



Living God Newsletter

Sunday Worship 8 & 10:30 AM
& 6:30 PM

...building a church for people who have no church.

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Congregational Breakfast Brunch Feb. 22nd @11:45am



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Shrove Tuesday Dinner Feb. 24th, 5:00—7:30pm



The J.A.M. youth group will host the Shrove Tuesday dinner. The menu is pancakes, sausage, applesauce and donuts. Adults \$5, Children \$2, Family \$12. Sign up and invite a friend. Proceeds to benefit J.A.M.

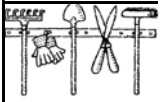
Wed. Night Soup & Evening Devotion March 4th — April 1st

Lent is often experienced as a season of reflection, looking inward, and soul-searching. Starting Wednesday, March 4th — April 1st we will meet for a humble soup dinner followed by an evening devotion. A sign up sheet will be posted for anyone interested in providing the soup for the evening dinner.



Lent begins with a solemn call to fasting and repentance as we begin our journey to the baptismal waters of Easter. Join us on February 25, at 7:30pm for Ash Wednesday service.

Support Team News



B&G Meeting



LGLC's Building & Grounds Committee will hold their next meeting on **February, 17th at 7:30 pm.** All are welcome to attend the meeting. If you have any questions about the committee please contact Barry Buzzard at 610-273-2371.

Choir News



The Choir is Preparing for Easter!

The Living God Choir meets on Wed. nights, 7:00pm., at the church. Everyone is welcome, no experience necessary. If you have any questions, please contact Angela Zoltek, music director, at 610-873-7701."

Education Team News

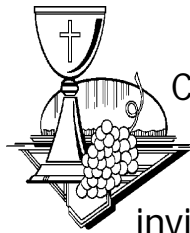


The Lantern

a Mid Week Bible Study program

At 10:00 am "The Lantern" bible study program led by Pastor Moore is held at Heatherwood Retirement Community located next door to LGLC. The evening class held at LGLC begins at 7:00 pm . For more information pamphlets are available on the information stand located at the back of the church.

Worship Team News



First Communion Classes

Children in the fifth grade, and those children believed ready for Holy Communion by their parents, are invited to attend two classes prior to receiving their First Holy Communion on Maundy Thursday. Classes will be held March 15th at 12 pm and March 29 at 12 pm. Please contact Pastor Moore for more information.

Worship Team Meeting



The Worship team invites everyone to come to the monthly pot luck and meeting on **February 15th following the second service.** Bring a side dish or dessert to share with the group, approximately 10 people. Everyone who volunteers as usher, reader, prayer leader, communion assistant, prayer intercessor, altar guild and/or hospitality is encouraged to attend Worship meetings.

Lin Williams, Team Leader
Jan Rudolph, Council Representative

A Note From the Greenwood Singers

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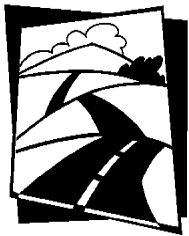
On behalf of the Greenwood Singer, I would like to thank you for your wonderful welcome and hospitality during our Sat., November 29th, 2008 concert at Living God Church.

The Greenwood Singers consider our concerts a testimony for the Lord and all He has done.

We wish your congregation a blessed and healthy 2009!

Sincerely, Ruthanne H. Ellsworth

Stewardship Team News



Highway Clean-up Sat. February 7th, @8:00 am

The Stewardship Team is looking for volunteers to help with LGLC's quarterly highway clean up. All volunteers will meet at the church building to pick up supplies for the clean up. Contact Lana Wolfe if you have any questions 610-273-9180.



Outreach Team News



Daffodil Day Sunday, March 22—Orders are now being taken for Daffodil Days. If you would like to purchase some daffodils, order forms can be found on the display table at the back of the church.

Deadline for Daffodil orders will be Sunday, February 22. The funds raised through Daffodil Days helps further the lifesaving mission of the ACS. Your donations help to support programs and services for cancer survivors and their families such as transportation assistance, emotional support and education. Through the Cancer Resource Network, the ACS provides answers 24 hours a day, 7 days a week at 1-800-ACS-2345 and www.cancer.org. The ACS has two new offers this year called, Gift of Hope & Project Care.

