

WOODLANDS' CHIPS

*Weekly news brought to you by the ministries and staff at Woodlands Lutheran Church
April 11, 2018*

UPCOMING EVENTS

PAIRS AND SPARES:

Pairs and Spares, (a fellowship group for adults of all ages, couples and singles) will meet on April 14th beginning at 4:30 pm. A Pot Luck Dinner begins at 5:00 pm in Disciples Hall. We would love to have you join us for a pleasant evening of delicious food, good fellowship and games. Please call Bob & Marty DuShaw at 352-394-4070 or Harold & Ruth Underwood at 407-405-2435 to let them know you are coming.

COME TO THE PLAY PALS GROUP:

The Play Pals group is a playdate group for members of Woodlands Lutheran Church, Woodlands' Early Learning Center, and friend's ages five and under. They meet once a month to let the kids play and allow the parents to build relationships with each other. The group meets the second Saturday of the month from 10 am – Noon. The next Play Pals will be Saturday, April 14th.

GREATER ORLANDO ZONE LWML 2018 SPRING RALLY:

The spring rally of the Greater Orlando Zone will be held April 21st at Woodlands Lutheran Church. Registration will begin at 8:30 am. The opening communion service will be in the church at 9:15 am. We will be finished by 1 pm. Please RSVP to Tracey Rice by email tbt_rice@yahoo.com or call Lois Ford at 352-989-2188 by April 9th. The theme for the event is *Chosen for a Purpose*, based on John 15:16, 17. In lieu of the \$7 registration fee, ladies attending are asked to bring a salad.

BIBLE STUDY

THE TIE THAT BINDS:

Each week appointed lessons are read during worship, typically drawn from the Old Testament, New Testament and Gospels. The readings form the theme of the service and serve as texts for the sermon. However, a twenty-minute sermon and brief hour of worship do not allow enough time to consider the "tie" which binds the lessons together: What is the theme of the lessons? How do they explain the promises of God? How do each point to Jesus? What benefit there is peering more deeply into these wonderful readings! You are invited to explore the lessons more deeply each week, through August 2018. Class meets Sundays, 9:30 am, Modular Classroom E. The leader is Jeremy Shears.

PASTOR WEERTS' ADULT BIBLE STUDY:

Last Sunday, Pastor Weerts began a study, "Christianity, The First Three Centuries, From Christ to Constantine." It will feature a lecture each week by Dr. Paul L. Maier and then discussion of the topics. It will answer the question, "How could a tiny sect ever conquer the world?"

April 15--Jesus, What Else Do We Know? Messianic Prophecies, genealogies, John the Baptist, Pontius Pilate, Joseph Caiaphas

April 22--Apostles and Emperors: Peter and Paul, Nero and Rome

April 29--Persecutions and Bishops: James the Just, church government, the destruction of Jerusalem and the second persecution under Emperor Domitian

May 6--Defenders of the Faith: John at Ephesus, development of the canon (accepted books of the New Testament) and creeds, the great apologist; The Roman Empire moderates

May 13--Martyrs for the Faith: Ignatius of Antioch, Polycarp of Smyrna, Justin Martyr. New Heresies, fresh disputes and false teachers.

May 20-- Torments of the Third Century: Origen, Jesus' statue, the Emperor Decius Dragnet, and the catacombs.

May 27--The Great Deliverance: Successes then renewed persecution, Constantine Chlorus, The Battle of the Milvian Bridge, Constantine and the triumph of Christianity. The class meets in the Sanctuary at 9:45 am

GENERAL INFORMATION

WOODLANDS' NEW MARKETING TEAM:

Woodlands has formed a Marketing Team to promote Woodland's events both here on campus and out in the community! To "Keep It Simple" and maintain consistency we ask our Woodlands friends and family to take lots of photos of events and send them to marketing@woodlandschurch.com (for approval before publishing). For our ministry and event leaders, please know that this wonderful team will assist you with approved logos, brochures, flyers, bulletin notices, advertisements, social media and more! If you have questions, needs for your event, or would like to be part of the team, please call the office (407-469-2525).

THE LUTHERAN WITNESS:

The Lutheran Witness, the magazine of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod subscriptions are about to expire. The annual subscription rate is \$12.00. If you would like to subscribe or renew, please make your check payable to Woodlands Lutheran Church (put *The Lutheran Witness* in the memo line) and either drop it in the collection plate or mail to the church office. The deadline for payments is April 23rd.

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings, April 15, 2018:

First Reading – Acts 3:11-21

New Testament – 1 John 3:1-7

Gospel Lesson – Luke 24:36-49

WE NEED YOUR USED EYEGLASSES:

The Nicaragua Mission team needs to collect 3,000 pairs of glasses to replenish what we will distribute on our trip. Please help by donating adult sizes glasses, kid size glasses, non-prescription sunglasses and over the counter reading glasses. There is a collection box at the back of the sanctuary. We appreciate your prayers and support as we prepare to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in Nicaragua!

CALL DAY AT CONCORDIA SEMINARY:

Call Day is set for April 24th. This is when concluding students will receive their pastoral calls, and second-year students will receive their vicarage assignments. Greg Barto from Woodlands will be receiving his vicarage assignment at that time. You may watch the Call Day proceedings at 3 PM CDT by live stream at caliday.csl.edu. You can also watch via Twitter at #CallDay2018 and #CallDayWatch Party. A test stream will be available before the event so viewers may test their computers in advance. For more information please visit www.csl.edu/semcelebration/.

PIANO FOR SALE:

Wendell and Gloria Adell have an upright Everett Piano for sale. If you are interested, please call them at 352-243-6171.

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