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A Message from Dalay

By Dalay Dy



Remember Cambodia? It is a small Southeast Asian nation that shares borders with Thailand, Laos and Vietnam. On the southwest is the country's only exit to the sea, a short

stretch of coastline on the Gulf of Thailand. The land is about 182, 000 square kilometers and has a population of over 12 million, making it about 2 times smaller than Colorado in land area, but almost 3 times greater in population.

Cambodia was one of the most powerful kingdoms since the 1st century. Its grandeur was evident by building of the magnificent Angkor Wat, an architectural wonder. In the early 20th century, Cambodia was known to be the most advanced and developed country in Southeast Asia. However, in the last century, Cambodia was hit by several wars one after the other and finally leading up to the notorious "Killing Fields" - the worst bloodshed in our modern history. During the 4 years (1975-1979) under the Pol Pot regime, basic infrastructure, production systems, social services and even community and family ties were severely disrupted. The outcome of this trauma is reflected in the 1997 Human Development Index, ranking Cambodia 153rd out of 175 nations in the world. The Khmer Rouge was finally expelled with the aid of the Vietnamese, however Vietnamese occupation of Cambodia did not signal the beginning of

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Dalay Dy took time on her first Sunday visiting St. Luke's from Cambodia to teach us some words and phrases in Khmer. "aw kohn Dalay!"



peace. For about 10 years, Cambodia continued to face much unrest as different political parties, supported by external forces, clamor for power. Even after the UN assisted national

elections in 1993, internal fighting continued, the last of which was the July 1997 coup. Since then, the fighting



seemed to have sputtered out over the last few years. There had not been any major bloodshed in the last 2 years and we pray,

never ever again. Many people are beginning to see glimmers of hope as the nation is being rebuilt. *Continued on Page 3*



Summer Schedule (Through September 3rd)
Worship Services: 9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School available during both services. See You There!



I have come upon two phrases recently which I will be using from time to time, beginning... now! The first one is, "I am 56

years old. I don't have time to play church." If it's not authentic, I don't want to do it. Esther is a little younger than I am (believe it or not), but she doesn't have time to play church either. If it's not authentic, she doesn't want to do it. Equally important, regardless of your age, you don't have time to play church. If it's not authentic, I hope you won't want to do it.

The second phrase is, "I am here to talk with you about life." About the fullness of life. About abundant life. About authentic life. About growing toward full humanity as we see it in Jesus Christ, as we say with each baptism.

How do we not "play church"? How do we grow toward full humanity? What does that have to do with our strategic plan? As Esther and I worked on a draft to present to the Strategic Plan committee, as we listened to our own stories, and tried to uncover the foundational level of what church should be about, three themes emerged. To be authentic, we must be Invitational, Relational and Missional. These are not separate dimensions, but each is fully a part of the others.

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Invitational. "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly." (John 10:10). There are two parts to the invitation. One is, whoever you are, wherever you are in your life, there is a place for you here. The second is an invitation to growth, to engage the risk and promise of life, and a deep faith that embraces life in all its joys and difficulties. It is an invitation to continue to push our limits and challenge our boundaries—what we experience, and who we are.

Relational. "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength... and you shall love your neighbor as yourself." (Mark 12:30-31) We are made by God, at the most basic level, for relationship—with God, with others and with ourselves. This relational life animates everything else. Central to living out our commitment to relational life in the context of church is ministry through "Small Groups" (for lack of a better term). Education, support, mission, service, recreation or administration, any time we gather to do the work of the church, whatever it is, we hope we will engage in "Small Group" ministry. "Small Group," then, is a metaphor for people gathered to share gifts, passion, vision, and life. This is a way of connecting our life together as a community of faith. In our deepening relation to one another is an expression of our growing relation to God. Our growing relation to God is lived out through deepening connections with one another: our "neighbors," next to us, across town and around the world.

Missional. "What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with your God?" (Micah 6:8). This text from Micah, which we sing every Sunday, means a commitment to all people. There is no division between "us" and "them." There is only "us." It means a belief that giving back to life, working together for something greater than ourselves. It means part of growing toward full humanity as we see it in Jesus Christ is helping to build a world in which all people are valued and can share in the fullness of life.

