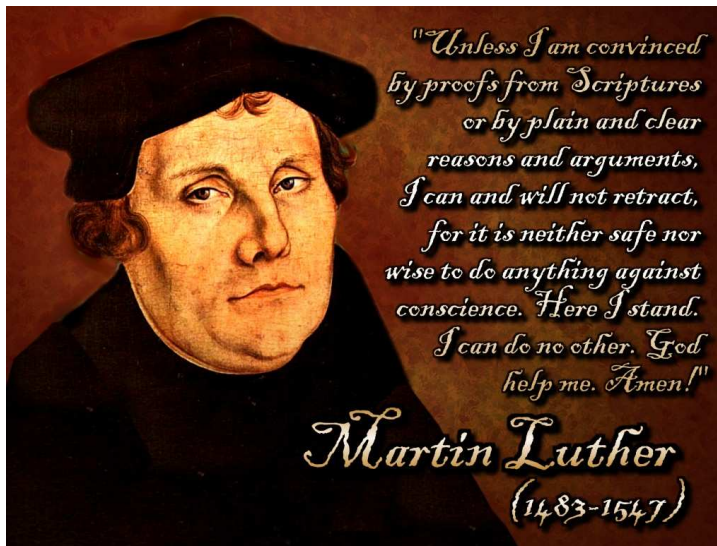

The Master's Voice

Lutheran Church of the Master

February 2011

The Church Remembers Martin Luther's death on February 18

Augsburg Publishing House's **Festivals and Commemorations** (1980) tells us that back in 1523, Martin Luther was "called to Eisleben to mediate a family quarrel among the princes of Mansfield, and after resolving the quarrel, Luther died there in the town of his birth on February 18." (page 81)



shortly thereafter, Dr. Jonas asked him: "Do you want to die standing firm on Christ and the doctrine you have taught?" Luther's body moved, and in a loud voice he said, 'Ja!' It was now 3:00 A.M. Luther's heart burst. The reformer died." (page 297) Thousands of people came for his funeral.

James M. Kittelson's **Luther the Reformer** (Augsburg, 1986), says that as death drew near, Martin Luther had said "This is true. We are all beggars." And

As the Church remembers Martin Luther's death on February 18, I want to

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Pastor's Corner

by **Pastor Curt Gerald**

encourage us to give thanks for his life because Luther was one of those people through whom God literally changed the world including the Church.

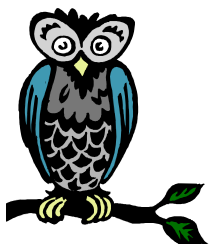
In *Luther's Prayers* (Augsburg, 1994), Herbert F. Brokering translated several of the reformer's prayers. Luther's simple yet powerful faith is evident in this prayer for relief from misery: "Lord, misery and misfortune annoy me and oppress me. I long to be rid of them. You have said, Ask and it will be given you. So I come and ask. Amen." (p. 16)

- *Pastor Curt*

From our Diaconal Minister

By Pat Gerber Bornholt

ATTENTION: Women of LCM: Tuesday night Women's Bible study. We are studying the book of Revelation. We meet at the Bornholt home; 1270 Central Park Dr. The next meeting will be on **February 15 @ 7 PM.**



OWLS NEWS:

Winter Schedule

2/9 11:30 AM Lunch
2/23 9:30 AM Brunch
3/9 12 PM Ash Wednesday/worship
& soup luncheon.
3/16 Noon worship and soup.
3/23 Noon worship and soup.
3/30 Noon worship and soup.
4/6 Noon worship and soup.
4/13 Noon worship and soup.

Holy week activity to be determined.

GREEN OPPORTUNITY

We will continue to collect cell phones! If you have an old cell phone, please bring it to the office and I will see that it gets to the recycling people. The phones are refurbished and given to service men and women. Thanks to all who have turned in theirs. We have mailed a box full almost every month so far.



