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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Wow, the weekends are nearly upon us. Have you signed up for prayer time? We cannot run our weekends with your help. Contact Bob Gsellman at [rgsellman@neo.rr.com](mailto:rgsellman@neo.rr.com) or Ginny Derhammer at [ginnyderh@aol.com](mailto:ginnyderh@aol.com). We really need your help in filling up the time slots. Many of you won't be able to make the trip North for the send off or the closing but you can still help by taking a prayer time. Pray for the rectors, team and pilgrims.

Last newsletter, I talked about Piety. Continuing on with our Piety, Study and Action, this month our focus is on Study. What kind of study do you do – read the Bible, read religious books, Bible commentaries, Christian periodicals? Obviously, we believe the best book is the Bible. Does it matter whether it is the Lutheran Study Bible, The Message, the Jerusalem Bible, The New Revised Standard Bible? While the words might be a little different, the message still remains the same. We are to make Christ known throughout all the world. Matthew chapter 28 vs. 18-20 is our great commissioning. *And Jesus came and said to them, All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always to the end of the age.* We are nourished at our Sunday worship to be sent out into the world, our environments, our homes, neighborhoods and extended families.

I have just started to read the book *The Great Emergence* by Phyllis Tickle. She talks of every five hundred years, the church cleans out its attic and has a giant rummage sale. Well, not exactly. But we are at a time of upheaval. Do you see it? Do you sense it? Do you feel it? Since I have just started the book, I cannot say more but look forward to reading it. What else have you read? I like to ask others what they are reading for I love to read. I actually love to read the book of Acts in the bible because it clearly shows the work of the Holy Spirit. Since I have experienced the Holy Spirit, I find it so interesting to read about the church when the Spirit came into the disciples and starting its work. It is amazing that the struggles of the early church can and still are struggles of our churches two thousand years later. Acts has become one of my favorite books of the Bible. Do you have a favorite?

Over the last eleven/twelve years with the encouragement of my former pastor and other friends, I have read many good books. I love David Gregory's books *Dinner with a Perfect Stranger* and *A Day with a Perfect Stranger*. I have read books like *If You Want to Walk on Water, You Need to Get Out of the Boat* by John Ortberg. Authors like Henri Nouwen, CS Lewis make for such good reading. There are many current day authors as well, Max Lucado, John MacArthur, Rick Warren. There are so many good books and authors. If you would like to contribute to the newsletter, give us your faith story – perhaps something you experienced on your weekend or your favorite book and why it is. Please submit it to Nancy at [vdcnewsletterohio@earthlink.net](mailto:vdcnewsletterohio@earthlink.net).

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As stated in the last newsletter, **there will be no fall weekends** this year. Because we have struggled to get people to attend weekends, we will cut back our weekends to four a year. Next year, there will be Spring and Fall weekends but no summer weekends.

Many of you have been gracious enough to send donations. We truly appreciate this and plan to recognize these in future newsletters. For without your monetary support and your prayer support, we could do nothing.

We will have a fall gathering on October 22 where we can come and spend time with each other, socialize and work together to build up the body of Christ. Please mark your calendar and plan on attending. We will need musicians, singers, pastors and lay ministers, in other words, everyone of you! Please watch for more information in future newsletters and bulletins.

Have you checked out Ultrayas lately? Come, invite a friend and enjoy.

There will not be another newsletter until September since we have done two this month.

As more changes happen on secretariat, I continue to ask for your prayers. We can only do his work as he gives us the strength and power to do it.

Blessings and thanks for your ministry,

Cathy Doering  
Lay Director – VDC of Ohio

**TO SIGN UP FOR PRAYER TIME FOR THE MEN’S WEEKEND, please contact Bob Gsellman at ‘rgsellman@neo.rr.com’ or phone him at (330) 688-4063**

Thursday PM	Friday		Saturday		Sunday	
	AM	PM	AM	PM	AM	PM
4:30	3:30	2:30	12:30	3:30	12:00	12:30
7:30	11:00	4:00	1:30	5:30	12:30	2:00
		5:00	2:00	6:00	1:00	3:30
		5:30	6:30	7:00	3:00	4:30
		7:00	8:00	8:00	4:00	5:00
		7:30	9:30	9:30	4:30	7:30
		9:30	10:30	10:00	10:00	8:00
			11:00		10:30	

**TO SIGN UP FOR PRAYER TIME FOR THE WOMEN’S WEEKEND, please contact Ginny Derhammer at ‘ginnyderh@aol.com’ or (330) 324-5881.**

Remember that we want to cover the Pilgrims and Team in prayer 24 hours a day for the entire weekends. Look for a bulletin a few days before the Women’s Weekend with open times remaining, but you can choose your preferred time now.