What is the most effective, efficient way to live this together? What changes need to be made? How do we nurture accountability, diversity, flexibility and creativity in our ministries? How do we help people identify, develop and express their gifts for ministry? How do we prioritize our resources? Responses to these and other questions will be explored by the Strategic Planning Committee, the Administrative Council, and through open "focus groups" with all of St. Luke's.

Here are six needs for St. Luke's future.

- We need a clear vision. The Strategic Planning Committee will be proposing a vision statement to the Administrative Council for approval. As always, that meeting will be open to anyone who wants to participate.
- We need a passion for that vision. If the vision doesn't express the passion of our people, then the rest of the Plan won't work. It must engage and call us to be God's people in the world.
- We need to reorganize so that ministry teams, composed of staff and congregation, have the freedom, flexibility and responsibility to do their ministry. This includes eliminating as many meetings as possible, to free time and energy for ministry. Communication, frequent and easily accessible, becomes increasingly important.
 - We need to engage all our church community, at whatever point(s) fit for them.
 We need multiple, diverse ways to help people "find their gifts and give them away."
 We need a process for leadership development.

The issue is not that none of this is being done now. Rather, it is how we can more clearly, coherently, and comprehensively work together to be who God is calling us to be at this time and place. Your input is important. There will be regular updates on "The Plan," and we invite your conversation.

Shalom,

Dick





Please keep these members and friends of St. Luke's in your prayers:

Bob McBride's daughter-in-law, Ophelia McBride;

Bud Scholle's brother-in-law, Bob Urban; Sharon Scholle;

Tom Ellis, friend of Jody and Katie Anderson; Monty Hoffman;

Sandi Thompson;

Jacob Campbell;

Jan Dixon's family, friends of Bobbi King; Brad Chase:

Theresa LaRock's uncle, Ed Shamis; Bob Ferguson's mother, Nelle Ferguson; Celeste Drinkard's father-in-law, Charlie Bittinger;

Reverend Wes Pixler;

The Nepil family, friends of Carl and Dianne Johnson;

Trudy Mathews;

Deb Whitlam's cousin, Ryan Kirkness; Connie Shoemaker's mother, Mildred Johnson; and Jack Crumpler's mother, Mary Ann Crumpler.

We continue to pray for:

Margaret Payne;
Laura Griffith's mother, Carol Pifer;
Mary Oettli;
Marshall Kuhn;
Lauryn Updegrove; and
Crystal Arndt's mother, Lois Clary.

We extend our prayers and sympathy to:

Joy Damsgard and family on the death of her niece's husband, Shawn Kovac;

Ginny Proulx and family on the death of her friend, Denise Hull;

Janet Harm and family on the death of her father, Philip Moore;

Greg Quirk and family on the death of his niece, Amber Witte;

Colleen DeGroff and family on the death of her sister-in-law's mother, Pat Pruden; and

Bill Lee and family on the death of his mother, Joanne Lee.

If you have a prayer concern, please call the church office or Dianne Johnson (303-791-3477).

New Members



June 2000

Kent & Leslie Courtnage (Cassie & Amy) 7916 S. Logan Dr. Littleton, CO 80122 feeddog@uswest.net

Tony & Patti Hildebrand (Alyson Vahling, Alyvia & Annalise) 2297 Indian Paintbrush Dr. Highlands Ranch, CO 80126 patticwi@ixnetcom.com

Mike Nance 455 W. Burgandy St. #1528 Highlands Ranch, CO 80126 Mnance99@aol.com

Carolynn Wells 9185 S. Bell Flower Way Highlands Ranch, CO 80126

John & Christy Wohlleber (Robert-RJ) 10612 S. Hyacinth St. Highlands Ranch, CO 80126 jncwohll@gateway.net

Welcoming Back

David, Nancy & Dan Fairclough

Saying Goodbye to Old Friends/Members

David, Sherry, Nick & Jon Benight 5351 W. Wing Pl. Highland, UT 84003 Sbenight@hotmail.com

New Address

Bob & Sharon Oliver (Evan & Alex) 9114 S. Ironwood St. Highlands Ranch, CO 80129 303-791-7302 oliver210@aol.com

Attention St. Luke's Families: Have You Moved?

