



# Good News From Grace



## Graceland Sunday School

Rally Day is coming August 29 8:30 am to 9:30 am beginning in the

Church. We invite all children ages 3 through the 6th grade to come join us for an exciting kick off to our Sunday School year. You will enjoy games, music & lots of fun as we prepare for our adventure to continue to "Grow In Christ". Bring your smile and we will see you there!

## Catechism Classes Begin

Wednesday afternoon Catechism classes will start on September 1 from 3:45-5:00 p.m. These classes are for all

children grades 5-8. Grades 5-6 meet with Pastor Asbury in the South Basement. Grades 7-8 meet with Pastor Wilke in the North Basement.

Anyone interested in helping with memory work during the first part of the class, please contact the church office.

## Choirs

Children's choir will be starting up on Wednesday, September 19 at 5:00 p.m. for 5-8 grade and 5:30 p.m. for 1-4 grade. If anyone is interested in helping lead this choir, please contact Pastor Asbury.

Adult Choir will be starting up sometime in mid-September. Watch upcoming bulletins for the exact date.

## Handbell Choirs

We will be starting up the Handbell Choirs again this fall . We are looking at having four handbell choirs. The Ding-A-Lingers (1st-4th grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 5:00 p.m. The Jubilee Ringers (5th-8th grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. The Ding-A-Lingers and the Jubilee Ringers will start on Wednesday, September 29. Days and times for the Carillon Ringers (9-12 grade) and the Shekinah Bell Choir (Adult choir) will be determined at a later date. If you are interested in playing in any of these choirs, please call Kelly Asbury at 371-3521 as soon as possible (even if you played in them previously). No experience is necessary for any of these choirs. Start up for these choirs will be in late September or early October—watch upcoming bulletins for exact start dates.

## Life-Line Screening Coming to Grace

Grace Lutheran Church is pleased to offer a preventive health event. Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of community-based preventive health screenings, will host their affordable, non-invasive, painless health screenings on Monday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2010.

Screenings will be offered that scan for potential health problems related to: blocked arteries, which is a leading cause of stroke; abdominal aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a ruptured aorta; hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease; and atrial fibrillation or irregular heart beat, which is closely tied to stroke risk. Register for the Stroke, Vascular Disease and Heart Rhythm Package for \$139.00 (Cost of all the screenings). All four screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Your Health is in Your Hands, so call 1-800-324-1851, or visit [www.lifelinescreening.com](http://www.lifelinescreening.com), for more information or to pre-register.

## Weddings

Congratulations to Justin Shaver and Kayla Ferguson who were united in marriage on Saturday, July 17. We ask God's blessings on their life together.

## Funerals

Funeral services for Larry Pospisil who passed away on July 13 were held Friday, July 16. "Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints."



### “Dying to Live”

Death rarely seems like a good thing. Sometimes we say death is a blessing if someone has been suffering. Sometimes we speak of death as our gateway into eternal life. Those are two significant reasons why death is good. But otherwise, we rarely talk, think, or act this way. Death is good? I don't think so! It's not something I look forward to.

For us Christians, though, death is essential. I'm not talking about how the wages of sin is death and that side of things. Nor am I talking specifically about Jesus and his death. I'm still talking about how we die. Kind of a morbid deal, this death. But as I said, for us Christians, death is essential. Death is essential, yes, because we're sinners and that's what we deserve, so yes, Jesus died for us on the cross – this is the truth upon which the church stands or falls – but death is essential for us because *death is the only way we can*

*live and live now.* We need to die now so we can live now. There is no other way to truly live. We must die.

Jesus says, “Whoever loves his life loses it, but whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life” (John 12:25). Do you love this life more than eternal life? Die to your shortsightedness and you will live forever. Do you love looking at yourself in the mirror more than looking at the cross of Jesus? Die to your vanity and you will live in peace. Do you love your fleeting climax of pleasure more than the joy of the Lord? Die to your desire for ecstasy and you will live joyfully. Do you love devouring cookies more than digesting God's Word? Die to your hunger and you will live satisfied. Do you love your own work load more than the work of the Lord? Die to your self-righteousness and you will live as an instrument of God.

