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# "One thing I'll remember most about Cambodia is laughter"

By Nita Dunn

Rich Boon performing magic tricks for the workers - and the laughter as they try
to duplicate the tricks - and can't.
 Dancing in a conga line with women from
St. Luke's to pack the sand down between the bricks of a newly laid floor.

Watching Brett and Marla play soccer with the local kids - and hearing the children's laughter.
The children were all so interested in us and learned all our names. We tried to learn their names - ending with mixed results, but always lots of laughter.
At the celebration of our last night in Siem Reap, some of the young people taught several of us a Cambodian dance. Our efforts produced lots of laughter!

• Listening to the quiet laughter of the local women who are preparing our meals. They sit together working as they talk, share and laugh about life. Such a wonderful way of life - I find myself envious.

Someone recently asked me why I went to Cambodia. I expected to work hard - and I got what I expected there. But I got so much more than I ever gave. The people not only accepted us into their community, but they let us into their hearts as well. The children laughed and played with us - they learned our names and

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## 30 Hour Famine - Feb. 23-24

By Erin Laurvick

The 30 Hour Famine, a fight against world hunger, is coming to St. Luke's in February. Sponsored by World Vision, this life changing movement collects money each year for those in need. St. Luke's youth are taking on this mission on February 23rd and 24th, along with many other organizations across the world. Money raised through pledges, is sent to places including Peru, Tanzania, Rwanda,

North Korea, Ethiopia and even some parts of the United States. Activities and bible studies fill our 30 hours of starvation. Our 30 hours are a mere glimpse into the reality of many people's whole life. Please help support us in any way you can. Either in prayer, funds, participation or encouragement. Your strength will help. For more information: www.30hourfamine.org By raising the awareness of hunger and poverty, our youth are helping to change the world.





## Church Conference - Feb. 25th: Mark your calendar!

Everyone is encouraged to participate in this church-wide celebration. Join us for lunch, fellowship, celebration of our history and celebration of our future together. You will hear from a variety of St. Luke's leaders. Plans are also in place to discuss a new organizational structure that will allow our vision and core values (of being Invitational, Relational and Missional) to be intentional throughout our St. Luke's community. Each of you is valuable to St. Luke's. Please take the time to attend our Church Conference so that we may share with one another and grow together. RSVP to 303-791-0659.

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On the way back from Cambodia, Rich Boon videotaped the team members answering the question, "What was the one thing that left the strongest impression?" I managed to escape the taping, but here is my answer. First I would fudge the question, and give several answers!

The first impression had to do with the power of a vision to shape new life for many people. The contrast between two visions was so striking. The vision of the Khmer Rouge, and the vision/dream of Joseph Chan; the former a vision for death, the latter a vision for life. The Khmer Rouge sought to take the country back to "year zero," and form an agrarian utopia. As a result, over two million people died, from starvation, disease, execution and war. They taught hate, mistrust, fear, and tried to extinguished hope for any other life. For over two decades, Joseph dreamed of returning to Cambodia, to bring the hope of Christianity, and new possibilities for life through churches, orphanages, a community center—enabling children to go to school, and adults to get vocational training.

Your support enabled them to secure four plots of land, build two dormitories, a vocational training center, purchase supplies (beds, desks, kitchen supplies, etc.), dig four wells, and construct two bathrooms with septic tanks.

A second impression had to do with the children—their eagerness to learn, and their willingness to share. When we taught an English class, many were on the edges of their seats, pencils poised, hanging on every word. That wasn't due so much to teaching skill as it was their eagerness to learn. When we handed out suckers after Sunday School, even though they may never have had one before, the older children helped the younger ones come up and get one. No one pushed anyone out of the way. They took turns, lick for lick, until everyone had one. If you tried to give one to someone who already had a sucker, instead of grabbing for another, she or he would say they already had one.

One of the most poignant moments for me was the last night at our celebration and communion service. The village chief had spread the word that we were going to serve food, and there would be pop—Coke, 7-Up, something most people couldn't afford. Kids were given sandwiches, they had never seen before. There were over 300 people. Most had never been to a worship service, and didn't really know what was going on. But they knew there was something different there, there was life there, there was hope there.