If you have moved recently or are planning a move, don't forget to notify your Church! We can handle your address change by phone, by mail, or by e-mail. Call us at 303-791-0659, e-mail us at stlukeshr@uswest.net or drop us a note! Thank you!



Church Secretary

Bonnie Funk has been a familiar face at St. Luke's for some time, and now she's also a familiar voice when you call the office. Bonnie stepped into the role of church secretary on Palm Sunday. After that kind of a beginning, she feels entirely ready for the Christmas season (it's not as far away as you think).

Bonnie is one of the minority of St. Luke's members who actually grew up in the area. While she still proudly claims a birthplace of El Paso, Texas, Bonnie was here in Littleton for all of her schooling. In fact, when I first asked Bonnie where she went to school she answered "Highland Elementary." And after that? "Newton Middle School, which was Newton Junior High at the time, Arapahoe High School, and Arapahoe Community College." Bonnie later went to beauty school as well.

Along the way, she met and married David, her husband since 1977. They have two sons, Shawn and Adam, who are active in the youth group. A member of Littleton United Methodist Church, Bonnie came to St. Luke's shortly after Dick Evans did. It was a difficult choice to leave a church where she still has many friends, but it was the right choice for the Funks. Bonnie has been active in various volunteer opportunities with St. Luke's, particularly with the Adult and Children's choirs. Shortly after starting with St. Luke's, Bonnie asked Bill Selby when the children's choir met, at which point Bill encouraged her to start one.

Bonnie spent many years volunteering in the schools, then serving as a paraprofessional and finally working with Special Ed students at Euclid middle school. She was ready for a change when she interviewed for the position at St. Luke's, and change is what she got. Bonnie has learned a lot since starting in April, particularly in using the computer system. Bonnie loves the variety and the opportunity to know the congregation better.

Bonnie's hobbies include music and collecting pigs (figurines, not livestock). She is busy with her kids' activities as well. She also enjoys fishing, and recently caught a 28-inch long, 10.1 pound, 18.5 inch around brown trout - that's a fish story you can believe.

Dalay

Continued from Page 1 To help rebuild Cambodia, St. Luke's had taken an opportunity to support mission work in Cambodia. "Sharing Hope," "Building Communities of Hope," "Healing Fields" and "Planting the Seeds of Hope" are the subthemes of St. Luke's Cambodian mission project. St. Luke's idea for "Sharing Hope" is building a community education center in Siam Reap Province. The CEC will include: vocational school, basic school, dormitory, theological education, rural clinic, retreat center, church and model for farming.

So, what can each and every one of us do? Every one of us can play a part in making the Cambodian Mission Project a reality. There have been 2 fundraisers to help raise money to support this project: the April 28 benefit concert and a booth at the May 13 Flea Market. But the main fundraiser is yet to be, that is:

A Taste of Cambodia and **Silent Auction on August 12.**

So, if you have any time you can give, goods and services you can donate, experiences you can share about Cambodia, ideas you want to contribute, or if you want to take the journey to Cambodia, please get involved! Giving something of ourselves means a brighter, more promising future for the Cambodian people. Helping Cambodia means helping to change our world to become a better place for you and for me, and the entire human race.

The "Lay" test News: Means of Grace II

A Message from our Lay Leaders - By Monty Hoffman

Grace – The favor and love of God; influence of God operating in man to improve and strengthen.

When I decided to split my column last month and write about community of faith, fasting, and acts of mercy this month, I did not expect to have the prism of a difficult life experience to look at them through. My serious head injury and my time spent convalescing gave me a chance to think about these aspects of grace.

