

Christ Lutheran Church
A Stephen Ministry Congregation

WEEKLY FOCUS

January 22, 2012



Listen...
God Is Calling

To this he called you
through our gospel, so that
you may obtain the glory
of our Lord Jesus Christ.
2 Thessalonians 2:14

VOTERS' MEETING Sunday, January 29, 2012

Pot Luck Dinner at Noon

After the 10:45 a.m. Service

in the Church Fellowship Hall

Those attending please bring one meat dish and one other dish.

Table service and drink provided

Voters' Meeting at 1:00 p.m.

Agenda: includes the Annual Church Report, Constitution changes,
And nomination of Kent Warneke for District Board of Directors

**** CHANGES TO THE CONSTITUTION** – based on the two readings at previous Voters' meetings held late last year and recommendations from the Constitutional Forum and Church Council have been incorporated into the latest proposed Constitution and By-laws.

Copies of the latest proposed Constitution and By-Laws are available at the Welcome Center in the Narthex. This proposed Constitution and By-Laws will be presented for a vote at the January 29, 2012 Voters' meeting. If you have questions contact Judy in the Church Office or Kent Warneke.



\$295,000 Goal Reached!

Collected To Date -- \$281,310

Only \$13,690 in commitments yet to come in during the next Year

DID YOU KNOW?

The blower motor on the south sanctuary heating unit went out recently. The cost for the new blower motor that was installed was \$1,098.



1 Corinthians 7:29-35: Whether we are married or single, young or old, we are God's children through Christ and we are empowered to show our devotion to God by all that we say and do. That is really at the heart of Christian stewardship.

The Mission Statement of Christ Lutheran Church ...

Share God's Word – Share His Love – Do It Now!



DIGGING INTO GOD'S WORD ...



BIBLE STUDIES & SUNDAY SCHOOL JUST FOR YOU

BIBLE STUDIES

<i>Epistles of Peter</i>	Pastors Winter & Rosenthal	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Fellowship Hall
<i>Heroes of the Faith</i>	C. Bryant, A. Gillespie	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	HHCC & CLS Rm. 115
<i>High School SMOREs</i>	student & leader led	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Youth Loft
<i>Adult Instruction Class</i>	Pastors Winter & Rosenthal	to be announced	Chapel

SUNDAY SCHOOL

<i>Parents & 2's</i>	Lisa Moreno, coordinator	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	CLS Room 206
<i>Sunday School</i>	for 3 yr. olds to 8 th grade	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Christ Lutheran School
<i>Special Ed. Sun. Sch.</i>	for mentally challenged	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Christ Lutheran School – Rm. 205
<i>SMOREs (gr. 9-12)</i>	Jared Stiek	Sun., 9:30 a.m.	Youth Loft

(Please note – the school will remain locked until 9:15 a.m. to allow teachers fellowship time following the 8:00 service)

Matthew 7:12 – **“All things whatsoever you would that men should do to you, do even so to them. Jesus**

**** MEN'S BIBLE STUDY** – meets every other Tuesday at the Orphan Grain Train Warehouse. The group meets from 7:00-7:45 a.m. and breakfast is served. The next gathering is on January 24. Plan to attend this uplifting Bible Study just for men. Contact Bob Feddern with any questions.



GROWING IN CHRIST IN SUNDAY SCHOOL

Lisa Moreno – Children's Ministry Coordinator

lmoreno@clnorfok.org phone: 371-3898

facebook page: <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Christ-Lutheran-Norfolk-Sunday-School/207797372579875>

**** TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL** - students learned the story “Jesus Calls Matthew.” We sinners rejoice, for we, too, have been called from our own pigsty of sin to dine with Jesus around His table, and to be a friend of the friend of sinners. *Consider discussing, “How did Jesus call Matthew to be one of His followers? How and why does Jesus call us to follow Him?”*

**** LISTEN ... IS GOD CALLING YOU?** ... Sunday school is thriving with big numbers this year, so we are in need of more staff! Please contact Lisa Moreno if you can help in one of the following ways:

- ✓ Helper twice a month for 3 year olds
- ✓ Teacher or helper with grades 1-2, twice a month
- ✓ Song leader to help during first 10 minutes

Life Quotes

“‘It is settled law,’ [columnist Paul] Greenberg said, quoting defenders of legal abortion. ‘Another generation,’ though, he reminded us, ‘was told *Dred Scott v. Sandford* was settled law.’ But, Greenberg protested, ‘no good cause is forever lost.’ Because, he added, ‘no cause is forever won in this world. It’s the nature of politics.’ It’s the nature of life.” *From a column by Kathryn Jean Lopez, editor-at-large, National Review Online* – A **“Life Quote”** from Lutherans For Life – www.lutheransforlife.org.

