

# CONNECTIONS

*Where Families Matter*

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## The Connecting Point

*Dear Friends in Christ:*

The vision of Valley Lutheran is to help anyone within the reach of our congregation to:

- Experience loving care
- **Have stronger families**
- Learn God-pleasing values
- Become devoted followers of Jesus Christ

You'll note that the second line about "stronger families" is in bold, and that's because this will be our church-wide vision focus for this year. It doesn't mean that we'll stop

doing the other things, we'll just be focusing on strengthening that part of our vision and our behavior as a congregation.

Since this is an effort that requires involvement of the pastors, the staff, the Governing Board and the whole congregation, you might be asking, "What can I do to help?" Here's a list of possibilities that is by no means exhaustive.

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## VLC Annual Voter's Assembly

by Liz Pretzlav,  
Chairperson VLC  
Governing Board

During the first part of the meeting, Pastor Esala presented a brief summary on many of

the successes of 2011, including



our small groups, fellowship and meeting our budget. We also discussed some areas that we felt we fell short for the year in our attendance goals, engaging more people in ministry and communication. These areas will be a focus to get back on track for 2012. Pastor also announced our

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## Youth Ministry

Youth Ministry meets Sunday, Feb. 5 after second service. Anyone interested in planning events and helping the youth is welcome. Please contact Pastor Bob or Debbie Bonnett for questions.

## Fill the Table

This month's Fill the Table featured item is hot cereal, such as oatmeal and farina. All the food and items can be left in the narthex and will be donated to the Chagrin Falls Park Food Bank, who help anyone in need. Call Debbie Bonnett at 440-543-3476 or email [debbon222@aol.com](mailto:debbon222@aol.com).

## A Friendly Family Training Center

This year our vision focus is on having stronger families. Last years Lutheran Lay Renewal weekend that was held at Valley Lutheran and the survey (completed by those who attended) that accompanied it, also pointed to having stronger families and more spiritual development. Because of this, our vision focus and congregational survey, we now have a unique opportunity to make our church a Family Friendly training center.

Valley Lutheran will be joining the Family Friendly Partner Network. FFPN is a three-year training process that will train members and staff of Valley Lutheran to “partner” with parents, grandparents, and single adults to help them grow in faith; to give them the tools that are needed to raise a family, to grow closer as a husband and wife, and deepen your relationship with the Lord. Instead of keeping faith formation within the walls of the church it is placed in the home. The church will partner with the parents and train them how to develop homes where faith in Christ grows. Members will be equipped to take care of the needs of daily growth in their own home, school and workplace through prayer, devotions and sharing/teaching. And this in turn will increase the passion to witness to those who do not know the Truth, our Lord and Savior.

Valley Lutheran will belong to a network of churches who will meet for quarterly trainings over the next three years on specific topics such as: assessing your congregation; parent education; non-nuclear families, and human sexuality. Each church in the network will send a core group of five members to these trainings and those members will then help train the people of the congregation through assorted activities. Quarterly training is slated to begin this spring and Family Life ministry is asking for those who have a passion for seeing faith development in the home to please prayerfully consider joining us. The invitation extends even if you would your interest is in just one particular quarterly training. This opportunity will also be announced (church announcements, email, and newsletter) whenever there is a training session approaching. Those attending will also be assisting in the development and execution of a variety of activities to train the congregation.

If you are interested in more information or to volunteer please contact Pastor Hoffman at: 440-247-0390 ext. 208.

*Pastor Robert Hoffman*

## Save the Dates

July 29-Aug. 3 – Confirmand Camp 2012

July 15-20 – Pioneer Camp and Retreat Center's next Family Camp

March 9-11 – Ohio District Junior High Gathering at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Columbus (open to all sixth, seventh, and eighth-grade students). Cost is \$160 per person. This fee covers two nights lodging, four meals and all programming costs.

