it, we invite all ages to participate.

Please contact Karlene Stuart (kstuart@sc.rr.com), Faith Milestones Coordinator, if you would like to sign up to attend these milestones.

Weekly Faith Formation Opportunities for All Ages at Living Springs



We invite any and all adults to our weekly Bible Study and Sunday Faith Alive offerings. Join in one or more to learn more about how we Lutheran Christians live out our faith in our daily lives.

- ✦ The Sunday morning Faith Alive Adult Class, meeting in the Katie Room, is led by Ron Ramsey and additional volunteers!
- ✦ The Sunday morning Faith Alive Adult LIGHT Class (Learning in God’s House Together) meets in the multipurpose room and is led by Alison Levitt.
- ✦ Sunday Bible Study—6:45 PM “The Greatest Story—Paul” Led by Pastor Eric DVD with award-winning sand artist, Joe Catillo Sign up in the admin building to pre-order your book. Cost \$15.
- ✦ The Tuesday Morning Women’s Bible study continues to meet at 10 AM Tuesdays. Beverly Hoppert beverlyhoppert@gmail.com is the leader. The ladies are studying the “Bad Girls of the Bible”. All women are welcome!
- ✦ Tuesday Evening Bible Study has begun its study of The Gospel According to Matthew. This group meets for one hour beginning at 7 PM in the Katie Room. Come, be enlightened and enjoy our fellowship.
- ✦ Men’s Bible Study - 9/3 & 9/17 Men’s Bible Study on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month at 6:30 AM. Get your day started with the study of God’s word! Contact Mike Davidson at mdavidson33@gmail.com or 699-1498 for additional information.



DAILY DEVOTIONS

Looking for spiritual refreshment? [Sign up for God Pause Daily Devotions](#) to receive daily reflections on Scripture in your email inbox.



Dear Church members,
Thank you so much for the spaghetti dinner. Not having to prepare a meal, after working tirelessly to keep our community safe, was a blessing. Thanks again for your thoughtfulness. It was very much appreciated.



Capt. Lanary Melton

Richland County Sheriffs Department

Dear Living Springs Lutheran Church,
Thank you for your recent gift of \$624.67 in support of the ministries of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA). Your generosity is appreciated and is making a difference.

Together, we are growing our congregations, inspiring new leaders, engaging young people in the life of this church, sharing the good news of Jesus with others and caring for those living with hunger and poverty.

Together as the ELCA we do more that we ever could do alone. We are a church that rolls up its sleeves and solves problems - doing God’s work in the world. Thank you for your support and participation.

In Christ,
Christina Jackson-Skelton
Executive Director, Mission Advancement

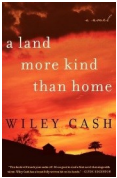
Thank you very much for a great day of worship, food and service The children had a good experience!

Pastor Meg
Epworth Children’s Home

Upcoming Opportunities at Living Springs

BEER & HYMNS Monday, November 2

Beer & Hymns, a community fellowship event with...hymn and song singing, is being organized in the NE Columbia area by Living Springs and the local Lutheran Beer & Hymns group! Singing talent is not necessary to join in the fun and fellowship. We will be meeting at Beef O'Brady's at 7pm. Bring your friends! <https://www.facebook.com/beerandhymnsSC>



LADIES BOOK CLUB Monday, November 2

Monday, November 2 at 4 pm – host is Beverly Hoppert, her new home address is [701 Summit Square 29229](#) ph: 803-348-4412. The book is *A land more kind than home* by Wiley Cash. Refreshments will be served.

In December on Monday, December 7 at 7 pm, the book is *Tapestry of Fortunes* by Elizabeth Berg and the meeting will be at [Blue Fin in Sandhills 461-4 Town Center Place, 29229](#) ph: 803-865-7346. Anyone can participate and we welcome all – contact [Karen Kranz](#) for information.



ANNUAL MINISTRY CELEBRATION & CONGREGATION MEETING

Sunday, November 8

The Annual Meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, Nov 8 at 9:15. We elect 2016/2017 Council members, 2017 Nominating Committee and 2016 SC Synod Assembly delegates. This meeting is also required to adopt our congregation's 2016 Spending Plan. A quorum of is required. Voting members are all confirmed members who have communed and contributed on record in either 2014 or 2015.

TELS (TRAVELING EVANGELS OF LIVING SPRINGS)

Saturday, November 21 & Thursday, December 3

November's event is The Real Christmas Story at Narrowway Theatre in Rock Hill on Saturday, November 21. We will leave Living Springs at 10:30 am. Currently, we have a full bus, but let us know if you are interested. Bus transportation is usually \$5, but you can always use your own vehicle if you are more comfortable doing that.



Thursday, December 3 will be a visit to the fairgrounds for the Junior League of Columbia's Holiday Market. After the fairgrounds, we will have lunch at California Dreaming, 401 S. Main St. Entrance tickets are \$8 to the fairgrounds.

Sign-up sheets are in the administration building --for information, contact [Beverly Hoppert](#).

CONGREGATION WIDE PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Sunday, November 22

Congregation Wide Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 22nd at 930am sponsored by our Senior Youth! Let's gather and celebrate Christ the King Sunday



ATTENTION FAITH FRIENDS PAIRINGS:

Sunday, November 22

Each one of our school age young people is gifted with a Faith Friend who journeys with them! We will bless these Faith Friend pairings at both worship services on Sunday, November 22nd. So make plans to join your Faith Friend in worship on this day!



ADVENT FAMILY NIGHT

Sunday, November 22

We gather as God's Family to prepare our hearts and homes for the Season of Advent! Advent Devotional Crafts, Advent Servant Activities, Fellowship, Devotions & Fun, Christ the King Sunday, Nov. 22 – starting at 5:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall (You may bring finger foods, light snacks, or desserts to share with others).



COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

Monday, November 23



Our Living Springs Worship Team & Reconciliation Group have sought to revitalize this tradition. Rehoboth Baptist Church has agreed to host this year, with musical offerings from each congregation and a shared fellowship time afterward, with finger foods & desserts from each congregation. I have been asked to help coordinate the service planning, along with Rev. Dr. Ivory Thigpen of Rehoboth. Rev. David Day of Northeast UMC will be preaching, and Rev. George Ashford of Journey Church will be assisting.

SIGN UP NOW! LIVING SPRINGS LIVING NATIVITY

Saturday, December 19 & Sunday, December 20

Sign up now on the board in the narthex to participate this year. Remember, no speaking is required by the actors! There is a role for everyone: cast members, lights, sound, scenery, props, costumes, music, animal keepers, and refreshments. Rehearsals begin in November after the Sunday 10:45 service. What a special opportunity for you and your family to celebrate the birth of our Lord with the congregation and community! Questions? Contact Dea Jones (dejones@richland2.org) or Anita Gabbard (nitagabbard@yahoo.com)



CHRISTMAS CARDS



Nancy Kauffman has designed two beautiful Christmas Card, exclusively available through Living Springs. They are \$1.00 per card and all proceeds go to Living Springs. Pick up an order form in the Narthex, admin lobby or use the one in back of the newsletter. Deadline to order is November 1st with delivery on November 15th.

CHRISTMAS TREE PRE-ORDERS

LS Youth have begun taking preorders for this year's Christmas Tree sales. [See order form in the back of the newsletter](#)



Men's Ministries

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, November 5 & 19@ 6:30 AM

Spirit Tug!!! Men's Bible Study on the 1st & 3rd Thursdays of each month at 6:30 AM. Get your day started with the study of God's word! Contact Mike Davidson at mdavidson33@gmail.com or 699-1498 for additional information.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Saturday November 21

We continue to form our Lutheran Men's circle of prayer where each man is praying for a brother in Christ. Come to our next meeting to expand our circle. Next breakfast gathering will be **Saturday, November 21st** at 8:00 am at Living Springs. Meal is being served by Laura Cunningham, LS Food Resource Person. Meal costs \$7.00 per person. We will be discussing our upcoming events. We meet on the last Saturday of each month. Contact [Bob Turnmire](mailto:Bob.Turnmire) at 803-513-7533 if you have any questions.



Ongoing Opportunities at Living Springs

CRAFTY LADIES/MINISTRY OF HOPE

In collaboration with the Hope Team, the Crafty Ladies quilters will present a hand-made tied quilt to Angels House residents as they enter into their transition period. When a resident is ready to leave the home, they will be presented with a Pew Bear and a bible, followed shortly thereafter with a basket of gift items. Lutheran Services will give a temple talk on Nov. 8. Contact Beverly Hoppert (Crafty Ladies) or Karen Kranz (Ministries of Hope) for information.

Angels House: Operated by Lutheran Services Carolinas with partial funding from the Veterans Administration, the goal of Angel's House is to prepare residents for self-sufficiency, says Program Director Roberta Lockwood. Homes like Angel's House are meeting a growing need: from 2006 to 2010, the number of homeless women veterans doubled.

The six residents of Angel's House function as a family, sharing household responsibilities such as cooking and cleaning. They receive transportation to the VA Medical Center in Columbia and are also supported in their job searches and educational pursuits.

TUESDAY DEVOTION LUNCH @ LIVING SPRINGS

Tuesday, November 3

Lunch is offered in the fellowship hall at 11:45 on the first Tuesday of the month, with devotions by Pastor Eric. Everyone is welcome! Meal is served by Laura Cunningham, our LS Food Resource person. To reserve a spot for you and your friends, sign up in the narthex or contact the office before 11am on the Monday before. Donation \$6 (includes drink & dessert).

TUESDAY NIGHT DEVOTION DINNER

Tuesday, November 20

On the 3rd Tuesday of the month, we offer dinner at 6:15. Everyone is welcome to to this dinner and devotions served by Laura Cunningham, our LS Food Resource person). On the menu: Poppy Seed Chicken, Corn Pudding, green beans & Bread. Cost \$9 – sign up sheet is in the narthex or contact the office before 11 am on Monday.

GOOD NEWS WALKERS

Weather is delightful and perfect for sharing the good news at Living Springs. Meet in the administration building by 8:30 am on Thursday morning – we are usually finished in an hour. Contact Karen Kranz for information.

BACKPACK FOOD MINISTRY

The start of another year to help Richland Two in their effort to see that every child has a meal on the weekend! The shopping carts have been filling up – an amazing sign of the support of this ministry. We set up at 5 pm and will pack immediately after set up – all are invited to participate one day, each week or whatever your schedule allows. Contact [Karen Kranz](#) for information.

LIVING SPRINGS PEW BEAR MINISTRY

Each bear is a minister of God's love as they leave here to be a blessing for others. You may take a bear to anyone who is in need of God's love: hurting from illness, loneliness, depression, grief, or any other reason. When you take a bear, please place \$10 or a free-will offering in a pew envelope and mark it "Pew Bears." Donated funds are needed to replace the bears. Thank you for praying for this ministry. We are blessed to be a blessing!

LIVING SPRINGS CAR MAGNETS

Make your car an invitation for someone to come experience the joy of God's love here at Living Springs. The Communications Team will have LS Car Magnets available in the narthex. We ask for a minimum \$5 donation to cover the cost of the magnets.

HELPING HANDS!!

