
Bulletin Announcements for August 22, 2010

Today at Elmhurst Church

Today as we resume 8:55 and 11:05 worship, we'll also conclude our series on 24/6 Living by looking at Jesus' example of how to experience Sabbath rest. We will also pray for teachers and students as they return to school in the coming week.

At the 11:05 service, we rejoice with the Henry and Glozier families in the sacrament of baptism. The following children will be baptized: *Jud & Katie Henry's* son, *Kingston Charles*; and *Larry & Bethany Glozier's* children, *Joseph Russell, Nicholas Robert, Natalia Sophia & Isabella Joy*.

Next Sunday

Twenty years of postmodernism have led some to conclude that, "You believe what you believe, and I'll believe what I believe and we'll get along just fine." Well what about that? WWJS? (What Would Jude Say?) We'll read the New Testament book of Jude and find the answer.

Our Church Family

Prayer Chain: To send requests or to be added to the prayer chain, e-mail prayer@elmhurstcrc.org or call *Dianne Zunkel* at 630-530-7822.

We rejoice with *Bob and Sheri Leppink* in the birth of their daughter on August 10. Their address is 19W252 Grammercy Park Lane, Lombard, IL 60148.

We express our sympathy to *Judd & Linda Rinsema* in the death of Linda's sister, *Norine Wagner*, on August 14. Judd & Linda's address is 540 Pershing, Unit 0, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137.

Announcements

Have your blood pressure checked today in the Garden Room after both morning services.

Sunday Morning Worship Schedule

8/29/10 8:55 & 11:05 a.m.

9/05/10 10:00 a.m. (one service Labor Day Weekend)

After Labor Day weekend our regular worship schedule resumes with services at 8:55 & 11:05 a.m.

Parents, have you registered your 3–6 year old children for Little Lambs yet?

Wednesday morning session is almost full, but there is plenty of room in all the other sessions, so sign up soon! You may pick up a registration form at the information desk, register online, or call *Lynda Clousing* at 630-600-5049.

Stewardship is the Bible word that describes the management of our God-given resources. To encourage this ministry at Elmhurst Church, the Senior Leadership Team has appointed a Stewardship Team. Among the team's duties are 1) advising the Senior Leadership Team on procedures that will encourage the stewardship of the entire congregation, 2) working alongside existing structures in the church (deacons, educational ministries, finance and long-range planning committees, worship committee, etc.) to develop strategies and opportunities to help develop member giving and 3) implementing an annual stewardship campaign by which congregants can pledge their contributions of time, talent and giving. Team members include *Ken Hoving* representing the SLT, *Cort Neal* representing the deacons, *Pastor Bert* representing the staff, with *Jud Henry* and *Marcus Zeilstra* representing the congregation.

Community Service Team We are forming a team of people who are interested in serving the poor in our local and global community. We meet **tomorrow, August 23, at 7:00 p.m. at church**. If you have questions, please contact *Beth Rinsema* at parishnurse@elmhurstcrc.org. Christ prayed, "Thy will be done in earth, as it is in heaven." *Richard Stearns*, President of World Vision, states in his book [The Hole in our Gospel](#), "If we are to be part of this coming kingdom, God expects our lives – our churches and faith communities, too – to be characterized by these authentic signs of our own transformation: compassion, mercy, justice, and love – demonstrated tangibly. Only then will our light break forth like the dawn, our healing quickly appear, and our cries for help be answered with a divine "Here am I." **If you would like to be part of something challenging and exciting, please join us.**

SIGN UP IN THE LOBBY TODAY and join us for a lot of fun at our "**Back to School Pool Party**" **this Friday, August 27, 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.**, at the Lombard Park District Paradise Bay Water Park (437 E. St. Charles Road, Lombard). The cost is \$4/person or \$15/family. Registrations are due today. You must be registered to attend! (We need to know in advance how many people are coming so we have enough lifeguards on duty.) To register, please fill out the form at the Information Center or call 630-600-5043. All friends and family of ECRC are invited. Questions? Email marcia.huizinga@elmhurstcrc.org.

