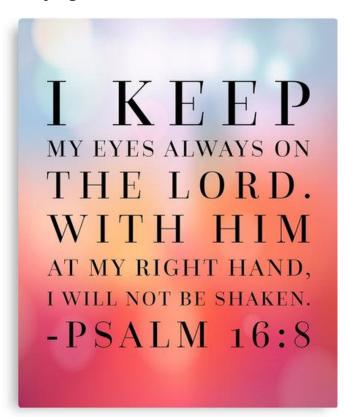
PSD School Ministries Connections



September 27, 2017

I keep my eyes always on the Lord. With Him at my right hand, I will not be shaken. -Psalm 16:8 NIV



Around the PSD

Pictured below are photos from this morning at **Lutheran High, La Verne, CA**: young ladies after chapel; students and teacher of the month; and an accreditation presentation to **Mr. Don Crites**, LHS Executive Director, by PSD Accreditation Commissioner **Carol Smallwood** and **Rachel Klitzing**.







Teacher installation was a joyous event at **Children of our Savior Lutheran Preschool, Westchester, CA.**



Worship Offering at LEC

As you may know, each year a worship offering recipient is voted on and chosen by LEC attendees. This offering is collected at the Sunday afternoon worship service of LEC. This year the offering recipient is **Shepherd's Canyon Retreat**. This LCMS



Recognized Service Organization (RSO) offers retreats for ministry professionals struggling with burnout, stress, depression and other crises. For more information, please <u>click here</u> to go to their website. Please prayerfully consider how God is asking you to support this ministry with your gifts at this year's worship service!

Lutheran Educator Poster Sessions at LEC

Do you have a great teaching idea, lesson or resource to share with your fellow Lutheran educators? We know you do, so here's your chance! We're looking for poster sessions from all areas of ministry (lessons, technology use, projects, classroom management/organization, children's sermons, mission trips, VBS...you name it!) for all ages: early childhood, elementary, middle and high school, admissions, young adult ministry, etc. Too nervous to present by yourself? Buddy up with a colleague! Please look at the **Poster Sessions** link on the LEC website for more information. To sign up to present a session, click here.

LEC Registration website

LEC 2017 Made for More Slideshow - Send Your Pictures

The theme for **LEC 2017** is *Made for More* based on the <u>Prayer of Moses in Psalm 90:12-17</u>. Our students were made to be anything they set their hearts and minds to be! It is time to share pictures of our Lutheran school students for our LEC 2017 slideshow. We are looking for pictures of your students working, playing, and serving in our Lutheran schools and beaming with hope for the future. Consider sharing pictures from graduation/promotion, service projects, career day, first day of school, athletic events, baptisms, and all the other exciting things happening in your schools. Thank you!

You are invited to upload files to CloudWOK. It is as simple as dragging and dropping or clicking +Add files. You do not need to create an account to upload

your pictures. Click here: <u>LEC 2017 Slideshow - Upload Pictures Here</u>

Deadline: October 1, 2017

RightNow Media Update

A couple months ago, we informed you about the change in the RightNow Media subscriptions for PSD schools. This past week, you may have received an email that your subscription is now expired if you haven't continued the subscription. You do still have the option to continue your subscription at a discounted rate! If you are still interested in maintaining your RightNow Media subscription, here is the information again on how to secure your school's membership at the reduced rate.

Register for Accreditation Training!

Our annual accreditation training will be held **Tuesday, October 24th**, at **Hephatha Lutheran** in **Anaheim, CA**. <u>Click here</u> to register! It is important that all accredited schools have representation at this meeting. We will also be training on the new ECE Document, so any ECE Center with a visit in 2019 is strongly encouraged to have someone in attendance! If you are interested in serving on an accreditation visiting team or being an accreditation consultant, please let us know. Ideally, each of our accredited schools will have someone from their school trained in these areas to support other Lutheran schools through this process.

School Directory Information -- THANK YOU!

Thank you to all of the schools who have already sent back the Excel spreadsheets with their school directory information. We have now received information from 25 preschools, 21 elementary schools, and 3 high schools. Keep them coming in! Please take some time this week to complete your information on the Excel spreadsheet sent to you. The deadline to submit this Excel document is October 15th.

National Lutheran School Statistics Request

Thank you to all the schools who have already responded and submitted their school statistical information to Rosters and Statistics! If you haven't yet, please take some time and submit your statistical reports as soon as possible! You have

until November 1, 2017, to complete your data entry. This report is to be completed online here.

