

NEWS+NOTES

Plant a Tree in Wittenberg

Honor the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation



The tree-planting project above was close to home, but an opportunity to plant a tree in Wittenberg, Germany, is taking shape. To honor the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, the Lutheran World Federation's Wittenberg Center is coordinating

a commemorative garden filled with 500 trees planted by worldwide Lutheran groups. We're in conversation with the Grace Lutheran youth to see if, together, we might add a tree to the garden. Stay tuned as plans develop. Get ready to make history together.

LutherFest 2017

Sunday, February 26, 2-4:30 p.m., is the 5th annual Luther House Beer & Cheese Pairing fundraiser at the Boulder Falls Event Center, Lebanon, OR. All proceeds support Lutheran Campus Ministry programming at OSU, LBCC, and WOU.

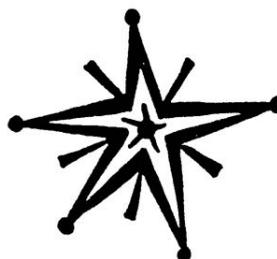
The event includes a sampling of six local craft beers paired with six Oregon-made cheeses, served with hearty appetizers and inspirational talks, entertainment, and prizes.

Pr. Jim reserved a Table of 8 just for students who are 21 or older. Let him know that you'd like to join the fun. Be prepared; he might just ask you to tell our guests a bit about your experience of Luther House.



EPIPHANY – LET'S CELEBRATE THIS SEASON OF LENGTHENING LIGHT

Epiphany is the festive season that announces Jesus, the Light of Life, and commemorates the journey of Wise Seers who followed a star that led them to the Christ Child. To honor the season a special candlelight Epiphany Dinner Church Eucharist is set for Sunday, January 8, 5:30-7. The "Come and Go"



lunch on January 10 includes celebrating January birthdays. Don't be surprised if star cookies are the featured sweet treats to keep the seasonal commemoration going and remind us of Christ, "the Light [that] shines in the darkness..." (John 1:5). You and your friends are most cordially invited to come and shine with us.

CHANGES ARE COMING



Pastoral Transition & Call Committee

2017 will bring significant changes to Luther House. After serving here for almost 22 year, Pr. Jim will be retiring later this year. Such a transition takes good planning and careful consideration for the kind of leadership qualities needed by the person who succeeds him. The Ministry Site Profile compiled by the Luther House Council puts students first and builds on the strong legacy that is Luther House. Soon, Council will be ready to appoint a Call Committee that will interview prospective candidates and recommend a person they think will lead us for years to come. Would you like to service on that Call Committee? If so, let it be known to Pr. Jim or Ann. As God closes one chapter of life at Luther House, a new one is opening. Truly this is an exciting time.

How to Contact Us

You'll find us at 211 NW 23rd Street, just one block north of the OSU campus. When the sign on the door says "Come on In," that means the house is open for you. What do we have to offer? Check out www.luther-house.org or go to "Luther House Campus Ministry" on Facebook. Be sure to 'friend' us. Call us at 541.753.5213 or email us at info@luther-house.org.

WINTER TERM OPTIONS

Many fabulous activities are planned for Winter Term. Here's a sample of possibilities. Please join us as time and interests allow.

Come and Go Lunch, every Tuesday

If you haven't yet experienced the delicious food and friendly atmosphere each Tuesday at the Luther House table, now's the time to try it out, 11:30-1:30. Come and go as your schedule permits.

TableTalk, every Sunday

5:30-7:00 each Sunday evening, there's a home-cooked meal waiting for you, plus a chance to go deeper on topics of interest and conversation with special guests. TableTalk resumes January 8.

Cold Weather Shelter Volunteers

Be part of the Grace Lutheran team that's hosting the Men's Overnight Shelter, evenings January 16-22. To volunteer contact fsndavis@msn.com.

Ash Wednesday Observance

Ash Wednesday begins the holy season of Lent. We'll observe it on March 1 with all-day, self-guided Contemplation Stations at Luther House. Drop in anytime. Come alone or bring friends. Pr. Jim will be on hand for prayer and optional Imposition of Ashes.

Reflections on Rome

You probably know Pr. Jim went to Rome as a delegate to a meeting sponsored by the Vatican. Want to know more about his experience? You're invited to his one-hour presentation - with pictures - on Sunday, January 15, 9:45-10:45, in the Grace Lutheran Church Ronnenkamp Hall. It's free and open to the public.

Calendar

Sunday, 1/8, 5:30-7:00
Epiphany Dinner Church & Eucharist

Monday, 1/16
OSU MLK Observance

Wednesdays, 1/25, 2/15, 3/15
Pints of Grace @ McMenamins

Sunday, 2/26, 2-4:30
LutherFest 2017, Lebanon

Wednesday, 3/1
Ash Wednesday Contemplation Stations

Monday, 3/14
International Pi Day

Our Life Together

MORNING PRAYER



Every Monday, 10:15-10:30, we meet in the Upper Room for Morning

Prayer, a brief spiritual pause. Please, come and pray with us.

PINTS OF GRACE



A periodic evening study break at a local brew pub. You buy your beverages, Luther House buys the appetizers. We hope to see you.

CAMPUS OFFICE HOURS



Watch for details about when and where Pr. Jim will be hosting

office hours on campus. Stop to chat or check in, for a few minutes or a whole hour.