

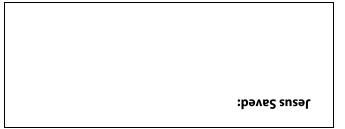
### IN OUR DAILY PRAYERS

Craig Anderson, Jerry Anderson, Bill Bartlett, Cal Bien, Marilyn Bowbeer, Ed Brockett, Alice Browne, Mim Curtis, Lillian Dahling, Frank Darkangelo, Mike Doka, John Draper, Lynda Erickson, Loretta & Kevin Eul, Denise Evans, Mike & Delores Evans, John Habenicht, Ron Heydt, Pam Johnson, Joan Kempik, Veronica "Ronnie" Krikorian, Deborah Lever, Griffin Luckett, Dave Maze, Wendy & Ford McDonald, Karen Miller, Myrna Nelson, Edith Norman, Barbara Pedersen, Gerard Pinarija, Meggie Roberto, Al Roberts, Doris Roberts,

Carolyn Robertson, John Sandrick, Dorothy Schwarzenbach, Pauline Scott, Ken Simonson, Beverley Smith, Jean Survillas, Irmi Wittig, Norma Zimmerman. Mothers of: Ron Groves, Dave Maze, Wendy McDonald, David Mesic, Jean Sabherwal, Pauline Scott, Kimberly Tirado. Fathers of: Darlene Donovan, Chris Horvath, Lynda Marsh, Melissa Murphy, Jean Sabherwal, Terry Schulz, Art Travieso, Dave Van Skyock, Jon Vikander. Daughters of: Helga Angebrandt, Ed Brockett, Bob & Barbara D'Evelyn, Greg & Valerie Ellis, Wendy McDonald, Sue Nelson, Bendt & Barbara Pedersen, Al & Judy Roberts, Beverley Smith. Sons of: Greg & Valerie Ellis, Barbara Givens, Lois Grote, Barb Herson, Veronica Krikorian, Tommy McMonigal, Sue Nelson, Edith Norman, Betty Shuck, Mare Stasik, Betty Strelow. Brothers of: Millie Graham, Bob Johnson, Ford McDonald, Karin Modin, Sheryl Richardson, Kimberly Tirado, Ashley Vikander, Sisters of: Pam Auer, Bob Johnson, Sara Martinez, Martha McKeon, Hans Roennau, Ginny Rozen, Terry Schulz, Betty Shuck, Other relatives: John O (PGamst), Karen Lanza & caregivers (SBerg), Jasmyn De La Rosa (EDeLaRosa), Clorinda Gonzalez (HTavares), Dorothy Adcock (RRobertson), Paul Lavender (TBrooks), Munholland families (SGoudreau), Jeffrey Day (ABrowne), Cindy Moon (NUhlman), Nancy, grandson Jack, Pat, Maggie (WMcDonald), Ryder Stocking & family (CStocking), Rayell (CGaw), Mark & Gary Shankel (BGivens), Katie Goode (CGoode), Harper Jacobsen (KHarris), Sharon Wardel (NWilloughby), Ken Smith (J&CPage), Andie Wright (DKniesel), Dorothy Sugimoto (MSugimoto), niece Ana (D&SMartinez), Hope Tillman (BSmith), Ryan Roberts (CRoberts), Shanta Sabherwal, Ana Marisa, Yan Hernandez, Edna, Jim & Raven Hoskins (JSabherwal), Jeanine Laughlin, David Gomez & Vera von Bergen (ByonBergen), Hal Beisswenger (DBeisswenger), Jordan & Sara Rozen (G&GRozen), Candace Fandino (HBarrier), Randy Simpson (JSimpson), Sara Stradther (BShuck), Louann, Mark Buquor (CVandenberg), Bryan & Catherine Matson, Miles Jr. (MNelson), Earl Loveless (LGranlund), Annette Zaranti (LGrundke), Linda Thompson (MGraham), Robin Martin (ECollins). Friends: Las Vegas, Hurricane & Earthquake Victims, Julia & David Lausch & girls, Brian Test (LAnderson), Dianne Schlientz (PPetereit), Denise Carlson & Alice Gallagher (LCC), Kathryn & Mary Voorhees (MBlair), Elaine Kramer (LGrundke), Ed & Lisa Griganovicious (D&MVanSkyock), Teresa Johnson (AHayden), Mary Nitchkey (MGentile), Jane Davis & Sandra Smith (J&DFrankel), Michala (RPatterson), Billy Pfeiffer, Barbara & Muriel Johnson (CGaw), Amy (LHolmquist), Lal Balani & Marleen Stewart (LPerkins), Mrs Gicking (Amber), Jan Wayne & Lois (SRichardson), Fran Waldron (DHansen), Betty Coble (PJohnson), Tori Blocker (JSabherwal), Ashlyn (NUhlman), Katrina, Annette & Cameron Hoffman, Britt (ELantz), Nancy Kring (BD'Evelyn), Ray Feldherr (KMiller), Catalina Ruiz (AManalo), Jadon Pollard & Linda Hutto (B&VDraskovich), Paul Camaron, Maureen Oshman (JSurvillas), Reggie Davis (RMarsh), Norm Cohen (PMyers), Talea Davis (HParker-Jones), Bobbie Carpenter (PHolland), Stapleton family (DConnor), Johnny Mayer (CRoberts), Larry Brown (D&DRoberts), Jerry Adams, Karen Schultz (JSimpson), Lynda (VKliner), Chris Carrothers (PMosebar), Katie & Dan Clark (SSeidel), Virginia Sumner (NZimmerman), Judy Corless, Kelly Plilon, Pam & Jim Rodgers, Anita Johnston (WMcDonald), Mark (CVandenberg), Julia Witt, mother (MKim), Jeannie Wright (KHelgason), Mary Duncan (HWright), Zsaglene Fisk (DBarnum), Lily-Grace Susan (G&CStalker), Steve Trotter (D&LMaze), Sheri Woodley (BCicchese). Comfort to: Family & friends of Alan Means, Brandy Morse, Maria Pfahl & Sandra Young on their passing, Carolina Tercero on the passing of her mother, Gene & Vickie Insley on the passing of their son, Jeff. Prayers for: our country & its leadership; peace in the Middle East, especially persecuted Christians in Iraq & military family+friends deployed: Ryan Cunningham, Grant (CPeterson). Prayers for imprisoned associates of the Jesus Film in South Asia, Aliso Viejo Christian School, Crean Lutheran High School.