Colossians 2 says, “In [Christ]... you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ, having been buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the powerful working of God, who raised him from the dead. And you, who were dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made alive together with him, having forgiven us all our trespasses, by canceling the record of

debt that stood against us with its legal demands. This he set aside, nailing it to the cross.”

Dying means we are sorry for our sin. Dying means we desire and determine to live differently. Dying means we look to the Lord for answers instead of looking to ourselves. Dying means trusting the Lord Jesus has done all that is required in our place. Dying with Jesus means living. And each of us who have been buried with Jesus have died the most severe death along with him. We thereby receive the most serene and gentlest piece of Paradise with our names on the plot. Kind of awesome deal, this death we die in Jesus.

Even better, we don't have to wait until we die to actually start dying. We have already died, so now we get to keep on dying. What's more, we get to keep experiencing the victory that is our in Christ Jesus the Lord. We are indeed “more than conquerors through him who loved us” (Romans 8:37). Dying is not something we take into our own hands. Our death and continual dying has been grabbed by the pierced hands of the Lord Jesus. It is his work in us by the power of the Spirit. We have died and continue to die to the evil in our hearts and lives, so that we might experience life to the fullest now and in eternity. As Robert Farrar Capon says in his book *Kingdom, Grace, and Judgment*, “death is

absolutely all of the resurrection we can now know. The rest is faith.” Or, as we sing with the great hymn, “I once was lost but now am found, was blind but now I see!”

Peace and Joy in Jesus,  
+ Pastor Chris Asbury

### Address Changes

Please notify the church office if your address changes. The Post Office charges us 50¢ for each address change they return to us.

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**Deadline for articles** for the September newsletter is Friday, August 20.



## Checking on our Job as Stewards

A young boy walks into a small drug store and asks the druggist, “Could I use the telephone?” The druggist replies, “You certainly can,” and shows him where the telephone is. The boy calls a grocery store and asks the man who answers the phone, “Is your grocery store looking for someone to stock the shelves?” The man says, “No, we already have a stock boy.” The boy inquires, “If he isn’t doing a good job, maybe you need to get someone who will do a better job.” The man replies, “No, we are pleased with the work the boy is doing,” so the boy hung up the telephone.

The druggist hears the conversation and says to the boy, “I’m sorry you didn’t get the job.” The boy says, “I don’t need a job, because I am the stock boy. I was checking to see what they thought of my work.”

What if we could call God to ask about the job we are doing as His stewards? If it were possible to call, what kind of response would you expect to hear? Would God see you as a person

who acknowledges all that you have as having been given to you by Him and yourself as a manager, not an owner? Would God tell you that you are using your time, talents, and treasures in ways that please Him? Would God commend you for feeding the hungry, for sheltering the homeless, for giving generously to those in need? Would God be pleased with what you are giving to His Church? Would God tell you, “Well done, good and faithful steward?”

Unfortunately, we all fall well short of God’s standards, but, because of what Christ did for us on the cross, we are forgiven for all the times that we have failed to be faithful stewards. With God’s grace given to us through His Son, we can be molded and transformed into God-pleasing stewards. In Christ, we can be stewards who do God’s work well.

**Hospitalizations:** Please call the church office to let the pastors know of any hospitalizations in your family. Hospitalizations since the last newsletter:

Pastor Jack Thiesen	Vi Brueggeman
Wilma Benish	Jay Westerhold
Alma Pospisil	

Please remember them in your prayers.