Currently there are about 450 students a week getting a backpack in the Richland 2 school district! As part of this program (McKinney Vento Advisory), a chain link was set up to send out to committee members...an email alert to an immediate need of an unaccompanied youth, families that are without housing, etc. In support of this, ESO has labeled this Outreach "**Helping Hands**". We send out an email blast when the message is received that there is someone in need. We ask that you respond if you can or are able to fill the need of the request. Contact Karen Kranz at kbkranz@gmail.com

DISCIPLES HELPING DISCIPLES

LSLC is establishing a team of volunteers to perform small household tasks for those members unable to complete them. The team will do minor tasks in the areas of mechanical, electrical, plumbing, IT (computer-related), transportation and other minor home repairs depending on the skills of the team. The team will suggest contacts for jobs beyond the scope of the team skills. Everyone is encouraged to participate. For details contact Bob Gill (788-6788), Jim Zieche (497-3239), Bill Franck (331-7871) or Pastor Eric (736-0661). If you would like to be a member of this team, please sign in the narthex



Additional Opportunities

DASHER DINNER Friday, November 6

It's almost time for our annual fundraiser, the Dasher Dinner! This year we will be celebrating the ministry and contributions of our Clemson colleague Pastor Chris Heavner (23 years of service to LCM!). The dinner will be held on Friday November 6th at the Sonoco Pavilion at the Darla Moore School of Business – USC campus at 6pm. New this year, we've got a silent auction with some really great items up for bid. Tickets are \$55 or \$400 for a table of 8. Please consider joining us for this special 10th Anniversary Dasher Dinner or you are unable to attend but would like to make a contribution either monetary or Silent Auction item to support this ministry that serves Midlands Tech, Columbia College and USC students! Contact Wendy McKenzie (803-603-6145 or wendy.mckenzie@sc.edu) to make reservations today.

PALMETTO PICKLEBALL CLUB Saturday, November 7

We would like to invite you and your members to a unique and fun way to exercise while having fun. On Saturday, November 7, we will be teaching the sport of Pickleball to all those 15 and older who would like to learn. Pickleball is a racquet ball type of tennis game played with a paddle and a wiffle-ball on one third the size of a tennis court. It can be played at all levels from recreational to competitive. It is played in singles, double, and mixed doubles. It is also played in age categories and open divisions. We also rank as in tennis from 1 to 5.



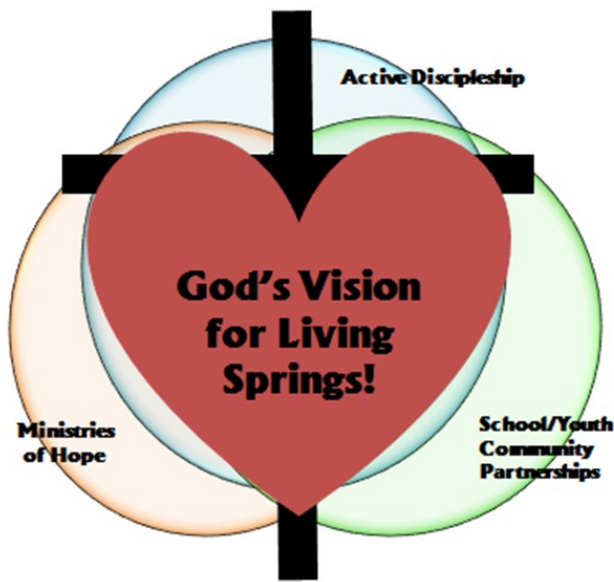
After the instruction we will fellowship over some hamburgers and salads. Please come join us and see what this is all about. Please wear sneakers and be prepared to have fun. We will be playing from 3-5pm at North Springs Park on Clemson Road. This is a free event hosted by the Palmetto Pickleball Club and Richland Count Recreation. Please RSVP to Yvettw McKenzie (413-4569) with your attendance numbers by November 5, so that me may be adequately prepared.



TRASH OR TREASURE! Sunday, November 22

Thrivent is sponsoring a Trash or Treasure event to raise funds for the South Carolina Synod *History Matters* book project. Dawn Corley, the Charleston Silver Lady, will present and appraise up to three of your items at \$25 each. It will be held at Reformation Lutheran Church, 1118 Union St., Columbia 29201 on Sunday November 22 – check in starts @ 3 pm. It will be catered by our own food ministry, Mark & Laura. Contact [Karen Kranz](#) or Jan Schmidt for information.

Over 370 Spirit-Tugs Shared in our Latest Round of Cottage Gatherings! (see numbers below—at right of each Spirit-Tug vision)



The Ministry Goals below represent visions the Spirit spoke through you, the disciples of Living Springs. Our task is to spread these visions all over the place, like seed of God's kingdom being sown over all types of soil.

Which of these visions tug at your heart personally as a disciple of Jesus?

If you have not yet done so, fill out a Spirit-tug sheet from the narthex – or just call the office or send an e-mail and say, "I think I've got a Spirit-tug for #_." We will network folks who have similar Spirit-Tugs and see where the Spirit will lead, either in daily life out in the world or in something together here at LS. As an example, we already have folks following up on Spirit-Tugs for D1, D2, D7, H3, H5, H10, P4, P6. Where is your call?

A Vision for... ACTIVE DISCIPLESHIP



- D1. Daily life ministry – discipleship lived out in everyday situations 19
- D2. Lifelong equipping of faith (education, Bible study, faith in homes) 14
- D3. Disciple partners/groups/networks (for men, women, families, etc.) 9
- D4. Pervasive culture of prayer in our congregation & our homes 18
- D5. Worship as Core (Word & Sacrament) - variety of opportunities/styles 15
- D6. Expanded music ministry - various forms for all ages 14
- D7. Christ's caring presence for each other in the family of faith 21
- D8. Fellowship events & communications to build relationships 12