> We will keep names on the prayer list for 30 days. If you would like to remain on the prayer list please let us know by calling the church office at 949-837-4673.

### DATED MATERIAL—PLEASE DELIVER November 1 RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Permit # 429 92630 EI I Oro, CA POSTAGE PAID

.s.U Non-Profit Org.







## The Season of Thanksgiving

Dear Friends in Christ.

As we enter this season of Thanksqiving, we as Christians acknowledge that God is the object of our thankfulness:

"Dear Heavenly Father, we give thanks for Your many blessings — for the gift of life, for all that sustains us from day to day, and especially for Your gracious gift of redemption which we receive through our baptism and faith in Christ's death and resurrection. Through the power of Your Holy Spirit, inspire us to show our thankfulness in the way that we care for those among

us, especially those in need. In our hearts we lift up to You all the many things we are thankful for in our individual lives. May we always live every day of our lives in thankfulness. This we ask in Christ's precious and holy name. Amen"

I'm so thankful for each of you and the opportunity we have to serve our Lord together!

In Christ, Pastor Leland <><





## **Worship Services and Meal Tuesday, November 21**

◆ Thanksgiving Worship at 10:30am (LW)

followed by Senior Day Out Thanksgiving Meal (\$8); RSVP required.

☆ Thanksgiving Worship at 7pm (LW)



# **Concordia University Irvine Reformation 500th Anniversary Events**



**Campus Celebration** October 31, 9am-1:30pm

**Concert** November 1 at 7pm Segerstrom Hall in Costa Mesa

For information and tickets: www.cui.edu/Reformation500



Bring the love and warmth of Christ into someone's home this Thanksgiving by providing a meal to a family in need. Every year our church adopts families to provide Thanksgiving food items to help spread the love and blessing of Christ. Sign up sheets are at church with various items listed to contribute to these dinners. **Please bring** the food (not cooked) to the church by 11am on Sunday, November 19.



### **Our Vision Statement**

Our vision is for God, through the Holy Spirit, to shape us into a vibrant church that transforms our community and the world with the saving grace of Jesus Christ.

LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS & ALISO VIEJO CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

> 1 ORION, ALISO VIEJO, CALIFORNIA 92656 (949) 389-0300 FAX (949) 389-0383



LUTHERAN CHURCH OF THE CROSS & CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

24231 EL TORO ROAD, LAGUNA WOODS, CALIFORNIA 92637 (949) 837-4673 FAX (949) 829-0215



#### **Bible Studies Underway — Join Us!**

**Revelation:** LW Tues 6am; Wed 10am & 6:15pm (LW social hall); AV Sun 8:30am; conference room)

Men's Devotion and Prayer: AV Wed 8:30am (conference room)

"Goliath Must Fall:" AV Wed 6:15pm [now thru Nov. 29 (conference room)]

**1 & 2 Samuel:** LW Wed 6:15pm (library)

"The Power of a Praying Parent:" AV Thur 8:30am (the Hangar)

"To Live is Christ - The Life and Ministry of Paul" Women's Beth Moore

**Study:** LW Thur 9am (library)

**Men of Integrity:** LW Sat 7am (Pastor Leland's office)

**Connecting with Christ:** LW Sun 10am (library) "Exploring the essential teachings of Christianity"

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path (Psalm 119:105)

\* \* \* BIBLE STUDIES WIIL BE ON BREAK THANKSGIVING WEEK \* \* \*







Youth Ministry at Lutheran Church of the Cross (both campuses) seeks to help students become firmly rooted, built up, established, and overflowing with thankfulness toward Jesus (Col. 2:6-7).

The Hangar Youth Ministry would love your student to join us at our weekly and special ministry events! We desire to be a caring, safe and fun community that fervently seeks Christ. From Bible studies, to special events, to missions trips, students can connect and fellowship all year.

**NEW! Sunday Mornings:** Middle school Sunday school, AV campus, 9:45am service (1st & 3rd Sunday). High school & Middle school Sunday school, LW campus, 9am service (2nd & 4th

- Wednesday Nights: Middle school youth group at The Hangar, AV campus. We meet at 5:30pm for dinner. Youth group starts at 6pm and ends at 7:30pm. We have a time of games, worship, teaching, and small groups.
- Sunday Nights: High school youth group at The Hangar, AV campus. We meet at 5pm and end at 6:30pm. We have a time of games, dinner together, worship, teaching, and small groups.
- November 17-20 Los Angeles Missions Trip Middle School: Please pray for our team as we establish our faith, encourage believers, and evangelize the lost in the city of Los Angeles.
- November 29 LA Missions Trip Sharing Night: All are invited to come hear what God accomplished through our team!
- Leadership Team: Please prayerfully consider being a part of our youth leadership team. There are opportunities in middle school, high school, and youth worship team.

Lutheran Church of the Cross Ministries

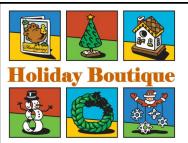
# November Events



"You will be enriched in every way so that vou can be aenerous on every occasion. and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."— 2 Corinthians 9:11

### **AVCS Annual Fall Gala**

Aliso Viejo Christian School is holding its annual Fall Gala at Soka University on Saturday, November 4 at **5:30pm.** The theme this year is "Let's Give Thanks Together." The evening will include a wonderful dinner, silent and live auction, dancing and fellowship. We are raising funds to upgrade our playground and provide additional resources for our classrooms. We truly are so thankful for all of God's blessings and for the opportunity to serve Him through Christian education. If you are interested in attending the Gala (tickets are \$100 each) or want more information on how you can support Aliso Viejo Christian School, please contact Principal Kalyn Peterson at kpeterson@avchristianschool.org or call the school at (949) 389-0300.



### **Don't Miss Our 2nd Annual Holiday Boutique**

Come join us in the LW social hall on Saturday, November 11th, 9am to 5pm, and Sunday, November 12th, 9am to 2pm. Shop for unique holiday gifts, handcrafted items, jewelry, clothing, candles, guilts, and more! We will even offer an on-site eyebrow waxing and tinting service this year! Visit our own Christmas Shoppe for a selection of beautiful ornaments, homemade baked goods and other items. Enjoy a delicious lunch in our Luncheon Café. Bring your friends and neighbors! Proceeds will benefit the Orange County Rescue Mission.

### **Men's Monthly Breakfast**

NEW! Men's Monthly Faith, Food and Fellowship Bible Study and Breakfast **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18** 

> Third Saturday of each month 7:30-9am Laguna Woods Social Hall Hosted by Men of Integrity





One time seminar event: Tues., Nov. 7, 1-3pm

Thur., Nov. 9, 7-9pm (in Laguna Woods Library)

Cost is \$5 – includes Holiday Survival Guide (see flyer on Information Table) Sign up at church or contact Barbara Givens at pm 139@yahoo.com or (949) 813-6925



### A small shoebox can teach a child about the love of God, lead him or her to faith in Christ, inspire pastors, and plant new churches. What goes into the box is fun, but what comes out is eternal. Be a part of changing lives through the power of a simple gift. Pick up an empty shoebox and instructions for filling it at church today!