## Growing as a Disciple Class to Meet Feb. 19

Growing as a Disciple Class meets Sunday, Feb. 19 from 1 to 3 p.m. Childcare is available. This class is the second in the discipleship series for those interested in becoming members of Valley and for anyone who has questions about what faith is and what it means to

follow Jesus. We will discuss what Jesus meant when he said simply, “Follow me.” These sessions are designed to give you only the basics of what life in Christ's body is like leaving room for God to do His continuing work in you. A variety of teaching styles will be used to enhance

learning and stimulate questions and discussion. Sign up outside the church offices or contact the church office to sign up. Join us for this new venture on our journey with God!

## Renewing Hope Marks Third Year



Renewing Hope Begins Its Third Year! Renewing Hope...for Happiness, our grief support group, has met at the church from 4-5 p.m. on the third Sunday of every month for two years!

We come together to share

and support each other, during those difficult times when one has suffered a huge loss. A topic is always planned, but the discussion is really governed by the needs of the group on that particular day. After the meeting, all are invited to join together in Chagrin for supper; one less meal to eat alone! If you know of anyone who might benefit from our group, please give them a brochure, or we can touch base by phone, or “walk-ins” are most welcome!

For more information, please contact Katy at 440-338-5011 or Bob Duquette at 941-350-8705.



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*“Give praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! He is the Father who gives tender love. All comfort comes from him. He comforts us in all our troubles. Now we can comfort others when they are in trouble. We ourselves have received comfort from God.”*

2 Corinthians 1: 3-4

## The Connecting Point - Continued from Page 1

- Pray for your own family, the families within the church, families who don't yet know Christ (future believers), and for our family in Christ, the Church, which is open to any and all to be our brothers and sisters.
- Communicate any ideas you may have to strengthen families to the pastors, staff and governing board.
- Serve as a Volunteer for long or short-term assignments in family-oriented programs. In other words, help make programs work. We need your

smarts, your energy, your skills, and your love for Christ's Kingdom.

- Tell your neighbors and friends about the family-friendly nature of your church.
- Be a person who demonstrates our church to be family-friendly. Greet the kids. Ask their names. Think of something to let people know that they are welcome and loved here.
- Just be here. Your presence here strengthens us all in the family of Christ.

Use your God-given imagination to think of additional creative ways to strengthen families.

The apostle Peter would have been right at home in writing this part of our vision in his first epistle he wrote: **“You should be like one big happy family, full of sympathy toward one another, loving one another with tender hearts and humble minds.” 1 Peter 3:8 (LB)**

As one family member to another, I remain –

*Yours in Christ,  
Dan Esala*



**Scott Pretzlav**

Core Group  
Ministry Director

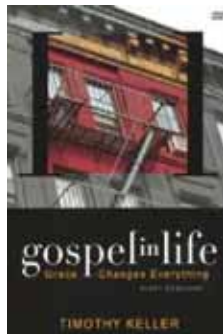
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## Gospel in Life: Grace Changes Everything

Please join me for a great Bible study entitled, “Gospel in Life: Grace Changes Everything,” by Timothy Keller. This is an intensive eight-week video-based study of the gospel and how to live it out in everyday life. In week one, our group will study the city, our home now, the world that is. Week eight closes with the theme of the eternal city, your heavenly home, the world that is to come. In between we’ll learn how the gospel can change our heart, our community, and how we live in this world.



Each week there will be some at home study aimed at preparing us for the

upcoming short video presentation and questions that we can discuss to help us all obtain a better, truer understanding of the message. The home study consists of a series of readings, quotations, exercises, and projects to help us delve deeper into the topics of each session.

I hope that you’ll consider making the time on Sunday from 9 -10 a.m. in the Yanda Room at VLC to join me in this wonderful study. Please sign up on line, at the church office, or on the sign up sheet outside the church office. This study will begin February 5. Hope to see you there.

*Your brother in Christ,  
Scott Pretzlav*

## Moms’ Time Out Friday Mornings

Calling Mothers of Youngsters. Join us for a Moms’ Time Out Fridays from 10:30-11:30 a.m. here at Valley Lutheran Church in the Yanda Room. We’re studying *Grace Based Parenting* by Dr. Tim Kimmel, founder of the Family Matters ministries.

