



***Community
In Christ***

CIC NEWS

March 2015

Serving the Lake Norman area since 1977

A newsletter published for the members and friends of Community In Christ Lutheran Church, 7621 Norman Island Drive, Cornelius, NC 28031 704-892-0120 email: swheeler@communityinchrist.net www.communityinchrist.net



Wednesdays in Lent

6 pm Soup Supper

7 pm Worship

March 4, 11, 18 & 25

***We are Church,
We are Lutheran,
We are Church Together
We are Church for the Sake of the World***



Maundy Thursday:

Seder Meal 6pm

Worship 7pm

Good Friday Worship

Noon & 7 pm

Easter Sunday Services

8:00, 9:30 & 11:00 am

Community In Christ is an ELCA Lutheran Church located two miles west of I-77 at Exit 25. Our office hours are 9:30 AM-5:00 PM Monday through Friday. We have worship at 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM each Sunday. We also have a Wednesday evening service at 7:00 PM. A nursery is provided during the Sunday worship services. Children's Sunday school is at 9:15 AM. Adult Sunday School is at 9:15 AM and 11:00 AM. An open invitation is extended to everyone to share our joy of Christian fellowship in worship and life.



From the Pastors Desk.....

Lent is upon us. My challenge to you remains - to worship with the congregation at least once a week for these five weeks of Lent. The basic practices of Lent besides worship are fasting, prayer and giving to the poor. I encourage you to do these as well. Give something up for Lent and use your desire for that thing as a prompt to pray. Give money to the poor. You can donate to the PERF fund at church - that is the Pastor's Emergency Relief Fund. Or give to one of our great Lutheran charities that serve the poor and have very low percentage of administrative costs like Lutheran World Relief, www.lwr.org. You might want to give the money you saved not purchasing the thing you gave up for Lent to the poor. There are also great local agencies like Ada Jenkins and Urban Ministries that are worthy of our financial support.

On Wednesdays I'll be preaching on themes presented to the ELCA by our presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton. She reminds us that we are Church, Lutheran, Church Together and Church for the Sake of the World. I'm excited to dive into these topics. Here's my first thoughts.

We are Church- Sometimes I feel more like a cruise ship director than a pastor. I can get caught up in directing programs and focusing on facilities more than I should. I need to remember that first and foremost we are the church. We are a people claimed by God in Jesus and called to worship God. We are to be centered on the worship and proclamation of Jesus. All of our programs and efforts at Community in Christ ought to be evaluated through that lens.

We are Lutheran- We have a distinct understanding of the Christian faith. We preach the gospel of salvation by Grace through faith. We administer the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion. We read the Bible looking for Jesus and letting Him be our interpretive guide.

We are church together- We aren't just CIC, but rather partners with many other congregations across the state, nation and world. This is why we send some of our offerings away to the Synod which sends a great deal to the ELCA both return a great deal of that money to congregations across the state and nation and sends some on to agencies around the world. All of this because we can accomplish more together than we can by ourselves.

We are church for the sake of the world- Our goal is to bless others. To work for justice in the world. To alleviate suffering, to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to heal the sick. We aren't working to bless ourselves or fill our corporate bank accounts. We are working so that the least among us can be blessed through us.

I hope you'll join us on Wednesday nights as we explore some of these concepts in greater detail. On Sundays in Lent we'll be working through the parables of Jesus in the Gospel of Matthew, and I'm excited about that as well.

May God bless our Lenten journey and bring us all to the great joy of the Easter celebration!

- Pastor Travis

Prayers for

Members: John Rummage, Nina Olszewski, Jim Hayes, Debbie Blackwell, Judy Miller, Vernon Hedrick, Barb Flanders, Renate Von Dohlen, Maia Bottemiller

Friends and relatives of members

Pastor Richard Graf (friend of the congregation), Vickie Waggoner (Lauren Kowsky's mother), Philip & Gwen Siegrist (Susan Thomas's parents), Jeff Cozy (Bob & Kay Uhler's son), Judith Cooley (Louise Walker's sister), Kim Peters & Ginny Kandrack (friends of Dottie Glace), Holly Ogilvie (friend of Colleen Karpovit's daughter), Dr. Dan Wood (Sue Wood's son), Paul Madsen, Wayne Lacaut & Rick Madsen (family & friend of Al & Jan Madsen), Michael Arendt (John Iversen's brother-in-law), Tori Cartwright (friend of Donna Good), Norma Freeze & Jit Romah (friend's of Ron Major), Veronica Hartong (friend of Noelle Bernesser's), Ruth Sampsell (Lucy Price's sister), Von Haverlah (friend of Lucy Price), Sherry Shipman (Robert Maxwell's sister), Randy Salzman (Gary Salzman's brother), Phyllis Sain (friend of Ron Major)