- H1. Hope Team - children and youth in need or alone 23
- H2. Hope Team - homeless 17
- H3. Hope Team - veterans, military & families 15
- H4. Hope Team - hospitals, care facilities, those who suffer 17
- H5. Hope Team - food and clothing ministries 34
- H6. Grace & Inner Peace - struggles with the stress of life 11
- H7. Grace & Inner Peace - God's forgiveness 14
- H8. Grace & Inner Peace - healing ministries 10
- H9. Grace & Inner Peace - for all who feel alone in life 13
- H10. Grace & Inner Peace - specific life crises (grief, divorce, other) 11
- H11. Hope Awareness - sharing our Lutheran identity of grace 12
- H12. Hope Awareness - sharing our exciting LS ministry & mission 9

A Vision for... MINISTRIES OF HOPE



A Vision for... COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS (Youth/Schools)

- P1. Public events for congregation, preschool, community, families 12
- P2. Extending Milestones to preschool, community youth, etc. 13
- P3. Music ministry for preschool and youth 6
- P4. Building relationships of faith among preschool/congregation 10
- P5. Life-transforming experiences for youth 13
- P6. Partnerships of caring with local schools / college campuses 11



Preschool & Afterschool Care News

From Tammy Mancuso, Director

Hello everyone,

As I reflect on the events of this past month I am grateful to see the sun is shining, our children are smiling and our families and staff continue to be safe and healthy.

We have had an exciting month. Our four year olds came together with church members to pack back packs. This provided them with a wonderful opportunity of working with others, counting items, taking direction and helping the community. We've also had fall pictures, flood donation collection and of course our Annual Trunk or Treat! We are blessed to be able to share food, fun and fellowship with our community members.

We will be holding a Scholastic book fair in the Fellowship starting next week. This is a great way to get a jump start on the Holidays, and also helping to grow our school library.

Thank you for your continued support of our mission and dedication to the children, families and community we serve.



**WITH MUCH LOVE AND MANY BLESSINGS,
TAMMY AND THE PRESCHOOL STAFF**

From Lexanne, Director of Faith Formation:

We are so blessed to have this ministry here, which has created a safe haven for children and young people for over 10 years! Who are we? Look below:



- N.A.E.Y.C. Accredited Program <https://www.naeyc.org/accreditation>.
- 8 age appropriate, hands-on classroom environments for children ages 6 weeks to 5th graders
- 24 talented, trained, dedicated teachers and staff
- Open Monday through Friday from 7:15AM-6PM year-round.
- Inviting atmosphere for parents and children
- Encourage members and guests to come be a Mystery Reader, Lead or assist with a crafting project (quilting, painting, sewing, gardening, arts and crafts, etc.), Play an instrument, Sing some songs, Help with lunch or snack time, or Share your faith story. There is no required time



commitment; just a love of God and a desire to share!

www.LSLCPS.org

Living Springs Preschool has a FaceBook Page. Click the logo to check it out!



