



Rosemount UMC January 2008 E-News

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Happy New Year, Rosemount UMC!

“Cheers to a new year and another chance for us to get it right.” ~Oprah Winfrey



As we say goodbye to 2007 and the enormous amount of change that we experienced together, we turn and face this next step even stronger and more committed than before. 2008 promises to have a lot in store for us, and I'm confident that as a community we can face the struggles and trials of our lives with faith and hope—taking the chance we've been given to get it right!

In worship, we're kicking off the New Year with a sermon series titled, “The Anatomy of a Disciple.” Over four weeks, we'll examine the role of the head, heart, hands, and feet in the life of a disciple. How do we come to understand, love, serve, and share God in our individual and communal lives?

Paired with this, we also have some exciting new adult life opportunities that will be occurring this winter and spring. Alpha is back! This 11 week course meets weekly to examine some of the basic questions of our faith. Who is God? Who is Jesus and why did he die? What do I do with my life? Another new Bible study is beginning on Sunday mornings by the name of “Living Fully, Dying Well.” Though aimed at discussing end of life decisions, this group is open to all ages and encouraged for everyone, as we all face the effects of aging and corresponding decisions in our families and lives several times over.

Look inside for more information on these and other groups, including the cancer support group, young adult gathering, and other creative opportunities to live out your call as a disciple in all aspects of your life! Rosemount UMC is alive and well, and we want you here!

God's peace and joy,

Pastor Brooke Heerwald

Carnivale is coming!! Starting in January, RUMC will be providing a respite care program for families of children with intellectual and developmental disabilities and their siblings. The children will enjoy an evening of fun and games plus a meal while their parents can enjoy some time away for themselves. Our first event will be on Friday, January 25, 2008 from 5:30 to 9:30 pm in the FLC. While there is no cost for the evening, pre-registration is required. We hope to host this very special ministry approximately seven times in 2008. If you are a family that could benefit from this ministry or if you would like to volunteer as a helper, please contact Gail Hoffmann, 952-322-5796 or Karen Klekner, 651-423-2475. All volunteers must take Risk Management if they haven't already done so. There will be a Risk Management training at the church on Thursday, January 10th at 6:30 pm. This ministry has been generously supported and funded by the CCP foundation—a foundation that promotes the abilities of children and adults with developmental disabilities.





Drive carefully ...Cars are not the only thing that can be recalled by their maker.

After Christmas Sales- Please help us prepare for next year's Children's Store at the Bazaar. Take advantage of those after-Christmas sales to pick up some gift bags and tissue paper. If you come across any great deals during sales, please contact Cindy Dietz 952-432-5019 or ddeietz@frontiernet.net

Pasta on Wednesdays - Wednesday Night Dinners are back

Wednesday night dinners are returning to RUMC with the new Pasta on Wednesdays ministry. The weekly meals, served in the Family Life Center from 5:30-6:30 p.m., are \$5 per adult or child, with a cap of \$20 per family. Please sign-up in the Narthex at the Pasta on Wednesdays table with your name, telephone number and the number of people attending, or call the church office at 651-423-2475. Please indicate if you need a gluten-free meal. The deadline is each Monday at 3 p.m. for that week's dinner. Meals will be served from Jan. 9 through May 14. For more information about helping with this ministry, please contact Gerry Vuchetich at 952/431-6868 or Mary Moffitt at 952/846-0157.



Growing Through Loss

The Interdenominational Coalition of South Suburban Churches, comprised of 16 churches "south of the river", is pleased to present a five-week series entitled "Growing Through Loss". Join us for one or all sessions on Tuesday evenings, January 8 through February 5, 2008, from 6:30 to 9:00, at Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church, 12650 Johnny Cake Ridge Road, Apple Valley. Donation per session is \$3.00. Please call Julie Opheim, 952-432-6351, if you have any questions.

The following is a list of the dates and the speakers.

January 8: "Grieving Through the Generations" Special Family Night ¾ for Children, Parents and Grandparents Youth Grief Services

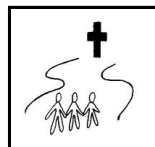
January 15: "A Couple's Perspective on Life and Loss": Pastor Michelle Gawienowski, Peter Gawienowski, LCSW School Social Worker, Mpls. Public Schools

January 22: "We're not in Kansas Anymore" Lynne Silva-Breene, M.Div., M.A., LAMFT, Marriage & Family Therapist, Pastoral Counselor

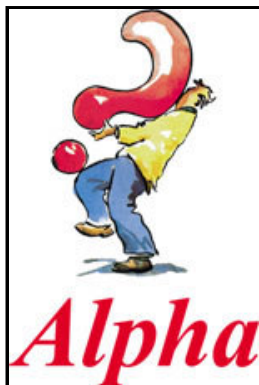
January 29: "HOPELETS...Gifts of Hope in Times of Loss", Mary Christopherson, B.A. Life Coach, Founder of Hope after Loss

February 5: "Cherished Memories" Joyce Besser, MARL, Associate Director of Vital Aging Ministries, Prince of Peace Church, Burnsville, Martha Alken, O.O., D.Min., Pastoral Care Minister - Church of the Risen Savior, Burnsville

Our next series will be at Shepherd of the Lake Lutheran Church, 13760 McKenna Road NW, Prior Lake on Tuesdays evenings, September 23 to October 14, 2008.