November 13-19.

## Worship, Dinner & the New Luther Movie



Martin Luther triggered a seismic upheaval that rocked the western world in the 1500s with an impact that continues to reverberate to this day. This film tells the great adventure story of his life in a highly-visual documentary with elaborate full-scale dramatizations that were filmed in castles, monasteries and cobblestone streets of eastern Europe. Narrated by Hugh Bonneville ("Downton Abbey") and stars Padraic Delany ("The Tudors," "The Man Who Knew Infinity").

> Saturday, November 18 Worship at 5pm; dinner at 6pm (\$5 donation); **movie at 7pm** (free-will offering). RSVP sign-up at either campus for dinner.

## **Upcoming Events**

December 10 — Choir Music Sunday (LW) December 10 — Preschool Pageant December 10 — Bethesda Angel Gifts Due December 16 — Congregation Christmas Dinner December 17 — Adopt-A-Family Gifts Due December 17 — Homebound Caroling



Shoeboxes are due back during collection week:

Lutheran Church of the Cross Ministries

### **Financial Report**

As of Sept. 30, 2017	Sept	Sept	YTD	YTD
	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	Budget
Offering Income	\$90,189	\$81,000	\$262,751	\$263,000
Other Income	\$28,451	\$9,878	\$52,032	\$27,734
Total Income	\$118,640	\$90,878	\$314,783	\$290,734
Expenses:				
Administration	\$112,934	\$100,822	\$293,790	\$298,066
Outside Ministries	\$12,007	\$7,682	\$32,406	\$22,700
Internal Ministries	\$5,160	\$2,650	\$15,558	\$5,300
Other Expenses	\$3,099	\$4,325	\$6,347	\$9,375
Total Expenses	133,200	\$115,479	\$348,101	\$335,441
Net Ordinary Income	-\$14,560	-\$24,601	-\$33,318	-\$44,707
Depreciation Expense	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$6,000	\$6,000

### **New Member Class**

Our next New Member Class will be held **Sunday, November 19, from 10am-12 noon at LW.** Please let the church office know if you will attend and if childcare is needed. If you can't attend but would like to join, contact one of our pastors.

"Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Corinthians 12:27)



### **Church Council News** by Nancy Venable, Council Secretary

"For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer." 1 Timothy 4:4-5

#### October 16th highlights:

- 500th Anniversary of the Reformation will be celebrated Sunday, October 29th. Wear RED!
- 4 AVCS Annual Fall Gala is Saturday, November 4th at Soka University. Tickets are \$100 and support our mission to raise up children in the Lord.
- Fall Bible study classes continue to have robust attendance! Many choices are offered most days of the week to grow our faith and knowledge of the Word.
- Current job openings: Worship Leader for the AV campus (contact Pastor John at john@lcotc.org); Church Office Coordinator (part-time/20hours) for LW campus (contact Kevin Murphy at kmurphy@avchristianschool.org).
- The upcoming holiday season is a perfect time to bring a friend to church!

## **Compassion Corner** by Scott Dawson

**SENIOR FOOD BOX MINISTRY:** The need continues to grow as each month there are new seniors registering to receive a food box for the first time. In October, we handed out 90 boxes. Our next distribution will be **Tuesday, November 14th from 2-4pm.** If you are interested in helping with this ministry or know someone who can benefit from it, please contact Scott Dawson at (949)338-4966

**NEW! SENIOR FRESH FOOD MINISTRY**: Volunteers are needed to help us launch this new ministry at the LW campus! In partnership with Second Harvest Food Bank (they provide the food), we are planning to distribute fresh food to area seniors. This would be a twice a month distribution and we need to establish a volunteer base of people interested in serving once a month for about three hours on a Friday morning. If this would work with your schedule and you would like to be a part of this life-giving ministry, contact Scott Dawson at: (949)338-4966 or scott.dawson@cox.net. The need is great but our God is much greater!

### **ORANGE COUNTY RESCUE MISSION (OCRM):**

**Saturday, November 4th from 9am-1pm** is the next opportunity to prepare and serve lunch at the Village of Hope. If you would like to serve a few hours or the whole shift on that day, please contact Christa Page at: (630) 803-4717 or christa0205@yahoo.com. Come and be a blessing to those getting back on their feet!