**** ARE YOU MISSING A DISH?** – If so, please check the table in the Fellowship Hall. There are many dishes left from recent funeral luncheons. Please claim yours today. Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated food for these occasions.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR THE WEEK OF January 22, 2012

Please remember the following in prayer during the coming week. You may also want to send a card or note to those on this week's prayer list to let them know they are being thought of.

- For Loyd Meier, Allen Zeitz, Carolyn Prauner, Lisa Meyer, Don Wolff, Elaine Holmberg, Deb Gebhardt, Lynn (Brockman) Heinold, I.J. Beeks, Marion Meisinger, Norbert Borer, Stan Kiepke, Bruce Hansen, Jane Koehler, Randy Schultz, April Wiley, and all others undergoing treatment for cancer; for strength for their families.
- For those in care centers, nursing homes, and those suffering from long-term illness, as well as those who face tests, uncertainties about their health, or going through difficult times: including Craig Smith, Jim Siedschlag, Don and Elaine Dieter, Harlan Glanzer, Jenny Brockman, Don & Vi Cherington, Robert Daughton, Elizabeth Ambrose, Sandy Schulz, Kevin Borer, Jerry Brumels, Betty Macumber, Vida Sunderman, Carolyn Marten, Maggie Luce, and Steve Long.
- For the family and friends of Maynard Wilkening, called to Eternal Rest this past week.
- Thanksgiving for the Lutherans for Life organization and their ministry focus on the importance of life.
- That God would raise up a mighty army of believers who would guide our nation back to Christian principles and remove abortion from our land.
- We continue to pray for our country – the government, police and fire officials, and the military.
- For peace in our land and other countries, and an end to terrorism.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are available from the ushers or in track racks throughout the church. Please feel free to fill out the cards and hand them to an usher, or simply place them in the offering plate.

**** PRAYERS REQUESTS** – A new book for prayer requests is available at the north entrance to the church (canopy door). In this book, forms are available to fill out for specific prayers requests in two categories – immediate needs and long-term or ongoing needs. When using the prayer request book, it will be important to fill out all information requested – especially the date and contact information for the person making the request. Long-term or ongoing prayer requests will receive a follow-up call on a regular basis to check on the status of the individual that is being prayed for in an effort to keep all requests current. Private prayer requests may be written on the cards provided and placed in the envelopes available in the front of the book.

Mission Memos

PRAY for OUR MISSIONARIES

David and Radka Fiala serve the Lord in Slovakia. Radka was born in Brezno, Slovakia. She attended Concordia University, NE, and David received a Bachelor of Arts degree in Theology along with a NE teaching certificate from Concordia, NE. They are both missionaries in Slovakia. They spent Christmas with Radka's family, about 2 1/2 hours from where they live. Their traditional Christmas dinner included special oblatky (wafers) which are served with honey before the meal. Next was a serving of opekance (sweet bread topped with poppy seeds). The soup was homemade cream of mushroom, and it was followed by breaded pork tenderloin and potato salad. There were many cookies and pastries that went with Christmas – especially medovniky (honey cookies) and suhajdy. They celebrated their 10th wedding anniversary Jan. 20. PRAY that God would grant success to them as they share the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

DAILY DEVOTIONS from LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES
are available on line at: www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

**** PITCH PLAYERS** will be meeting at Our Savior Lutheran on Thursday, February 2 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Enter the Our Savior's Fellowship Hall thru the far north doors.

**** LENTEN SUPPERS** are still available for groups to host. If your organization would like to claim a date, please contact Starla in the Church Office. Available dates are March 7, 14 and 28.



**Christ
Lutheran School**

caring ... excelling ... growing in Christ

FOR CURRENT SCHOOL INFORMATION
371-5536 or visit our website at www.clnorfolk.org.