First of all, it reminded me how important the St. Luke's community of faith is to me. When I was hurt, it was your prayers that lifted up me and my needs. As I healed, it was your words and touch that provided God's comfort to me. A community of faith is a means of grace because God works through that community to care for its members. It is important to remember that being a member of a community of faith is not just for the faithful, but it is also a means of grace for the struggling. The German theologian Detrich Bonhoeffer said, "Even though as Christians we all profess to be sinners, we are surprised to find a sinner among us." Remember that St. Luke's is here for you just as much when you are struggling with Christian discipleship as when you are faithful. Turn towards the community of faith when you are struggling, not away.

I have always had trouble visualizing fasting as a means of grace. I think that it is because when Methodism meets food, the result is usually a potluck. As I lay in the hospital bed, fasting seemed easy. My taste buds didn't work, my head hurt and it hurt even more when I chewed. As I lay there, I realized that if I wanted to get better, I had to eat and that eating was an act of determination that stated that I wanted to get better. So I ate. I realized that fasting could also be an act of determination, a statement to ourselves and to God that we are willing to put God above our own comfort or wants. The next time that I need to make that statement, I know how to do it.

If I had to state how my faith has changed as I have matured, I would highlight two things. First, it gives me a feeling of being connected to all people as God's children and all things as God's creation. Second, it gives me a feeling of gratitude because I realize that no matter how hard I work for some things, many other more important things have been given to me simply because I am a child of God. I think that the means of grace that helps me best understand these points is acts of mercy. Being of service to others for no other reason than I am called to it by my faith reminds me that I am connected to other people no matter who they are or where they are. Being able to share what I have reminds me to be grateful for all I have been given, including the precious gift of life.

Grace is abundant and so are the means of grace. The next time you are struggling or hurting, consider how you can invite God's love into your life to strengthen and improve your faith.



Summer Greetings from Little School

We can hardly believe that it is almost time for Little School to begin its 6th year. We are very excited about the addition of our new staff and new classrooms. Over the summer we have been working on decreasing our waiting list and gearing up for another successful year!

While we have not been given the okay to enlarge our playground, we have made some safety improvements. We continue to hope and pray that there is still a new (larger) improved playground in the future!

We hope you are having a terrific Colorado summer and we look forward to loving your children this year! See you soon!

Please mark MS. Kay "
your calendars for our kick-off open house:

St. Luke's Little School Kick-Off Open House

(Please note two evenings)

Wednesday, September 6th 6:30 to 7:30 PM

For students in Parent's Day Out attending Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday AND Preschool Students attending Monday, Wednesday, Friday

Thursday, September 7th 6:30 to 7:30 PM

For Students in Parent's Day Out Attending Thursday or Friday classes AND Preschool Students attending Tuesday/Thursday

Small Groups Ministry: Join us Wednesday September 20th, 6-9 pm - "Get Acquainted" Evening

By Martha Boon

The Small Groups Committee has been busy studying and planning on how St. Luke's Small Groups Ministry can be more dynamic and connected to St. Luke's as a whole. We also want to assist new groups in getting started.

At this time, we are planning to launch three new groups this fall:

Singles Young adults without children Adult Fellowship

If you are interested in being a part of any of these groups, mark Wednesday, September 20th, 6-9 pm on your calendar. Come for dinner and a get acquainted time. If you have an interest in or see a need for other groups at St. Luke's, please contact Nita Dunn or Lynda Fickling at the church office, 303-791-0659.

Children's Ministry Staff Positions:

We are expanding the Children's Ministries Department, and are looking for people who want to be part of a team caring for the spiritual growth of our children. Positions available include: Nursery Coordinator, Coordinator of Preschool Ministries, Coordinator of Elementary Ministries, and Director of Children's Ministries. If you have skills, personality and passion for any of these staff positions, call John Jechura (chair of Staff-Parish Relations) at 303-791-2924. Positions may be part-time or combined for full-time.

Descriptions are available in the church office.



first rehearsal)



<u>Inspiration Quote:</u> "The best cosmetic in the world is an active mind that is always finding something new."