Adult Life News-"Journey with a FoCUS on Christ"



ALPHA: A Practical Introduction to the Christian Faith
Wednesdays 5:30-8:00 pm beginning January 9th
This 11-week class examines questions about God and Christianity in both large group and small group formats. The group shares a meal together and then delves into the question of the evening,

followed by discussion. Contact Brooke Heerwald with questions or comments:

bheerwald@rosemountumc.org

Living Fully, Dying Well - Study on Sundays at 9 am. Cokesbury's description of this book states that, " Our best decisions about life's important events are seldom made in a time of crisis. Living Fully and Dying Well is a resource designed to assist us in making careful, wise and prayerful preparation for meeting life's most important moments. In this study, participants will learn how to face openly and unafraid the benefits and limitations of aging and end of life decisions." Contact Rick Ormsby with questions or comments: rormsby@rosemountumc.org

Cancer support group starting up again Wednesday, January 23rd at 10:30 a.m. Contact Brooke Heerwald with questions or comments: bheerwald@rosemountumc.org

Adult Bible Study on Sundays 10:10 am -11:10am in the Conference Room. Newcomers always welcome. Contact is Dennis Lund nlund@charter.net.

Young Adult Group will be traveling to ComedySportz on Friday, January 11th. All of you in your 20s and 30s are welcome to come! This comedy show starts at 8 pm in Minneapolis, so we'll gather at the church at 6:15 and carpool together. Tickets cost \$12 each. Feel free to bring children if you can't get a babysitter—their tickets cost \$8. RSVP to Brooke Heerwald by January 8 th: bheerwald@rosemountumc.org

The Artists Way/ The Creative Call
Everyone is an artist! Join us as we journey for 12 weeks discovering how creative expression guides our lives. We will work together to overcome the blocks that limit our creativity, including limiting beliefs, fear, self-sabotage, jealousy, guilt, addictions. Part of this time will include daily writing and 'artists dates'—join us to find out more! Time and location TBD—if interested, contact DeAnne Parks or Brooke Heerwald with questions or comments: bheerwald@rosemountumc.org.

"Faith Lessons" adult Bible study held Sundays 10:20 am-11:20 am in room D120 beginning September 16. Contact Gerry Vuchetich at gvuchetich@rosemountumc.org

Jamaica Mission Team to be commissioned- At worship services on Wed Jan 9th and Sunday Jan 13th we will commission our 2008 Jamaica Mission Team. The team will continue work begun last winter at Ebenezer Basic School (for children ages 3-5) in Bamboo, Jamaica. The school has over 90 kids and has a pressing need for the 4 new classrooms being built by Minnesota United Methodists. The group will be gone from our lovely Minnesota from January 15-29 during the most wonderful time of the year - to face the challenges of the warm Jamaica winters, (but, as they say, someone's got to do it!)

Worship Ministry News



Spring into step starting January! Grab your partner for a special 6 course ballroom dance program. Learn some fun Latin, Swing and standard ballroom dances. Classes will meet every Friday of the month, starting January 18th thru February 22nd, from 7:30pm until 8:30 pm. Then mark your calendars for February 29th Leap Year Day Ballroom Blitz Community Outreach Party. Live music provided by our own Lourey Middlecamp and the Jazz Harmonic Ensemble! The cost for the 6 week course is only \$60 per couple and all proceeds support the Worship Arts Ministry. Registration is required. Contact Terry Field, at

(651)423-2475 ext. 216 or via e-mail at tfield@rosemountumc.org

Moving Spirit Dance Ministry will gather again beginning Sunday, January 20th from 2pm until 4pm. We will be preparing for an early Lent program and late spring special program TBA at the meeting! If you are interested in joining the dance ministry, please contact Terry Field, at (651)423-2475 ext. 216 or via e-mail at tfield@rosemountumc.org

UP COMING FEBRUARY EVENTS THAT YOU DON'T WANT TO MISS!

Craig Evan's and the **Singleton Street Bluegrass Band** is Coming Home to Rosemount UMC Saturday, February 23rd at 7pm. This special gathering will be a community outreach opportunity for Craig Evan's and the Singleton Street Band to share their music and their love of God while also celebrating their new Gospel CD "Wingin' It!"



