

THE BRANCHES

Sunday, September 25, 2011

VISITORS: Out of a broken and divided world, all people are called to be a part of the body of Jesus Christ in His church. As children of the same God, and in faithfulness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, all people are invited to join the members of Center Grove Lutheran Church in worshipping, experiencing, and testifying to the transforming love of Jesus Christ. Though the world seeks to divide, at Center Grove Lutheran Church, we seek to model the unconditional love of Jesus Christ, and to offer everyone a place in the family of God. Without condition or judgment, all are welcome to join us in worship, fellowship and ministry.

PRAYERS MEMBERS:

Pastor Ginn, John Ritchie; Martha Ritchie; Betty Chambers; Maurice Cook

HOMEBOUND MEMBERS: Belle Hurlocker; Lydia Winecoff; Reba Coggins (Britthaven of Charlotte); Louise Coggins (Caremoor); Gene Massey (homebound); Margie Sells; Doris Dearmon (homebound); Bill Durkee (homebound)

HOMEBOUND FRIENDS: John Walters (Brian Center)

MEMBERS' FAMILY: Scotia Griffin (Marie Spencer's Mom); Clifford Cook, (Pat Cook's son); Norma Daniel (Carolyn Benner's mother); Robert "Bob" Hayes (Beverly Barringer's brother); Roberta Head (Pat Walter's mother); Stephanie Stephens (Chrystal Conrad's sister);

FRIENDS: Barbara Bland (Rick Skipper's sister); Judy Long (Pat Cook's friend); Don Lewis (co-worker of Luther Lefler)

SISTERS UNITED:

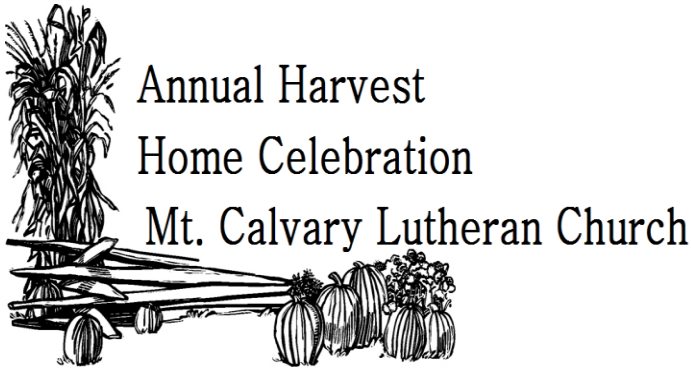
- ❖ Celebration of Life reception will be held following 11:00 am service today, September 25th. We will be honoring birthdays, new members received, and anniversaries during this time with refreshments and fellowship. Please take a few minutes to come down to the fellowship hall and celebrate with us.
- ❖ Sisters' United will be quilting on Monday, September 26th from 10:00 am to 12 N and Tuesday, September 27th from 6:00 PM to 8:00 PM.
- ❖ Sisters' United will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday in October at 6:30 PM. We invite all interested women to come to our meeting. We are busy planning for our fall bazaar and organizing the Christmas Child shoebox project for 2011.

MEN'S GROUP:

- 1) Men's Group will be meeting on Sunday, October 2nd, starting at 9:00 am. We invite all interested men to come to our breakfast meeting and enjoy fellowship, project planning and devotional time.
- 2) Men's Group will be having a hot dog sale and Concert on Saturday, October 8th. Hot dog sale will be held from 5:00 PM to 6:00 PM followed by a concert at 6:30 PM. Please support our outreach program for the community by inviting friends, neighbors, and family members to this special event.

UNIVERSAL CRIME WATCH will be meeting on Monday, October 3rd in the fellowship hall.

ON LINE GIVING OPTIONS: Center Grove Lutheran Church is pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic option for you in making regular offerings. Contributions can now be debited automatically from your checking or savings account [**or processed using your credit or debit card**]*. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis. Just go to our website. www.centergrovelutheran.org and click on one of the donate buttons. --Thanks in advance for your support.



MT. CALVARY LUTHERAN CHURCH EVANGELISM BOARD invites Center Grove Lutheran Church congregation to their Annual Harvest Home Celebration on Sunday, October 16, 2011, at 3:00 p.m. Lunch will be served from 12:30 p.m. – 2:30 p.m. Praise service will begin at 2:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be reverend Robert Hull, Counselor for Circuit 15 and Pastor of Prince of Peace Lutheran Church, Charlotte, NC.