- Mary Meek Atkeson

APPLE PIE SALE! The annual UMW Apple Pie Sale is now in the planning stages. We will be updating everyone in the weekly bulletin, the chronicle, and on the UMW bulletin board. At this time we are looking for volunteers to help at the table for advanced sales, and volunteers for the day we will be preparing the pies (tentatively scheduled for Saturday, September 16). If you are interested in helping in any way, please contact Jean Theobald at 303.791.9826 or by email at **stlukesumw@col.com**. This event has been a fun day of fellowship in the past, and we look forward to having you join us this year!

Thank you to everyone who volunteered and represented St. Luke's at the 2000 Sunset Magazine's Rocky Mountain Idea House! The proceeds from the Idea House will go to support Habitat for Humanity's Women's build to build a home for a single mom, named Louisa, with four children.

Cookbook Update: The cookbook recipes have been sent to the publisher. We are now awaiting the draft from them for us to read through. We are currently planning a special event to introduce the cookbook to you all. We have tentatively scheduled this event for Sunday, November 12. Watch for more details on our bulletin board.

Women's Fall Retreat: Would you like to enjoy a weekend of fun and fellowship,



away from your everyday responsibilities? Then mark your calendars for the Fall Women's Retreat, October 6 - 8 at the beautiful Glen Eyrie Conference Resort near Colorado Springs. Our theme this year will be "Rest and Renewal". Activities will include personal renewal, praise and worship, art therapy, tour of the historic castle, an English tea, enjoying the beautiful surroundings, as well as many opportuni-

ties to get to know other women in the St. Luke's community. Cost for the weekend, including accommodation and meals, is \$167.50 per person, double occupancy or \$152.00 per person, triple occupancy. The deadline for registration and payment is Sept. 10. Registration and details will be at the UMW table in the narthex or you can find information on the UMW bulletin board. Don't miss out on this great opportunity for fellowship, relaxation, and spiritual refreshment! If you are interested in helping plan this event, we need you! Please call Susan Northrop at 303.791.8241 or email to pnorthrop@col.com

We want to hear from you! You can contact us by using our noteboard located on our bulletin board or by email at stlukesumw@aol.com. We love to hear your ideas, suggestions, comments, and concerns!

Women's Crisis Center

The UMW board has recently voted to support the Women's Crisis Center in Douglas County. This center offers emergency housing that provides a safe place for women and children who need to leave their homes to escape domestic violence. Along with the tremendous growth in Douglas County the amount of domestic violence has risen greatly. Last year, Douglas County had to send more than 100 women and children to other counties due to a lack of space. This shelter will be hosting a Silent Auction and Dessert Tasting called "Just Desserts", October 6, from 7 - 10 pm at the High Prairie Farms Equestrian Center. This event will raise money to build more safe home centers. Look for more information regarding this event on the UMW bulletin board. We have also received a wish list from them of items they are in need of at this time. Below is a list of some of these items. If you are interested in donating any of these items, please leave them in/or near the tub which we are also accepting travel size hygiene products. If you or someone you know is in need of help as a of domestic violence call the Women's Crisis Center 24 hour crisis hotline at 303.688.8484. Thank you for your help.

Wish List Items:

Gift certificates for King Soopers and/or Safeway (you can buy these at the church!)
Regular and Decaf. Coffee and Tea

Sugar
Non-dairy creamer
Large trash bags
Copy Paper
Staples
Toilet paper
Paper Towels

Monetary Donations (to go towards building new centers, and current needs)



The Chancel Choir is going on a retreat!

For the first time, the St. Luke's Chancel Choir will go on a retreat at Singing River Ranch near Evergreen, Colorado. This is a great way for us welcome new members and foster old relationships. We will practice most of the music for the fall and have the oppor-

tunity to fellowship through outdoor activities, games and food. Spouses and children are welcome to come. It was an exciting time last year for the Chancel Choir and the retreat is simply adding another dimension to our music ministry for the coming year. If you are interested in coming on the retreat, please contact Jim Ramsey before September 7th by phone (303.466.0080) or by email jamesramz@aol.com

Chancel Choir Retreat

Singing River Ranch • September 22 and 23, 2000 • Fri. 6:00 pm to Sat. 5:00 pm \$30-35 per person (meals included)

Chancel Choir to Begin Thursday, September 7 @ 7:00 pm!