**Ohio Men's Weekend #69  
July 28-31, 2011**

Men's Team #69			Pilgrims and Sponsors		
Name	Call	Church	Name	Sponsor	Church/City
Barney Rowe	Rector	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow	Danny Westbrook	Melinda Bratton	St. John's Lutheran
Jon Paul	Head Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow	Wen Anderson	Barney Rowe	Gloria Dei Lutheran, Hudson
Pastor Laurel Bobb	Spiritual Director	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow	Nelson Williams	Zane Ziegler	Emmanuel Lutheran, North Georgetown
Pastor Ken Hacker	Spiritual Director	St. John Lutheran,	John Kleinhenz	Barney Rowe	Gloria Dei Lutheran, Hudson
Adam Gsellman	Chapel Cha	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow	Ronald Resch	Linda Resch	Messiah Lutheran , Reynoldsburg
Dale Mortensen	Music Cha	Prince of Peace Lutheran, Westlake	Ray Wilding	Ralph and Beth Minton	New Life Lutheran, Youngstown
Stu Smith	Music Cha	Prince of Peace Lutheran, Poland	Bill Romine	Ralph and Beth Minton	New Life Lutheran, Youngstown
Bob Gsellman	Palanca Cha	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow	Brennan Yaquinto	Michael Yaquinto	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow
Gregg Bobb	Head Kitchen Cha	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow	Chris Rowe	Barney Rowe	Resurrection Lutheran, Stow
Skip Dodds	Kitchen Cha	Grace Episcopal, Willoughby	Terry Shopbell	Zane and VK Ziegler	North Georgetown First Brethren, North Georgetown
Vince Mallen	Kitchen Cha	Advent Lutheran, Mentor	Scott Jackson	John McDowell	Community of Hope Lutheran, Brecksville
Fred Gesell	Kitchen Cha	St. John Lutheran,			
Paul Crooks	Kitchen Cha	Barley Lutheran,			
Bob Dieter	Kitchen Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow			
Al Moorman	Kitchen Cha	Advent Lutheran, Mentor			
Jeff Wright	Head Rollo Room	St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville			
Mike Yaquinto	Rollo Room Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow			
Matt Gyulai	Rollo Room Cha	Resurrection Evangelical Lutheran, Stow			
Larry Bratton	Rollo Room Cha	Emmanuel Lutheran, North Georgetown			
David Kronenberger	Ideal Rollo	Royal Redeemer Lutheran, North Royalton			
Keith Lawson	Laity Rollo	Strongsville UMC, Strongsville			
Jeff Thomas	Piety Rollo	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow			
Jim Caldwell	Study Rollo	Living Word Lutheran,			
Brian Kuntz	Action Rollo	Deerfield UMC, Deerfield			
Norbert Peiker	Leaders Rollo	St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville			
John McDowell	Environment	Community of Hope Lutheran			
Doug Hertlein	CCA Rollo	Peace Lutheran, Canal Winchester			
Dan and Lynn Steffey	Fourth Day Couple	Redeemer Lutheran, Cuyahoga Falls			

**The Emergency Phone Number is (330) 831-3336**

**Remember the Blessings of PALANCA!!!**

Thursday and Friday, July 28-29, 2011		Saturday, July 30		Sunday, July 31	
Thursday – Send-off 7:30PM		Study	9:00AM	Gather in Kitchen	QUIETLY!!!
Pilgrims arrive at Retreat Center at 7:00		Grace Filled Days	10:20AM	Wake-Up Serenade	6:00AM
Friday		Apostolic Action	1:40PM	Environment	9:20AM
Ideal	10:15AM	Obstacles to Grace	2:55PM	CCA	10:20AM
Habitual Grace	11:25AM	Leaders	4:25PM	Life in Grace	12:00PM
Laity	1:50PM	Serenade Practice	5:00PM	Group Reunion and	1:50PM
Actual Grace	3:00PM	(Prince of Peace, Westlake)		Ultreya	
Piety	4:45PM	Serenade	6:30PM	Closing (see next page)	5:00PM