We used the words for communion that we use at St. Luke's: "We bring bread from a world were some have enough to eat, and many are hungry. We bring juice from a world where some have leisure, and many struggle to survive."

In that setting, at that table, we were one.

At St. Luke's we say that we believe that all people are a part of the Family of God. But we usually experience that in our own terms, on our own turf. As we step outside our own horizons of meaning and assumption, we too become open to new realities, new possibilities for life.

The Spanish Christian philosopher Miguel de Unamuno says that if you want to know what a person's real faith is, you have to find out not what they say they believe, but what they really hope for. Their dream. What is your dream? So that what? For whom?

May we dream impossible dreams, for all God's people.

Shalom,





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

Mike Richards' dad, the Reverend Jack Richards; Kendra Lee; Norma Harris;

Cathy Randel's mother, Margie Todd; Yvonne Amrine's mother, Norma Arnold; Jerod and Madison Saggau, friends of Kerry Timm; Corina Hall's dad, Alex Alameda; Corina Hall;

Stewart Brown; Betsey Keyack;

Jean Brown's mother, Marie Thacker; Sherry Merrill's friend, Mike Stanley; Sue Townsend;

Vickie Ferguson's friend's sister, Sandra Hastey; Sharon Scholle's brother-in-law, Bob Urban; and Sharon Scholle's friend, Bob Whitzel.

#### We continue to pray for:

Margaret Payne; Sharon Scholle's cousin, Bill Proctor; Connie Shoemaker's mother, Mildred Johnson; and Jeri Millard, friend of Kerri Timm.

#### We extend our prayers and sympathy to:

Mary Krapf and family on the death of her father, Thor Madsen;

Gwen Riggles and family on the death of her mother, Ruth Freese;

Randy Larson and family on the death of his father, John Larson;

Ed Law and family on the death of his father, Harry Law;

Bill Lee and family on the death of his friend, Sylvia Gaskin; and

Peter Thompson and family on the death of his uncle.



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

A daughter, Alexandra Isabel, to Greg and Kerry Lucero on 11-9-00;

Twins, Jerod and Madison, to Brian and Brenda Saggau on 12-15-00; and

A daughter, Tessa Berit, to Jim and Cindy Holmstoen on 1-21-01.

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

# **New Members**



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# Jenita Rhodes

Co-Director of Children's Ministries

If you can't find Jenita in the St. Luke's office, she may be down in the new Sunday School wing drawing giant sized nativity figures on sheets of paper taped to the wall. Or, she may be recruiting more members to participate in children's ministry, or kicking back to read the latest Newbery Award winning books. But chances are also good that she's spending time with her own two kids.

Jenita grew up in Salina, Kansas. As a high school senior in the color guard, she met a freshman from Kansas State who played the bugle in the Drum and Bugle Corps. His name was David Rhodes. After high school, Jenita claims she wasn't going to choose a college just to be near some man, so she chose to attend Emporia State Teacher's College. However, the next year she transferred to Kansas State and eventually married that bugler.

After Jenita earned her degree in business marketing, she and David moved to Kansas City where she worked in banking for about 10 years. After the birth of their son Doug, Jenita went back to school for her MBA. The family then moved to Pueblo, Colorado, where Jenita was a stay-home mother. When Jenita was expecting her second child, she had a dream telling her the child's name and spelling - her daughter, Jenelle.

When the family moved up to the Denver area, Doug was in kindergarten. Jenita began working at the kids' school, and was the volunteer coordinator at Northridge for four years. After that she was the librarian for two years. Her goal was to reach kids, both spiritually and academically. While she had considered taking a position within the church before, the opening last fall caught her by surprise. While she didn't really feel "done" with her position at the library and hadn't been as involved with Sunday School for several years, she decided to take a "leap of faith" and apply. She has found that the position is a great fit, and she especially appreciates the supportive people that surround her at St. Luke's.

Jenita has a lot of plans for children's ministries at St. Luke's. She says that her goal is to "get as many adults involved in children's ministry as I possibly can." She would like to involve people with and without kids, singles and young married couples as well as emptynesters. She realizes that kids need mentoring adults in their lives in addition to their parents, and that Sunday School may not reach all of them. Opportunities to watch for include special events, Wednesday or Friday night programs for kids, and possibly a puppet ministry. She has a special interest in creating multi-generational links in a community where we may be separated from our own extended families.