Workers for the Harvest

If you are a Commissioned Minister in the first three years of your first call, you are eligible for a grant to assist you in repaying your student loan debt. Information on the grant program can be found at http://www.psdyouth.net/church-worker-loan-repayment.html. The application deadline is October 14, 2017.

Request for California Early Childhood Directors

Your feedback is requested! Senator Tony Mendoza, author of SB 792 that requires immunizations for volunteers in California early childhood centers, has asked for feedback on how the new requirements are impacting your center. Please take a few moments to share your experiences with Senator Mendoza. You may also want to share this opportunity with your parents so they can respond from a parental viewpoint. Contact Senator Mendoza here. Thank you!

California Private School Affidavit

The legal "window" for the annual filing of the California private school affidavit will open October 1 and extend through October 15. Section 33190 of the California Education Code requires every private school in the state to file this important document. You should soon be receiving an email from the California Department of Education which will contain the password and filing instructions. This email will be sent to all private schools in the Department's current database - meaning all schools that filed an affidavit last year. If, after checking, you believe your school did not receive this communication, or if you should require assistance, please contact Anie Wilson at the CDE: (916) 445-5669 or awilson@cde.ca.gov.

For more information, including step-by-step instructions on filing this important information, please click on the link to the CAPSO Midweek E-Mailer found below.

Reformation Information -- New Event Added!

REFORMATION CELEBRATION AT EMMAUS, ALHAMBRA, CA!

Emmaus Lutheran is hosting a celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation on **Saturday, October 28, from 3:00pm-7:30pm**! Here are some of the events taking place:

- a Reformation Walk (created by several area Lutheran churches) highlighting the life of Martin Luther
- basic Polka lessons provided while we wait for groups to finish up the Walk--you may either participate or observe
- Lutheran High School, La Verne, will be presenting a brief theatrical presentation on the Reformation
- we will break bread together in an old-fashioned, Lutheran traditional potluck supper. Emmaus will be providing the brats and sauerkraut and is asking that others (when they RSVP) sign up to bring a salad, a dessert or a side dish (it is suspected that there may be some Jello...).

All area Lutheran churches are invited! Click here for more information!

REFORMATION A-Z COLORING BOOK

Written by Drew Gerdes and free from <u>LutheranReformation.org</u>, the <u>Reformation A-Z Coloring Book</u> is a great resource! Also check out the resources at Reformation 2017.

CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY IRVINE PRESENTS: REFORMATION 500 AN EVENING OF WORD AND SONG

Wednesday, November 1, 7:00 pm at Segerstrom Concert Hall

Concordia's choirs, handbells and orchestras join with musicians from area churches and schools in a 500-member music ensemble to lead festive hymns, choruses, and sacred music around the themes of Scripture Alone, Grace Alone, Faith Alone and Christ Alone. Theologians from Christ College will share what it means to be Always Reforming as we celebrate the 500th anniversary of the Reformation. Tickets now available to purchase. You can order tickets here.

FREE RESOURCES TO HELP CELEBRATE THE REFORMATION

The LCMS has new, free materials available to help promote the celebration of the

500th anniversary of the Reformation this year in LCMS congregations and their communities. The kit of downloadable resources is expected to be available this month on the <u>Synod's Reformation-anniversary website</u>.

Prayer Requests

Each week, prayers of thanksgiving and prayers for teachers, administrators, support staff, pastors, students, and families of the Lutheran schools, early childhood centers, and churches of the Pacific Southwest District are listed. To include names on the list, please send information to anna.preus@psd-lcms.org by noon on Wednesday of each week. This week we pray for:

- Christopher Wend, the husband of Valorie Wend, principal at Loving Savior, Chino Hills, CA. Christopher underwent surgery on Monday to repair a torn achilles' tendon and is at home recovering. He's in a lot of pain but overall doing very well. We pray for complete healing for Christopher and are grateful to the surgeons for a successful surgery.
- the family of **Jim Beaudoin**, principal at **St. Paul's, Orange, CA**. Jim's inlaws live in Puerto Rico and have been affected by Hurricane Maria.
- all those affected by natural disasters around the world. Please continue to pray for our brothers and sisters who live in those areas as well as the men and women who are there to assist them.

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Redeemer Lutheran School and Preschool, Ontario, CA Hope Lutheran School and Preschool, Glendora, CA Good Shepherd Lutheran Preschool, Goleta, CA

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