**Titus 2 for Life Women’s Retreat**

Lutherans for Life is sponsoring a women’s retreat September 17 and 18 at 3417 Golf View Dr in Norfolk. This retreat will allow time away from the chaos of the world to spend time in God’s Word and reflect on our identity as daughters of God. Women of all ages are invited to attend. Registration numbers are limited, so an early response is requested. The program is presented by Linda Bartlett. Cost is \$25.00 for registration and a study guide booklet. For more information call Judith 379-0463, Kathy 379-1557, or Sherry 379-0795 or go to [www.titus2-4life.org](http://www.titus2-4life.org)

**August Birthdays**

Rod Benish..	8/1
Anthony Faust.	8/1
Mark Trampe.	8/1
Clint Meyer.	8/2
Lois Wilke.	8/2
Bev Wragge.	8/2
Andrew Brenneman.	8/3
Fay Brown.	8/3
Wade Nielsen.	8/3
Twylah Sothan.	8/3
Brad Zautke.	8/3
Jessica Ahrenholtz.	8/4
Nick Collins.	8/4
Sean Monroe.	8/4

Von Brixius.	8/5
Jennifer Schaffer.	8/5
Rowan Winter-Nielsen..	8/7
Marcy Barte.	8/8
Michelle Douglass.	8/8
Shanan Fuhrman.	8/8
Leatta Stortvedt.	8/8
Dennis Alexander..	8/9
Chris Collins.	8/9
Corey Knull.	8/9
Joshua Meyer.	8/9
Dennis Murray.	8/9
Cheryl Pospisil.	8/9
Kendra McDonald.	8/10
Marilyn Cattau.	8/11
Alisha Holter.	8/11
Linda Rosacker.	8/11
Harlan Weigel.	8/11
Dan Ellenberger.	8/12
Rena Hoelscher.	8/12
Jeff Holter.	8/12
Doris Leiding.	8/13
Julie Petsche.	8/13
Donna Johnson.	8/14
Rachel Leckband.	8/15
Dustin Peterson.	8/15
Tanya Sukup.	8/15
Janet Keil.	8/16
Steve Knull.	8/16
Lance Timperley.	8/16
Nick Weaver.	8/16
Shelly Austin.	8/17
Gordon Baumann Sr.	8/17
Paul Baumann.	8/17
Kelsey Dinkel.	8/17
Kendra Dinkel.	8/17

**August Birthdays (Continued)**

Todd Schmidt.....	8/17
Jane Wagner.....	8/18
Harold Walter.....	8/18
Chad Wright.....	8/18
Emily Kimes.....	8/19
Jaymes Kumm.....	8/19
Dan Nielsen.....	8/19
Andrew Peters.....	8/19
Laikon Ames.....	8/21
Greg Rathke.....	8/22
Karen Brenneman.....	8/23
Adam Nielsen.....	8/23
Mark Winkelbauer.....	8/23
Ethel Alexander.....	8/24
Dana Kahny.....	8/24
Richard Lovig.....	8/24
Kris Scheer.....	8/24
Pam Handke.....	8/25
Joni Kumm.....	8/25
Mike Leffers.....	8/26
Jodi Faust.....	8/27
Sue Froehlich.....	8/27
Steven Meyer.....	8/28
Maria Peterson.....	8/28
Jana Markes.....	8/29
Steve Weaver.....	8/29
Bill Baker.....	8/30
Lucas Ellenberger.....	8/30
Tori Sullivan.....	8/31

**Lutheran High Northeast News**

**August 2010**

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**SCHEDULES & LOCKER NIGHT**

Early student schedule and locker check out will take place during the evenings of Tuesday, August 3<sup>rd</sup>, and Wednesday, August 4<sup>th</sup>. This provides the opportunity for students to discuss their schedules with advisors and to choose their lockers. Doing so apart from Registration makes each day go more quickly. Students are encouraged to participate unless they are out of town. Parent attendance is optional. If students are unable to attend, schedules and lockers will be available at registration.

**REGISTRATION, AUGUST 10<sup>TH</sup>**

On Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, Lutheran High Northeast will be holding registration from 9 AM to 6 PM. At least one parent from each family is required to participate. If you will be out of town, please call Becky Carretto, our business manager, to arrange for late registration.