END OF LIFE DECISIONS

LCM has a pamphlet available entitled "Five Wishes" which helps you make some of the necessary end of life decisions. I am available if anyone is interested in this information. Please leave a message in the church office.

- Please keep the church office informed of people who are **hospitalized or homebound** so that I can visit them and bring communion. Hospitals can no longer call the Church with information because of the new HIPAA laws.
- I also have information for anyone who is interested in making plans for their funeral ahead of time. Please let me know if you are interested in this information.

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New Ministry at LCM!

On Monday evenings at 6:30 PM, LCM will be hosting a group called **TEEN PARENT CONNECTION**. This is a group for teen parents to come together with other teen parents to share what it is like to deal with the issues such as school, family and caring for a baby. This support group is also a great way for these teens to meet others to learn about how to care for their children. The mission of this group, which is part of Healthy Families DuPage, serves the community of Carol Stream. This will be accomplished through education on the realities and the responsibility of teenage pregnancy and through long-term assistance to adolescent parents for their development of self-esteem, parenting skills and empowerment toward self-sufficiency.

A friend of mine who is an associate pastor at Knox Presbyterian Church in Naperville, Rev. Cindy Karos, says this ministry has become a very vital ministry in their congregation.

It is my hope to enlist a number of folks willing to provide a very simple meal for them on a Monday evening. Who knows how God will work through us to help these young people. Please let me

know if you are willing to become involved in this ministry.

SOME THINGS TO THINK ABOUT!

From: 101 Ways to Be Your Best,
Michael E Angier

“Spontaneity is the quality of being able to do something just because you feel like it at the moment, of trusting your instincts, of taking yourself by surprise and snatching from the clutches of your well-organized routine, a bit of un-scheduled plea.”

Author unknown

“The essence of pleasure is spontaneity.”

Germaine Greer

“Our whole life is an attempt to discover when our spontaneity is whimsical, sentimental irresponsibility and when it is a valid expression of our deepest desires and values.”

Helen M. Lynd

“The reason people find it so hard to be happy is that they always see the past better than it was, the present worse than it is and the future less resolved than it will be.”

Marcel Pagnol

“True happiness is to enjoy the present, without anxious dependence upon the future.”

Seneca

“I love my past, I love my present. I am not ashamed of what I have had and I am not sad because I no longer have it.”

Sidonie G. Colette

“People who live in the past generally are afraid to compete in the present. I’ve got my faults, but living in the past is not one of them. There’s no future in it.”

Sparky Anderson

Pat Gerber Bornholt,
Diaconal Minister



Renewal Team

Renewal Team Ready for Action

Lutheran Church of the Master formed a Renewal Team to address challenges as we prepare to call a full time pastor when Pastor Curt leaves in February 2013. Team members Pastor Curt Gerald, Pat Gerber Bornholt, Linda and Paul Baranowski, Larry Buchman, Al and Shirley Lyles, Dorothy and Kristin Sonntag, and Coach Pastor Jeff Fricke from the Metropolitan Chicago Synod reflected on LCM’s history, mission, challenges, and strengths. We have been a family-focused, community-focused church that needs to continue building a community of care as we manage competing priorities in order to grow.

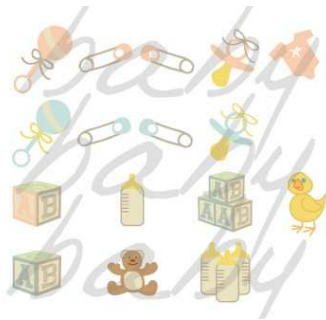
The Renewal Team encourages support for the following steps to more actively live our mission of worship, study, fellowship, and service.

- * Read the Bible in 90 days starting January 1.

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- * Deliver a Spiritual Leadership series during 2011.
- * Endorse and encourage adopting a Steps of Discipleship Covenant.
- * Consider a step to reduce our mortgage to improve our financial position to call a pastor.
- * Provide a coordinated, structured spiritual development program that spans pre-school through high school.
- * Enhance Nursery services by Easter as a mission outreach for attracting young families.