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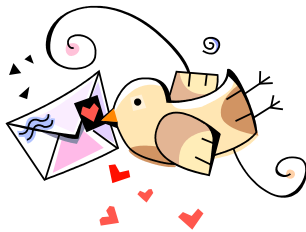
Lay Pastor News

Lay Ministry Training April 14, 2015

If you are interested in visiting sick members and shut-ins, sending cards to members and their loved ones, preparing an occasional meal, visiting in the hospital, and/or administering communion to homebound members, please consider joining us on the Lay Ministry team.

We are a group of the church who, recognizing that the Pastor cannot "do it all," have volunteered to share some of his responsibilities. We meet at 11:45 on the second Tuesday of the month in the adult Sunday School room to pray and take assignments for the following month.

We will have a training session with a meal on April 14. We hope to see some new faces there. Please contact Beth Rathke (704) 664-1600 or Barbara Eaker (704) 483-2060 to register for the workshop. Contact Beth Rathke at 704-664-1600 or bhrathke@yahoo.com



CIC Card Ministry

CIC's Card Ministry was formed to provide home-made cards for the pastor and lay pastors to send to people with birthdays, illnesses, celebrations and other noteworthy occasions.

We will meet on Tuesday, March 10th and 24th at 6:30 p.m. in the old sanctuary to make specialized cards for our church family. Please plan on joining us!

For more information, contact Anne Randolph at arand86@bellsouth.net or 704-596-3168.



Room In The Inn

Peter and I would like to thank everyone for their help with Room In The Inn. The congregation has provided the homeless residents some wonderful home cooked meals and the Youth Group did a remarkable job with their fundraising. Thanks for your support of this ministry! There is still one slot left for March. If anyone would like to sign up for salad and salad dressing you can go to <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050e49a4a92ca75-cicroom> or call Jill at 704.724.5861.



JOB ASSISTANCE MINISTRY SUPPORT

Will meet on Monday, March 9th. This month's workshop will concentrate on "Interview Coaching". CIC's Rhonda Douglass will cover understanding behavioral interviewing and walk through how to prepare for interviews using key strengths, weakness, decision making and problem solving. The group meets at Community in Christ in the Chapel at 7 pm on the second Monday of every month. To confirm your attendance, please call the church office at 704-892-0120 or email: donnalgood@gmail.com



Men's Retreat May 29th! And other Men's news.

The date and location has been set for our spring retreat. The CIC Men's Group will be heading to the Kure Beach Faith Center on May 29th and returning the 31st. The anticipated cost will be \$125. Be on the lookout for more information. For questions about this group contact Scott Brooks at scottlb@gmail.com or 704-641-7156 or Ray raymond.hutchinson@lincolncharter.org.

- Wednesday, 3/3 @ 7.45pm -Men's Study - Chapter 7 "from isolated to connected"
- Thursday, 3/5 @ 7pm – Long Term Care Presentation. Please rsvp with Jan 704-786-9388 or email jan.wauters@thrivent.com
- Saturday, 3/7 @ 6.30-10pm – Family Game night @ Kevin and Laura Anderson's home. Please rsvp to Lander-son26a@gmail.com or 704-997-6068.
- Sunday, 3/8 @ 7.30am – Men's Breakfast
- Wednesday, 3/11 @ 6pm - Men's group serving Lent Soup Supper - Need 5-6 volunteers. Let me know if interested. Please contact Lars Kullstam@lkulls@me.com.



Prayer Shawl Ministry

The CIC Prayer Shawl Ministry is an inter-generational group that prayerfully weaves God's love and peace into shawls and other crafts that serve as a physical reminder of God's unconditional love, support, and presence in our lives. The shawls/craft items are blessed and given to CIC members, friends, and others experiencing times of difficulty (e.g., loss, illness, deployment) or celebration (e.g., birth of a child), so that the recipient will know that he/she is loved. The group and its activities are open to all CIC members, friends, and visitors regardless of age or ability.