## DIRECTIONS

**Closing for Men's Weekend #69** will be at Community United Methodist Church, 680 Abbe Road North, Elyria.

Directions from the south:

- I-71 to exit 204 (OH Rt. 83) Go toward Lodi / Wooster.
- Left on Avon Lake Road (OH Rt. 83) for 22.6 miles
- Left on OH 82 (Royalton Road) for 2.6 miles
- Right on OH 57 (Grafton Road) for 5 miles
- Right on OH 301 (Abbe Road) to church

Directions from St. Leonard's Retreat Center:

- Turn left (go north) on Case Road
- Left on OH 254 (Detroit Road) for 0.9 mile
- Second left on OH 301 (Abbe Road) for 2 miles to church

**Closing for Women's Weekend #72** will be at St. Leonard's Retreat Center, 4076 Case Road, Avon.

Directions to St. Leonard's from the south:

- I-71 to exit 204 (OH Rt. 83) Go toward Lodi / Wooster.
- Left on Avon Lake Road (OH 83) for 22.6 mi.
- Left on Royalton Road (OH 82) for 2.6 mi.
- Right on Grafton Road (OH 57N ( for 5.7 mi.
- Right on N. Abbe Road (OH 301) for 2.8 mi.
- Right on Detroit Rd. (OH 254) for 0.9 mi.
- Second right on Case Road to Center 0.4 mi.

Parking for the closing will be plentiful as Team's cars will be elsewhere. Handicap entrance at main door.

**Serenade Practices for both Men's and Women's Weekends** will be at 5:00 at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, 28455 Center Ridge Road, Westlake.

Directions from the south:

- I-71 to exit 204 (OH 93) toward Lodi / Wooster
- Left on Avon Lake Road (OH 83) for 25.3 mi.
- Left on Butternut Ridge Road / Lorain Road for 0.3 mi.
- Second right to merge on OH 10 E toward I-480 / Cleveland for 3.7 mi.
- Merge onto I-480 via left ramp for 1/4 mi.
- Take exit 3, Stearns Road, toward Crocker Road
- Left on Stearns Road for 2.4 mi.
- Right on Center Ridge Road (US 20 / OH 113) for 0.9 mi. to church on right

Directions from the east:

- I-80 west toward Toledo
- Take exit 152 (Lorain Road) toward OH 10 for 0.3 mi.
- Slight left on ramp toward OH 10 / I 480 E for 0.4 mi.
- Merge onto Lorain Road for 0.7 mi.
- Merge onto I-480 E toward Cleveland for 1.5 mi.
- Take exit 3, Stearns Road, toward Crocker Road and continue using directions above.