It's a
Baby
Shower!



The Congregation is invited to a Baby Shower/Bakery Exchange on **Sunday, March 13** following the 10:00 worship service. Members can donate nursery items in exchange for bakery. Watch the weekly bulletin for details on this self-funded, unbudgeted mission project.

Finance Update

December 2010

General Fund

Current Month	Offering	22,925.00
	Expenses	(18,297.00)
	Net	4,628.00

YTD	Offering	250,562.00
	Expenses	(234,548.00)
	Net	16,014.00

Building Fund

Current Month	Offering	6,105.00
	Expenses	(7,432.00)
	Net	(1,327.00)

YTD	Offering	86,769.00
	Expenses	(96,450.00)
	Net	(9,681.00)

Christian Education

TEAM LEADER: Kris Flanigan

Book club will offer faith and fun

Lit-n-Lattes, a book club for adults, will feature books with enough variety to appeal to all kinds of readers – classic literature, thrillers, dramas, romances, all with contents that can encourage great spiritual discussions. The club will begin after the “Bible in 90 Days” has ended. If you’re interested, contact Kris Flanigan, 630-682-3061 or kflanigan419@att.net.

Nursery news

To be a family-friendly church, LCM needs a nursery. That’s the conclusion of both the LCM renewal team and the Christian education committee. An ad hoc committee is working on plans. The goal is to have a safe, well-equipped, regularly staffed nursery before Easter.

Sunday school news

As they learn the Bible story about the baptism of Jesus, the preschool and elementary children are also creating a baptism banner, making honey and “locust” mix, watching a movie, remem-

bering their own baptisms, and dramatizing John the Baptist’s birth. Elizabeth Dusik, Shirley Lyles, Mark Skipworth, Bill Walleck, and Patty Olejnik are leading the workshops.

Beginning February 20, the lessons will focus on Jesus as the light of the world.

Children will build an electric circuit, decorate candle tins, make flambé, create a book, and play a Bible version of Trivial Pursuit.

Teachers are needed; sign up on the Christian Education bulletin board in the

school hallway.

Fifth and sixth graders continue to grapple with topics that are relevant to pre-teens. Their class meets twice a month so that students can attend worship on the other Sundays. Kris Flanigan and Ernie Fornero teach the class.





Lutheran Church of the
Master's



FEAST OF FOOLS Sunday, March 6

4:30 - Doors Open & Silent Auction Begins

5:00 - Dinner is Served

Talent Show immediately following dinner.

**Free Will Reservations will be accepted
between services Sunday, Feb. 20th and 27th**

Suggested Donation - Over 5 years of age - \$8 per person.

Proceeds to help fund 212 Ministries - Thank you for your generosity.



We are blessed to have an incredibly gifted group of students in 212 that will be showcasing their talents and hosting the evening. There will be a silent auction, baked goods sale, spaghetti dinner and talent show.

We happen to think we have a very exceptional congregation too! Perhaps **YOU** have a talent (entertainment, crafts or baking) that you'd like to share!

Tickets to reserve your place will be available between services on Sunday, *February 20th and 27th* for a suggested donation of \$8.00 each.

Please plan to attend and support our students as all **proceeds will be used towards a summer mission trip**. Please see Kim Wall *or* Julie Mangum with questions.



8th Grade

Confirmation Retreat

When: March 11-13, 2011

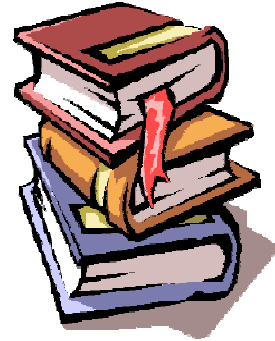
Where: Lutheran Outdoor
Ministries Oregon, IL)

Cost: \$104 (\$50 due
February 2;
balance [\$54] due
February 23)

A fun-filled weekend with games, music, and a night hike are some of the activities planned. Contact your mentor if you have questions, or email cathy.beckman@sbcglobal.net.