Save the Date! Announcing the **Safe Church Annual Ministry Kick-Off** scheduled for **Wed., Sept. 8, 7:00 p.m.** Mark your calendar now. This is the annual kick-off for most ministries in our church. There will be a large group general session and then ministry-specific sessions to follow. The training is for the following groups: Staff, Elders and Deacons, SWAT members, Technology volunteers, Security Hosts, and Children Ministry volunteers (excluding Little Lambs). The general session is open to

anyone who is interested in keeping our congregation and facility safe. Watch the e-news and bulletin for more detailed information.

A group of people are attending the Christian Community Development Association's National Conference in downtown Chicago on Wednesday, Sept. 8.

The Association began 20 years ago when *Dr. John Perkins*, a Mississippi sharecropper's son, and *Dr. Wayne "Coach" Gordon*, an inner-city Chicago transplant from Iowa, invited 150 friends to Lawndale Community Church in Chicago for a time of fellowship with like-minded people and training around best practices. These friends were people who committed their lives to serving the poor, but who felt isolated in the midst of it. Every fall since that first conference in 1989, CCDA has held a National Conference, traveling to a different US city each year. What began as a group of friends gathering in a church has become a movement that draws conference attendees from around the globe! **If you are interested in attending this conference, please contact *Beth Rinsema* at 630-600-5034 or parishnurse@elmhurstcrc.org. The cost is \$75.00 for the day.**

The Prayer Shawl Team will meet on the upper level Sunday, **Sept. 19**, at 10:00 a.m. **Anyone interested in learning more about this ministry, please join us.** It offers an opportunity to use your talents to bless others and is something that you can do in your own home and at your own convenience. A recipient of a prayer shawl wrote, "Today as I was feeling a bit anxious I slipped the shawl around me and could just feel that someone out there was praying for my complete recovery. Prayer support is REAL!" If you plan on attending, please contact *Beth* at 630-600-5034 or parishnurse@elmhurstcrc.org or *Ruth* at 630-833-5440 or rsf89@yahoo.com. Bring your leftover yarn and your knitting or crocheting patterns to share.

Save the date for these Bible League retreats! This year you have a choice of two exciting events: 1) a one-day retreat at Cedar Lake Conference Grounds in Cedar Lake, IN on **Sept. 23**, and 2) a local two-day retreat on **Oct. 5 & 6** at Indian Lakes Resort in Bloomingdale. Brochures are available at the Information Center. For questions, please call *Gloria Van Ryn* at 630-576-2508.

The Missionary of the Month in August is *Ena Vander Molen* who ministers with Wycliff Bible Translators in the Philippines. The Missions Fund thanks the congregation for the \$3,218 in the month of July. The Missions Fund operates on a calendar basis and has received \$26,890 which is a shortfall of over \$7000 from 2009. Please remember our missionaries with your prayers and financial support.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Little Lambs Needs YOU! Join the staff at Little Lambs and you will find yourself being blessed as you bless these precious little ones! We are making progress in filling staff positions, but we still have a place open where you could serve. The most urgent needs are underlined!

Tues a.m.: Weekly: Pianist; Alternate Weeks: 1 Bible, 1 Creative Learning, 2 Craft Teachers, 2 Music Assistants, Subs for all classes, especially during MOPs weeks.

Wed a.m.: Alternate Weeks: 1 Free Play, 2 Craft Teachers, 1 Music Assistant, Bible and Creative Learning Subs

Wed Aft.: Alternate Weeks: 3 Free Play Teachers, 2 Music Assistants, Subs for all classes

Wed Eve.: Alternate Weeks: 1 Song Leader, 2 Crafts, 2 Free Play Teachers, Subs for all classes

Thurs a.m.: Weekly: 1 Free Play, 1 Creative Learning, 2 Craft Teachers; Alternate Weeks: 4 Free Play, 5 Craft Teachers, 2 Music Assistants, Subs for all classes