Please RSVP to Aileen Hoffman [atalde@hotmail.com](mailto:atalde@hotmail.com). Free child care is available. Call ahead to preschool office (440-247-0390 x213) to reserve space for infants

through preschool age children.

### **Route 66 Bible Study**

The Rte. 66 Bible Study led by Pastor Esala, meets Tuesdays at 2:30 p.m. Have questions or just want to get more in depth with our Journey through the Scriptures readings? Then this bible study is for you. Pastor Esala will be teaching on the previous Sunday sermon and readings.

## Sing-a-Long at the Lutheran Home

Join us for a Sing-a-Long at the Lutheran Home, Westlake, (Senior home) Sunday, Feb. 12 from 2:30-3:30 p.m.

Sing Christian and patriotic songs with the



residents, as well as songs from their generation.

Family, friends, youth and children are welcome.

Call Gail Gajewski 440-708-0460 for more information.



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## Mark Your Calendars

Building Hope in the City, “City Serve,” will be Saturday, May 5.

## VLC Annual Voter’s Assembly - Continued from Page 1

Vision focus for this year centered on Having Stronger Families. In support of our vision, Pastor Hoffman had an exciting announcement on family life ministry – VLC is joining the Family Friendly Partners Network, a wonderful resource to support our efforts on having stronger families.

The 2012 Ministry Plan (Budget) was presented by Wayne Gacnik. One of the key pressures on our financial plan is rising health care costs. The 2012 plan also included the establishment of a restricted fund of \$40,000 within the Buildings and Grounds Ministry. A discussion point was whether it should be a line item or separate fund. It was concluded to leave the budget as presented and it was approved by the Congregation.

Our next item of business was regarding our current Governance Model for the church. It was decided that more discussion was needed before a vote could be taken and the motion was tabled. A Voter’s Meeting will be set for February 26 at 10:30 a.m. In addition, informational meetings will be held to define and discuss the old vs. new governance model so that it can be voted on effectively by the congregation. Notices will be sent out shortly to let people know on the dates and times for the meetings.

Regarding the Governing Board itself, the congregation approved the changes to the By-laws to increase Governing Board terms from one year to two years and stagger the

terms, such that only two members are voted on annually. The current Governing Board members were also voted in and our terms are staggered to initiate the new rotation. George Hill and myself have one-year terms, Lee Morgan and Matt Wood have two-year terms.

The issue on the Governance Model is an important dimension of how our church functions and how effective we are in reaching our Mission; To Connect People to Christ. We strongly urge you to attend one of the upcoming informational meetings on Feb. 13 or Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. and the Voters Meeting on February 26.



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## Ash Wednesday February 22

Ash Wednesday is Feb. 22. Dinner will be at 6 p.m., followed by Worship Service at 7:30 p.m.



Join us as we explore the first in our Lenten series “The Trials of Jesus”.

Pork, Lamb, sauerkraut, gravy, hot cross buns and applesauce will be provided, along with table service and beverages. Please submit a sign-up sheet to help us plan how many to expect and ways you can be a part of the fellowship!

Questions? Call Janet Gacnik at 440-543-4453 or the church office.

### **Bowling Feb. 25**

Bowling for everyone will be on Saturday, Feb. 25 from 6-8 p.m. at Freeway Lanes in Solon. The cost is \$14 per person, which covers two hours of bowling and shoe rental. We do have kids and adult only lanes! For more information, please call Debbie Bonnett at 440-543-3476 or email at [debbon222@aol.com](mailto:debbon222@aol.com).



### **Valley Epicurans**

If you enjoy dining out and trying new food, join the Valley Epicurans on Friday, Feb. 17 at 7 p.m. at BLUE CANYON KITCHEN & TAVERN in Twinsburg.

BLUE CANYON KITCHEN & TAVERN offers mostly hearty, American-style dishes. This restaurant has been

made to look like a timber lodge. It is located at 8960 Wilcox Dr. (near SR 82 and I-480) in Twinsburg.