In her spare time, Jenita still enjoys reading the literature for children and young adults that she spent so much time with as a school librarian. In addition to great writing, she likes reading these books because they lack the sex, violence, and strong language that seem to work their way into so many books for adults. She enjoys sewing and crafts but seldom has the time to do them unless she is working on a project at the church with the kids. She also enjoys gardening, although she admits that much of what she plants just goes to seed. When given a choice, she tends to spend her time nurturing young people instead.

**Laughter** *Continued from Page 1.....* called out eagerly to us whenever they saw us. It was music to my ears when little Bontah called to me each day to walk with him. The women cared for us in only the way a mother can, and they shared their life stories with us - as well as their quiet smiles. At our celebration service and dinner, the young men and women shared their joy of life - inviting us to dance with them, teaching us the dance steps and sharing our laughter as we clumsily moved through dance steps that seemed so graceful when they performed them. The men of the community worked side by side with us on the building - all the while sharing jokes and trying to laugh just like Dan Raap. Dan has such a wonderful laugh and smile. I'm not sure how I'll ever repay the people of Siem Reap for all they've given me.

# The "Lay" test News: Why Am I Important?

A Message from our Lay Leaders - By Monty Hoffman

When I was a young adult, first separated from the support of my family, I struggled with the question of why I was important in the world. Did it have to do with what I owned, whom I knew, or how much power I had? Was life about winning and losing? It was only after I understood the Wesleyan vision of God's Love for all people did I realize that my value wasn't about any of these things. I am important because I am a child of God and loved by God. I am loved and valued by God for who I am and where I am, not for what I might become or what I might do.

I was reminded of this again at the January service done by the families of children with special needs. During the service, the parents made the point that what they had received from St Luke's that was important was the support of the community as they dealt with the burdens imposed by the special needs of their children. Just as importantly, they were glad that they weren't pitied. Their children were valued and loved by them and brought joy and love to their families. Their children, like me, are loved and valued by God for who they are and where they are.

It is important for us as a church family to be inclusive towards all people, and not just for what we can do for them. Like all of us at St Luke's, people with special needs are ministers also. I urge you to get to know them and let them minister to you. They will show you the power that God's Love has as you deal with the difficulties of life. They will teach you that, whatever your needs and abilities, you are a child of God, loved and valued by God.

**Introductory Level Bible Study** to be offered during Lent. "Questions of Faith" will be lead by Esther Miyahara-Cho beginning Ash Wednesday, February 28th. Each class will begin with a brief video clip from the Ecufilm series, "Questions of Faith", followed by an open discussion of a basic question of Christian faith: What is God like? What good is prayer? Who is Jesus? Do you believe in miracles? Then, we will study and together wrestle with Scriptural passages in the Bible which open up for us deeper reflections on these questions of faith. Class will follow Community Dinner and Lent Worship every Wednesday from 7-8pm. You may call Esther Miyahara-Cho for more information at 303-791-0659.

# Donations Update - Sterile/Rubber Gloves Needed

How do I begin to say <u>Thank You</u> enough for all of the donations for the Orphans and Women in Zimbabwe. We have collected, packed and have ready to ship enough brand new and used clothing, shoes, blankets, books and more, to send 3 boxes a month for an entire year! Thank you St. Luke's Members!

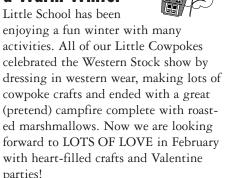
I wanted to let you know, Dr. Tapiwa Mucherera contacted me several months ago, requesting donations to be sent to yet another orphanage, just opening outside of Africa University. (Dr. Mucherera was our former Missionary in Residence.) A history of the children and their pictures is tacked up on the Missions corner bulletin board. We have sent off 6 boxes to the Ishe Anesu Project already.

I'm no longer requesting clothing, my basement is full! Yes! However, if you would like to continue to be a part of this program, I am looking for boxes of sterile or rubber gloves. The caretakers asked if we could possibly send gloves because they work with children who have a variety of illnesses and diseases. I would like to add a box or two to each package we send. Also, the cost of shipping has gone up, so if you'd like to make a donation earmarked for Zimbabwe mailing, that would be greatly appreciated. I am currently looking for a less expensive shipping arrangement.