TIME FOR PRESCHOOL REGISTRATION

Christ Lutheran Preschool is registering children for the 2012-2013 school year. Children who will be 3 by July 31st and are potty-trained are eligible to register in a variety of morning or afternoon classes. The classes will be filled on a first come served basis. Forms can be picked up at the Christ Lutheran School or downloaded from the Christ Lutheran website: clnorfolk.org. Please call Suzanne Riedel at 371-5536 for more information.

KINDERGARTEN OPEN HOUSES

Dates:	Tuesday, January 24 and Thursday, February 16
Times:	after school 3:30-5:30 or evening 6:30-7:30 p.m.
Who should attend?	Parents and children age 5 on or before July 31, 2012
Opportunities:	Meet the teachers See the classrooms Get questions answered Make new friends
Dates for calendar:	Kindergarten registration – March 7 Kindergarten Round-up – March 19

CARNIVAL COMING

Mark the date: FRIDAY, JANUARY 27 at CLS, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. all proceeds go to the school's adopted missionaries, the Raasch family.

In order for the carnival to be a success, we need lots of help and lots of prizes. If you would be willing to donate prizes, please contact the School Office.

REVEL AUCTION TIME

REVEL will be held on Friday, April 13th. This is a great fundraiser for the school and also a great time of fellowship and fun. Auction items are now be requested. If you would like to contribute in someway to this auction or be a volunteer helper, please contact Kim Wilcox at 640-2067, or leave your name at the School Office.

BOXTOPS - TYSON A+ - CAMPBELL Barcodes - LAND-O-LAKES caps

We surpassed our goal of 15,000 BOXTOPS to be collected by January 1. **BOXTOPS4EDUCATION**, **CAMPBELL barcodes**, and **LAND-O-LAKE jug caps** can be turned in at either the School or Church Office throughout the year. Make yours count today!

NEW Coke Rewards Program – save your Coke caps or the code from inside 12 and 24 packs of Coke products – not the barcode (Powerade is included). Turn them in to the school as you do other collectible items.

CHRIST LUTHERAN SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Moved by God's Love to Impact

Bible Study: Sunday, 9:30am

Website: www.clnorfolk.org
Click on Ministries, then Sr. High

DCE Jared Stiek
jstiek@clnorfolk.org

DCE Intern Angel Gillespie
agillespie@clnorfolk.org



Sun, January 29 th	7:00-9:00	Life Servant and Fellowship Event in the Youth Rooms
Sun, February 12 th	12:00-1:30	Valentine Fundraising Dinner
Sun, February 26 th		Youth Group Rock Climbing

**** LIFE SERVANT & FELLOWSHIP EVENT** - January is the month when we see a special focus put on the issues of life, abortion, and adoption. We will explore more about these issues, Planned Parenthood's plans for a clinic in Norfolk, and the agencies in Norfolk currently providing life options to families in crisis pregnancies. We will make tie blankets for these agencies. We will also spend time in fellowship and discussion as we explore what God's Word says about these issues. Invite a friend and join us for this important servant event.

**** VALENTINE DINNER** - Plans are underway for this annual fundraiser. We will setup following Bible Study at 10:30 a.m. The dinner will begin at noon and conclude at 1:30. We will be finished cleaning up by 2:00. Watch your email and mail for information about needed food items. Funds raised will go toward our summer servant events, future youth gatherings, and other youth events.

**** ROCK CLIMBING EVENT** - Be sure to clear your calendar for Sunday, February 26th. At noon (following the 10:45 am service) we will meet in the youth rooms for a quick (light) lunch and then for Sioux City. We will be rock climbing at the largest rock wall in Iowa from 2:00-4:00. We will make a stop at a Sioux City mall for an early supper and we will return to church by 7:00 p.m. We must make reservations at the rock climbing facility, so if you plan to join us please sign up outside Jared's office or contact the church office. Register for Rock Climbing by Sunday, February 19th. Forms are available online at the youth webpage.

STEPHEN MINISTRY



Christ Lutheran is a
Stephen Ministry congregation

*Dear friends, since God so loved us,
we also ought to love one another.*

1 John 4:11

LUTHERAN HIGH NORTHEAST

Educating for Life + Promoting the Faith



Lutheran High Northeast

P.O. Box 2454 Norfolk, NE 68702-2454

School located at 2010 N. 37th Street

Office 402-379-3040 Fax 402-379-8340

Email info@lhne.org Web www.lhne.org

** **LHNE SCRIP** - Have you used SCRIP? Remember, LHNE has SCRIP for groceries, gas, prescriptions, clothing, dining out, home improvements, and school shopping. Use SCRIP for upcoming gift-giving purchases. SCRIP also makes a GREAT GIFT! If you don't see the retail store you would like, simply ask; we will work at getting it for you. Buying SCRIP helps support LHNE year round! Weekdays you can stop by Echo Lighting (700 Omaha Avenue) and purchase your SCRIP from Kristi Harmeier or Sandy Krei.