Are you looking for a way to get connected to ECRC's ministries without being up on stage or in front of a classroom of little kids? Think about getting involved in the technical background of our worship services and other ministries. We're looking for more volunteers to help us with lights, sound, video and graphics each Sunday and a few others to help with pre- and post-production during the week. Students can earn service credits too. You'll need to volunteer no more than twice a month to help and keep your skills active. No experience necessary but a willingness to learn, ability to solve problems on the spot and a comfort with technology in general will help. We have lots of ideas of things we can do to take the next step @ ECRC, but we need you to help us get there and bring your time and talent to the technical table. Email *Kyle Olson* at tech.director@elmhurstcrc.org to receive more information on an upcoming Tech Open House for everyone interested, and tell your friends to get involved, too!

Calling All Nurses If you would like to assist with the monthly blood pressure checks that are done following the morning services, please contact *Beth Rinsema*, the Care Coordinator/Parish Nurse at parishnurse@elmhurstcrc.org or 630-600-5034. We are making a new schedule and would love to have you join the blood pressure team.

Opportunities to Serve Continued...

Children's Church School meets between the services and offers singing and a Bible lesson for K-5th grade children. We are looking for bi-weekly teachers, subs, and people to help with check-in (15 minutes at the start of Church School time). If you are interested please contact *Kara Hackert* at kara.hackert@elmhurstcrc.org.

Children's Worship is adding classes due to attendance size and **we need more help than ever!** We are still looking for teachers, helpers (adult and student), and check-in attendants to serve 1x/month, or possibly once every other month. Contact *Tara* at tara.tameling@elmhurstcrc.org or 847-533-3081.

Family Outreach If you think you or a family member has a problem with addiction, the Family Outreach Team is here to help. Contact *Ruth Fox* at 630-833-5440 or *Ken Blauw* at 630-279-1891.

Have you or someone close to you experienced a pregnancy loss due to abortion? "Restore," a local Christian ministry, offers free and confidential support to women, men and teens. For more information, please call 630-599-0043, or email restoreofdupage@gmail.com.

Food Pantry Donations for Yorkfield Presbyterian Church can be brought to the container by the Information Center at any time. A flyer that lists the items they need is at the Information Center. Questions? Contact *Natalie or Nancy Van Beek* at 630-832-8954.

Bible Study Fellowship is accepting registration of Women, Students, Infants and Preschool Children for the Fall Season. This **Brand New** 30-week study will be on the powerful Book of **Isaiah**. Flyers are available in the lobby with enrollment details. For further information please contact *Jan De Boer* at (630)325-8775 re: Day Women's Class, *Sharon Rozendal* (630)782-1998 re: Evening Women's Class, and *Ricardo Simmons* (773)550-1154 re: the Evening Men's Class.

Coffee Break and MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Have you registered yet? Registration forms are available at the Information Center or online at elmhurstcrc.org.

An invitation to moms...

MOPS stands for Mother's of Preschoolers (all moms really... whether you have one infant child or a 15 year old). It's a group of moms meeting to get re-energized, be encouraged and gain valuable information relevant to our season of life! Our starting date is Tuesday, September 21, then every 1st and 3rd Tuesday thereafter. We meet during the same hours as Little Lambs AND we offer nursery! If you don't want to come alone, please bring a friend or three! If you're still not sure...let us entice you a little more. Jill Savage (founder and CEO of Hearts at Home) is coming to speak to us on Oct. 19 about **Ten Stress Strategies** you need to know. Come on that Tuesday for a morning of laughter and great tips! Let us know if you want more information; we'd love to tell you more about MOPS. Call *Rhonda* at 630-916-7527 or e-mail me at rtamelina@comcast.net.

An invitation to Bible Study...

Coffee Break is a friendly place to study the Bible...no previous Bible knowledge or experience necessary. The kick-off event is September 15 & 16. This year we will be studying:

- James (begins September 22) The book of James is practical and challenging for living the Christian life and faith.
- The Gift of Christmas (begins on November 3) Gain a fuller knowledge of Jesus' birth and why He was born.
- Lessons from the Life of Daniel (begins January 12) Learn about a life of faith and integrity.
- The Sermon on the Mount (begins February 16) Learn about Jesus' teachings on life in the kingdom of God.