Please, there are so many other places here in town that would be thrilled to receive your donations, look in our reference library, next to the Missions corner table, to see who else might be looking for your donations. And feel free to contact me if you have any questions or suggestions:

Laurie Gilbert 303-791-1328.

# Little School Having a Warm Winter



Little School is holding a school-wide Scholastic book fair which is open to all of our church members, Feb. 2 through 9. We are pleased to offer a wonderful variety of books to our families. Claire Lily, our book mom, does an outstanding job organizing our wonderful fairs.

Registration for Fall of 2001 is open to new families starting February 17th. Space is limited and we fill very quickly. If you are a current church member, you should have already registered.

HELP! Little School needs a <u>computer</u> to help network Ms. Kay and Ms. Tami's offices. We need a new model computer with CD rom capabilities to handle a Nic card. If you have just recently upgraded your computer and would like to donate one to Little School, please call us!

Little School was recently recognized by Thunderidge High School for our participation in their intern program. Ms. Melissa Berry has been coming to our school for the past semester helping in our classrooms. She is interested in a career in Early Childhood and has been a big help in our classroom. We all love Melissa. She will also be with us this semester and we are very happy to have her!

Little School is looking forward to even warmer weather and we will no doubt be learning lots of new things, as we get closer to springtime. Please feel free to come and visit us any time! We Lovingly, love to have Ms Kay" visitors or helpers and Staff at our school.

# **Children's Ministries Team Update**

Thanks to all who helped with the Children's Christmas Eve Service—it went very well and we are grateful to all of the many people that contributed to its success.

Ash Wednesday (February 28) marks the beginning of a seven-week St. Luke's Kids Wednesday Lenten Program for children ages Preschool through Elementary.

Following each Wednesday dinner, through Wednesday, April 11, a special half-hour Lenten activity will be held for the children while the Adult Lent Worship Service is taking place upstairs. This is a great opportunity for your child to learn more about the events surrounding Easter and why they are so important to our Christian faith. For those parents who are interested in joining a small

group Bible study that will follow the Lent Services, please call Tammy Bell at 303-791-0659. There will be an additional hour of activities for your child to enjoy also.

The Easter Saturday Committee is now forming and needs many helping hands. This committee will be in charge of producing the Easter Egg hunt, petting zoo and other events on the Saturday before Easter, April 14. Call Sheri Larsen at 303-791-3153 or Sandy Larson at 303-773-6872 if you would like to help plan this incredibly fun and popular event.

Coming soon to a fellowship hall (St. Luke's) near you: The Children's

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Dinner Theater. On May 18 you will be able to join your children in watching the first ever St. Luke's Children's Dinner Theater. Put on by our own talented Drama Team for our children, the dinner theater will be a wonderful evening of entertainment. Dinner will be served from 5:30 pm to 6:30 pm followed by the play. If you are interested in helping with food preparation or the show itself, please contact Deb Whitelam at 303-795-6042.

Though the snow is still around, our thoughts have already turned to the summer. And that means Vacation Bible School and Seven Summer Fun Days. We are happy to bring back the Seven Summer Fun Days and look forward to another great week of Vacation Bible School. If you would be interested in volunteering for Vacation Bible School (June 25-29 from 9:30am to 12:00pm) please contact Jenita Rhodes at 303-791-0659. If you are interested in being a paid staff member for Seven Summer Fun Days (6/12, 6/19, 7/10, 7/17, 7/24, 7/31, 8/7 from 9:30am to 12:00pm) please contact Pat Dunnigan at 303-791-0659.

Parents who have children in Sunday School: Please remember to volunteer in your child's Sunday School classroom. Sign-up sheets are available in the classroom or at the Information Desk on Sundays. Thanks to those who have already volunteered - we appreciate the help!

#### Q: What is our next step for Cambodia?

A: "Dreaming Impossible Dreams" was the theme for the worship service that the Cambodia Mission Team presented following our trip.