**MONTHLY MISSION OFFERING:** In September \$2,294 was received for Samaritan's Purse for disaster relief to victims of hurricanes Harvey & Irma. Please keep these people in prayer. In October \$930 was received for Our Father's Table (OFT). OFT offers a 'hand up, not a hand-out' to those experiencing homelessness in our area. What a great blessing in Jesus' Name to those both near and far!

### **Kids4Jesus Ministries** by Bekah Bay, Director

SUNDAY SCHOOL HOURS: 9am (LW- KIDS HUB) & 9:45am (AV- KIDZONE) — Preschool-5th Grades. SATURDAY KIDS NITE SS 5pm @ LW in KidsHub Preschool-5th Grades. WEDNESDAY NITES AV 6:15-7:30pm Preschool—Middle School, Adult Bible Study. LW 6:15-7:15pm Preschool-5th Grades.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES for 6th or 7th Grades (1yr.) — Saturday LW 4:30PM The Cove; Sunday LW 8:30am The Cove; Sunday AV 11am Church Lounge.

Confirmation: Sunday, May 20: LW 9am Confirmation: Sunday, June 3rd: AV 9:45am Youth Sunday School — AV 9:45am in the Library (2nd & 4th Sundays of the month); LW 9am in The Cove (all Sundays). Please register with Miss Bekah for any classes and childcare at bekah@lcotc.org.

\*childcare for infants-2yr. olds is available @ SS, Wednesday Nites, Saturday Nites or Special Events, please contact Miss Bekah bekah@lcotc.org to RSVP.

#### **NOVEMBER EVENTS:**

11/1: Kids Nites @ AV 6:15-7:30pm (Room 8), LW 6:15-7:30pm (KidsHub) Preschool-5th Grades

11/8: Kids Nites @ AV 6:15-7:30pm (Room 8), LW 6:15-7:30pm (KidsHub) Preschool-5th Grades

11/13: AHG LCC Troop CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm LW Sanctuary. TLUSA LCC TROOP CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm in LW Social Hall/Library

11/15: Kids Nites @ AV 6:15-7:30pm (Room 8), LW 6:15-7:30pm (KidsHub) Preschool-5th Grades

11/18: Date Nite @ LW 5-9pm (Room B) Bible Lesson, Games, Playtime & Movies. Must register & pay each time; by Friday 11/17

11/22: NO Kids Nites @ AV or LW - Happy Blessed Thanksgiving! See you back on 11/29

11/27: AHG LCC Troop CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm LW Sanctuary. TLUSA LCC TROOP CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm in LW Social Hall/Library

**UPCOMING DECEMBER EVENTS:** 

12/6: Kids Nites @ AV 6:15-7:30pm (Room 8), LW 6:15-7:30pm (KidsHub) Preschool -5th Grades

12/8: NEW! KidsNite Out 5-9PM. Infants-5th Grades. Bible Lesson, Games, Playtime & Movies. Must register & pay each time; by Thursday 12/8

12/11: AHG LCC Troop CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm LW Sanctuary. TLUSA LCC TROOP CA2517 Meeting 6:30-8pm in LW Social Hall/Library

12/13: Kids Nites @ AV 6:15-7:30pm (Room 8), LW 6:15-7:30pm (KidsHub) Preschool-5th Grades

12/16: Date Nite @ LW 5-9pm (Room B) Bible Lesson, Games, Playtime & Movies. Must register & pay each time; by Friday 12/15

12/17: Christmas Caroling to the Homebound — Meet @ 2PM in the Social Hall to join groups to minister to our dear homebound members.

12/20, 12/27 OR 1/3/2018: NO Kids Nites @ AV or LW — Merry Christmas & Happy Blessed New Year!! See you back 1/10/2018



JESUS IS MY HERO! Discover your STRENGTH in God! Theme Verse: The Lord is my strength and my shield, my heart trusts in HIM! Psalm 28:7-8

### LCC BOYS & GIRLS Troops CA2517 - Christian Scouting for Your Child

American Heritage Girls LCC Troop CA2517 for Girls — K-12<sup>th</sup> grades & Trail Life USA LCC Troop CA2517 for Boys — K-12th grades. TWICE-A-MONTH troop meetings & MONTHLY outings. Please contact Miss Bekah to register today!!! bekah@lcotc.org.