Adult Education

Do you love to read? We are testing the waters to see if anyone is interested in starting a book club.



Lit-n-Lattes features 24 books with enough variety to appeal to all kinds of readers. There are stories to make you laugh and some that will make you cry, classic literature as well as newer reads, thrillers, dramas and even a bit of time travel. The titles in the guide book were chosen because readers love them and they can encourage great spiritual discussions. Each recommended book has discussion questions to dig into the heart of the content of each book and to explore the spiritual themes of the book. Titles include The Book Thief, My Sister's Keeper, To Kill a Mockingbird and The Last Sin Eater.

We are looking to start in the spring, after the Bible in 90 days reading has ended. Interested? Contact Kris Flanigan 630-682-3061 or kflanigan419@att.net

Come and see Tyler fly - he's John Darling in this winter's CYT Production of Peter Pan, using the British musical score.

DuPage County Proudly Presents



Peter Pan, like its namesake, is a tale which never ages. Children and adults alike have all fallen under the spell of Neverland, a place where children can fly and exciting, frightening adventures happen every day.

In 1985 Piers Chater Robinson adapted J.M. Barrie's book for the stage, and now, 25 years later, his innovative Peter Pan musical score is well known and loved, performed in professional and amateur productions worldwide and is quickly becoming the most popular musical version of Peter Pan internationally. CYT is pleased to be selected as one of the first theaters in Chicago to produce it!

Join all your favorite characters: Peter Pan, Wendy, John, Michael, the dastardly Captain Hook and his sidekick Smee, Tiger Lily, the Lost Boys, Pirates, Neverland Indians, Fairies, Nana the pet dog and, of course, that scary crocodile as CYT travels to Neverland like you've never experienced it before. You can find more information about this production at www.peterpanthemusical.com

Running time is approx. 2 hours for public performances, 1 hour & 30 minutes for school day performances

Location: McAninch Arts Center, College of DuPage
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn IL

Public Performances

Thursday, February 24th - 7:00 pm
Friday, February 25th - 7:00 pm
Saturday, February 26th - 2:00 pm
Saturday, February 26th - 6:00 pm
Sunday, February 27th - 2:00 pm
Sunday, February 27th - 6:00 pm

School Day Performances

Wednesday, February 23rd - 9:30 am
Wednesday, February 23rd - 11:45 am
Thursday, February 24th - 9:30 am
Thursday, February 24th - 11:45 am

School Day Advanced Sales Ticket Info

School Groups (75 and up) - \$5.00
School Groups (15-74) - \$6.00
Groups under 15 - \$9.00

Advanced Sales Ticket Info

Adults - \$12.00
Children (2 - 17) - \$9.00
Seniors (62 +) - \$9.00
Groups (15 or more) - \$9.00

Sales at the Door

Adults - \$14.00
Children (2 - 17) - \$11.00
Seniors (62 +) - \$11.00
Groups (15 or more) - \$11.00

All Group prices are per each person in the group.

Call the CYT Box Office for Ticket information at (847) 516-2298 Monday -

Friday, 9am - 5pm. or visit our website at <http://www.cytchicago.org>

Worship Assistants — February

5:00	ALM	ACOLYTE	CRUCIFER	LECTOR	GREETER
Feb. 5-6	Kristin Sonntag	Elizabeth Rataj			
Feb. 12-13	Dorothy Sonntag	Nicole Baranowski			
Feb. 19-20	Tom Prickette	Elizabeth Rataj			
Feb. 26-27	Laura Bebee	Lucas Isla	Justin Isla		

8:30	ALM	GREETER	ACOLYTE	CRUCIFER	COMM. ASST. (YOUTH)	LECTOR (YOUTH)	ALTAR GUILD (YOUTH)
Feb. 5-6	Karen Mason						
Feb. 12-13	Shirley Lyles		Elizabeth Rataj				
Feb. 19-20	Karen Mason						
Feb. 26-27	Guy Schilke						