Dreaming impossible dreams... Joseph Chan, our United Methodist General Board of Global Ministries missionary in Cambodia survived

the Killing Fields. He lost most of his friends and family, was taught to hate, to trust no one, and to forget what it is to hope. And yet, he dreamt the impossible. He dreamt of going back to Cambodia, of rebuilding love and trust and hope, and life for Cambodia. After having entered the United States as a refugee, he kept the hope and dream alive for 18 years, and shared his dream

with as many people as he could touch through his life.

He ministered to people in pain and need through local church ministry, he taught ESL classes in the public schools to Cambodia refugee children, mobilized his small community to have a voice in the international arena and United Nations, and found a way to make a place for Cambodia on the agenda of the national denominational structures of the United Methodist Church. "I can do nothing, nothing", he

repeated, "but God can do everything. We want to share hope for a meaningful life. With God, we share hope".

After 18 years, Joseph finally made it back to Cambodia, and continues to dream. There is much to be done. Just in the community center that St. Luke's has helped develop, the dream includes a rural clinic and especially a dental clinic for all those (especially children) who have no medical care, on-site vocational training, instruction in English for children and adults, Christian education, clean water and assistance for basic needs, as well as working towards a more humanitarian and just government.

Now that we have shared life with our brothers and sisters in Cambodia, through Dalay Dy (our missionary in residence over the summer) having become a part of our family, through our combined efforts at fundraising through the year, through our trip, through the sharing of our hopes and dreams for life together... we are involved. We are part of the same family and our lives are now thrown together in the same boat. As our communion liturgy goes, "at this table all share the cup of pain and of celebration..."

Our next step will require for us to dream, and most of all, it will require all of us. It will require all of us, as a family of God, to pray together, to listen for continued possibilities for life for St. Luke's and for Cambodia, and be willing to dream the impossible dreams that become "mission possible". What will a "future with hope" look like for all of us? The Cambodia Mission Team will be hosting a movie night in the near future where we will present an hour-long feature film (from on-site footage), share of some of our stories, and dream about the next steps and future for St. Luke's and Cambodia. Let us continue to pray and dream, plant gardens and lay bricks together!

Do you have a question about the Bible, a spiritual matter, St. Luke's or religion? Our brave Associate Minister, Esther Miyahara-Cho, is willing to take a stab at the answer. E-mail your questions to The Chronicle at sharonoliver@qwest.net or put them in our folder outside the church office. Thanks!

# **Upcoming Music Highlights**

During the month of February to celebrate Black History Month, the Chancel Choir will be singing several spirituals. Scheduled pieces include, "I Got Shoes," "Ain't Got Time to Die," and "I'm Gonna Sing 'till the Spirit Moves in my Heart".

You will have the chance to hear the Handbell Ensembles ringing on February 11 and March 18 at all 3 services.

The Cherub's Choir, Youth Choirs and Brass Ensemble will be performing at the 9:30 service on February 18.

The Big Band will be providing entertainment at the charge conference this vear, Sunday, February 25.

On March 11 we will celebrate the one year anniversary of St. Luke's new addition with an encore performance of the piece that was commissioned especially for St. Luke's; "Psalm 100" by Timothy Snyder. The Handbell Ensembles, Children's Choir, Brass Ensemble and Chancel Choir will all be performing during this Sunday's services at 9:30 and 11:00.

Singers are invited to join the Chancel Choir as it prepares music for the Easter season. Anyone interested in singing may join us for rehearsals on Thursdays at 7:30.

The Sonrise band will be providing energizing music during the 8:00 services. Special music that is on the schedule includes tunes by Jewel, Amy Grant and Jars of Clay. Singers and instrumentalists are invited to join the band at rehearsals on Wednesdays (for rehearsing and jamming!)

## All-church variety show

The Music Program will be organizing a variety/talent show on Saturday, May 5 at 7:30. This is the opportunity you "hams" in the congregation have been waiting for (as well as those with actual talent). Watch for audition details near the end of March.

#### St. Luke's Ensembles Benefit Concert

On Sun., April 22, 3:00 pm, all of the ensembles of our Music Program will be joining together to present an afternoon of spectacular music. If you like the music on Sunday mornings, wait until you hear what these groups sound like on a Sunday afternoon! Mark your calendars now to plan to attend.