CD cover painted by DeAnne Parks

Leap Year Day Ballroom Blitz



Fine Arts Ministry is sponsoring a community dance on Friday, February 29th from 7pm until 10pm. Live music will be provided by Rosemount's UMC very own Lourey Middlecamp and the Jazz Harmonic Ensemble! This event is open to all ages and is sure to be full of fun and surprises! Tickets are not required, but a free will donation will be collected at the door. All proceeds will help support future community concert programs provided by Rosemount United Church .

Discovery Avenue Children's and Zone 56 News

Church school and Zone 56 resumes meeting Wednesday January 9th and Sunday January 13th. Watch the Children's table for any upcoming activities.

God's Discovery Kids Preschool

Come join the fun! GDK is a preschool located in the Rosemount UMC Discovery Avenue. We are licensed by the MN Department of Human Services and specialize in immersing preschoolers in God's love while preparing them for success in Kindergarten. Registration for the 2008-2009 school year will take place at the end of January.



The following classes will be offered next year:

- 3-year-olds (3 by Sept. 1) 9:30 – 12:00 MW or TTh - \$95 per month
- 4-year-olds (4 by Sept. 1) 9:30 – 12:00 MWF or TWTh - \$120 per month or 1:00 – 3:30 TWTh \$120 per month
- 5-year-olds (5 by Dec. 1) 9:30 – 12:00 MTWTh - \$145 per month

Brochures and registration forms are available on the Rosemount UMC web site and at the Children's Welcome Table in the narthex. There is a \$55 per child registration fee. Registration form and fee should be turned in by January 30. Scholarships are available. For more information contact Wendy Riphenburg at wriphenburg@rosemountumc.org or pick up a brochure at the children's ministries table in the narthex.

Elevation Youth Ministry News



Special Announcements!!

Attention 9 th – 12 th grade students! – UMYS – March 14 th – 16 th – @ the Holiday Inn in St. Cloud, MN. Join over 1,000 High School students from across the state of Minnesota for a weekend of worship, workshops, food, and other great opportunities throughout the weekend. We will gather at Rosemount UMC at 3:45pm on Friday, March 14 th. We will be on the road by 4pm. Please pack a bag dinner for the ride to St. Cloud. We will be stopping for lunch on the way home from UMY's so bring some money for that. We will arrive home by around 3pm on Sunday, March 16 th. Registration forms are available upstairs in the Attic!! Registration forms and a non refundable deposit of \$80 is due by February 3 rd!! Questions...give Josh a call at 651-423-2475.

Confirmation Student reminders!! First, make sure that you all have turned in your "Confirmation Covenant Form" You should have received this form in the mail, if you did not... copies are available upstairs in the Attic. You can pick them up on Wednesday or Sunday nights. You could also get one at one of our Nooma Nights! Secondly, continue to turn in your worship reflection forms and forms for your service projects. Forms are available upstairs in the Attic at the Confirmation Bulletin board by the bathrooms. Thirdly, please turn in your form that lists who your mentor is...if you are a 9 th grader and do not have a mentor you need to call Josh right away!!! If you are an 8 th grader and still need a mentor

please call Josh as well! You need a mentor as part of your confirmation experience!!

Mission Trips for the Summer of 2008!!! Registration forms are out! They are available upstairs in the Attic on Wednesday and Sunday nights!

- **Sr. High Mission Trip to Chicago!** July 5 th – 12 th – Trip cost is \$440/person – Your registration form and a non refundable deposit of \$220 is due on January 27 th. There are only 24 spots available! Spots will fill fast! Turn in deposit and registration form to secure your spot for Chicago! Once you sign up more information will come in February about meetings, etc...
- **Middle School Mission Trip to Duluth!** June 15 th – 20 th - Trip cost is \$300/person –Your registration form and a non refundable deposit of \$150 is due on January 27 th. There are only 8 spots available! Spots will fill up quickly! Turn in deposit and registration form to secure your spot for Duluth! Once you sign up more information will come in February about meetings, etc...

Elevation Youth Ministry events for JANUARY!

Saturday, January 5 th -Sr. High Youth After New Year's Party! Taking place from 7pm-10pm at the Hutchinson's! (13414 Cormack Circle, Rosemount) Please bring a snack/dessert/favorite food to pass and yourself! Beverages will be provided!

Sunday, January 6 th No Sr. High Youth!

Monday, January 7 th -NOOMA Night for 8 th & 9 th grade confirmation students and their mentors! Join us from 6-7pm upstairs in the Attic! If your mentor can not make the meeting please join us with a parent. See you all at NOOMA!

