

*Come to him, a living stone, though rejected by mortals yet chosen and precious in God's sight,  
and like living stones, let yourselves be built into a spiritual house, to be a holy priesthood... 1 Peter 2: 4*



# The Living Stone



November 13, 2015

This Sunday you have a chance to support our troops by helping bake cookies for the "Treats for Troops" after the 11:00 service. Donations of items for the care packages will be accepted through Sunday morning. Get all the details on this and much more below!

Have a blessed weekend!



In His Service,  
Susan Van Valkenburgh  
Communications Specialist



## Treats for Troops - November 15

Everyone is invited to join the youth on Sunday, November 15, immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service in the fellowship hall and kitchen. We are baking cookies for our soldiers overseas so they'll arrive in time for

Christmas.

Every year thousands of homemade cookies are sent to our soldiers and it happens one batch at a time. Young and old are invited. Please bring your parent if you are under 6th grade. If you are unable to stay, we are also sending toiletries, cards, pens & papers, small games, magazines, and even leftover Halloween candy. Also, for those dogs that work with our troops, we are collecting doggie treats and toys. There will be a donation box in the Narthex.

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## Kids Play While You Shop Away!

Saturday, Dec 5 - 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Do your Christmas shopping on Saturday, December 5 and let Christ the King Youth Group and parents give your children a fun day of holiday activities! You can drop off anytime between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. We will play games, watch cartoons and seasonal

movies, have snack time and other fun activities. Click [here](#) for the form to fill out. Either email it to Kristine Macauley at [kristine@ctklutheran.com](mailto:kristine@ctklutheran.com) or drop it off at the church office.

### CALLING ALL YOUTH!!!

Sign up and tell us when you are able to help on Saturday, December 5, to play with the kids. Volunteers are needed from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Parents of youth are also invited to help. Please contact Kristine if you are able to help.



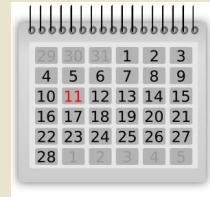
## Save the Date: 1st Annual Ornament Exchange!

On Saturday December 5th, 2015, from 2 - 4 p.m., the Fellowship Team invites you to the 1st Annual Ornament Exchange!

Bring the whole family and join us for

- \* Ornament exchange for older kids, youth and adults
- \* Arts and Crafts for the younger kids (coloring and ornament making)
- \* Finger Foods
- \* Warm Beverages (hot apple cider, hot cocoa, tea, and coffee)
- \* Various varieties of Christmas music

Mark your calendars for this fun event!



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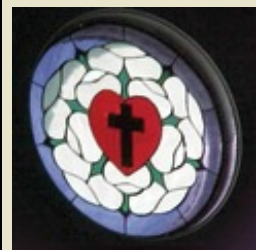
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*Preschool Director*



## **Save the Date - Christmas Cookie Sale!**

The annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be here Saturday, December 12th!!

For those new to the congregation, the Christmas Cookie Sale is an annual fundraiser benefiting the women's ministry. Bakers in the congregation donate delicious cookies, candies and individual homemade treats; the women's group decorates and sets everything up for the event in the fellowship hall.

Christ the King members and the general public are invited to attend and purchase the delicious treats. When you arrive you'll pick up a box to hold your goodies and set off to tour the trays to select whatever catches your eye. The boxes are weighed at the end and you pay the cashier accordingly. There are many who wait for the sale to purchase a special gift for teachers, neighbors, co-workers and family. The beauty of the Cookie Sale is the wide variety of items from which to select. Certainly more than most of us would make at home! There are also some special categories such as no nuts, sugar free and egg/gluten free.

The best selection is Saturday. If you cannot join us at the sale we will pack up any remaining cookies into 1-pound variety boxes. These will be available for sale between services the next day. Previous years' items have included traditional frosted sugar cookies, biscotti, buckeyes, pecan tassies, peanut brittle, church mice, thin mint cookies, meringues, Swedish cookies, gingerbread men, Mexican wedding cookies and others too numerous to list. You just need to come see for yourself!

To all you wonderful, dedicated bakers - more details will be published soon and I'm looking forward to seeing all the offerings. (Hint: Pizza boxes are a great way to transport your cookies to the church!)

Cookie sign-up sheet and drop-off forms for donations will be posted on the bulletin board next to mailboxes.

For questions, contact June Wolsin 770-889-0908



## **First Annual Family Promise Bed Race & Festival**

Last Saturday, the Forsyth County chapter of Family Promise held their First Annual Bed Race to raise money to start a Family Promise program in Forsyth County. Family Promise is a program

designed to help families by providing food, shelter, and support services to enable these families to overcome their homelessness. The organization does this by integrating educational outreach, smart programming, effective policies, and the hands-on work of thousands of volunteers. Over \$26,000 was raised at the event to bring this dream to reality. For more information please visit [www.familypromiseofforsythcounty.org](http://www.familypromiseofforsythcounty.org).