Sign up must be made by Sunday, Feb. 12. The sign up sheet is located outside church office, or call Janet Gacnik (440-543-4453) or the church office.

### **Ladies Out to Lunch Bunch**

The “Out to Lunch Bunch” will meet at noon Wednesday, Feb. 15 at the Glenwillow Grille, 29765 Pettibone Road, Solon.

Reservations are due by Sunday, Feb. 12. Contact Janet Marz at 440-247-4049 or [marzbar13msn.com](http://marzbar13msn.com) for more information.

### **Young Family Movie Night**

Young Family Movie Night will be Friday, Feb. 10 at 6 p.m. here at Valley Lutheran Church in Fellowship Hall



Movie nights will be tentatively held every second Friday night. This month features include “Monster, Inc.,” followed by “The Lion King” March 9h and “Ratatouille” on April 13.

Families can bring their own chairs, snacks and beverages. Popcorn will be offered.

### **Teen Movie Night**

Teen Movie Night will be Friday, Feb. 17 at 7:30 p.m.

Questions? Contact Pastor Hoffman.



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## Mark Your 2012 Calendars



Feb. 1-March 2.....	Malley's Chocolates Fundraiser
Feb. 8 .....	Parent-Teacher Conference NO SCHOOL
Feb. 14 .....	Chagrin Falls Library Visit 10 a.m.
Feb. 15 .....	Chagrin Falls Library Visit 1:30 p.m.
Feb. 20.....	Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL
Feb. 23 .....	Preschool Advisory Team Meeting 12:45 p.m.
March 21-22 .....	Malley's Chocolates Pickup Days
March 26-30.....	Spring Vacation NO SCHOOL

## Malley's Chocolates Fundraiser Starts

Malley's Chocolates fundraiser starts now and ends March 2! Please help support Valley Christian Preschool by purchasing Malley's Chocolates! Orders will be delivered to the preschool by mid-March, before Spring Vacation and in time for filling those Easter baskets. Catalogs are available in both the preschool office and church office. Internet orders of \$50 or more qualify for free shipping. While this is a fundraiser for the preschool, for safety reasons, students are not to participate in selling the candy items. This is not a selling contest! Rather, parent participation (i.e., sales to friends, family, neighbors, co-workers, etc.) is critical to the financial success of this project. Likewise, adult members of Valley Lutheran church can help by doing the same. This fundraiser not only supports a local business that produces quality products, but also the profits will be used for the preschool's scholarship fund and for the purchase of educational materials. Please contact either Katy Duquette (440-338-5011) or Christina Owendoff (440-247-4413) for additional information.

### **In Appreciation**

Thanks to Elizabeth Tallman's family, especially her grandma Ann Wisniewski, for donating the like-new sand table to the preschool. We desperately needed a replacement for the old one in the courtyard that is worn from use and weather.

Thanks to the many generous preschool families who donated winter hats, mittens, gloves, and scarves to the Mitten Tree. Thanks to Debbie Bonnett for delivering the clothing items to the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center. The monthly food contributions are also appreciated by the local families in need. Watch the monthly calendar that lists the "Collection Item(s) of the Month." Together, the Sunday School and Preschool families can "Fill the Table" that will fill the pantry at the Chagrin Falls Park Community Center Food Pantry. Finally, thanks to the many preschool families who showed their support of the students by attending the Christmas Music Program on Dec. 7. Thank you to the many families who donated cookies and goodies for the reception.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Thank You From Valley Voyagers

Valley Voyagers would like to thank the members of Valley for their contributions to the Valley Voyagers Christmas Cheer Program. Thanks to your generosity we were able to help several families have a more joyous Christmas. It was comforting to see your outpouring of support for those families in need.

### **Families Thankful for Cookie Donations**

A HUGE THANK YOU to all the ladies who baked cookies for the ladies luncheon. The people who received the cookies were touched by the fact that you took time out of your day to bake for them. There were many families that could not believe that they had such nice cookies and an ornament. Just by doing something so small, it has touched so many lives. They passed out the cookies to over 60 families. It helped make their Christmas a little extra special. Thank you again.