Wednesday, January 9 th - Club 78 (7 th & 8 th graders) meets from 6:30-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Topic: "Put the Chill on Kill: The 5 th Commandment"

Sunday, January 13 th - Sr. High Youth (9 th -12 th graders) meets from 6-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Topic: "Hollywood Jesus"

Wednesday, January 16 th - Club 78 (7 th & 8 th graders) meets from 6:30-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Topic: "We Must Not Lust: The 6 th Commandment"

Sunday, January 20 th - Sr. High Youth (9 th – 12 th graders) meets from 6-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Back by popular demand... the comedy of Brad Stine! We will view another one of his videos entitled: "Tolerate This!" Come and join us for some great laughter from this comedian who is also a Christian! Bring a snack to share for the evening! We will have time for Brad and Small Groups! See you there!

Wednesday, January 23 rd - Club 78 (7 th & 8 th graders) meets from 6:30-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Topic: "Get Real, Don't Steal: The 7 th Commandment"

Sunday, January 27 th - Sr. High Youth (9 th – 12 th graders) meets from 6-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Topic: "Spiritual Gifts" Special Guest speakers will be with us this evening! Please join us for this awesome evening of discovering our own giftedness!

Wednesday, January 30 th - Club 78 (7 th & 8 th graders) meets from 6:30-8pm upstairs in the ATTIC. Join for a movie on the big screen! Come check it out!

Remember you are a Rock Star and Jesus believes in all of you!!!

**Elevation Student Ministries
Rosemount United Methodist Church
*We are ONE but, we are not the same, we get to carry each other!***

Mission News



THE FAMILY PLACE is a daytime shelter for homeless families in St. Paul that we have served at several times as one of our Urban Plunge sites. We have stepped up our commitment there and are serving an evening meal about once every three months. Our next serving opportunity for The Family Place will be Sunday, Jan. 20. If you are free to help out, please contact Tom and Linda Montgomery, coordinators. We will car pool from the church, leaving about 2:30pm on Sunday, Jan. 20. We should be back at RUMC by 6:30. Come and be the hands and feet of Jesus and help to "feed his lambs". Tom & Linda Montgomery, 651-423-3721 or tmontgomery@frontiernet.net

Simpson Shelter Meal - Join us as we bring and serve a meal at the Simpson Shelter in Minneapolis. The shelter, located in Simpson United Methodist Church, serves the 70 homeless people who stay there each night. This is a great family activity. We try to provide a meal once a month. Cooks are needed to prepare the meals in the Rosemount UMC kitchen. Watch for the dates and sign up to volunteer in Fellowship Hall. Contact Rich Wirt -rwirt@rosemountumc.org

The Rosemount Family Resource Center is located on 145th Street and welcomes volunteers most days and times. There is a wide range of opportunities, from organizing food donations to helping kids with homework or getting a game of basketball going. Contact Rich Wirt -rwirt@rosemountumc.org or you may call the Center directly: (651) 322-5113.

United Methodist Women

Do you want to know more about UMW? Would you like to be an officer? Register and come to the Metro East District meeting January 26th at St. Paul's UMC in Mendota Heights. Registration begins at 8:30 with coffee. The program begins at 9:00a.m. and concludes with lunch being served at 12:30p.m. The keynote speaker will be Carol Rieke. She is Minnesota's Women Division Director and represents MN UMW at Women's Division meetings. Please bring paper products: paper towels, napkins, TP to the meeting. It will be used at Emma Norton Residence. The cost is \$7.00 for lunch and \$2.00 without lunch. Please contact Janet Ewing, janete9@charter.net or 952-431-7751.

Prayer Lists and Announcements

Please pray for the following members and friends of our congregation:

Elaine Lidke
Anne Hasbrouck
Tim Berghuis
Mary Ann Barnes
Aunt Gloria
Jaymee

John Shutter
Joe Horwath
Dick in WY
Gladys Nicholas
Christy Ahlquist
Jerry & Diane Moen



OUR SYMPATHY & PRAYERS to the following who have lost loved ones:

- Dale & Mary Thelemann upon the death of Dale's father
 - Todd & Chris Bishop and family upon the death of Chris' mother
 - JoAnne Cope upon the death of her mother-in-law, Bernice Cope Fleury
 - Erik & Kim Dahlberg upon the death of Erik's father on Dec. 14th.
 - Tony & Stacy Cobb upon the death of Tony's grandmother, Mae Schrankel
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NEW BABIES...

Heidi and Jamie Cynor had a baby girl Aliya Joy on November 16th.

John and Michelle Harris are proud new parents of twins Tyler John and McKenna Claire, born Nov. 28th. Proud grandmother is Caroline Harris.

Baptisms

December 23rd we celebrated baptism for Jordon Dean VanWinkle, born Mar. 19, 2007 to Neal and Laurie VanWinkle. Jordon's baptism sponsors are Tim Zieska and Tracy Zieska.

Birthdays

On Tuesday, January 15, Josie Sacrapant will be 95.

Please send her cards to:

4690 129th St. W.

Apple Valley MN 55124