Gift of Hope: Bouquets of daffodils will be delivered anonymously to cancer patients in hospitals, treatment centers, and other facilities in our local community. DONATIONS OF \$25 AND UP.

PROJECT CARE: A Bear and a bunch will be delivered anonymously to a child in need in our community. \$25 EACH

For any additional information contact Lin Williams (before 8pm) at 610-857-3247 . Thank you for your support



Relay For Life is off and running. "The Living God Lifesavers" are registered and they are on the road to the **Relay**. Last year our quest started in April and we raised \$3,900 for ACS. Our hope is by starting this year three months earlier we can double LGLC's donation to ACS. If you would like to participate in any upcoming fund raisers or the Relay for Life Walk, June 19 & 20 please contact Elaine Casey 610-273-9370 for further information.



Dear friends,

The whole is greater than the sum of the parts.

Imagine a building filled with rooms. In each room is a single person playing beautifully a musical instrument. In one room there is a violinist, in another a drummer playing the timpani, in yet another is a woman with a trumpet. At the end of the hall there is a room with a conductor, wildly moving her hands and arms in silence as she, like the others, is alone in her individual room. A stroll down this hall reveals all the parts of a grand symphony, but not a symphony because all the parts are playing individually to themselves. A symphony would be wonderful, and many would surely be inspired by the beautiful music they made together. But, they are not together, they are alone with their individual talents. The symphony is greater than the sum of the instruments.

Now imagine a church building filled with people. Each person has certain talents and gifts. In one person is the ability to teach. In another is the ability to promote things. In still another is the gift of finance. Someone else has a specific talent with arts and crafts. Someone else has a gift with music. And, finally, another person has the gift of organization. A brief stroll through this church building would be an encounter with these very fine and wonderful people, each with their individual gifts. Yet, if these people were to work together and be willing to offer their special talent or gift for the benefit of the whole they would find that they have all the parts to create possibly a vacation bible school program, or maybe a drama ministry, or some other dream that God only knows. But, in this imaginary church, these people remain alone with their special talents, and the dream of ministry together is lost. The church is greater than the sum of its gifts.

St. Paul puts it this way in his first letter to the Corinthians, *“The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ.”* Together the parts make up the body of Christ for the world. The body of Christ is the church, and the body of Christ is capable of ministering to a hurting and hopeless world of people. But, the parts by themselves acting alone remain alone and disconnected from the body of Christ. Without a doubt, every individual Christian responding faithfully on their own in the world can be a powerful witness of God’s loving mercy. But, Christians that share together, worship together and form the body of Christ together has the power to transform and overcome things in such a way that can only be described with the word miraculous. The body of Christ is greater than the sum of the faithful.

Inserted in this newsletter is an invitation for you to offer your talents and gifts to the whole. It’s slightly different from the forms you may be used to seeing. Rather than ask you to volunteer for a specific opening that needs volunteers, this form simply asks you to share what you are capable of doing. At church you will find a drop off box and additional Time & Talent Sheets for you to donate your particular gifts. Everyone’s gifts will be organized according to where they might best be used to benefit our church’s whole ministry. You will then be contacted and invited to help in various ways that are fitting for your gifts. It’s also quite possible that you will be invited to offer your gifts in ways that begin with brainstorming and dreaming of potential ministries that are only now being discovered through this process. Every member is asked to fill out a Time & Talent Sheet. When we come together with our gifts we are capable of so much more than when we don’t.

Living God Lutheran Church is greater than the sum of its members.

Are you a member of this church who hasn’t shared your time or talent in a while? If so, then you’re probably feeling a little disconnected? Isn’t it time you got connected? With a little creativity even the shut-ins can offer their gifts and become more active. Offer your time and talent, and together we’ll share the joy of a ministry that only the body of Christ can achieve.