10:00	ALM	COMM ASST.	GREETER	ACOLYTE	CRUCIFER	COMM. ASST. (YOUTH)	LECTOR (YOUTH)	ALTAR GUILD (YOUTH)
Feb. 5-6	Kristin Sonntag	Jerry Hagevold		Jen Kraco	Raquel Donovan	Becca Neuman		Becca Neuman
Feb. 12-13	Karen Mason	Janet Wiederkehr		Dan Jonas	Michael Vatchev	Becca Neuman	Jillian Beckman	Becca Neuman
Feb. 19-20	Susan Kuczera	George Austermuehle		Lauren Schroeder	Samantha Grunwald	Becca Neuman		Becca Neuman
Feb. 26-27	Kristin Sonntag	Ellen Herman		Dan Jonas	Michael Vatchev	Ryan Neven		Brandon Kent

ALTAR GUILD: Team #3 : Celeste Reif, Cheryl Schilke, Doreen Morrissy

Worship & Music

Michael Benschish, Director

LCM MASTER MUSIC SCHEDULE

Tuesday, February 1	7:30 rehearsal – N’Soul
Thursday, February 3	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Saturday, February 5	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED!
Sunday, February 6	10:00 service: Master’s Voices 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus and Grace Notes
Monday, February 7	WORSHIP & MUSIC – 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, February 10	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Friday, February 11	7:00 rehearsal – For the Cross
Saturday, February 12	5:00 service: For the Cross
Sunday, February 13	10:00 service: For the Cross 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus and Grace Notes
Wednesday, February 16	7:00 rehearsal – N’Soul
Thursday, February 17	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Saturday, February 19	5:00 service: MUSIC LEADERSHIP NEEDED!
Sunday, February 20	10:00 service: N’Soul & Master’s Ringers 11:15 rehearsals – Jazzy4Jesus and Grace Notes
Wednesday, February 23	7:00 rehearsal – N’Soul
Thursday, February 24	6:30 rehearsal – Master’s Ringers 7:30 rehearsal – Master’s Voices
Friday, February 25	7:00 rehearsal – For the Cross
Saturday, February 26	5:00 service: For the Cross
Sunday, February 27	10:00 service: Master’s Voices & Grace Notes 11:15 rehearsal – Jazzy4Jesus

Social Ministry

Bob Reif, Chairperson

BLOOD
DRIVE



Saturday, February 26
9:00 am—1:00 pm

Sponsored by Heartland Blood Centers. They will have a mini mobile coach here that will accommodate between 8 and 16 people at a time. Sign up sheets are on the Welcome Center. Please be generous and give blood!!

Master's Christian Preschool

Diane Kurtz, Director

Fall 2011 Registration Begins:

In the midst of the current school year, it is time to think ahead to preschool registration for Fall, 2011.

January 18 Currently enrolled children, church members and alumni who wish to enroll for next year will have priority registration. Class assignment is on a first come, first serve basis.

February 1 Registration is open to the community.

If you are interested in enrolling or would like a tour of the facility please contact the preschool office at 630-665-3632.

Diane T. Kurtz

YOUR RECYCLED PAPER = MONEY FOR LCM!!!

How you ask? Have you noticed the big green and yellow container out in the southwest corner of the parking lot?

That's how!

THE MORE
YOU BRING,
THE MORE
WE MAKE!!



Here's what we can **each** do to help:
ANY of the following items **can** be deposited in the container:

- Newspapers / Magazines
- Catalogs / Junk Mail
- Office Paper / School Paper
- Shredded paper in clear plastic bags
- Phone books / Paperback books

These items **should NOT be collected:**

- Cardboard / Cereal boxes
- Kitchen/Bathroom paper products
- Plastics / Metals / Garbage

We encourage you to bring items from your home or business, as long as it is on the acceptable items listed above. The more you bring, the more we can make for LCM! The total tonnage is col-

lected and we receive a monthly check. What could be easier? You get rid of your paper recycling, and the church gets the funds!!