** **OPEN GYM YOUTH SOCCER** in LHNE's Main Gym for grades 4th – 8th - BOYS will go from 4 p.m. – 5 p.m. and the GIRLS will go from 5 p.m. – 6 p.m. Dates: Jan. 22, 29. Each evening will begin with some fundamental drills and instruction followed by supervised scrimmaging. **No registration or fees required.**

** **ENROLLMENT AT LHNE** - Lutheran High offers a quality academic program with an emphasis on spiritual life for grades 9-12. A financial aid fund makes it possible for us to provide tuition assistance for many of our families. Enrollment applications will be available after January 1. For more information call the school at 402-379-3040.

** **STEWARDSHIP** is not only what you do with God's gifts to you now, but how you plan to use His gifts after your entrance to Heaven! Call Fred Aufdembrink at the LHNE Foundation at (402) 379-3040 for a time to discuss your thoughts with him.

** **MARK YOUR CALENDAR:** The **Cheer and Dance Clinic** on **Saturday, Feb 11th**, is for any **Kindergarten through 8th grade girls** who wants to learn some cheers and dance moves from the LHNE cheerleaders and Silver Talons!

** **LHNE "FULL ACCESS"** - is a night where 3rd – 8th graders can come be apart of the LHNE Eagle Team for the night. Fun activities are planned for this group of students!

- **For boys Wrestling Tuesday January 24th from 4pm to 6pm.** Meet in the wrestling room to see how our Eagle wrestlers get ready for a meet!
- **For girls: Girls Basketball Thursday January 26th** meet in the New Gym lobby at 7pm. Free admission to students who participate.

** **100th WIN!!** Congratulations Tyler Pflueger! He captured his 100th career win last week at the Lutheran High Wrestling Invite.

** **E-MAIL UPDATES** - Do you want to receive updates via email from Lutheran High? If so, check out LHNEeHappens. To receive these updates please email Fred Aufdembrink at faufdembrink@lhne.org.

For more information on any Lutheran High Northeast activity or to see a complete calendar, please visit the website: www.lhne.org

MILITARY SUPPORT

**** SUPPORT OUR TROOPS** – 4 boxes have recently been sent to our military overseas. Items included jel insoles, nuts, wet wipes, licorice, books, magazines, assorted toiletries (no pump soaps please), candy, pop-tarts, coffee, and other items, as well as gum (we've heard they like lots of gum). Bars soaps and fragranced items must be packaged separately from edible items. A copy of a recent sermon was included too. Contributions of items or monetary donations to this project are appreciated. Thank you for all the past donations for this project. Please see the display in the Narthex for more information.

Many thanks to all who have generously donated items for this project or made monetary contributions. It is greatly appreciated by the recipients.

Please keep our military brothers and sisters in Christ in your prayers as well as their loved ones at home.

**** CELL PHONES FOR SOLDIERS** – Northstar Services, 314 North 7th St., is collecting used cellphones for the "Cell Phones for Soldiers" program. Individuals are asked to drop off working or nonworking cell phones (with or without batteries, no chargers needed) at the Northstar office. For each cell phone submitted, one 60 minute calling card will be issued for a soldier overseas. This is an ongoing program throughout the year. For more information call Brenda at Northstar (371-0332).

SUPPORT OUR TROOPS

Listed below are updated addresses of church family members who are currently serving the United States in the Armed Forces. You are encouraged to take this opportunity during the season of Advent to send these individuals holiday greetings and thank them for their service to our country.