The CIC Prayer Shawl Ministry meets twice a month (second and fourth Sundays) at 6:30pm in the CIC Adult Classroom. The meeting dates set for March are March 8 and March 22. Come and see what we are about!

If you would like to join the group, donate materials, or sponsor a prayer shawl (in thanksgiving, in honor of a loved one,) please contact Kathy Dutton (mamabissy@gmail.com) or Diana Elsass (elsassd@bellsouth.net) for more information. The cost to sponsor a prayer shawl is \$15.



New Denver Area Bible Study!

If you live or work in the Denver area please join us for Bible Study this month on March 11th & 25th at Sports Page Restaurant. We will continue to study the parables. Pastor Travis will lead the studies.

Please keep all of these efforts in your prayers! And if you live in the Denver area or know someone who does, come and join us!



Sunday School

- Come on, Spring...we want to play on the Ark again! Speaking of the Ark, the kids are discussing Noah and Jesus, faith and the ten commandments. Trust will be a recurring theme at Sunday School this month.
- Sunday School will be held every Sunday in the month of March, hope to see your children there! Drop off begins at 9:15am for PreK – 5th grade, just meet us in the Chapel.
- Interested in helping our Sunday School team? We are always looking for subs to add to our list, just email JoEllen.

Children's Milestones

- Planning for this years Vacation Bible School is underway. This wonderful event will be held June 22nd - 25th and requires lots of volunteers and contributions to make it a success, so please consider signing up to help. Just email JoEllen if you can volunteer to be a part of the fun this year!
- First Communion Instruction will begin on March 8th. If you have a 2nd grader who is ready to be a part of this important milestone, please email JoEllen asap.

First Communion Service:

March 25th at 7:00 pm

The kids will attend service and take Communion for the first time.

They will witness a live version of "The Living Last Supper"

Director of Christian Education
JoEllen Butler
joellen@communityinchrist.net



Preschool News

Registration is now open for the 2015/2016 school year. We have classes for age 2 through T-K. For the fall session we have openings in the 3 and 4 year old classes. The 2 year old, Pre-K and T-K classes are full, however we can put you on our waitlist. Please contact Sharon Fuller for details.

Summer Camp Registration is now open. We will have 3 sessions. Camps run Monday through Thursday 9 am to 1 pm. The cost is \$120.00 per session. Here are the dates and themes of each camp:

June 1-4:	Down by the seashore
June 29-July 2:	Red, white and blue
August 3-6:	Diggin' dinosaurs

We have applied for a Grant to be used for scholarships for the fall session of preschool and we already have several families reaching out for assistance. We ask that you join us in prayer for the Grant approval so that we will be able to assist these families. If you feel led to donate towards our Scholarship fund please contact Sharon Fuller at sfuller9564@gmail.com or Jill Brooks (Preschool board chair-person) at 704-724-5861 jlkb Brooks@gmail.com for more information.

A big fundraiser that is ongoing for our preschool is the Together in Education with your Harris Teeter VIC card. For every Harris Teeter product you purchase a percentage will go to our school. Please link your card to the preschool, our number is **5638**.

Sharon Fuller
Preschool Director
sfuller9564@gmail.com



CIC³ Chicks

*A women's ministry
focused on faith,
fellowship, and fun!*

Wednesday Morning Book Study

The Chicks Wednesday bible study will take place March 11th & 25th from 9:30 - 11 in the Adult Sunday School Room. We will discuss chapter 5 on the 11th and chapter 6 on the 25th in Learning to Walk in the Dark by Barbara Brown Taylor. Come join us fun and fellowship.

All women of CIC are welcome! RSVP on the CIC3 Facebook Page or email Emily Cunningham at emilycunning@gmail.com.

Dear CIC Family,

Thank you so very much for all the meals provided after my surgery. Everything was delicious and greatly appreciated. Matt and Jill had fun with the anticipation of what was coming for dinner.

Also, thank you for the prayers, cards, calls, text messages and visits. Your love and concern for myself and family have meant so much to me.

Although this chapter in my life has just begun and with more pages than I wish to experience, please know I have felt your prayers and they have helped carry me through this time.