**Ohio Women's Weekend #72  
August 4-7, 2011**

Women's Team #72			Pilgrims and Sponsors		
Name	Call	Church	Name	Sponsor	Church/City
Jane Koch	Rectora	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow	Evie Williams	VK Zeigler	Emmanuel Lutheran, North Georgetown
Fran Dieter	Head Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow	Polly Caudill	Erlene Sager	Eastside Grace Brethren – Blacklick
Pastor Al Sager	Spiritual Director	Christ Lutheran, Columbus	Lisa Chapman	Sally Harp	Winter Green Ledges Church of God, Akron
Pastor Karl Gaston	Spiritual Director	Linden Lutheran, Columbus	Carol Kleinhenz	Barney Rowe	Gloria Dei Lutheran – Hudson
Sharon Gsellman	Chapel Cha	Resurrection Lutheran, Stow	Kay Anderson	Barney Rowe	Gloria Dei Lutheran – Hudson
Karen Lindsey	Music Cha	St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville	Sandee Davis	Jane Koch	St. Stephen Lutheran – Stow
Ginny Derhammer	Palanca Cha	Messiah Lutheran, Green	Sandy Randles	Sharon Keenan	First Presbyterian, Wooster
Pat Dunivan	Escort Cha	Trinity Lutheran, Kent	Karen Masters	Patricia Neidert	First Presbyterian, Barberton
V K Ziegler	Head Kitchen Cha	Emmanuel Lutheran, North Georgetown	Carol Yanquito	Janet Paul	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow
Melinda Bratton	Kitchen Cha	Emmanuel Lutheran, North Georgetown	Michelle Sattler	Alex Seyerle	St. Andrews Anglican, Lewis Center
Jewellee Smith	Kitchen Cha	Trinity Lutheran, Norton	Debi Kennedy	Jeffrey Thomas	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow
Sharon Keenan	Kitchen Cha	First Presbyterian, Barberton	Sandra Shopbell	Zane and VK Ziegler	First Brethren, North Georgetown
Karen Schwartz	Kitchen Cha	Hosanna Lutheran, Pataskala	Christine Timmer	Susan Weber	The Chapel, Akron
Carol Ranney	Head Rollo Room	First Baptist, Crystal River, PA	Jeanne Ormsby	Loretta Cross	Divinity Lutheran, Parma Heights
Connie Wilson	Rollo Room Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow	Sherry Dangremond	Barney Rowe	Community UMC, Elyria
Carol Laser	Rollo Room Cha	St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville	Janet Bowersox	Judy Smith	Trinity Lutheran, Norton
Nancy Martin	Rollo Room Cha	St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville			
Kozy Scott	Rolla Room Cha	Christ Lutheran, Columbus			
Chris Dieter	Go-For Cha	St. Stephen Lutheran, Stow			
Beth Minton	Ideal Rollo	Prince of Peace Lutheran, Poland			
Lana Gray	Laity Rollo	Divinity Lutheran, Parma Heights			
Cathy Doering	Piety Rollo	St. Paul Lutheran, Sharon Center			
Jackie Lann	Study Rollo	Trinity Lutheran, Kent			
Alex Seyerle	Action Rollo	St. Andrews Anglican, Lewis Center			
Lynn Steffey	Leaders Rollo	Redeemer Lutheran, Cuyahoga Falls			
Susan Weber	Environment	Cornerstone Free Methodist, Akron			
Judy Junker	CCA Rollo	Divinity Lutheran, Parma Heights			
Rhonda Gallagher	Silent Professor	St. Paul Lutheran, Massillon			
Jean and Karl Gaston	Fourth Day Couple	Linden Lutheran, Columbus			
<b>The Emergency Phone Number is (330) 428-2751</b>			<b>Remember the Blessings of PALANCA!!!</b>		
<b>Thursday and Friday, August 4-5, 2011</b>		<b>Saturday, August 6</b>		<b>Sunday, August 7</b>	
Thursday – Send-off 7:30PM		Study	9:00AM	Gather in Kitchen	QUIETLY!!!
Pilgrims arrive at Retreat Center at 7:00		Grace Filled Days	10:20AM	Wake-Up Serenade	6:00AM
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Laity	1:40PM	Serenade Practice	5:00PM	Group Reunion and	1:25PM
Actual Grace	2:50PM	(at Prince of Peace Lutheran, Westlake)		Ultreya	
Piety	4:35PM	Serenade	6:30PM	Closing at St. Leonard's	<b>4:00PM</b>

### Men's and Women's Weekends 2011 and 2012



Event	Scheduled Date	Location	4 Week Cut-Off Date	2 Week Cutoff Date
<b>Men's #69</b>	<b>July 28-31, 2011</b>	<b>St. Leonard Retreat Center Avon, Ohio</b>	<b>We made it!</b>	<b>Weekend is on!</b>
Men's #70	April 19-22, 2012	Holy Cross Cursillo Center Columbus, Ohio	March 22, 2012	April 5, 2012
Men's #71	October 11-14, 2012	Holy Cross Cursillo Center Columbus, Ohio	September 13, 2012	September 27, 2012
<b>Women's #72</b>	<b>August 4-7, 2011</b>	<b>St. Leonard Retreat Center Avon, Ohio</b>	<b>We made it too!</b>	<b>Weekend is on!</b>
Women's #73	May 17-20, 2012	Holy Cross Cursillo Center Columbus, Ohio	April 29, 2012	May 3, 2012
Women's #74	October 25-28, 2012	Holy Cross Cursillo Center Columbus, Ohio	September 27, 2012	October 11, 2012
<b>Leader's School</b>				
September 10, 2011 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM		Hosanna Lutheran Church 7714 Hazelton-Etna Road Southwest Pataskala, OH 43062-8486	Karen Schwartz (740) 964-0324 <a href="mailto:kls9195@gmail.com">kls9195@gmail.com</a>	