# **Spotlight on the Cherub's Choir** By Janet Harm

It might surprise you that this year's Cherub's Choir, a musical group for children three through kindergarten-age, has an active roster of 35 members of which only two are kindergartners. As director, I marvel at what these mostly-preschoolers have contributed to the ministry of St. Luke's over the past three months of the year. They have regularly attended practices once a week, sang for the congregation once a month, and performed in the children's Christmas musical. They have worked hard at learning their songs, new musical terms, how to sing with an accompanist, and how to follow directions. The purpose of Cherub's Choir is to provide a Christian music program that is 1) fun, an opportunity for fellowship and for being a part of the church community; 2) meaningful, where children learn about God through Christian music, Bible stories and working together; and 3) foundation-building, laying a basis for further participation in church choirs, musicals and ensembles. For 45 minutes on Wednesday nights, they practice the songs they will perform in church that month, they learn basic musical skills such as listening, recognizing rhythm patterns and keeping tempo with rhythm sticks or other tools, they see and hear about instruments from guest musicians, and they have fun dancing and moving to music.

It is a blessing to the group to have Linda Moore as our piano accompanist. Having never served in that role before and having studied piano for only one and a half years, her courage to play for the congregation is as impressive as the children's courage to stand before you to sing. Having a piano accompanying the children not only enhances your experience as the audience, but it also reinforces the children's skills at listening for musical phrasing, tone and tempo. Cherub's Choir practices each Wednesday night at 6:30 pm at the church. Many families also take advantage of the convenience and fellowship of the community suppers served beforehand starting at 5:30 pm. (Note no suppers are scheduled until Lent in February). If you have any questions or comments regarding the choir, please contact me at (303) 683-8248 or e-mail me at Janet@Harm.net



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#### Alpha Ringers - Beginning Handbell Choir

Rehearsal time: Tuesday 6:00-7:00pm Music Team Coordinator and Director: Lisa Lewis (303) 221-6323

#### **Big Band**

Rehearsal time: Saturday 10:00-11:00am Music Team Coordinator: Carrie Mallery (303) 346-8685

#### **Brass Ensemble**

Rehearsal time: Saturday 9:00-10:00am Music Team Coordinator: Ed Cooper (303) 850-9413

#### **Chancel Choir**

Rehearsal time: Thursday 7:30-9:00pm Music Team Leader and Director: James Ramsey (303) 466-0080

#### Cherub's Choir

Rehearsal time: Wednesday 6:30-7:15pm Music Team Coordinator & Director: Janet Harm (303) 683-8248

#### Children's Choir

Rehearsal time: Sunday 8:55-9:25am Music Team Coordinators & Director: Kay & Ed Coryell (303) 741-1748

#### Flute Ensemble

Rehearsal time: Saturday 8:00-9:00am Music Team Coordinator: Ruth Smith (303) 683-0676

#### **Senior High Youth Choir**

Rehearsal time: Sunday 5:00-6:00pm Music Team Coordinator and Director: Diane Whetson (303) 791-4397

#### Middle School Youth Choir

Rehearsal time: Sunday 5:00-6:00pm Music Team Coordinator and Director: Lisé Takayama (303) 791-2812

#### **Sonrise Band**

Rehearsal time: Wednesday 7:30-9:00pm Music Team Coordinator: Jim McCurry (303) 470-6198

#### **Tintinnabulators - Handbell Choir**

Rehearsal time: Tuesday 7:00-8:30pm Music Team Coordinator and Director: Lisa Lewis (303) 221-6323

Childcare is provided during Thursday and Saturday rehearsals.

# **Making A Difference**

I just wanted to say Thank you to everyone at St. Luke's for the donations given throughout the last year. It's because we pulled together, that we were able to see, that we are making a difference in the lives of the people in Cambodia. We could see the promise of hope everywhere we went, it just takes people to help build on it. When we placed our "Bricks of Hope" Certificates in the cornerstone of the building it symbolized more than just our participation, it also was a promise, a promise to always remember the beautiful people - Laurie Gilbert of Cambodia.