Blessings,

+Rich

Dear Friends of Living God Church, *Thank You!*
Amy, and I want to thank you all for the Christmas bonus that was presented to us before the Christmas Eve services. Your generosity is another expression of the many thoughtful ways in which you care for us.
Blessings,
Rich & Amy



News & Notes



M & M's

All are welcome! Come bring your portable sewing machines, your pink-ing shears, pins and sewing supplies to make quilts with the M&M's for Lu-theran World Relief on February 9th & 16th starting at 1pm. LWR's previ-ous supply has been distributed around the world due to natural disasters. People of LGLC have a wonderful opportunity to be the hands and feet of Jesus by donating new or gently used sheets and blankets at least 60" X 80". For detailed information, please pick up an information sheet at the back of the church. A box will be there for the donation. Please contact Chris Lamos 610-901-3005 or Deanna Arndt 610-286-0182 for more information.



Bridges

*A Sunday small group
spiritual
development program*

Starting Sunday, February 15th—April 5th, from 4:30pm to 6:00pm Living God Church will present *Bridges to Contempla-tive Living with Thomas Merton*. The pro-gram is best described as a tool for spiri-tual development. Bridges invites partici-pants on a journey toward spiritual trans-formation and a more contemplative and peace-filled life. Thomas Merton sought for himself and also encouraged others to pur-sue ongoing spiritual transformation and a life of contemplation. This series is care-fully designed to lead participants into a holistic process of growth toward these two goals. The eight topics of the *Bridges* se-ries offer an introduction to Merton and contemplative living, prayers, readings from Merton and other spiritual writers, and questions for contemplative dialogue.

A sign up sheet is posted for anyone in-terested in attending the program. Pastor Moore and Tony Ring will lead the weekly topics. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Moore at 610-401-5602.



Every year, thousands of groups in more than 21 countries - over 1 million teens - unite with one goal in mind: to help chil-dren living in some of the most deplor-able conditions on earth.

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YOUTH GROUP

'08 - '09 Program & Registration Information



Jesus And Me

JAM

February 8th
February 22nd

Sessions

March 8th
March 22nd
April 5th
April 19th
May 3rd
May 17th
May 31st
June 14th
June 28th

Every other Sunday, youth from grades 5-12 are invited to come to the JAM SESSION. Here we will have fun and make friends. Most importantly, we will grow closer to Jesus in faith through weekly devotions. And, active J.A.M.mers get to participate in special monthly events for free.

Grades 5-8 will be among our Jr. Hi Youth. They will get the opportunity to participate in activities that are age appropriate and assist them with the topics they need to know for their confirmation of faith at the end of 8th grade. Grades 9-12 will be among our Sr. Hi Youth. They will get the opportunity to participate in activities and discussions that help them to bring their faith to action in love and service.

How do I become a J.A.M.mer?

1. There are flyers and registration forms available at the church.
2. There is a donation request of \$30 for each registration. This is per year, and helps to provide a fund from which a variety of program expenses can be drawn. We also ask that each J.A.M.mer practice good financial stewardship by setting aside a small donation for each week.
3. Come as often as you can. Abide by the behavior covenant. HAVE FUN!

FEBRUARY WEEKEND EVENT

Scheduled events are open for anyone between grades 5 and 12. Bring your friends. The ones with the JAM next to them are free to all active J.A.M.mers. More details about each event will be distributed as the dates draw near.

February 21st—February 22nd

30 Hour Famine is an international youth movement to help fight hunger. The program will bring them closer together with others and to God, feed hungry children, and make a difference in the world.



Jr. Hi Youth from 9am—9pm
Sr. Hi Youth from 9am—Noon the next day

The congregation will throw a breakfast buffet after church on the 22nd.









Next Month

Mark Your Calendar!!

Sat. March 21st
Bowling at the
PALACE in
Downingtown
Admission: YTBD
Times: YTBD



FEBRUARY 2009

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p>  <p>Souper Bowl 8:00 AM Worship 9:15 AM Sunday School for Children and Adults 10:30 AM Worship 6:30 PM Worship</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>7:00 PM Fellowship Meeting</p>	<p>4</p> <p>10:00 AM Mid Week Bible Study at Heatherwood</p> <p>7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM Mid Week Bible Study at LGLC</p>	<p>5</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study at Tel Hai</p> <p>7:30 PM Council Meeting</p>	<p>6</p> <p>7:30 PM AA Meeting</p>	<p>7</p>  <p>8:00 AM Highway Clean Up</p>
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