*With love and sincerest thanks,
Barb Flanders*

WELCA

The next monthly meeting will be on Monday, March 9th, at 7:30 pm in the Adult Sunday School classroom. We are continuing our study of "Women in the Bible." March's study leader will be Sondra Sigmon and the hostess is M Stella Ryan.

The NC SWO 2015-2016 theme is: "I am" Created – Called - Empowered

Angels & Sparrows: We will continue to volunteer at the Angels & Sparrow's Soup Kitchen in 2015. Our dates to work will be on any month that has a fifth Monday. Our dates to work are: March 30th, June 29th, August 31st and November 30th. We will have a sign-up sheet for March 30th at the March 9th meeting.

Spring Retreat: Will be held on March 6-8, 2015 at the Kure Beach Retreat Center, anyone interested in attending please see registration information on the WELCA Board in the Fellowship Hall.

Soup Label Collection: We continue to collect Campbell Soup labels to be sent on to the "Crossnore Academy." These donations help the teachers with resources and tools in their classrooms. The labels may be placed on the WELCA Board in the Fellowship Hall.

The Spring Gathering will be held at Morningstar Lutheran Church in Matthews in April, the final date yet to be determined.

The North Carolina Synodical Women's Organization Annual Gathering will be held June 19-21 at Lenoir-Rhyne University in Hickory NC.

WELCA will be collecting toiletries for Lutheran Services to be taken to the annual gathering in June. A donation box will be set up in April for collection of the following items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant and bar soap, liquid hand soap, shampoo, conditioner, lotion, shaving supplies, hairbrushes, combs, dental floss and toilet paper.

Lutheran World Relief Volunteer Day Information is available in the WELCA Board for anyone interested in attending. Travel from September 24 – 27, 2015. Arrangements for this tour made by Christian Tours in Newton, NC.

WELCA meetings are open to all women; please join us for study and fellowship. Please contact Laverne Waskielis @ 704-576-8675 with any questions or for further information.



Music News

On March 25 as part of our last Wednesday Lenten Service we will be presenting “The Living Last Supper,” a dramatization of the mural painting by Leonardo da Vinci. I would like to share some interesting facts about this famous artwork as noted in the Encyclopedia of Art Education. “Created between 1495 to 1498, this painting illustrates the scene from the last days of Jesus Christ, as described in the Gospel of John 13:21. Flanked by his twelve apostles, Jesus has just declared that one of them will betray him. (‘Verily I say unto you: one of you will betray me.’) The picture depicts the reaction of each disciple to the news. Although on the surface it looks like a straightforward piece of Biblical art, it is in fact an exceptionally complex work, whose mathematical symbolism, psychological complexity, use of perspective and dramatic focus, make it the first real example of High Renaissance art. The picture measures 15 feet × 29 ft, and occupies an end wall in the dining hall at the convent of Santa Maria delle Grazie in Milan. Sadly, in order to give himself the opportunity of making changes to the painting as he went along - something that is not possible with regular wet fresco painting - Leonardo first sealed the stone wall surface and then painted over it with tempera and oils, as if it were a wooden panel. As a result, the work began deteriorating almost from the moment it was finished and has been the subject of a recent 20-year restoration campaign.

“Jesus himself is the dynamic center of the composition. Several architectural features converge on his figure, while his head represents the vanishing point for all perspective lines - an event which makes The Last Supper the epitome of Renaissance single point linear perspective. Meantime, his expansive gesture - indicating the holy sacrament of bread and wine - is not meant for his apostles, but for the monks and nuns of the Santa Maria delle Grazie monastery.

“In most paintings of The Last Supper, Judas is the only disciple not to have a halo, or else is seated separately from the other apostles. Leonardo, however, seats everyone on the same side of the table, so that all are facing the viewer. Even so, Judas remains a marked man. First, he is grasping a small bag, no doubt symbolizing the 30 pieces of silver he has been paid to betray Jesus; he has also knocked over the salt pot - another symbol of betrayal. His head is also positioned in a lower position than anyone in the picture, and is the only person left in shadow.”

Finally, “The painting contains a number of allusions to the number 3, (perhaps symbolizing the Holy Trinity). The disciples are seated in groups of three; there are three windows, while the figure of Jesus is given a triangular shape, marked by his head and two outstretched arms.”