Saturday, Feb. 10

Confirmation Connection at Iliff - Meet at St. Luke's at 8:30, return about 4:30

Sunday,	Feb.	11
9:30 & 1		

11:00-12:30 2:30-4:30

Youth Sunday Rehearsal/Script Writing Youth Choirs - Middle School & High School Youth Supper

Youth Sunday School

Confirmation Class

6:00-6:30 6:30-8:00

Youth Supper SLY - Grades 6-12

#### <u>Tuesday, Feb. 13</u>

6:15-7:00

5:00-6:00

Breakfast Club, Einstein's

#### <u>Sunday, Feb. 18</u>

9:30 & 11:00 11:00-12:30 11:00-2:00

Youth Sunday School Confirmation Class 6th Grade SLY - Ice Skating at Evergreen Lake. Check SLY Line for

details.

2:30-4:30 Youth Sunday

Rehearsal/Script Writing
5:00-6:00
Youth Choirs - Middle
School & High School
Youth Supper

No Evening SLY Activities, President's Day Weekend.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 20

6:15-7:00

Breakfast Club, Einstein's

#### Fri.-Sat. Feb. 23-24

30 Hour Famine - Watch For Details

#### Sunday, Feb. 25

9:30 & 11:00 11:00-12:30 Youth Sunday School Confirmation Class Youth Sunday

Rehearsal/Script Writing No Youth Choir or Evening SLY Activities.

#### Tuesday, Feb. 27

6:15-7:00

Breakfast Club, Einstein's

# SLY - a place to grow, love, pray and laugh

# This is one class assignment you are sure to learn something from!

Youth Sunday 2001 is March 4 at all three services. You've seen us in our Youth Room. Last year you got to come to church to watch T.V. So, how can we out do ourselves this year? We simply define Grace for you! Wait, that's not an easy task! Kids are baffled when a teacher assigns a group project: "What is Grace?" How do a bunch of teenagers define Grace? Come see Youth Sunday on March 4th and watch the stereotyped teens try to figure out for themselves what Grace is and then explain it to their classmates! Come to class on March 4th prepared to get the scoop on Grace.

**30 Hour Famine February 23-24** SLY will be taking part in the 30 Hour Famine. They will be going without food for, you guessed it, 30 Hours. Why would they do such a thing? Youth groups all around the country will be doing without chips, pizza, pop - all the major food groups - that weekend in order to raise money to fight hunger. Youth will be collecting pledges and donations for each hour they go without food. Money raised will go to World Vision projects around the world. This year's focus areas are Peru and Tanzania. Funds will also go to Rwanda, North Korea, Ethiopia and the United States. You can help by sponsoring one or more youth in their fast. Look for the display outside the Sanctuary throughout the month of February and stop by and pledge. We can Change the World.

Who Is Vijay? Did you know that SLY has adopted a ten-year-old boy through Compassion International? His name is J. Vijay Anand and he lives in the southern part of India, in Erode. Vijay lives with other boys in a boarding home there. Most of the boys there are from remote villages where their families live in mud huts with no electricity or bathroom facilities. More than half of the adults are unemployed and the rest struggle to make a living as farm laborers. Our support of Vijay provides him with health education and health care that includes nutritious meals, vitamins, eye exams, and health screening. Most boys suffer from malnutrition when they arrive at the home so health care and food are most important. Vijay also receives textbooks, school fees and tuition, and clothing. He also is surrounded by Christian teachers and attends Christian Education classes. The cost to sponsor a child is \$28 per month. If your church group or family would like to find out more about sponsoring a child call Compassion International at 800-336-7676 or online at www.ci.org.

# Thank You to everyone who contributed to the youth Bible fund.

The youth department was able to purchase seventy new Bibles, a Bible dictionary, a Bible commentary, the Women's Bible Commentary, and several other resources. We would like to thank: the St. Luke's Bridge Group, Nancy and Brad Chase, Steven and Karen Colman, Alan and Sue Ball, Lisa Bryan, David and Bonnie Funk, Dave and Lorraine Kuester, Don and Alberta Haas, Dave and Elizabeth Laurvick, Michael and Christy Ogden, Michael and Laura Richards, and John and Caroline Merchant. Your names have been placed in the Bibles or other resources as the donor. If we missed anyone who donated we apologize and hope you will let us know so that we may include your name with the others. Again, thank you so much for your support of the youth at St. Luke's.

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# **Sunday Worship Services**

8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 11:00 a.m

# **Sunday School Classes**

9:30 a.m. & 11:00 a.m. - Adult, Youth & Children's Classes Nursery available for all services.

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