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Ultreya

A gathering of the Via de Cristo Community for
fellowship, worship, and celebration!

Saturday, April 3, 2004

Lord of Grace Lutheran Church
7250 N. Cortaro Road

5:30pm Fellowship

6:00pm Potluck Dinner—Bring a dish to share

Child Care Provided

Action Opportunity: If you are able, please bring
one or more non-perishable food items for the local
Food Bank.



Upcoming Weekends:

Men's Weekend #17

October 21 - October 24, 2004

John Reeves, Rector

Tanque Verde Lutheran Church

Women's Weekend #18

November 11 - November 14, 2004

Sandie Wooster, Rectora

Tanque Verde Lutheran Church

Pray for the Leadership Teams!

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From the Lay Directors of SALT 10:

From Bubba: This year's SALT 10 was a wonderful success! We had many challenges, but with God's help they were overcome. We saw many lives changed this year, and God's power and love was evident to us all. The team of SALT 10 was a great mix of youth and adults. One of our team members, Kenyon Ellefson, was baptized after the first evening prayer service. What a touching moment of God's love!

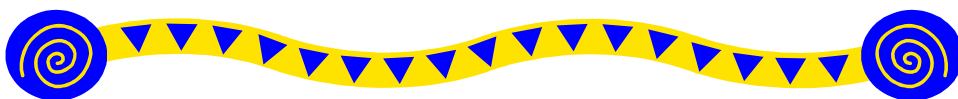
I feel that Tirosh is God's gift to our youth. Tirosh has changed the lives of so many young people over the years. I encourage everyone in the Tirosh/Via de Cristo community to go to leadership school (about 4 hours) and serve on a Tirosh or Via de Cristo team. It is a pleasure to do God's work in this capacity!

If you haven't yet talked to the young people who attended SALT 10, please do so. You will see and hear how it worked in their lives. God bless each and everyone of you!

Keith (Bubba) Ostrander

From Cindy: I want to thank everyone for the AWESOME Tirosh weekend. I know that we tell the participants to thank God only, but I am sure that He doesn't mind that I thank each one of you for all of your hard work. We are the "hands of God" to the participants and those hands were surely praying, working, and uplifting the whole weekend. I thank God for each one of you; you each are such a blessing to me!

Your Sister in Christ, Cindy Bakko



An Opportunity for Service

The Tirosh Committee is seeking to have a Tirosh Parish Rep for each church. The duties of the Tirosh Parish Rep include making sure that each Tirosh participant has a sponsor and coordinating food agape from their church for the Tirosh weekend. These duties are only needed during the short period preceding the Tirosh weekend. If you are interested, please call Scott Schaffer at 721-1790.

Attention Crafters!! All Talented People of Via de Cristo are Wanted!!



The Via de Cristo store requests your participation in an auction. We are soliciting any and all of you to submit a piece of your art/craft work for silent auction at the December 4 Reunion Ultreya to be held at Resurrection Lutheran Church. That date was chosen to give everyone time enough to plan and to create their best work to donate to Via de Cristo for silent auction. The Reunion Ultreya, following the retreat weekends, is often the best attended Ultreya of the year and will bring the most fun and the most bidding for our objects d'art.

So put on your thinking caps, come up with a super project and be generous with your God-given talents! Start now so that you have plenty of time to be creative. Bidding at the auction will begin with a minimum amount that you will suggest as appropriate for your project, so think about that, too. Your estimate will help us with the bidding process.

We thank you all in advance for your help. Enjoy creating and crafting! Questions may be directed to Lynda Reeves (744-6943). If you have trouble imagining what you might make to contribute, use the list of crafts at left below to get your creative juices flowing!

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| Basket making | Knitting |
| Beading | Macrame |
| Cabinetry | Metal working |
| Candle making | Mosaics |
| Card making | Painting |
| Carpentry | Photography |
| Carving | Pottery |
| Christmas ornaments | Quilting |
| Clock making | Rosemaling |
| Counted Cross Stitch | Sculpture |
| Crocheting | Sewing |
| Drawing | Soap Making |
| Embroidery | Stained Glass Art |
| Glass Art | Stamping |
| Glass Etching | Weaving |
| Glass Painting | Wood Crafts |
| | Wood Burning |
| | Wooden Toys |



Attend the 2004 National Lutheran Secretariat Annual Meeting

This year's annual meeting of the National Lutheran Secretariat is scheduled for July 22—25 on the campus of Johnson Bible College just outside Knoxville, Tennessee, and will be hosted by Tennessee Lutheran Via de Cristo. The theme is "Created, Called and Commissioned: Go Forth with a Servant Heart and a Volunteer Spirit." Registration is \$175 per person before June 18 and includes double-occupancy housing and nine meals. Our Secretariat will send one official delegate, but any number of us are welcome to attend as visitors. You will meet hundreds of others who are active in Via de Cristo throughout the country and learn more about three-day movements, and have a lot of fun.

More information and registration materials are available on the National Secretariat website, www.viadcristo.org, or talk to any of those who have attended a national meeting in the past: Glenn and Sue Weber, Ken and Norma Teeters, Joanna and Kees Jongsma, Ralph and Sue Jensen.



Leadership School

Attendance at Leadership School is required for those who want to sponsor or serve on team. Information is presented on the history of Via de Cristo and Cursillo, the progression and dynamics of the weekend, team selection and service, preparation and sponsorship, palanca, the fundamentals of grouping, and Ultreyas.

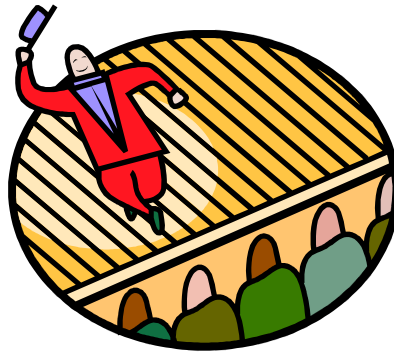
A Leadership School is planned for later this spring. If you have not yet attended, contact Bob Harris at 578-7354 or BOB@goharris.com to reserve a spot or for more information.

Ultreya Schedule for 2004:

April 3 at Lord of Grace
June at Our Saviour's—date TBA
August at Streams in the Desert—date TBA
October at Church of the King—date TBA
December 4 - Reunion Ultreya at Resurrection

Gaslight Fundraiser Planned

Mark your calendar NOW for the ever-popular Gaslight Theater Fundraiser, scheduled for the 7:00pm show on Friday, September 24. Tickets will be available from your Parish Rep this summer.



A Message from Pastor Clutz

Pastor Wendell Clutz recently sent a thank you to the Via de Cristo community members who served the luncheon at his Retirement /Celebration of Ministry party at Dove of Peace Lutheran Church in January. The following is an excerpt from his letter:

This is a special thank you to the Cursillo Community for your care for us in our celebration at Dove of Peace. It was indeed a momentous kind of occasion. There was supposed to be a "roast" following the meal, but it ended up being a lot of remembering. At any rate, this is Thank You and God Bless, and certainly we will continue to journey in Christ Jesus our Lord!

Very sincerely, grace and peace,
J. Wendell Clutz

Contributions

Via de Cristo is funded solely by the generosity of its community. Did you know that if each household in our current community donated \$10 per year, our weekends would be fully funded?

If you would like to help, you may use the enclosed envelope to send a tax deductible gift of any amount to Southern Arizona Lutheran Via de Cristo, P.O. Box 18349, Tucson, AZ 85751-8349.

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