From the Director of Faith Formation

Lexanne K. Graves

Lexanne@livingspringscolumbia.org

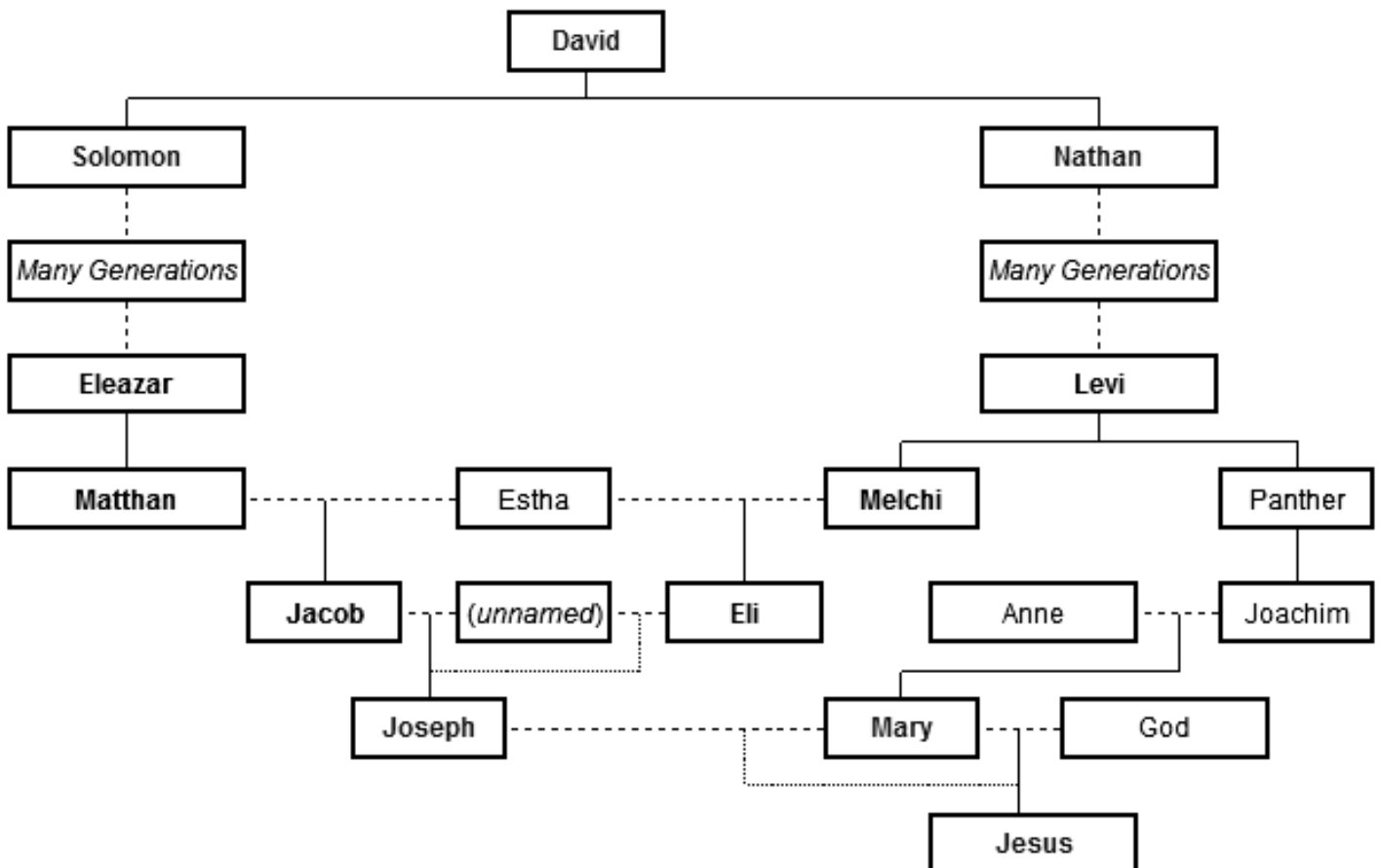


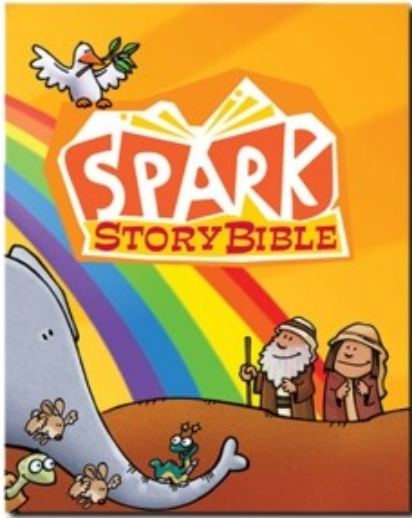
The GREATEST GIFT to give anyone is FAITH in God and God's promises of abundant love and grace in God's son, Jesus! One of the places we are partnering together to share this Gift of Faith is in our new Sunday morning Faith Formation Focus. Our theme for the Fall is:

***People of God's Story;
Blessed to be a Blessing!***

Each month we will learn about a new person in the Bible and how that person can teach us how to be a better disciple in today's world.

Our focus this month is on David as a boy, David as a leader of an army against Goliath, as a psalmist and harp player, and upon the Lord's covenant to David and to God's people.





FAITH ALIVE SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: Would you prayerfully consider being a faith partner in our Faith Formation hour on Sunday mornings and share God's love in easy to lead 20-minute Faith Centers for children age 3-6th grade?

The Children and Youth Ministry Team is seeking adults who will be dedicated leaders and teach our children, youth and adult Sunday School classes. We have 2 children's classes, 1 youth class, and 2 adult classes. In order to accommodate our Faith Formation programs and partner with families to raise their child in the Lord's house, we need dedicated members willing to serve. Will YOU serve? If so, Click Here.

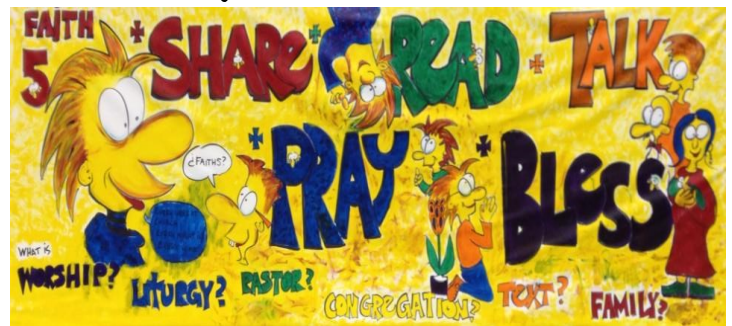
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4bafa62fa7f58-sunday1>

We have made it very easy for you. We create a team teaching environment where you don't have to teach every week!

Will you help fulfill the baptismal promises we all made to raise up God's children in the Word? We need YOU!

FAITH5

Faith Acts In The Home that only takes 5 minutes!



In order for us to know God's amazing, unconditional love for each of us, we need to know God's promises from the beginning for all of us in this universe.

We all need to partner together to share God's amazing love in Jesus to our children and youth, and each other.



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Every night in every home



SHARE

highs and lows



READ

a Bible verse or story



TALK

about how the Bible reading might relate to your highs and lows



PRAY

for one another's highs and lows



BLESS

one another

DAVID as boy, soldier, harp player, and King!

- 1 | Samuel 16:1
- 2 | Samuel 16:7
- 3 | Samuel 16:8
- 4 | Samuel 16:9
- 5 | Samuel 16:10
- 6 | Samuel 16:11
- 7 | Samuel 16:12
- 8 | Samuel 17:4-7
- 9 | Samuel 17:8-10
- 10 | Samuel 17:16
- 11 | Samuel 17:25
- 12 | Samuel 17:26
- 13 | Samuel 17:37
- 14 | Samuel 17:40
- 15 | Samuel 16:18
- 16 | 2 Samuel 1:17
- 17 | Psalm 23
- 18 | Psalm 51:10-12
- 19 | Psalm 86:2
- 20 | Psalm 105:11
- 21 | Psalm 124:8
- 22 | 2 Samuel 7:8-17
- 23 | 2 Samuel 7:22
- 24 | 2 Samuel 7:25
- 25 | 2 Samuel 7:28
- 26 | 2 Samuel 7:29
- 27 | Jeremiah 23:5
- 28 | Luke 1:32, 69



David was a shepherd, a warrior, and ultimately King of Israel; David loved God deeply throughout his entire life. David was always courageous and strong in battle, trusting in God for protection, yet guilty of some of the most serious sins recorded in the Old Testament. God's story of David tells us that God always offers forgiveness of our sins, but we cannot escape the consequences. Despite life's ups and downs, God is ever-present to give us comfort and help.

God's covenant with David reminds us that God provides for God's people—always. God blesses persons in order for those persons to bless others.

This story prepares us for the coming of Jesus, who is a descendant of King David and of his father Jesse. Through reading, sharing, talking, blessing and praying this month, you will see how God and David's story might have some similarities with your story. So, Why don't you give FAITH5 a try this week and see how awesome God is?!?! Try this routine at night with those around you, or even on Facetime with relatives far off?!

