

## PLAN FOR THE WEEK

Times are pm unless otherwise noted

### Sunday

- 9:00 am Early Worship Service
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 3:00 Choir Pre-dress Rehearsal (w.c.)
- 6:00 The Refuge (Sr. Hi - Caroling)

### Monday

- 9:00 am Forever Fit (GYM)
- 3:30 Finance Committee (MUSIC ROOM)
- 6:30 Forever Fit Christmas Party  
(AT DAWN'S HOUSE)
- 6:30 Telecare
- 6:45 Deacons & Deaconesses mtgs.
- 7:00 Salt & Light (Ages 18 - 30) (F.H.)
- 7:30 MOPS prayer (PRAYER ROOM)

### Tuesday

- 12:00 - 2:00 Parish Nurse
- 6:30 Concert Dress Rehearsal

### Wednesday

- 10:00 am Ladies Prayer (LIBRARY)
- THE SUMMIT**
- 5:00 - 6:15 Dinner
- 6:30 AWANA (ages 2 1/2 - grade 4); Expedition 56 (Grades 5 -6); The Pier (Grades 7 -8); Sr. Hi. Life's Blend; Adult Bible Studies; Prayer Meeting; (nursery for infants up to age 2 1/2)

- 6:30 Worship band (MUSIC ROOM)

### Thursday

- 8:30 am MOPS - (Mothers of PreSchoolers) Leadership mtg.
- 6:15 Forever Fit (GYM)
- 6:30 Worship Group (JEFF - W.C.)

### Friday

- 7:00 Magnificent Mystery Concert & Pageantry

### Saturday

- 5:00 Magnificent Mystery Concert & Pageantry

## PRAYER CONCERNS

A detailed prayer list is available at the welcome area in the lobby.

### Missionaries

Timber-lee Christian Center - East Troy, WI  
Rick & Kathy Wacek - Wycliffe - Washington, DC  
Bob & Joyce Werntz - EFCA IM - Honduras  
Ivan & Doris York - EFCA - Great Lakes District

### Our Family

Heather Hinzpeter - recovering from a tonsillectomy  
Mike Enders - recovering from knee replacement surgery  
Joe Kurtz - recovering from intestinal surgery  
Iuliana Spiegelhoff - recovering from orthopedic surgery  
Rufus Hobbs - moved to Ridgestone Assisted Living in Elkhorn  
Pastor Howard Matson - recovering from lung transplant  
(Cards may be sent to: Howard Matson c/o Jim Matson,  
210 Exmoor, Glen Ellyn, IL 60137)  
Merle Loomer - undergoing radiation  
Carl Jacobsen - home recuperating from a fractured pelvis  
Peter Vanderveld - recovering from leg surgery  
Camilla Wichman - Willowfield in Delavan  
Shirley Norem - undergoing chemo

### Bereavement

Geusa, mother of Raminha Warnecke, passed away on November 27th.  
Funeral was held same day in Brazil.

### Emergency Prayer Chain

Please call one of the following if you have an emergency request:

Bea Nieubuurt	262-740-2434
Doris Reinhout	262-742-3731
Barb Hinzpeter	262-275-3803

## COMING EVENTS

12/14	MAGNIFICENT MYSTERY CONCERT(5:00 pm)	1/2/09	L.I.F.E. Districts
12/18	UGANDA MISSION TRIP MTG. (7:00 pm)	1/9	AWANA at the BUCKS GAME
12/21	SR.HI PROGRESSIVE DINNER (5:00 pm)	1/16-18	SR. HI BLIZZARD '09
12/24	CHRISTMAS EVE CELEBRATIONS (5:00 pm, 6:30 pm, & 9:00 pm)	1/31	MEN'S BREAKFAST
12/31	NEW YEAR'S EVE WORSHIP (5:00 pm- POTLUCK, 6:30 pm and 11:00 pm)	2/07	"NO REGRETS" MENS CONFERENCE AT ELMBROOK CHURCH

### God's work done God's way in God's time brings God's resources

	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2008 Budget</u>
Year-to-date General Fund Income	\$1,085,211.85	\$895,623.99	\$1,080,668.75
Year-to-date General Fund Expenses	\$1,097,963.98		
Year-to-date Missions Income	\$258,124.15	\$242,670.22	\$241,632.90

“The *Magnificent Mystery* of PEACE (the contentment factor)”

“You will keep in perfect peace the person whose mind is steadfast, because he trusts in You.” (Is. 26:3)

“Peace I leave with you, My peace I give you . . . I have told you these things so that you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble, take heart, I have overcome the world.” (John 14:27; 16:33)

“Glory to God in the highest and peace on earth to men . . .” (Luke 2:14)

➤ **Peace is rooted in \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 1:26-33)**

- Mary
  - God's eternal truth / love based purpose
  - Peace in the Truth of 'magnificent mystery'
- Jesus with Disciples (John 14)
  - “do not allow your hearts to be troubled . . .”
  - Truth of God-Jesus relationship
  - Truth of Jesus being “the only way”
  - The Holy Spirit as resident, truth teacher
- Paul writing to Philippian Christians (Phil. 4:4-13)
  - “I have learned the secret of being content . . .” Learned in truth seeking, reality living
  - “peace of God will guard your heart and mind”
  - “whatever is true . . .” Think true, noble, right, pure etc., engage heart and mind in truth.

**What is the full truth about the issues most troubling me?**

➤ **Peace is nurtured in \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 1:34-38)**

- Mary . . . “How can this be . . . I am the Lord's servant”  
God deserves my questions, ‘benefit of doubt’, trust.
- Jesus . . . “don't you know Me . . . if you love Me you will obey Me . . . he who loves Me will be loved by My Father . . . the Holy Spirit lives with you, will be in you.” Vine and Branches relationship (John 15)
- Paul . . . “The Lord is near . . . the God of peace will be with you . . . I can do everything through Him who gives me strength.”  
“I want to know Christ.” (Phil. 3,4)

**What is the evidence of the authenticity of my relationship with God?  
How am I nurturing it?**

Pastor Doug Anderson

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➤ **Peace is matured in \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 1:39-45,56)**

- Mary . . .
  - “Mary got ready and hurried to Elizabeth . . .”
  - “Mary treasured all these things in her heart”
  - Matt. 2 escape to Egypt and return to Nazareth.
- Jesus . . .
  - “the prince of this world is coming. He has no hold on Me . . . I love the Father and I do exactly what the Father has commanded Me . . . not My will but Yours be done . . .”
- Paul . . .
  - “Do not be anxious about anything, in everything by prayer and petition, present your requests to God . . . the peace of God . . .”
  - “Think about these things . . . put into practice what you have learned.”

**What specific practices do I have which mature my peace?  
How has my peace matured in 2008?**

➤ **Peace is reproduced in \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 1:46-55)**

- Mary . . .
  - “My soul glorifies the Lord, my spirit rejoices in God my Savior . . . the Mighty One has done great things . . . Holy is His name”
- Jesus . . .
  - “. . . ask anything in My name, so the Son may bring glory to the Father . . .” (John 14:13)
- Paul . . .
  - “Rejoice in the Lord always . . . let your gentleness be evident to all.”

**Who's peace has awakened peace in you?  
How are you overflowing God's peace to others?**

CDs of today's message are available at the Welcome Center immediately following the Saturday evening and Sunday 10:30 am services.