SSG. Sean Anderson
1092 192 E. Rd.
Palmyra, NE 68418

SPC Dahlkoetter, Britney
129th TC HET
1st PLT
CAMP ARIFJAN 09366

Sergeant Christopher Smith
200 Britton lane
Hubert, NC 28539

CPL Heinold, Shane, S.
1452 W. Oceanview Ave. #2
Norfolk, VA 23503

Aaron Menke
Taskforce Cornhusker 402nd MP
Bagham Airfield, (BAF)
APO AE 09354

LCPL Nathaniel Gnewuch
3D Battalion 3D Marine
H & S CO. Engineers
Unit 44075
FPO AP 96607-4075

LCPL Joshua Coltsden
4561 Adobe Rd. Spc 52
29 Palms, CA 92277

Capt. Matthew B. Miller

Bret Lee
45th MP
DET/Customs
BAGRAM
APO-AE 09354

Mark Siedschlag
45th MP DET - Customs
BAGRAM Airfield
APO AE 09354

Reserves:
Brian W. Anderson (*recovering from injury*)
503 Blaine
Norfolk, NE 68701

Brady Anderson
801 South Victory
Norfolk, NE 68701

Dustin Anderson
405 Emerald Drive
Norfolk, NE 68701

Aaron Menke
1907 Maurer Dr.
Norfolk, NE 68701

Worship With Us

- Saturday – 5:30 p.m.; Sunday – 8:00 a.m.
- Contemporary Service – 10:45 a.m.
- Sunday School & Bible Classes – 9:30 a.m.

Christ Lutheran Church Services are broadcast on Cable Channel 14, Tuesdays at 3:30 p.m.

Office Hours

Monday – Thursday ... 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Fridays ... 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Pastors are often out of the office for home, hospital and other visits. Please contact the Church Office for available appointments with Pastors Winter and Rosenthal.

Church Phones

CHURCH OFFICE 371-1210
CHURCH FAX 371-1228
SCHOOL OFFICE 371-5536
SCHOOL FAX 371-1288
HELPING HANDS CHILD CARE 379-3275

Christ Lutheran Church/School website
www.clnorfolk.org.

To e-mail church staff – use first initial and last name of individual @clnorfolk.org

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Chip Winter Director of Ministry
Rev. Leon Rosenthal Associate Pastor

Ministry Staff

Chad Bryant Child Care Director
Angel Gillespie Director of Christian Ed., Intern
Starla Landkamer Stephen Ministry Leader
Lisa Moreno Children's Ministry Coordinator
Jared Stiek Director of Christian Education
Steve Stortz Principal
Susan Warneke Director of Music

Administrative Staff

Judy Bohn Business Manager
Starla Landkamer Administrative Assistant
Lynn Walmsley Administrative Assistant

Hospitalized This Week

Known to be hospitalized this past week at FRHS: Anitra Mann, Vida Sunderman, Bill Bethards, BreAnna Dietz & baby girl; in Omaha – Lee Krohn.

If you are admitted to the hospital, you or a family member should contact the Church office with admission information.

Media Ministry

LUTHERAN HOUR – Sun., 12:30 p.m. WJAG 780 AM or 105.9 FM.

ON MAIN STREET – Thurs., 6:30 p.m., Cable Ch. 59

DAILY DEVOTIONS www.lhm.org/dailydevotions.asp

Our Stewardship of Time

In Worship 01/15/12 664
Communed 01/15/12 320
Sunday School / Staff 151 / 32
Bible Classes 93

Our Stewardship of Gifts

Needed Weekly \$20,192
Received 01/15/12 \$17,797
Loan Balance 01/17/12 \$ 100
"Debt Free" Comm. Rec'd as of 01/15/12 \$281,310

This Week's Activities

SUNDAY, JANUARY 22

8:00 a.m. DIVINE WORSHIP
9:30 a.m. Sunday School / Bible Class
10:45 a.m. CONTEMPORARY COMMUN.

MONDAY, JANUARY 23

1:00 p.m. Staff Meeting
4:00 p.m. Finance

TUESDAY, JANUARY 24

12:00 noon STEWARDSHIP
6:00 p.m. YOUTH
7:00 p.m. NURTURE, EDUCATION,
TRUSTEES, ELDERS
7:30 p.m. CHILD CARE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25

8:20 a.m. Chapel
4:00 p.m. Grades 5-8 Midweek

THURSDAY, JANUARY 26

6:30 p.m. Handbells
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir

FRIDAY, JANUARY 27

10:00 a.m. Bulletin assembly

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28

5:30 p.m. HOLY COMMUNION

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29

8:00 a.m. HOLY COMMUNION
9:30 a.m. Sunday School / Bible Class
10:45 a.m. CONTEMPORARY COMMUN.
12:00 noon POTLUCK & VOTERS MTG.