There are several sessions to choose from:

Daytime sessions (for women only):

Wednesday morning 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.; Wednesday afternoon 12:30 to 2:30 p.m.;

Thursday morning 9:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Nursery (0 to 36 months) is available only at the Wednesday morning and Thursday morning sessions. (There is no nursery Wednesday afternoon.)

Evening Session (groups for men & women, or women only):

Wednesday evening 7:00 to 8:30 p.m.

Children ages 3-Kindergarten may attend "Little Lambs" during the daytime and evening sessions. Registration is required.

If you need to cancel a meeting,
please call Doug Bardolph at 630-699-7051.

Sunday, 8/22/10

8:55 am Worship Service
9:15 am Children's Worship (Preschool) Upper Level
9:50 am Blood Pressure Checks
11:05 am Worship Service
11:25 am Children's Worship (Preschool) Upper Level
12:05 pm Blood Pressure Checks
12:30 pm Sisters Helping Each Other (patio)

Monday, 8/23/10

7:00 pm Community Service Team
7:30 pm Elders (204)

Tuesday, 8/24/10

9:00 am Classical Conversations (Upper Level)
7:00 pm ESO Board (Conference Room)

Wednesday, 8/25/10

9:00 am Men's Bible Study (204)
7:00 pm 20 Somethings (Lombard CRC's house)

Thursday, 8/26/10

9:30 am Staff Leadership Team (Conference Room)
4:00 pm CYT

Friday, 8/27/10

7:00 pm Back to School Pool Party
(see the announcement in the bulletin)

Saturday, 8/28/10

7:00 am Prayer Group (Conference Room)
8:00 am Organist Rehearsal

Sunday, 8/29/10

8:55 am Worship Service
9:15 am Children's Worship (Preschool) Upper Level
11:05 am Worship Service
11:25 am Children's Worship (Preschool) Upper Level

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9/05/10 10:00 a.m. (Labor Day Weekend)

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We invite our guests to take a moment to complete
this form. Please tear it off and drop it in the offering
basket or leave it at the Information Center desk in
the lobby.

Today's Date: _____

Please circle: Mr. Mrs. Ms. Miss

Last Name _____

First Name _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone _____

E-mail address: _____

Please add me to the weekly email newsletter
list.

I have recently moved to the area

I would like to receive information about:

Membership at Elmhurst Church

Children's Ministries

Little Lambs (3 yrs. thru 6 yrs.)

Boys' and girls' ministries
(3 yrs. thru 5th grade)

Student Ministries

Maximum Velocity - (6th-8th grade)

The Edge - (9th-12th grade)

Adult Ministries

Coffee Break Bible Study

Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS)

Bible Study & Small Groups

All other adult opportunities

Healing Ministries

Mid-Week Connection

I would like to talk to a pastor

Comments/Prayer Requests: _____

*Please stop by the Information Center to meet the
pastors and pick up a "welcome packet" as our
gift to you for worshipping with us today.*

More details are available at elmhurstcrc.org

**Welcome to Elmhurst Christian Reformed Church.
We're glad you could join us!**

PLEASE NOTE!

Our worship services on August 29 will be at 8:55 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.

**On Labor Day Sunday, Sept. 5, we will have one service
at 10:00 a.m. with root beer floats after the service.**

**After Labor Day weekend, we will resume our normal
schedule of two morning worship services at 8:55 a.m. and 11:05 a.m.**

Assisted listening devices are available for use.
You can pick one up at the sound booth located at
the rear of the sanctuary or ask an usher.

Large print bulletins are available at the Information Center.

Nursery is available for children who have not
yet reached their third birthday.

Coffee is served in the main lobby after the morning service.
Please stay and get acquainted.

The Information Center is open after worship to answer your
questions about our church and ministries.