Begin with "highs and lows", the best and worst moments of your day, read God's word found on the other side of this sheet, pray and end by blessing each other, with a cross (+) traced on the forehead and words like, God *blesses* you and loves you very much!."





YOUTH MINISTRY GROUPS

We have a youth group for each of our children from Kindergarten through 12th grade. Parents, please make every effort to have your youth participate in our Christ-centered events.

Kindergarten-2nd Grade Youth Group:

Exciting details to come!

Nic and Rachel Peterson, (peterston.nicholas3@gmail.com, rach7@gmail.com)



CLUB 3456: For all young people in Grades 3, 4, 5, & 6!

Exciting details to come!

Our leaders this year are Tiffany and Gary Ginn (Tiffany.Ginn@td.com and garyginn10@gmail.com)



CONFIRMATION CLASS MEETING DATES: 7TH-8TH GRADERS

Nov 1
Nov 13-15— Retreat for all 7th-8th graders "New Testament Overview" at Lutheridge
Dec 6



Our general pattern is Confirmation class meets after 1045am worship for 1 ½ hours. This pattern may be adjusted to a later time on Sunday afternoon/early evening if it suits families who may have other obligations on certain weekends. Please let Pastor Eric or Jan Berger know of any date above that will conflict with the general pattern of meeting after worship. Then, that change will be communicated to all families each month to confirm everyone knows what time class will be!

Also, once a month Pastor Eric will meet with parents towards the end of confirmation class to ensure parents are given an opportunity to connect together as a group and to go over topics to be discussed at home throughout the month! Pastor Eric will communicate with parents on which dates these gatherings will occur.





Midlands Church Youth Unity Events

“Remember the Titans” event Nov 22nd

Gather with church youth from around the midlands to view and discuss this important film over a pizza dinner. 4-7pm at Christ Mission in Denny Terrace.

THEN COULD WE HAVE A LINK TO THE ENTIRE pdf THAT I SEND YOU FOR THESE RACIAL RECONCILIATION UPCOMING EVENTS.....????

Detroit partners speak

“You made a difference. The youth from the ELCA made a difference in our community. And I believe that, as you consider the work that you did, you would have to feel in your heart that you touched people’s lives in this community.” Detroiters are still reflecting on the ELCA Youth Gathering, and Proclaim Justice host, Melik, is back with an update on some of the Detroit partners and sites Gathering participants worked with in July. Click here to see [Melik’s video](#)! Watch and share this video to hear our partners’ reflections on their experience with the youth of our church.



We did it!

Thanks to the enthusiasm of our youth and the generous support of many, ELCA World Hunger’s Walk for Water fundraising challenge of \$500,000 was met. And, thanks to a generous family in the ELCA, \$500,000 will be matched – totaling more than \$1 million in gifts for ELCA World Hunger-supported water projects!

Together, we are helping create healthier families and stronger economies through projects that provide clean drinking water through spring boxes and boreholes, support for irrigation systems, education around sanitation in rural villages, and many more, in 36 countries around the world. Stay with us on this journey as we work toward nearly \$21 million of projects and services (of which over \$5 million includes water- and sanitation-related efforts) helping communities here at home and abroad.



SENIOR YOUTH- OCTOBER WAS A BUSY MONTH

In this issue:

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- • Service after the storm
- • Scarowinds
- • 'Marty Party 'at Zion
- • Meet at Church for & Game and Labyrinth Walk.

What Sr Youth did in October..



We are a community of Christ made up of 7th thru 12th graders. We are not so close knit that someone new cannot come in. We share our joys and our concerns. We are learning to bring these things to God trusting in God's great love for each one of us.

WHO ARE LIVING SPRINGS YOUTH?

We are Living Springs young people and friends grades 7-12.

Q: What do Living Springs Youth Do?

A: We enjoy sharing **FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, FUN, AND FAITH.** Together, we enjoy opportunities to **SERVE.**

OCT 8TH- OPERATION DONUT DELIVERY

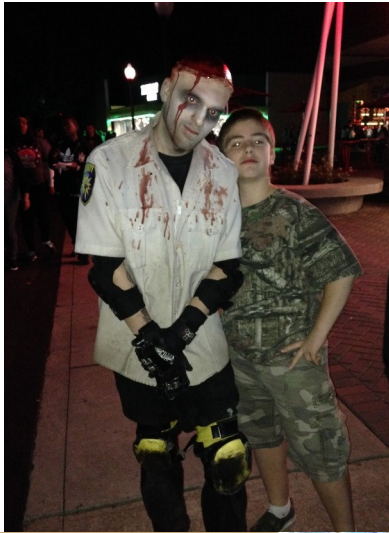
With the generous contributions of many in our congregation, and with schools closed for the week, Sr Youth and some 6 guests, were able to deliver 42 dozen donuts to First Responders all around Columbia. With Pastor Eric driving the bus, we visited The Central operations center on Two Notch, a local Fire Department, the Guard and Fire Department workers who were keeping Baptist hospital supplied with water. We also made delivery stops off Huger Street, and the EOC (Emergency Operation Center) in downtown Columbia. The donuts were gone, but instead of heading for church, Pastor Eric drove us through the flooded neighborhoods. This brought the reality of the floods home to each one of us as we witnessed people hauling their ruined possessions to the curb because they had become worthless garbage due to the floodwaters from the "thousand year flood."

"Wow you all really made our day. Thanks for thinking of us!" said a National guardsman after receiving donuts delivered by Living Springs Youth.