### **Preschool Corner** by Tonya Theveny, Director

"Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good." Psalm 118:1



With Thanksgiving right around the corner, the preschoolers have been giving thanks to the Lord for all our blessings and learning how important it is to share our "bounty" with others less fortunate.

In October, we partnered with Our Father's Table (OFT) in *Sharing God's Love, One PB&J at a Time*. Our families donated peanut butter, jelly, and sandwich baggies to help OFT, who delivers PB&J sandwiches each week to the homeless in Orange County. In November, we will participate in Operation Christmas Child.



Also in November, the teachers will conference with parents. The conferences give parents and teachers a chance to communicate their hopes and dreams (goals) for the school year. We will celebrate God's goodness with our Thanksgiving Feast Days on November 16 & 17. Our preschool will be closed November 20-24. The teachers will attend a staff in-service on Monday and Tuesday before Thanksgiving break. School resumes Monday, November 27.

On October 10 & 11, an Education Specialist from the Orange County Fire Authority read a story and talked with the preschoolers about fire safety.











Lutheran Church of the Cross Ministries

Lutheran Church of the Cross Ministries

### **Mission to Uganda: November 9-27**

Pastor Leland and Marcia Lantz, Bekah Bay, David Bochenek and Ann-Marie Hultman will be on a mission trip (along with others from Oregon—12 of them in all) to Uganda November 9-27 to work in three different missions:

- ⇒ With Reverend Moses and the schools and orphanages directly related to the Imani Milele Children's Choir (the group that performed at our church in September)
- ⇒ With our missionary, Denise Carlsen, in the refugee camps in northern Uganda.
- ⇒ With our missionary, Daniel Okabe, at Faith Radio to help with street ministry and in the orphanages.

#### The following items are needed for their trip:

- Seed packets for vegetables and berries
- Baby aspirin and teething gel
- Men's belts
- Old laptops
- DVDs (family, Christian, educational)
- School supplies: teachers have 500 students with no teaching materials or aids. English is the language they speak so no language barrier on supplies flashcards, Bible lessons (guide), paperback children's books for all ages, etc.

All donated supplies need to be dropped off to Marcia in the Music Room at AV or Pastor Leland's office at LW by Monday, November 6th.

Please pray for this team and the ministries of Uganda, for God to use the team to reach others for Christ, for the team's health and safety, and for supplies and luggage to arrive so that the missionaries and the people they serve will be blessed.



### Missionary Spotlight by Bill Moon, Missions Committee

Our church supports the Rafiki Foundation and missionary Susy Harbick in Jos, Nigeria. Susy serves as Village Administrator, as well as Dean of the Rafiki Institute of Classical Education (RICE). She sends her greetings to LCOTC and provides us the following update:

"Let me fill you in on the thanksgivings that have occurred here in Nigeria! Our new RALI complex is nearly completed . There have been challenges with completing the work with excellence, but it is coming along.



The RICE classes have moved into the classrooms and the gym is almost ready! We have begun our new term in RICE and have 47 who are returning from last term. Please pray all students will see the value of our Christian classical teaching methods.

The Rafiki School has just started its fourth term. The children are beginning to see the seriousness of studying now to have what is needed for the future. Our university students have left to enter their third, second and soon to depart for first year at Bingham University. Please pray with us for a great end to the current Rafiki School year and for success of the University students in their 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 1<sup>st</sup> years.

#### Praises:

- Some unrest near our Village has not impacted the activities here
- Seriousness of both Rafiki School and RICE students to succeed.
- Construction nearing completion
- Ten Rafiki graduates in University or Computer Training School.

Your prayers are so appreciated. Safety here is found in seeking and doing the Lord's will. Love in Christ, Susy" (susyh@rafikifoundation.org)



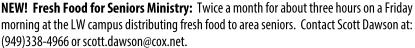






### **Volunteer Opportunities**

**AVCS Gala: Saturday, November 4, 5:30pm.** Looking for volunteers to help with check -in and silent auction. Contact: Pastor John at john@lcotc.org.





**Homebound Ministry:** If you would like to help our church stay in contact with members who are no longer mobile, contact Pastor Ron Michelson at (949) 310-3370 or ron@lcotc.org. Join the Homebound/Deacon Ministry and "bring the church" to our friends!

"Joyful Java" Coffee Ministry: Volunteers needed once a month on Sundays at the LW campus. Look for sign up at church or contact Kerri Harris in the church office at (949) 837-4673.