### Open Minds -- Open Hearts -- Open Hands

It isn't too late to fill out an Estimate of Giving Card! Blank cards are available in the narthex on the Usher's Table. We ask everyone to prayerfully consider your commitment as God continues to work through the people of Christ the King with

**Open Minds -- Open Hearts -- Open Hands.** The card can be placed either in the offering plate or in the white box on the Usher's Table.

Please join us as we become a truly generous congregation in all aspects in order to *"Glorify God + Spread the Word + Love One Another."*



### Ruth/Ruby Circle

#### What is Ruby and Ruth Circle?

This is a group open to ALL women (of all ages) in the church to get to know each other and support each other under the love of God. We meet once a month for either dinners out, enrichment meetings or for service to the church. Come whenever you can!

#### Here is our schedule for the year:

**Sunday, Dec. 20:** We host a St. Lucia reception for all the kids of the church. (Amy B. hosts)

**January (TBA):** Dinner OUT (Amy B. hosts)

**February (TBA):** Craft Night OUT (Sue H hosts)

**March 4-2-5:** WOMEN's RETREAT in N. Georgia Mountains

**April Sunday (TBA):** Write to Military Members of the church with the children

**May (TBA):** Hike up Sawnee Mountain

**June (TBA):** Taco Night at Vacation Bible School

**July (TBA):** Dinner out (Planning Meeting)

**September (TBA):** Fall kick-off

Have questions or ideas?

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Ruby/Ruth CIRCLE

*A virtuous woman who can find? For her price is far above rubies.*

Proverbs 31:10

*Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay.*

Ruth 1:16



## **20th Annual Women's Retreat Save the Date!**

March 4 - March 6, 2016

Location: Tanglewood Lodge

Helen, GA

Come Thursday, March 3, 2016 and stay for free.

Stay the weekend or just come Saturday for the study!

Scholarships are available.

(This will not apply to single bed registration.)

### Changes Coming for 2016:

Limited availability of a single bed at an additional cost.

The study will begin on Friday night.

Registration will open December 2015

Questions please contact:

Stephanie Boylan

[Stephanie.L.Boylan@gmail.com](mailto:Stephanie.L.Boylan@gmail.com) or 404-906-6560.





## Habitat for Humanity Build

This Fall, Habitat is partnering with Thrivent Financial to do an Ecumenical Build at Village Chase in Woodstock. Thrivent Builds is designed to involve Thrivent Members, Christians and other volunteers in helping provide a "hand up" to people in need of affordable housing, offering them a path to greater economic independence. We will be helping the Uk/Kim Family who are refugees from Myanmar, also known as Burma; a place where human rights violations are notorious. Below are the following build dates:

November 14, November 21 and December 5

The day begins around 8:00 a.m. and will finish around 2:00/3:00 p.m. If you cannot commit to the full day, you can volunteer for part of the day. We ask that you register ahead of time to be better able to determine the tasks that need to be completed. If you would like to sign up or would like more information, please call Angela Maurer at 675-475-0350 or email [angela.maurer@thrivent.com](mailto:angela.maurer@thrivent.com).

## Calendar of the Week at Christ the King

Date	Day	Time	Event
15-Nov	Sunday		<b>Twenty fifth Sunday after Pentecost</b>
		8:00 - 9:00	Early Holy Communion
		8:30 - 11:15	Scrip On Sale
		9:00 - 10:00	Alternative/Contemporary Holy Communion
		9:50 - 10:00	Fellowship Time
		10:00 - 10:45	Sunday School/Discipleship Hour
		11:00 - 12:00	Holy Communion
		12:15 - 1:15	Children's Choir & Chimes
16-Nov	Monday	7:00 - 8:00	Handbells Rehearsal
		7:00 - 8:30	Ruby/Ruth Circle Bible Study
17-Nov	Tuesday	8:30 - 5:30	Lifeline Screening
		10:00 - 11:00	Christians In Action (CIA) Bible Study
		1:00 - 3:00	Lydia Circle
		5:00 - 6:00	Outreach Meeting
		6:00 - 8:00	Stewardship Meeting
18-Nov	Wednesday	7:00 - 8:00	Nostalgia
		9:00 - 1:00	Preschool Thanksgiving Feast
		10:30 - 11:30	Staff Meeting
		1:00 - 4:00	Mahjongg
		7:00 - 8:30	Chancel Choir Rehearsal
19-Nov	Thursday	9:00 - 1:00	Preschool Thanksgiving Feast

21-Nov	Saturday	7:00 - 8:30	Praise Band Rehearsal
		10:30 - 3:30	Omnitrition
22-Nov	Sunday		<b>Christ the King Sunday</b>
		8:00 - 9:00	Early Holy Communion
		8:30 - 11:15	Scrip On Sale
		9:00 - 10:00	Alternative/Contemporary Holy Communion
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