More SR YOUTH NEWS

After delivering a whole lot of donuts, Pastor Eric helped us to think about what we had seen and done. He helped us to see Jesus in our midst and to make sense of our day. Many youth stayed all day and helped with Meal delivery to First Responders, Supplies delivery to a local school, Backpack delivery. It was a long, but good day. At the close of the work at church,



SCARO WINDS



MARTY (LUTHER) PARTY



Birthdays, Wedding and Baptismal Anniversaries

November 1	Madison Spencer
November 2	Ray Long
November 3	Joseph Faulisi
November 4	Wade Smart
November 7	Andrew Drafts
November 10	Jack Arnold
November 11	Michell Griffith Jane McManus
	♥ Blake & Melissa Lindstedt
November 12	♥ John & Kari Arnold
November 13	Jonas Maher
November 14	Preston Franks
	♥ David & Diana Abromaitis
November 17	Parker Griffith
November 19	Becky Sides

November 20	Brenda Grohman Angelina Scipio
November 21	Sam Prizer Luke Prizer
	♥ Bill & Darbie Anderson
November 22	Jason Keppery
November 23	Tiffany Ginn
November 24	Wayne Kannaday
	♥ Mike & Trish Davidson
November 26	Darbie Anderson Steve Padgett Hany Sorial
November 28	Julia Buchanan



CELEBRATE YOUR BAPTISM

Don't forget to check the bulletin to see if we will be celebrating your Baptismal Anniversary during this month's Sunday worship services. Immediately below the Gathering Music, there are printed the names of those who are celebrating a baptismal anniversary *in that week*. When the gathering music begins, individuals can quietly come forward to meet Pastor Eric at the baptismal fountain. There, he will re-trace the cross with the water on your forehead and offer a special prayer of blessing for you (children may be accompanied by parents). There is nothing to be anxious about - everything is done quietly while the music is being played. For those who know only the month of your Baptism, you can join us on the first Sunday of the month (if you prefer some other Sunday, please let us know). **If you do not know your baptismal information, then please pick a month when you would like to celebrate this gift of God's grace in your life – and notify the office**, so that we can add you to the celebration list (we'll simply mark the choice of your month with an asterisk). Even if you don't know the exact date, it's important to celebrate this special gift of God's grace in your life. Again, we encourage everyone to research your Baptismal date and find out as much information as you can – let us know if we can help!



November 1	Eric Johansson
November 2	Braydon Hensley
November 9	Connor Horan
November 10	Hannah Staudt
November 11	Ann Lynn Caughman
November 13	Evelyn Long

November 16	Catherine Ruff
November 18	Aaron Smith
November 19	Samuel Bailey
November 22	Karlene Stuart
November 26	Jen Necker
November 29	Helen Doerpinghaus

November 2015

***8:15am Worship, 10:45am Worship
9:25am Faith Alive Sunday School
every Sunday unless otherwise noted**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 1215P Confirmation Class 6P Bible Study	2 1030A Meals on Wheels 1245P Zumba 4P Ladies Book Club 6P Worship Team 7P Beer & Hymns	3 930 PSC Bible Time 10A Ladies Bible Study 1030A Meals on Wheels 1145A Devotional Lunch 345P ASC Bible Time 6P Good News Team 7P Adult Bible Study 7P Handbells 7P Sr. Youth	4 930 PSC Chapel 1230P Zumba 6P Sanctuary Choir 6P Hope Ministries Team 7P Chancel Choir	5 630A Men's Bible Study 830A Good News Walkers 3P Football Food Ministry 5P Backpacks 630P Children & Youth Ministry Team	6	7 930A Crafty Ladies
8 915A Cong. Mtg & Ministry Celebration 6P Bible Study	9 10A Staff Meeting 1030A Meals on Wheels 1245P Zumba 7P Fellowship & Mutual Care	10 930 PSC Bible Time 10A Ladies Bible Study 1030A Meals on Wheels 1215P PSC Lunch 345P ASC Bible Time 6P Finance 7P Adult Bible Study 7P Handbells 7P Facilities	11 930 PSC Chapel 1230P Zumba 6P Sanctuary Choir 7P Chancel Choir 7P Sr. Youth 7P Hope Visionaries	12 830A Good News Walkers 5P Backpacks 615P Preschool Board 7P Lifelong Discipleship 7P Worship Space Visionaries	13 Carpet Cleaning	14 Carpet Cleaning
15 930A Kids & Money Faith Milestone 1215P Club 3456 1215P WELCA 6P Bible Study	16 1030A Meals on Wheels 1230P Zumba 7P Council Exec	17 930 PSC Bible Time 10A Ladies Bible Study 1030A Meals on Wheels 345P ASC Bible Time 615P Devotional Dinner 7P Adult Bible Study 7P Handbells 7P Sr. Youth	18 930 PSC Chapel 1230P Zumba 6P Sanctuary Choir 7P Chancel Choir	19 630A Men's Bible Study 830A Good News Walkers 5P Backpacks 7P Council	20 1215P PSC Thanksgiving Lunch	21 8A Men's Breakfast 930A Crafty Ladies 930A Worship Visionaries 1030A TELS
22 Christ the King Faith Friends Sunday 930A Pancake Breakfast 930A God & Family Parenting Meeting 5P Advent Family Night	23 10A Staff Meeting 1030A Meals on Wheels 1245P Zumba 5P Backpacks 7P Community Thanksgiving Service	24 930 PSC Bible Time 10A Ladies Bible Study 1030A Meals on Wheels 345P ASC Bible Time 7P Adult Bible Study 7P Handbells	25 930 PSC Chapel 1230P Zumba 6P Sanctuary Choir 7P Chancel Choir 7P Sr. Youth	26 Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed	27 Office Closed	28 Tree Lot Open
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Confirmation Retreat 11/13-11/15