Our dramatization of this artwork will try to bring to life those last moments when the disciples of Jesus begin to question what is about to take place in the life of their Savior. May this production offer you a special moment of reflection during this time of Lent.

In His Service,
Sandy

CIC Giving Garden

The Giving Garden will again have plots available for rent by members of the congregation to try their hand at growing some fresh produce for themselves. A 3x10 foot plot will rent for \$20/season. Included in this price is free advice from Farmer Jon. Please pay Stephanie in the office for your plot. There are a limited number of plots. We will be planting several beds with produce to donate to the Montagnard Mission. Volunteers are always welcome to help tend these garden plots. If you are interested in helping out with the donation beds please contact Farmer Jon at jonzimm@carolina.rr.com or 704-907-6534.

There are several slots open for the egg co-op this year. The shares are \$50/year. New members will be assigned an open day of the week. Responsibilities include feeding and watering the chickens EVERY WEEK on your assigned day. Farmer Jon will provide an orientation for those of you who are new. Those of you who are continuing on from last year please submit your payment to Stephanie in the office.

We are starting to compost at church. You are invited to save vegetable and fruit scraps throughout the week and bring them to church to put in to the compost bins on Sunday. If you are interested in ordering a special compost bin for this please email Farmer Jon so we can put in a group order. The cost would be about \$20 per bin. If you do bring scraps to compost please toss them in the first bin and cover them with a layer of leaves with the pitchfork. There is no experience necessary to get involved in any

Happy Times Seniors

Our luncheon is on Wednesday, March 18th, at 11:30 am at the Acropolis Café & Grill, 20659 Catawba Avenue, Cornelius (I-77 Exit 28), and will be hosted by Irene Motrie. She has arranged for Cornelius Police Officer Ronnie Messer to speak to our group. His presentation will cover safety tips including emergency calls and other important information for seniors. Don't miss this event! A sign-up sheet is posted on the Happy Times bulletin board located in the fellowship hall. Happy Times is open to all; there's no "age requirement"! We especially invite CIC's new members and visitors to come and participate in our luncheons and activities. If you plan to attend, just put your name on the sign-up sheet.

A special thank you to Gary Salzman, Irene Motrie, Sharon and Gary Kautz, and Joan and John Iversen for volunteering to help plan and organize activities and trips for our group. Thank you to Joan Garn for continuing in her role as treasurer and to Doris and Bill Hillegass for their leadership. Also, we appreciate and thank Pastor Travis for his participation and support of Happy Times.

At our January annual meeting and February luncheon, participants completed a brief survey indicating their interest in various types of activities and trips. The categories receiving the most votes were visiting exhibits in museums/galleries, and lake cruises. Attending musicals/concerts and visiting botanical gardens/ arboretums and craft fairs also received many votes. All of these categories and additional suggestions will be taken into consideration by our planning group. Thank you all for completing the survey. We value your input.

By the way, our annual dues remain at \$5.00 per person and should be given to our treasurer. Funds are held in reserve for memorials; to support our annual Christmas luncheon; and for minor expenses. A financial report is posted on the Happy Times bulletin board.

Please do not miss the "Living Last Supper" drama that will be presented in the sanctuary on Wednesday, March 25th, at 7:00 pm. under the direction of Sandy Rogers, CIC's Director of Music Ministries. This is a very vivid and moving portrayal of Jesus with his disciples. Bring your family and friends.

For more information about Happy Times, please contact Doris & Bill Hillegass at 704-892-0156 or hillegassd@bellsouth.net.

CiC Youth



Spring Service Project!

Join us March 21st at 10PM for our first Service Project of 2015! We will be working on the Giving Garden on the back lot in the church. Bring garden tools, gloves, and clothes you don't mind getting dirty. We will work from 10-12, take a

break for lunch, and then finish up for another hour or so. Bring a couple of dollars to help pay for lunch! The whole church is welcome to join us in working, so you don't have to be a teenager to come help!

March Calendar

3/1-Mission Trip Registration Due!

3/18-Youth Group is in charge of Lenten Soup Supper at 6PM. See Victoria for soup sign ups!

3/21-Service Project Day 10-2



Summer Mission Trip Registration Due

Grab your registration brochure in the Narthex or in the Youth Room. The trip is to the Appalachian region of Virginia during the week of July 19th-25th. It's open to all rising 9th graders through 12th graders. Deposit of \$75 is due by March 1st. We will be traveling to this small mining town to help do home repair. I also need adult chaperones with construction/handyman skills!