Please call the Church Office to schedule an activity. It is best to call ahead to avoid a conflict in scheduling.

Announcements & Prayer Requests are due in writing to the Church Office by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesdays. Submitting announcements earlier during the holidays is greatly appreciated. Please include a contact name on all announcements in case there are questions, or further information is needed.

Use www.goodsearch.com and designate Christ Lutheran Church and School as a beneficiary, a donation is made to the church.



A Mini Catechism on “Choice”

“Choose life!” (Deuteronomy 30:19) The word “choice” in connection with life raises all kinds of questions and controversy. The Christian view of “choice” differs greatly from the world’s view. We base our choices on being chosen. Consider the following questions and answers:

1. What is choice for the Christian?

Choice for the Christian is a confession of what we believe. (Romans 10:10)

2. What does the Christian believe when making choices?

We believe we can trust God in all situations of life. (Romans 8:32)

3. Why can the Christian trust God in all situations?

We are His chosen people in Christ Jesus, our Lord. (1 Peter 2:9)

4. What does all this mean when facing difficult life situations—crisis pregnancies, chronic disease, aging? It means we base our choices not on fear, or what we think might happen, or what others think might happen but upon the fact that we are chosen and can trust that nothing can separate us from God’s love in Jesus Christ. (Romans 8:35-39)

5. What if we make wrong choices? We still remain God’s chosen people upon whom He has “set His love” (Deuteronomy 7:7) in Jesus. When we confess our sins, He forgives us and frees us to continue to live as His chosen ones. (1 John 1:9)

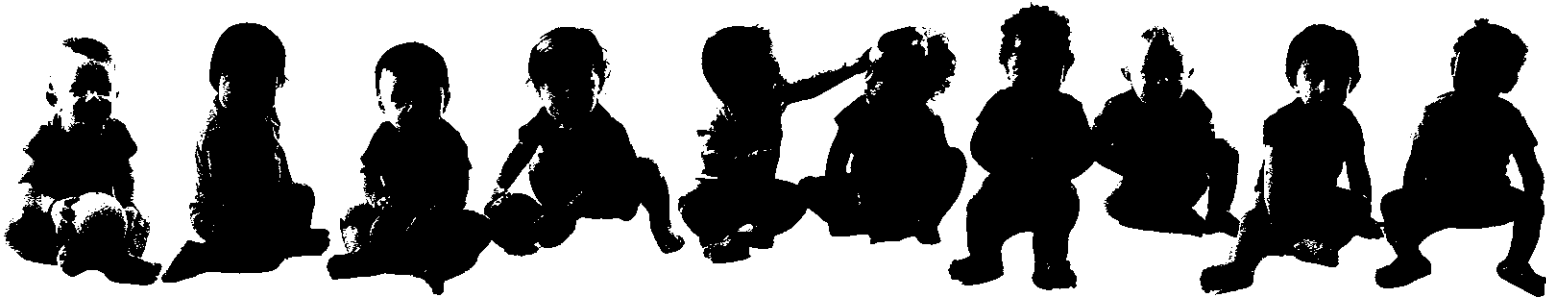
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Trust God! Choose Life!



“Therefore choose life, that you and your offspring may live.”
Deuteronomy 30:19b

The fundamental choice God places before His people runs deeper than life and death.
The choice is to trust Him or to turn to other gods (Deuteronomy 30:17).
With the latter, death becomes our god. With the former, God becomes our life.



Our Savior Lutheran Church

Our Savior Lutheran Church is pleased to offer:



BOUNDARIES

Do you ever say "Yes" when you mean "No"? Do you feel like your life is out of control? Does working harder to please those around you only seem to fail? If so, this intensive small group may help you find the answers.

Based on the book by Christian Counselors Dr. Henry Cloud and Dr. John Townsend, *Boundaries* ex-

plores the biblical basis and teaches the techniques for establishing healthy boundaries crucial to our lives. *Boundaries* that allow us to selflessly give of ourselves, enable us to respect the limits of others and set, communicate and enforce our own limits in a Christ-like way.

*Our Savior Lutheran Church
2500 W. Norfolk Ave., Norfolk*

Tuesday evenings at 7:30 PM
Beginning January 31, 2012

*Since each *Boundaries* meeting builds on the previous session, a commitment to attend all eight sessions is encouraged.*

***Due to limited space, please register
with facilitator Doug Zastrow at 402-992-3154***