**Orange County Rescue Mission Village of Hope:** On the first Saturday of the month, 9am-1pm volunteers are needed to prepare and serve lunch to those in need. Contact Christa Page at (630) 803-4717 or christa0205@yahoo.com.

**Church Office at LW:** Greet visitors, answer phone, light clerical and administrative duties. Contact Kevin Murphy at kmurphy@avchristianschool.org or (949) 939-8664.

Altar Guild at LW: The commitment is a "month of Sundays" three times a year. Will train. Contact coordinator Pauline Scott at pscott@jamsadr.com.

**Ushers and Coffee Fellowship at AV**: Have fun serving to help these two ministry teams. Contact: Pastor John at john@lcotc.org.

## **Church Rummage Sale**



Over \$9000 was collected at our annual sale this year! The amount will be divided equally between the Salvation Army (Food & Clothing relief) and Samaritan's Purse (emergency shelter materials & property clean-up). Thank you to everyone who participated in this great effort by your donations and/or giving of your time to make this all happen! Please pray that the Gospel message will bear great fruit through these agencies as they help pick up the pieces of many lives who have experienced such great devastation.









## **Friends From Bethesda Homes**





Pastors Leland Lantz, Steve Leinhos (Bethesda) and Ron Michelson with residents of the Charlemagne Home (left) and the Parthenon Home (right)

## **Lutheran Church of the Cross—Laguna Woods** 24231 El Toro Road, Laguna Woods, CA 92637 Phone: 949.837.4673 · Fax: 949.829.0215 www.lcotc.org office@lcotc.org

November 2017



Lutheran Church of the Cross—Aliso Viejo 1 Orion, Aliso Viejo, CA 92656 Phone: 949.389.0300 · Fax: 949.389.0383