YOUTH LINKS

CiC Youth on Facebook

www.facebook.com/groups/cicyouth

Instagram: [CIC_Youth](#)

Twitter: [CICinNCYouth](#)

Contact Victoria:

Victoria@communityinchrist.net

704-999-2285 (cell)

Altar Flowers Ministry



March 2015 marks a very special milestone for the Altar Flowers Ministry. It was four years ago in 2011 that Anna Roth established the ministry in response to the Forward in Faith Capital Building Campaign. Since then Anna has been sharing her artistic talents with us by creating the beautiful floral arrangements placed by the altar, and at the same time she has helped to build our new sanctuary. Additionally, as part of the ministry, Anna takes charge of ordering, purchasing and displaying the Christmas poinsettias and Easter lilies. She also, upon request, has prepared floral arrangements for CIC special events whether in the sanctuary or in the fellowship hall.

As a result of Anna's hard work and dedication to the Altar Flowers Ministry, she has raised a tidy sum of money for the building fund. Thank you, Anna! We appreciate your time, talent and your devoted discipleship. Of course, this would not have been possible without the generous support of many CIC members who over the past four years have faithfully sponsored and paid for flowers to be placed by the altar including poinsettias and lilies. Anna thanks you as well as the individuals who so generously have donated flowers from their own gardens. Anna is extremely grateful for all of your support. Together we thank God for guiding and blessing this ministry.

Now for some current information. On several recent Sundays, you may have noticed that floral arrangements were not on display in the sanctuary. Instead, the Peace Lily plants, purchased by Anna and normally on the welcome desk in the narthex, were placed in the sanctuary on the floral stands. This brought forward the question, "Where are the floral arrangements?" The answer is, if no one signs up to sponsor the flowers for that Sunday, there are no floral arrangements on display. There will always be flowers on display when someone has committed to being a sponsor, and the sponsorship is noted in the worship bulletin for that particular Sunday.

If you are a sponsor, the arrangements are yours to take with you after the 11:00 a.m. service, or you may choose to keep them in the sanctuary for weekday services or events. If that is the case, Anna adds additional water on Tuesday morning to keep the flowers fresh. If you take the flowers with you on Sunday or early in the week, Anna requests that you please return the plastic insert cup holders to the church office. The reason being, it is difficult to find plastic inserts that fit inside the vases.

If you are a sponsor and have a specific floral request, please contact Anna and she will do her best to accommodate your request. Also for our new members, the 2015 Altar Flowers Calendar is located on the ministry's bulletin board in the fellowship hall. It is hanging on the wall next to the library bookshelves. Each Sunday is represented on the calendar. Sign your name on your special date if it is still available and indicate if the flowers are in memory of loved ones or to celebrate a special occasion. Write your check payable to "CIC" for \$40.00 with "Altar Flowers" in the memo. You may give your check to Stephanie Wheeler in the church office or place it in the offering plate. If you have any questions, requests, concerns, or want to share your talent and volunteer to help with the ministry, please call Anna at 704-947-5369. Note that money not used to purchase flowers or floral supplies, continues to go into the fund to help pay for the new sanctuary. Watch for more information on this topic in next month's newsletter.

The Montagnard Mission

Mission *Possible*

We are "marching" ahead at the Mission with a full schedule of activities. Through worship, ESL classes, and tutoring at 2 locations, our staff and volunteers provide support to the Montagnard community's faith and education needs.

Feel called to help? We have volunteer needs in these areas:

- IT guy/gal to help with setup of new technology
- Chaperones for spring field trips
- Tutors for students kindergarten-college, especially math helpers

For more information, please contact Susan Conlon (704)905-9401 or conlonfamily1@windstream.net

We love
our
MTD@AMF
t-shirts!



Jamie and Pr. Travis work with boys' small group discussions



Vision Checkups Rescheduled

Due to last month's pesky inclement weather, we have moved our eye exams to March 12. Thanks again to Dr. Kim Hoyle and Advanced Family Eye Care in Denver, whose generosity of time and spirit offers these kids an important health check.