This is a FREE paper recycling program that teaches environmental stewardship, reduces waste hauling costs, and raises funds for our church.

We will have a "BRING YOUR RECYCLING TO CHURCH" day in the next couple of months, so keep an eye out for that!

If you have any questions, please email Merridee in the church office at mpanico@lcotm.org or call 630.665.3384.

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A Heartfelt Thank You...

On behalf of the children and adults served by Marklund, thank you for opening your heart this holiday season. Whether you donated your time or gifts, your efforts filled our homes and clients' lives with joy. Your support made this holiday season a special time for the residents of Marklund.

On December 24, our residents were filled with the holiday spirit as loved ones, volunteers and staff helped them open their gifts.



HABITAT FOR HUMANITY TO OPEN A RE-STORE IN ADDISON

DuPage Habitat for Humanity wants your old toilet! We will also take your old cabinets, and other new or gently used building supplies. Habitat will be opening a ReStore in Addison this summer, but we are accepting donations of construction materials NOW. ReStore is a facility that collects and sorts used or surplus household and construction materials, then sells these materials to the general public at greatly reduced prices. All profit from the sales funds the DuPage Habitat mission.

Every year Illinois landfills accumulate over 15 million tons of waste, which is then replaced by new products. DuPage ReStore will give the public an opportunity to donate usable products to be re-

sold at reduced prices to homeowners and contractors. According to estimates, one ReStore is capable of collecting, selling, and respectively diverting anywhere from 30 tons to 220 tons of material from landfills annually.

What we can take: Cabinets, Large appliances, Kitchen and Bath items, Unopened Paint, Wood, Flooring, Wood Furniture, Light Fixtures, Roofing, Tools.

What we cannot take: Opened Paint, Upholstered Furniture, Small Appliances, Books, Clothes, Dishes.

DuPage Habitat's ReStore will open in Summer 2011 but we are accepting donations NOW. The ReStore is located at 869 S. Route 53 in Addison (just north of North Ave.) Donations are tax-deductible. Please call 630-510-3737 to schedule a pickup of donated materials.

Small Groups

Master's Men: Sundays, 7-8:00 am
Dan Hoehn, 630/653-0443

Quilting: Thursdays, 9:30-11:30 am,
Jan Froehlich, 630/668-1685

Men's Book Study: Fridays, 9:30-11
am @ Roy Herbst home, 630/289-5742.
Currently studying John Armstrong's
book, *Your Church is too Small*

Alcoholics Anonymous: Sundays,
4 pm and Tuesdays, 8 pm

M.S. Support Group: 2nd Friday, 7 pm
Susan Buckson, 630/782-5193

Bible Study

Tuesday:

Once a month—3rd Tuesday, 7:00-8:30
pm @ Pat Gerber Bornholt's home

Saturday:

9:00 am, Men's Study (Saturday
rotation—check online calendar) led by
Roy Herbst 630/289-5742

Wednesday:

7:00 pm, Weekly Bible Fellowship (CF)
Brief review of Luther's Large Cate-
chism: Apostles' Creed, then New Testa-
ment focus: 1st letter of the Apostle
John, "Does God really care about me?"
led by Merrill Clark 630/260-0585



Join us **Thursday mornings at 9:30** in the old kitchen. We are in need of full, queen, and king sheets for quilt backings. Drop off in church office if you have anything to donate. Occasionally we will sell a quilt throughout the year for a special gift for someone. Let us know if you are interested.

We welcome anyone who would like to join us. You don't have to know how to sew! Come and see what we're all about and enjoy fellowship and a cup of coffee! If you have questions, please call Jan Froehlich at 630-668-1685.



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∞ WORSHIP TIMES:

Saturday, 5:00 pm

Sunday, 8:30 am Chapel Service and 10:00 am Worship



Sunday School: Children's Church/Sunday School
for age 3 to grade 6, at 10:00 am (September
through May)

Our Mission: Living Christ's Message through Worship, Study, Fellowship and Service.