If you love to sing and make a joyful noise, then come to the first Chancel Choir rehearsal on September 7th. We will begin the rehearsal at 7:00 in the Asbury room (choir room) downstairs. Come and join others celebrating the diversity of our faith through music at St. Luke's.



"Club Can-Do" was the theme for Vacation Bible School held the last week of June. The week ended with a musical presentation on June 30th followed by a picnic potluck for kids and their parents.

Many thanks to Gwyn and all of the VBS Volunteers!

Volunteer Spotlight: Betty Halderman/Urban Peak

By Sharon Stonecipher

Betty Halderman has been a member of St. Luke's for 9 years, and from the very first has been involved in many of the activities here. One of her most important activities has been being the driving force behind St. Luke's involvement in the Urban Peak program, a shelter for runaway teens in downtown Denver. Betty has been the chief organizer for the dinners that St. Luke's parishioners have been providing to the shelter. She and her husband have also acted as the delivery system for most of these dinners. She has also helped set up and serve the annual Thanksgiving dinner and has gotten youth groups at St. Luke's to become involved in the process. She indicated that she has found this endeavor extremely gratifying. Knowing that she, in some small way, may have helped a lost teen find their way made all the work worth the effort. She has just stepped down from this position because she and her husband travel most of the winter now and can't be here to oversee the operation like they used to. (See corresponding note from Betty to the right.)

Betty also was the first to recognize a need that wasn't being met in the lack of anyone to be responsible for the church's altar. She stepped in and founded the Altar Guild to handle the responsibility for changing and maintaining the various banners and altar cloths that enhance the beauty of our sanctuary.

Betty said her 9+ years at St. Luke's have been very rewarding, and she still appreciates the air of friendliness, openness, and acceptance that have become the hallmarks of the St. Luke's experience.



Rehearsal Times & Contacts:

Chancel Choir

Thursdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m.

Contact: Jim Ramsey 303-466-0080

Tintinnabulators Handbell Choir

Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

Contact: Lisa Lewis 303-221-6323

Cherub Choir

Wednesdays 4:15 - 5:00 p.m.

Contacts: Leisje Johnson 303-791-0875

Children's Choir

Sundays 8:55 - 9:25 a.m.

Contact: Kay & Ed Coryell 303-741-1748

Youth Choir

Sundays 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.

Contact: Diane Whetson 303-791-4397

Sonrise Band

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.

Contact: Jim McCurry 303-470-6198

Flute Ensemble

Saturdays, 8:00 a.m.

Contact: Ruth Smith 303-683-0676

Brass Ensemble

Saturdays, 9:00 a.m.

Contact: Glenn Harm 303-683-8248

Big Band

Saturdays, 10:00 a.m.

Contacts: Carrie Mallery 303-346-8685

Bob Whetson 303-791-4397

Childcare is provided for Chancel Choir and Tintinnabulators.

A note from Betty Halderman

This has been a very difficult decision for me, but after a lot of thought and consideration, I will no longer be the Missions representative for Urban Peak. The new contact will be Penny Fiddler at 303-346-2733. I would like to thank all who have helped me support Urban Peak over the past eight years. St. Luke's Missions has supported Urban Peak, an organization which has helped a lot of young people better their lives, for ten years. Our donations of a meal once a month helps Urban Peak to continue their work. I hope you will give Penny the same support you have given me. Sign up now to help out with dinners in the coming months. Once again, I thank all of you who have helped me help a lot of others. It has been a very rewarding part of my life.



Please join us in prayers of joy and thankfulness on the following births:

A son, Daniel Thomas, to Mark and Patti Speedy on 6-11-2000;

A son, Jacob, to Steve and Mayumi Campbell on 6-16-2000;

A son, Zachary Clark, to Rob and Jenny Hanna on 6-23-2000;

A son, Alex Kyle, to Jim and Karen Latsko on 7-7-2000; and

A son, Scott Allen, to Lisa and Joe Engle on 7-7-2000.