The Montagnard Mission Council

Bethani Ka
Stella Ryan, *Financial Liaison*
Kim Cornellier, *Secretary*
Lauren Millner, *Vice President*

Gary Salzman
Susan Conlon, *President*
Nancy Black
Rick Rhodes, *Montagnard Project Liaison*

CIC INVITING MINISTRIES NEWS



Welcome New Members of CIC!

On February 22 we had the opportunity to welcome 16 new members to our CIC family! Check out the display outside the Adult Sunday School room and welcome them to our faith community!

February 2015:

*Marc Attwater
Andrea and Hayden
Gulzow
Josephine and Willy
Melling Liann Musano
Mark and Deb Myers
Jeff and Alicia Pugliese
Norm, Karen, Sophia
and
Presley Raboin
Rebecca Taylor
Linda Woodard*

WOMEN'S SPRING RETREAT MARCH 13-15, 2015

Our 2015 Annual Retreat will be held March 13-15, 2015! Updated Registration forms were sent out the last week of February—If you're attending please make sure to return the breakout session and

optional activities form so that we can help to prepare our presenters and have a good head count. Over 40 women from CIC will head to Blowing Rock this month for an exploration of faith and forging friendships!



Come out and walk with the Health Ministry Saturday March 21

Saturday walks are coming back! Let's tackle the "winter blahs" head on. Join us on Saturdays once a month! We'll have our first walk at the Greenway behind Birkdale Village and then choose other areas to walk or hike for future weeks. We will gather for a devotion, and then set off. Bring a friend, pet or kids! Meet us behind Fleet Feet at Birkdale 9:00am Saturday March 21!



Tony Fuller	March 3
Robert Liljefors	March 5
Noelle Bushinski	March 6
Ryan Herkey	March 6
Ron Major	March 7
Peter Cuocolo	March 9
Rick Russell	March 9
Jan Drake	March 10
Melissa Jones	March 10
Brayden Drozd	March 11
Anna Roth	March 12
Christine Flock	March 13
Jackson Amick	March 14
Ross Maxwell IV	March 16
Mike Wellens	March 17
Karl Whittington	March 17
Rachel Flock	March 19

John Bundrick	March 20
Philip Degner	March 20
Ryan Wichern	March 20
Owen Cowherd	March 21
Stella Ryan	March 22
Bob Koring	March 23
Jeff Dutton	March 24
Chip Rinehardt	March 24
Shannon Newcomb	March 25
Jean Agner	March 26
Davis Hutchinson	March 28
Brad Moore	March 28
Gretchen Hoelscher	March 29
Tim Nohr	March 29
Janet Edsell	March 30
Lucy Price	March 30
Donna Good	March 31



Phillip & Susan Conlon	March 1
Todd & Audrey Brown	March 7
Ron & Nina Olszewski	March 8
Bill & Doris Hillegass	March 9

Michael & Dina Casalino	March 15
David & Debbie Vail	March 15
Ed & Linda Barger	March 17
Vic & Nancy Black	March 17

March 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9am -Coffee 9:15am -S.S. 9:30am -Worship/Adult S.S. 10:30am -Coffee 11am -Worship 5pm -H.S. Youth Group	2 9am -Preschool 7pm -N.M. Choir 7pm -Denver Leadership meeting @ Accucare 8pm -A.A.	3 9am -Preschool 10:30am -Bible Study 6:30am -O.A.	4 9am -Preschool 6pm -Soup Supper 6:30pm -A.A. 7pm -Worship	5 9am -Preschool 6pm -Montagnard Council 6:15pm -Hand Bells 6:30pm -O.A. 7pm -Adult Choir 7pm -Long Term Care Class	6 7pm -A.A.	7 10am -A.A. 7pm -Game Night @ the Anderson's
8 7:30am -Men's Group Breakfast 9am -Coffee 9:15am -S.S. 9:30am -Worship/Adult S.S. 10:30am -Coffee 11am -Worship 3pm -Children's Choir 5pm -Jubilation Choir 5pm -H.S. Youth Group 6:30pm -Prayer Shawl Ministry	9 9am -Preschool 7pm -N.M. Choir 7pm -J.A.M.S. 7:30pm -WELCA 8pm -A.A.	10 9am -Preschool 10:30am -Bible Study 11:45am -Lay Pastor Ministry 6:30pm -Card Ministry 6:30pm -O.A. 6:30pm -Robbins Park Preserve HOA meeting	11 9am -Preschool 9:30am -CIC ³ Chicks Book Study 12pm -Denver Bible Study @ Sports Page 6pm -Soup Supper 6:30pm -A.A. 7pm -Worship	12 6:15pm -Hand Bells 6:30pm -O.A. 7pm -Adult Choir	13 6:30pm -Wedding Rehearsal 7pm -A.A. <i>Women's Retreat Depart Friday Return Sunday Afternoon</i>	14 10am -A.A. 4pm -Wedding 6:30pm -A.A.
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Sunday Servants