### Upcoming Meeting Dates in OHIO

Bellville	Our next Ultreya will be held on Sunday August 7, 2011	This month's meeting will be held as part of the Women's Weekend #72 Closing.	Paul Martin (419) 886-4420 <a href="mailto:pnmartin1@earthlink.net">pnmartin1@earthlink.net</a>
Boardman (Youngstown Area)	Held at 7:00 PM on third Saturday of odd-numbered months	Boardman United Methodist Church 6809 Market Street Boardman, OH 44512	Sue Drewette <a href="mailto:gduzbraille@sbcglobal.net">gduzbraille@sbcglobal.net</a>
Cincinnati	Held at 7:30PM on the first Saturday of each month.	Trinity Lutheran Church 1553 Kinney Avenue Mt. Healthy, OH 45231	Kevin Hoch (513) 931-8797 <a href="mailto:khoch@cinci.rr.com">khoch@cinci.rr.com</a>
Clayton	Held at 6:30PM on the third Saturday of each month.	United Christian Church 8611 Hoke Road Clayton, OH 45315	Wes Scoates (937) 837-1683 <a href="mailto:Scoatesw@aol.com">Scoatesw@aol.com</a>
Columbus	Next meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 26.	Linden Lutheran Church 1230 Oakland Avenue Columbus, OH 43224	Donna Gough (614) 948-3833 <a href="mailto:goughdonna@aol.com">goughdonna@aol.com</a>
Dayton	Held at 7:00PM on the first Saturday of each month.	Abiding Christ Lutheran Church 326 East Dayton-Yellow Springs Road Fairborn, OH 45324	Craig Fourman (937) 878-2888 <a href="mailto:CraigFourman@abidingchrist.org">CraigFourman@abidingchrist.org</a>
Western Reserve – Seven Hills	Held at 7:00PM on the second Saturday of each month.	Seven Hills United Methodist Church 7593 Elmhurst Drive Seven Hills, OH 44131	Vince Mallen (440) 257-2235 <a href="mailto:vince.mallen@yahoo.com">vince.mallen@yahoo.com</a>
Western Reserve - Mentor	Held at 7:00PM on the fourth Saturday of each month	Mentor United Methodist Church 8600 Mentor Avenue Mentor, OH 44060-5874	Vince Mallen (440) 257-2235 <a href="mailto:vince.mallen@yahoo.com">vince.mallen@yahoo.com</a>



## GRAND ULTREYA

Watch for upcoming details about the Ohio Via de Cristo "Return to the Mountaintop" fall gathering/picnic/Ultreya to be held on October 22 (no Ohio State football that day).

**Via de Cristo could not take place without community support. Here are some of the ways YOU can help to pass along the blessings YOU received to others.**

**Prayer.** First and most important . . . the OIL that turns layman-made weekends into a spiritual encounter with Christ! From the calling of the leaders and team, through the Closing, the weekends need your on-going prayer support! During the Rollos, the Chapel is open for your direct in-person prayer support! Before the weekend as well as during the weekend itself, you support the Pilgrims and Team by praying at home or wherever you are. Please pray for us! Thank you.

**Send Off.** This is where our pilgrims can get the first look at the community we ask them to join. It's not just for sponsors and pilgrims but for all of us. We can be visual encouragement as they step into what may be strange territory. Afterwards, there is the opportunity to support them with community prayer, to share information, turn over palancas and renew friendships. Send Off will happen at the Center.

**Palanca.** We all remember how blessed we were by gifts of food, spiritual bits and pieces and warm fuzzies on our weekend. It's our way of saying "God Loves You and So Do I!"

**Serenade and Wake-Up.** Another place where the presence and importance of the community is evident. YOU can make a difference.

**Closing.** The place to renew YOUR weekend and support the new babe-chicks as they step into their 4<sup>th</sup> day. A true mutual support group. Sharing at its best.

The Bible records for us the beginning of the world and the end of the world. The story of mankind from beginning to end—from the fall into sin to redemption and God's ultimate victory over evil—all is found in the pages of the Bible.

Genesis	Revelation
The sun is created.	The sun is not needed.
Satan is victorious.	Satan is defeated.
Sin enters the human race.	Sin is banished.
People run and hide from God.	People are invited to live with God forever.
People are cursed.	The curse is removed.
Tears are shed, with sorrow for sin.	No more sin, no more tears or sorrow.
The garden and earth are cursed.	God's city is glorified, the earth is made new.
The fruit of the tree of life is not to be eaten.	God's people may eat from the tree of life.
Paradise is lost.	Paradise is regained.
People are doomed to death.	Death is defeated; believers live forever with God.

GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO !!!!!