Worship Assistant Schedule – November 2015

	Assisting Minister	Lector	Communion Assistant	Ushers	Greeters	Acolyte	Crucifer	Torchbearers	Counters	Children's Sermon	Council Person	
11/1	Gwen Furcron	Midge Gunnalson	Tina Molineu Don Molineu	Marj Appleton Jerry Appleton	Patricia Brouwer	Caroline Moore	Karen Kranz			Lexanne Graves	Gwen Furcron	
11/1	Alison Levitt	Adele Lindberg	Pat Bartucca Ed Brennan	Jeff Day Cindy Day Steve Bloss Rocky Berger	Brenda Grohman	Austin Padgett	Pat Bartucca	Steve Bloss Jeanette Bloss	Bob Turmire LC Marshall Hurlbert Steve Padgett	Lexanne Graves	Alison Levitt	
11/8	Sandra Dixon	Helen Doeringhaus	Bill Franck Karen Kranz	Peg Fox Bill Fox	Sadonia Grimmer	Anna Leigh Graves	Lexanne Graves			Vicar Marty	Scott Graves	
11/8	Jeff Day	Sarah Schultz	Jeanette Bloss Laura Turmire	Karlene Stuart Laura Stuart Mike Davidson Bob Turmire	Linda Hayes	Lauren Bloss	Jan Berger	Adam Woodruff Brenda Grohman	Alison Levitt LC Karlene Stuart Steve Bloss	Vicar Marty	Gail Buchanan	
11/15	Jen Necker	Peg Zieche	Herb Brantley Helen Doeringhaus	Shirley Laingen Paul Laingen	Sandra Dixoh	Anna Leigh Graves	Jim Zieche			Bob Gill	Bill Franck	
11/15	Mike Davidson	Vicar Marty	Trish Davidson Gail Buchanan	Randy Massad Hany Sorial Rachel Sorial Jeanette Bloss	Cathy Lowman	Walker Flores	Bob Turmire	Ed Brennan Linda Hayes	Gail Buchanan LC Laura Turmire Jan Berger	Bob Gill	Bob Turmire	
11/22	Jan Berger	Bob Gill	Gwen Furcron Sally Moore	Jan Schmidt Peter Moore	Marj & Jerry Appleton	Ben Arnold	Jan Schmidt			Pastor Eric	Rocky Berger	
11/22	Jan Berger	Ed Brennan	Steve Bloss Leslie Bloss	Adam Woodruff Bob Turmire Lauren Bloss Karlene Stuart	Dea Jones	Collin Flores	Laura Stuart	Gail Buchanan Steve Padgett	Scott Graves LC Trish Davidson Aaron Smith	Pastor Eric	Aaron Smith	
11/29	Vicar Marty	Wayne Kannaday	Ashley Ramsey Nowell Ramsey	Jeff Lummel Sadonia Grimmer	Herb & Gwen Brantley	Connor Kilbourne	Karen Kranz			Lexanne Graves	Leslie Bloss	
11/29	Adam Woodruff	Janet Bate	Cindy Day Jeff Day	Wendy Mckenzie Karlene Stuart Rocky Berger Laura Stuart	Alice Renaud	Lauren Bloss	Pat Bartucca	Alison Levitt Sara Levitt	Gwen Furcron LC Karen Kranz Wendy Mckenzie	Lexanne Graves	Rocky Berger	
Care Meals												
11/1			Bloss Family		Herb Brantley		Angie Dyches		Jan Schmidt		Altar Guild	
11/8			Karen Kranz		Sadonia Grimmer		Misty O'Donnell		Cong. Meeting			
11/15			Karen Kranz		Charles Tracy		Jenny Skipper		Sally Moore		October Shirley Laingen	
11/22					Cathy Lowman		Angie Dyches		Alice Renaud			
11/29			Pat Bartucca		Gwen Furcron		Misty O'Donnell					

SIGN UP FOR NOVEMBER – WORSHIP ASSISTANTS

The online sign up for December is ready to be populated – whatever slots are open by Dec. 20th will need to be manually filled in. If you have not been assigned OR the opposite – have been getting assigned without wanting to be, let Lisa or Karen Kranz know. Time and Talent sheets are available all year round – you can still fill one out if you have had a spirit tug towards serving. The last quarter schedule will be available soon. <http://goo.gl/9FKjq>

'Tis the Reason for the Season
Christmas cards
 \$1.00 per card

- How to order:**
- I. **Select the card** you would like to order
 - II. Indicate **how many cards** you would like
 - III. Place your **order and payment in an envelope** addressed to **ALiving Springs Christmas Cards@** for the counting team (hand in on any Sunday with other donations or hand in envelope to the Church Office) **no later than Sunday, November 1, 2015.**



How many? _____



How many? _____

Name _____

Address _____
 Telephone _____
 Email address _____

Cards will be delivered November 15, 2015 at both services
All profits will go to Living Springs Lutheran Church

- Please choose one:
- I usually attend the 8 am service
 - I usually attend the 10:45 am service
 - I will pick up at Living Springs office



Living Springs Lutheran Church
 4224 Hard Scrabble Road
 Columbia SC, 29223

Annual Christmas Tree Sale
Discount Pre-Order Form
Certified North Carolina Frazier Firs

Name: _____ Phone#: _____

Address _____

Email: _____



Trees

Size	Price	#Ordered	Tree Total
6 - 7ft	\$40.00		
7 - 8ft	\$45.00		
8 - 9ft	\$60.00		
9 - 10ft	\$70.00		
10 - 11ft	\$90.00		



Wreaths

Size	Price	#Ordered	Wreath Total
12—14"	\$25.00		

Shipping Preference - Trees will be received in two shipments this year
 Please indicate which shipment you wish to receive your order from

1st Shipment (Nov 28) _____ 2nd Shipment (Dec 12) _____

Paid by: cash _____ check# _____ Total: _____

Pickup _____ Delivery _____

Youth Representative: _____

All Proceeds are used to fund Youth events throughout the year
Pre-Order deadline is October 31

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