### **No Pain, No Gain**

*A note from our Campus Manager, John Larker*

To get physically in shape we hear the words NO PAIN NO GAIN. We spend time working out to get fit or lose a few pounds by lifting weights, aerobics, running or swimming. Sweat, sore muscles, eating right and use of our time may give us the results we are looking for. The experts say that we may live longer. Those jeans and that dress will fit just right and wow everyone. Short term pain may get us the gain of physically feeling better and even improving our self esteem which are all good. However, time eventually prevails. Our final resting place on this earth will be the same for each of us.

How are you doing with your spiritual shape? We can spend time studying the bible, attending church, spending time with our church family, getting involved with our community and supporting those in need. This will take your time and may even involve some pain such as raking leaves or helping a person that needs some house repairs or maybe even helping out around the church campus. Some extreme pain may be encountered by convincing your children to eliminate something everyone at school is doing to attend church or a service function. We can follow our heart and conscience and do the right thing all the time. This is really not difficult and never gets you in trouble. What are the gains received from doing these things? God puts joy in our heart when we help others. There is an internal peace received from our Lord when you really get to know Him, trust Him and put your life in His hands. When we know our Lord we understand His grace and the freed conscience we have when we go to Him for forgiveness. And the best part is if we believe in Him we will have eternal life. Now that's some serious, amazing, awesome once in a life time gain for very little pain.

### **Altar Flowers**

Donations of the flowers that grace the altar are a lovely way to honor loved ones or mark special anniversaries or birthdays. The 2012 calendar is posted on the bulletin board outside the church office with instructions on how much, and where to pay or contact the church office for more info.



## Lenten Worship Schedule

Lenten Worship  
Services will be at 7 p.m.  
Wednesdays from Feb.  
29-March 28.

Services will feature,  
“The Trials of Jesus.” Like a  
courtroom drama, a series  
of witnesses come forward  
to give testimony about their experiences with the  
accused-Jesus Christ. Through their accounts we come



to know the truth, that Jesus came to take our place  
in the defendant's chair. Services include dramatic  
monologues, moving hymns, prayers and children's  
messages that bear evidence to the fact that Jesus truly  
is the Son of God.

Feb. 29th – “The Voice of Judas” Mark 14:16, 32-42  
Mar. 7 – “The Voice of Anna” John 18:12-24  
Mar. 14 – “The Voice of Caiaphas” Matt. 26:57-68  
Mar. 21 – “The Voice of Peter” Luke 22:54-62  
Mar. 28 – “The Voice of Herod” Luke 23:1-12

## February Birthdays

Leona Franks	2/2	Amanda Agresta	2/10	Ethan Wallen	2/18
Bill Bienias Junior	2/3	Samuel Crawford	2/10	Parker Kuivila	2/19
Rae Ann Kebrdle	2/4	Andy Tisler Jr.	2/10	Luke Lanoha	2/20
Meg Schultz	2/4	Grace Durdle	2/13	Doug Duffies	2/22
Michael Crawford	2/6	Michelle Rayner	2/13	Joseph Behler	2/24
Christine Larker	2/6	Gabrielle Vidmar	2/13	Brianna Hackett	2/24
Rich Stuart	2/7	David Hackett	2/14	Eileen Bland	2/25
Aldine Cage	2/8	Jenna Domos	2/15	Sarah Delano	2/25
Amanda Groth	2/8	John Sternen	2/16	Katie Toothman	2/25
Kate Morgan	2/8	Amy Toothman	2/17	Gladys Hackett	2/27
Annalise Townsend	2/8	Michael Chess	2/18	Gene Kebrdle	2/28
Kelsey Townsend	2/8	Greg Smith	2/18	Timothy Ristau	2/28
Grant Mastropieri	2/9	Matt Smith	2/18		