**BEEF BLAST 2010**

It's that time of year, and LHNE is planning for Beef Blast 2010 which will be held Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. Beef Blast is all about putting the FUN in FUNdraising! With good food and great auction items, you can't miss spending some time at Lutheran High on this

special day. If you would like to donate an item for auction, please contact Fred Aufdembrink (379-3040 ext. 301 or faufdembrink@lhne.org) or Jami Winter (379-3040 ext. 305 or jwinter@lhne.org) with the information by **Wednesday, Aug. 4<sup>th</sup>**. Proceeds from Beef Blast help keep tuition costs affordable for the LHNE families. We hope to see you at LHNE on Sunday, August 29<sup>th</sup>!

**IMPORTANT DATES**

Instead of becoming repetitious in this newsletter, please make sure you look at the LHNE Calendar at the bottom of this page, or go to www.lhne.org, and browse the web site. Definitely go to the full calendar link found on the bottom left side of the home page. These calendars are helpful in letting everyone know when events are taking place at LHNE.

**PHYSICALS FOR STUDENTS & ATHLETES**

School physicals, required for all athletes & new students, will be done @ LHNE by Urgent Care on MONDAY, 8/2. Physicals for seniors will start at 6:00 p.m., juniors at 6:45, sophomores at 7:30 and freshmen at 8:15. They will cost \$20.00, or you may get your physical with your family doctor. You can get a copy of the school physical forms on the NSAA web page at www.nsaahome.org. On the left hand side of the home page click on Other Information, then Administration Forms,

then Pre-participation Physical forms. There will be 3 forms – History, Physical and Clearance. You will need all 3. Please have your part of the forms filled when you arrive for your physical. **NOT TOO LATE**

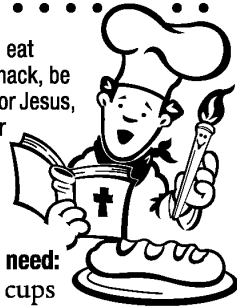
Have you been thinking about enrolling your child at LHNE? We still have openings in all levels, 9<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grades. A good first step would be to contact the school office and visit with Paul Leckband, principal, or Greg Rathke, assistant principal. LHNE provides a quality Christian education – one that will prepare your child well for further education and vocation.

**LHNE CALENDAR**

- August 2 – Physicals @ LHNE, teachers on duty
- August 3, 4 – Schedule & Locker Night, tba
- August 10 – Registration, 9a – 6p
- August 11 – Activities Mtg./Parent Forum
- August 15 – Opening Worship, TBA
- August 16 – Freshman Orientation, 8a – 3p
- August 17 – First Day for 9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>, 8a – 3:15p
- August 20 – Senior Retreat
- August 26 – Back to School Open House, 7p
- Senior Parent Mtg, 7p
- August 29 – Beef Blast 2010

# BREAD painting

When you eat this fun snack, be thankful for Jesus, who is our Bread of Life.



### What you need:

- Small cups
- Milk
- Food coloring
- Clean artist brush
- Slice of bread
- Toaster or toaster oven
- Butter (optional)

### What you do:

1. Decide how many colors you want to use, and set aside one cup for each color.
2. Pour about 1/4 cup of milk into each cup.
3. Add drops of food coloring until you get a bright color.
4. Using a brush, paint a picture or write words (such as a Bible verse) on the slice of bread. Make sure not to get the bread too soaked.
5. When you're finished painting, toast your bread. You can top it with a bit of butter. Enjoy!

## THE BREAD OF LIFE

Jesus knew that people would starve without physical bread to eat and water to drink. But he also knew they would die spiritually if they weren't fed by him.

Find and circle all the words horizontally. Then, starting on the top line and moving across from left to right, read John 6:35 (NIV) and write the Bible verse on the dashes.

**JOHN 6:35**

**WORD LIST**

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Answer: "I am the bread of life. He who comes to me will never go hungry, and he who believes in me will never be thirsty." John 6:35, NIV

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