9:30 AM

March 8

Acolyte: Davis Hutchinson
Crucifer: Kylee Blackwell
Altar Guild: Jean Agner & Kathy Dutton
Communion Asst: Luther Beaver, Shari & Kylee Gomilla,
 Gary, Sharon & Jeff Kautz, Beth Rathke
Greeter: Jones Family
Usher: Mike, Melissa & Mike Jones
Coffee Cart: Jill & Scott Brooks **10:30am**
Bread Baker: Diana Elsass
Counters: Heidi Rixman & Stella Ryan

March 15

Acolyte: Jackson Bjork
Crucifer: Jack Ceccarini
Altar Guild: Jean Agner & Kathy Dutton
Communion Asst: Noelle Bernesser, Bob Liljefors, Debbie
 Davidson, Beth Jaszewski, Rod & Norma Short,
 Jon Zimmerman
Greeter: Eileen Wissell
Usher: Eileen Wissell, Mike, Melissa & Mike Jones
Coffee Cart: Barbara Eaker **10:30am**
Bread Baker: Beth Rathke
Counters: Scott Brooks

March 22

Acolyte: Jack Ceccarini
Crucifer: Chelsea White
Altar Guild: Jean Agner & Kathy Dutton
Communion Asst: Noelle Bernesser, Bob Liljefors, Debbie
 Davidson, Beth Jaszewski, Rod & Norma Short,
 Jon Zimmerman
Greeter: Eileen Wissell
Usher: Eileen Wissell, Mike, Melissa & Mike Jones
Coffee Cart: Jennifer Easton **10:30am**
Bread Baker: Cyndi Ball
Counters: William McGuire

March 29

Acolyte:
Crucifer: Kylee Blackwell
Altar Guild: Jean Agner & Kathy Dutton
Communion Asst: Penny Zimmerman, Carol Williams, Pam
 Spano, Tim Nohr, Mike & Melissa Jones, Lars
 Kullstam
Greeter: Eileen Wissell
Usher: Eileen Wissell, Mike, Melissa & Mike Jones
Coffee Cart: Susan & Lars Kullstam **10:30am**
Bread Baker: Karen Pettit
Counters: Robert Maxwell

11:00 AM

Emily Berger
 Beth Carroll
 Don Coulter, Bertie Steely, Fred Classey
 Lucy Price
 Bill McGuire, Roger Staley, Irene Motrie, Beth Carroll
 Jill & Scott Brooks **10:30am**
 Diana Elsass
 Heid Rixman & Stella Ryan

Beth Carroll
 Bill Hillegass, Cyndi Ball, Ron Major

Mack Haywood
 Carol Moser, Irene Motrie, Beth Carroll
 Barbara Eaker **10:30am**
 Beth Rathke
 Scott Brooks

Emily Berger

Beth Carroll
 Bill Hillegass, Cyndi Ball, Ron Major

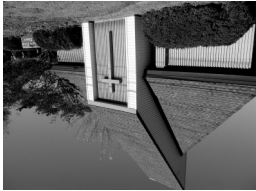
Lucy Price
 Bill McGuire, Nancy Black, Irene Motrie, Beth Carroll
 Jennifer Easton **10:30am**
 Cyndi Ball
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Louise Walker
 Bill McGuire, Nancy Black, Irene Motrie, Beth Carroll
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Narrative Lectionary Preaching Texts for March



March 1—Matthew 20:1-16
Laborers in the Vineyard

March 8—Matthew 22:1-14
Wedding Banquet

March 15—Matthew 25:1-13
Bridesmaids

March 22—Matthew 25:31-46
Last Judgment

March 29—Matthew 21:1-13
Triumphal Entry

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