JULY – SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES & BIRTH DATES

BIRTHDAYS:

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| July 4 – Michael Horne | August 1 – Martha Ritchie | |
| July 5 – Ralph Seamon | August 2 – Marilyn Overcash | |
| July 10 – Alana Durkee | August 5 – Linda Cooper | |
| July 11 – Melba Stirewalt | August 7 – Tracie Cline | September 3 – Bill Durkee |
| July 11 – Carolyn Benner | August 9 – Lacey Lefler | September 6 – David Kopsick |
| July 14 – Joyce Bowles | August 14 – Jimmy Murray | September 23 Chrystal Conrad |
| July 15 – Sheena Horne | August 22 – Rebekah Overcash | September 23 – Janelle Murray |
| July 22 – Ethan Overcash | August 22 – Linda Cline | September 27 – Sharon Sneed |
| July 26 – Rusty Cline | August 26 – Hannah Celiz | |
| | August 27 – Gene Massey | |

ANNIVERSARIES:

- July 8 – Richard & Jan Query
 July 16 – Bill & Alana Durkee
 July 25 - Jimmy & Janelle Murray
 August 19 - Elizabeth & Maurice Cook
 August 20 – Hoke & Graydene Kidd

NEW MEMBERS

- Linda Cooper
 Sherry Cooper
 Michael Horne
 Sheena Horne
 Will Horne
 Ariel Horne
 Austin Horne

MEMORIALS

Memorial Fund in memory of Howard Dearmon given by Norris Dearmon
Memorial Fund in memory of Howard Dearmon given by Jimmy & Janelle Murray

Memorial Fund in memory of Reverend Hoke Ritchie given by Kathryn Kincaid
Cemetery Fund in memory of Reverend Hoke Ritchie given by Bill & Catherine Carriker, Marie & Terry Sipe, Patricia & Dale Newberry.

Memorial Fund in memory of Hoke Ritchie, Jr., given by Reverend & Mrs. Glenn Yount
Memorial Fund in memory of Hoke Ritchie, Jr., given by Carrie Sullivan.



4 – Week Quilting Classes by Florence Thibeault **Christmas Spirit Appliquéd Christmas Tree Center Grove Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall**

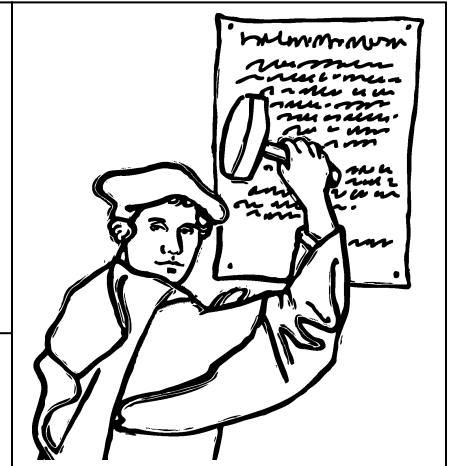
\$50 is the fee for the total 4 week class. You can register and pay the fee any time before the 1st class on October 11th. Please contact Florence at 980-621-4812 or at Hancock Fabrics 704-795-1010 to register and to get the supply list.

Class 1: Every Tuesday from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 Noon, starting on October 11

Class 2: Every Tuesday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., starting on October 11.

Class 3: Every Friday from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., starting October 14.

LUTHER THE GRAPHIC NOVEL ECHOES OF THE HAMMER: Read the book, experience the adventure, play the game. Here is the story of one man who headed a revolution that still echoes throughout the world. Available for the first time in graphic novel style. For readers ages 12 and up. Experience the adventure! The cost of 10 or more books is \$9.99 plus shipping and ordering under 10 books the cost is \$10.99 plus shipping. Be sure if you have an I-phone or an Android scan the red and white bar code to play the game.



2011 Fall Bible Sale



CONCORDIA PUBLISHING HOUSE IS HAVING A 2011 FALL BIBLE SALE

Place your order on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the chancel area as you come up to take communion. A list of colors, prices are on the sheet. Gain a deeper understanding of God's Word with Bibles for all ages from CPH. Whether you are looking to update your study Bible or to purchase your child's first Bible. The deadline to order is October 30, 2011; so that those who wish to give as gifts can have them in time.



"October is Education Month at Center Grove and Pastor Ginn will lead the Adult Sunday School Time starting at 9:45 am Each Sunday with "All things Bible", "All things Lutheran". This will be a time to ask questions and get answers for those things you have always wanted to know. Please invite others to attend this special opportunity for learning."

Acolyte: Ethan Conrad

Altar Guild: September & October – Jimmy & Janelle Murray

Communion Assistants: September 25 –Norris Dearmon
October – Mildred Whittington

Ushers & Greeters: Marc Lingle, Jim Daniel
Communion Ushers: Don Bowles, Marc Lingle, Richard Query

Lay Readers: September: Rusty Cline; October: Chris Conrad

Money Counters: Chris Conrad, Jimmy Murray