August SLY Activities

Sunday, August 6

10:30-11:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School 1-9 p.m. WaterWorld ñ All Youth

Tuesday, August 8

9:30-10:30 a.m. Breakfast Club/Einstein's Volleyball/Parker UMC

Wednesday, August 9

Deb's birthday

5:30-10 p.m.

Dinner and Concert at Hope UMC

Thursday, August 10

Mid-week Missions - trip to Elitches? call YouthLine

Tuesday, August 15

6:15-7 a.m.

Breakfast Club and back-to-school!

Sunday, August 20

10:30-11:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School 9 a.m.-8 p.m. Youth Council Day

Retreat

<u>Tuesday, August 22</u>

6:15-7 a.m. Breakfast Club/Einstein's

Tuesday, August 29

6:15-7 a.m. Breakfast Club/Einstein's

Sunday, September 3

10:30-11:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School No Youth Events, Labor Day Weekend

Tuesday, September 5

6:15-7 a.m. Breakfast Club/Einstein's

Sunday, September 10

10:30-11:30 a.m. Youth Sunday School Sometime in the evening: Youth Kick-off events

MARK YOUR CALENDARS: St. Luke's 2nd Annual Adult Education and Small Groups Fall Kick-off is Sept. 10th!

There will be a pot luck lunch, games and entertainment. Also, St. Luke's small groups will have tables with information about their group's plans for the next year. Small group leaders contact an Adult Education group member to coordinate your group's participation. Ideas from everyone are welcome (and desired). Adult Ed members are listed in the Adult Education Brochure or can be reached at adulted@StLukesHR.com

SLY Summer Sunday School continued...we're in the middle of session II, but all youth are welcome at any time. Classes are:

Faith in Action – led by Lynda Drake and Laurie Gilbert in the 7/8th grade room for all youth in grades 6-12.

Great Moments in Sports – led by John Mann and Hal Timm in the Youth Room for youth in grades 9-12.

Fall Sunday School begins Sept. 10. We will follow the new format with two or three sessions with three or more classes in each session. Classes will be smaller and focused on different topics. Check the bulletin and your mail in late August for details. Ask your favorite adult to lead a class!

Youth Council – there are still positions available on the 2000-2001 Youth Council. The youth council is a group of youth (and a few adult volunteers) who plan events for SLY for the school year. We need your input and commitment to make this the biggest and best SLY ever! Call Dottie or Deb for information.

The Youth Council Planning Retreat will be Sunday, August 20 from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. We'll mix a lot of laughs, food and some swimming with worship, planning and team building. If you have things you'd like to see happen at SLY during the year, give us your ideas (email them to Dottie or Deb or leave a message on the youthline or tell a member of the youth council or come to the planning retreat – you have no excuse because it's just too easy to give us your ideas!)

Mid-Week Missions comes to an end After a summer of work and fun at the public library, the Dumb Friends League, Templed Hills, Food Bank of the Rockies and Roxborough Park, it's time to play at Elitches! Our last mid-week mission event will be a trip to Elitch's on Thursday, August 10. For tickets and answers to your questions, call Deb.

SLY Fall Kick-Off Sometime in the evening of September 10, we will have a big event to celebrate the new year of SLY. You'll want to come to find out all the great things SLY hope to do in 2000-2001. The Youth Council will be planning this event at their retreat on Aug. 20, so catch the bulletin and your email for details!

Fall SLY Dates to put on your calendar:



October 6 Pumpkins Delivered! Pumpkin Patch!

October 22 Senior High Retreat Registration \$ due November 3-5 Senior High Retreat to Templed Hills

SLY Online Are you on our Email list? We're working on a SLY email list, and we need your address so you can keep up-to-date on SLY events. If you do not get email from SLY, send your address to Shawn Funk, webmaster of the St. Luke's youth webpage. You can find us through the St.Luke's page, www.StlukesHR.com.

To email Deb or Dottie, use Stlukeshr@uswest.net or Dottie at JohnDottieM@aol.com

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Sunday Worship Services (Summer Schedule)

9:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m.

Sunday School Classes (Summer Schedule)

9:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m. - Adult, Youth & Children's Classes Nursery available for all services.

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All people of St. Luke's.

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