

# NEWS+NOTES

## You Are Welcome Here

*For God so loved the world that God gave the Son...*



One of the first things you'll see when you walk through the door at Luther House this year is the flag display on the mantle. It depicts the people who are – or who have been – part of Luther House over the years. It's pretty impressive that our ministry

reaches 'round the world. Students and others from more than 37 countries are represented here. But that's the mission God calls us to – to extend arms of welcome to all people without exception. We hope *you'll* find a home here and be part of this place of grace as well.

### Free Gift Bag for You

Because of a generous Action Team grant from Thrivent Financial and with the help of a team of volunteers, "Welcome to Campus" cinch bags will again be available for every new and returning student this year, as long as supplies last.

Each free bag has useful, informative, inspirational and even zany surprises tucked inside. Plus, the bag itself can be used to carry books, gym wear, dirty laundry, groceries, or whatever.

How do you get one? Stop at Luther House, come to worship at Grace Lutheran, or ask one of the student reps at the Luther House table during OSU Beaver Community Fair. It's our way of saying, "Welcome!"



### JUST IN CASE YOU WONDER WHO WE ARE OR HOW TO FIND US...

Lutheran Campus Ministry at OSU is part of a larger campus ministry network called LuMin. The cross is central to us and Christ guides our mission and ministry. We're a vibrant, LGBTQ-friendly, Christ-centered, Spirit-inspired community of students and others committed to stretching our minds, deepening our faith, and finding



ways to live our beliefs through service to others. You can find Luther House just one block north of campus at 211 NW 23rd Street (look for the lantern in the front yard). Call us with your questions at 541.753.5213 or email us at [info@luther-house.org](mailto:info@luther-house.org). Check out our website [luther-house.org](http://luther-house.org) or find us on Facebook as "Luther House Campus Ministry."

## YOU'RE INVITED...

**Where in the World Did You Go?**

Remember when your elementary school teacher asked you to tell about what you did during summer break? Well, we want to reprise the idea and know where you travelled this summer. When you stop by Luther House, find the bulletin board with the map, write your name and travels on the cardboard cutout provided, and share your summer adventures with us. We really want to see how far the Luther House community journeyed this summer.

**New Student Preview Lunch Panel, 9/20**

A brand new initiative by the Student Leadership Team just for new students this fall is the free lunch and Luther House preview provided by student for students. It's scheduled for Tuesday, September 20 during "Welcome Week" from 10:30-noon at Luther House. Come on by; check us out.

**Team-Building Retreat, 9/24-25**

The success of our ministry is the ownership students take in planning and leading activities throughout the year. To help us get a good start, the Student Leadership Team invites you to a free overnight retreat at Camp Lutherwood (only 45-minutes from campus), September 24-25. It's a great way to start the year.

## FALL ACTIVITY SAMPLER

Below you'll find just some of the great activities planned for Fall Term. Other things will be added as the term unfolds. We invite you to join us when-ever you can.

**Every Tuesday, "Come & Go" Lunch**

11:30-1:30 every Tuesday we offer a free home-cooked meal for students and their friends. Come when you can; stay as long as you like. It's absolutely delicious!

**Every Sunday, TableTalk & Discussion**

Sunday evenings we gather for a family-style supper followed by a focused talk, guest presenter, or service activity that helps us dig deeper to explore faith and spirituality. Supper's at 5:30; we're always finished by 7. Come once, come often. You'll be glad you did.

**Morning Prayer Mondays, 10:15-10:30**

How do you start your week? At Luther House we gather in the Upper Room for a 15-minute Morning Prayer liturgy led by Ann. We call it a "holy pause," time to hear God's word and ask God's help for the week to come. No experience necessary. We welcome your participation anytime.

**Region I LSM Gathering, 10/22-23**

Join students from campuses in Oregon, Washington, Idaho and Montana for a weekend of fun, friendship, faith, and service. More details will follow.

**St. Nicholas Party, 12/6 evening**

Back by popular demand, the annual St. Nicholas Party features a white elephant exchange, cookie decorating, hot supper, and story-telling – all in the spirit of St. Nicholas. This is one party not to be missed.

## Calendar

**Tuesday, 9/20, 10:30-noon**

Preview Lunch &amp; Student Panel

**Wednesday, 9/21, 11:00-4:00**

OSU Community Fair, MU Quad

**Saturday/Sunday, 9/24-25**

Retreat, Camp Lutherwood, Cheshire

**Saturday/Sunday, 10/22-23**

Region I LSM Retreat, Chehalis, WA

**Saturday, 10/29**

LH Homecoming &amp; Reunion Party

**Sunday, 12/4, 5:30-7:30**

St. Nicholas Party &amp; Gift Exchange

## Ready to Serve You

PR. JIM NORLIE



Pr. Jim guides Luther House activities. He's available for a walk, a talk, or a beverage whenever you need a spiritual perspective.

ANN BLEGEN



Ann is our Office and Hospitality Coordinator. She's a great cook, helpful planner, and wise listener. Stop by and say hi.

THIS OLD HOUSE



Luther House itself is a place to rest, pray, play, meet friends, share a meal, study, nap, get a snack, use the wi-fi, and more. Come on in and try it out.