## February Anniversaries

Ray & Meg Schultz	2/5	Rob & Michelle Wallen	2/17
Timothy & Katie Toothman	2/14		

Anniversaries  
to Celebrate



## February Route 66 Readings

### Week 59 starting Feb. 6

Monday-Jeremiah 15:1-17:27  
 Tuesday -Jeremiah 18:1-19:15  
 Wednesday -Jeremiah 20:1-22:30  
 Thursday -Jeremiah 23:1-40  
 Friday -Jeremiah 24:1-25:38  
 Saturday- Jeremiah 26:1-28:17

### Week 60 starting Feb. 13

Monday-Jeremiah 29:1-32  
 Tuesday-Jeremiah 30:1-32:44  
 Wednesday-Jeremiah 33:1-26  
 Thursday-Jeremiah 34:1-35:19  
 Friday-Jeremiah 36:1-37:21  
 Saturday-Jeremiah 38:1-40:16

### Week 61 starting Feb. 20

Monday-Jeremiah 41:1-43:13  
 Tuesday-Jeremiah 44:1-45:5  
 Wednesday-Jeremiah 46:1-49:39  
 Thursday -Jeremiah 50:1-51:64  
 Friday-Jeremiah 52:1-34  
 Saturday- Lamentations 1:1-22

### Week 62 starting Feb. 27

Monday-Lamentations 2:1-3:66  
 Tuesday-Lamentations 4:1-5:22  
 Wednesday-Ezekiel 1:1-2:10  
 Thursday-Ezekiel 3:1-5:17  
 Friday-Ezekiel 6:1-7:27  
 Saturday-Ezekiel 8:1-9:11

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

## FEBRUARY 2012

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# WORSHIP SERVANTS SCHEDULE

## FEBRUARY 2012

	Feb. 5	Feb. 12	Feb. 19	Feb. 22 Ash Wednesday 7:30 Service	Feb. 26
<b>POWERPOINT</b>	Paul Peterson	Tim Toothman	Paul Peterson		Paul Peterson
<b>COMMUNION ASSIST (Traditional Service)</b>	John Zachariah		Chris Brez	Chris Brez John Zachariah	
<b>READERS (TRADITIONAL)</b>	Chris Brez	Paul Lexow	Mac Cage		Bob Duquette
<b>ACOLYTES (9:00 A. M.)</b>					
<b>ACOLYTES (10:30 A.M.)</b>	Ellie Durdle Jakob Laverdiere	Dan Sternen Kate Morgan	Jenna Domos Dineen Markey		Jack Wright Danielle Rayner
<b>USHERS Traditional Service</b>	Ken Kohler Doug Duffies Helen Briggs Scott Briggs	John Zachariah Bob Mandau Bob Wentsch Paul Koballa	Dick Wilks Katy Duquette Bob Duquette Mary Alice Andrews	Helen & Scott Briggs John Hood Kim Giles	Ray Schultz Arnold Kuhlow Howard Hecker
<b>USHERS Praise Service</b>	Don Schulze Paul Patrizi	John Bonnett Katie Toothman Al Fertig Lindsay Fertig	Tom Gabram Neil Markey Heather Findeisen John Findeisen		Josh Johnston Jennifer Johnston Matt Wood Jessica Wood
<b>GREETERS 9:00 a.m.</b>	Ken and Jane Ulmer	Jim & Carole Berlinski	Mac and Aldine Cage	Scott & Liz Pretzlav	Helen & Scott Briggs
<b>GREETERS 10:30 a.m.</b>	The Morgan Family	The Sternen Family	Heidi and Jim Carmigiano		The Rayner Family
<b>HOSPITALITY</b>	Gladys Hackett Jessica Wood	Chris Brez Barb Fertig	Jan Wilks Pam Domos	N/A	Sharon Gabram Samantha Wright
<b>COUNTERS</b>	Mandau	Patrizi	Schultz	<b>Gacnik</b>	Smith
<b>ALTAR GUILD</b>	Vickie Benson	Janet Gacnik	Helen Briggs	Nancy Tisler	Janet Gacnik



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