www.lcotc.org office@lcotc.org

www.icotc.org omce@icotc.org				www.lcotc.org office@lcotc.org		
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Ginger Anderson, Gordon Anderson, Helga Gisela Bielefeld, Margaret Bloom, Bette Nancy Dowell, John Draper, Mike & Delor Glenn Hawlik, Ron & Kay Heydt, Lois Hineb Edith Norman, Audrey Ogle, Lorraine Olson, I Carolyn Robertson, Harold Schultz, Dick & Ali	e Bradley, Melva Christensen, Lillian Da res Evans, Rony Fischer, Anne Fitzpatrick, augh, Kathy Hoffman, Marti Kaalahunti, Err Don & Una Pierce, Alwine Rahn, Alma Reard	hling, Dorothy Daynard, Elsie DeLucia, Leslie Fullerton, John & Shirley Gratsch, nie Kniesel, Ann McConkey, Marie Moriarty, on, Al & Judy Roberts, Don & Doris Roberts,	8:30 AM AV Men's Devotion & Prayer 10 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 5:30 PM Both Dinner 6:15 PM AV Goliath Must Fall Bible Study & KidsNite (Preschool-5th; 6:15pm LW/AV 6:15 PM LW Revelation & 1&2 Samuel studies 6:15 PM LW S.O.A.R. 7 PM LW Chancel Choir Rehearsal  All Saint's Day	8:30 AM AV Power of a Praying Parent 9 AM LW Women's Beth Moore Bible Study 11:15 AM LW Prayer Warriors	12 PM LW Church Office Closes 5 PM LW JuBellation Rehearsal	Food Offering Weekend 7 AM LW Men of Integrity 8 AM Surfing 9AM-1PM Village of Hope 4:30 PM LW MS Confirmation Class 5 PM LW Praise Communion Worship, Kid's Church/ Nursery 5:30 PM AVCS Gala at Soka University
Food Offering Sunday & Daylight Saving 7:45 AM LW Communion Worship 8:30 AM AV Revelation Bible Study 8:30 AM LW MS Confirmation Class 9 AM LW Communion Worship, S.S. 9:45 AM AV Communion Worship, S.S. 10 AM LW Connecting With Christ 11 AM LW Communion Worship/ Nursery 11 AM AV MS Confirmation Class 5 PM AV High School Youth Group	NOVEMBER 9	6 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 11 AM LW Senior Day Out 1 PM LW GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" Seminar 6 PM LW Stephen Ministry Supv. Mtg. 6:15 PM AV Gym Night	8:30 AM AV Men's Devotion & Prayer 10 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 5:30 PM Both Dinner 6:15 PM AV Goliath Must Fall Bible Study & KidsNite (Preschool-5th); 6:15pm LW/AV 6:15 PM LW Revelation & 1&2 Samuel studies 6:15 PM LW S.O.A.R. 7 PM LW Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8:30 AM AV Power of a Praying Parent 9 AM LW Women's Beth Moore Bible Study 11:15 AM LW Prayer Warriors 7 PM LW GriefShare "Surviving the Holidays" Seminar	12 PM LW Church Office Closes 5 PM LW JuBellation Rehearsal	Veteran's Day & Friendship Weekend 7 AM LW Men of Integrity 8 AM Both Church Work Day 8 AM Surfing 9AM-3PM LW Holiday Boutique 4:30 PM LW MS Confirmation Class 5 PM LW Praise Worship, Kid's Church/Nursery
9 AM LW Worship, S.S.	6:30 PM LW Committee Meetings 6:30 PM LW AHG CA2517 Troop Mtg. 6:30 PM LW TL Boys CA2517 Troop Mtg. 7 PM LW Council Meeting	6 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 11 AM LW Senior Day Out 1 PM LW GriefShare 2-4 PM LW Low-Income Food Boxes 6:15 PM AV Gym Night	8:30 AM AV Men's Devotion & Prayer 10 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 5:30 PM Both Dinner 6:15 PM AV Goliath Must Fall Bible Study & KidsNite (Preschool-5th); 6:15pm LW/AV 6:15 PM LW Revelation & 1&2 Samuel Studies 6:15 PM LW S.O.A.R. 7 PM LW Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8:30 AM AV Power of a Praying Parent 9 AM LW Women's Beth Moore Bible Study 11:15 AM LW Prayer Warriors	12 PM LW Church Office Closes 5 PM LW JuBellation Rehearsal 6:30 PM LW Craft Night  Middle School Missions Trip to LA November 17-20	Outreach Weekend 7:30-9 AM LW Men's Monthly Breakfast 8 AM Surfing 10 AM LW Christian Writers Connection 4:30 PM LW MS Confirmation Class 5 PM LW Praise Communion Worship Kid's Church/Nursery 5 PM LW Date Nite 6 PM LW Dinner & Movie: "Martin Luther"
Outreach Sunday 7:45 AM LW Communion Worship 8:30 AM AV Revelation Bible Study 8:30 AM LW MS Confirmation Class 9 AM LW Communion Worship, S.S. 9:45 AM AV Communion Worship, S.S. 10 AM LW Connecting With Christ 10 AM LW New Member Class 11 AM LW Communion Worship/Nursery 11 AM AV MS Confirmation Class 5 PM AV HS Youth Group	<b>20</b> 6:30 PM LW AHG CA2517 Board Meeting 7 PM LW Hi-Tide Purlers	10:30 AM LW Thanksgiving Worship 11:30 AM LW Thanksgiving Lunch 6:15 PM AV Gym Night 7 PM LW Thanksgiving Worship	22	HAPPY THANKSGIVING	<b>24</b> Church Office Closed Thanksgiving Holiday	Missionary Weekend 7 AM LW Men of Integrity 8 AM Surfing 4:30 PM LW MS Confirmation Class 5 PM LW Praise Worship, Kid's Church/Nursery
Missionary Sunday 7:45 AM LW Communion Worship 8:30 AM AV Revelation Bible Study 8:30 AM LW MS Confirmation Class 9 AM LW Worship, S.S. 9:45 AM AV Worship, S.S. 10 AM LW Connecting With Christ 11 AM LW Worship/Nursery 11 AM AV MS Confirmation Class 5 PM AV HS Youth Group	6:30 PM LW AHG CA2517 Troop Mtg.	6 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 9 AM LW News Crew 11 AM LW Senior Day Out 1 PM LW GriefShare 6:15 PM AV Gym Night	8:30 AM AV Men's Devotion & Prayer 10 AM LW Revelation Bible Study 5:30 PM Both Dinner 6:15 PM AV Goliath Must Fall Bible Study & KidsNite (Preschool-5th); 6:15pm LW/AV 6:15 PM LW Revelation & 1&2 Samuel Studies 6:15 PM LW S.O.A.R. 7 PM LW Chancel Choir Rehearsal	8:30 AM AV Power of a Praying Parent 9 AM LW Women's Beth Moore Bible Study 11:15 AM LW Prayer Warriors	"O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; for his steadfast love endures forever"  Psalm 107:1	