

“Trust in the Lord forever, for the Lord God is an everlasting Rock.”
Isaiah 26:4

THE ROCK

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August 2012

Special Dates

- Aug 6 Softball Game
- Aug 7 Elders Meeting
- Aug 11 Game Day
- Aug 12 Youth Group to the firing range
- Aug 13 Softball Game
- Aug 13 Book Club
- Aug 16 Church Council
- Aug 20 Bible Study
- Aug 20 thru 31 Preschool Closed for Cleaning
- Aug 26 Rally Day & Church Picnic
- Sept 3 Labor Day—office closed
- Sept 4 Elders meeting
- Sept 10 Book Club
- Sept 17 Ladies Bible Study
- Sept 15 Card Making
- Sept 20 Church Council
- Sept 22 LWML Fall Rally in Alamosa
- Sept 25 Ladies Guild

Amazing Desert Journey

Where Jesus



Leads Us

Home

WOW!!!

WHAT A WEEK!!!

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It was truly amazing! We had 110 kids enrolled and averaged about 90 a day. We had 60+ volunteers throughout the week and that doesn't include the decorating and clean up crews—that was an additional 42 people. Thank you so much for supporting this wonderful outreach to the children in our community.

I also want to thank you for your donations and for the articles that you let us borrow. The addition of the pillows, rugs, throws, etc. helped to set the tone for our “Desert Journey”. Thank you to those of you who were able to let us borrow your tents. It does get hot outside and the shade that the tents provide means a lot to our volunteers doing crafts,

All in all we had a fantastic week—busy and chaotic at times—but great

Card Making

Please join us on September 15 as we get together to make cards for the holidays.

We will meet in the church basement from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



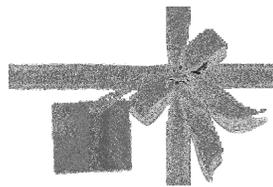
Sample cards will be out by mid August for you to look at and decide what you would like to make and how many.

We will have a sign-up sheet with the cards.



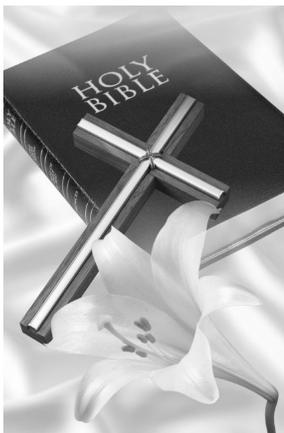
Thank you Cards

Gift Cards
& Tags



Christmas
Cards

If you have any questions, please talk to Marcia Bolte!



SAVE THE DATE!!

LWML FALL RALLY

September 22nd in Alamosa, Colorado

Our Theme is "Serving Up the Gospel"

Time is 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Keep watching the bulletin for more information!

RALLY DAY & CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26

Please plan to join us for the kick-off to our Fall Programs!!
Watch the bulletin for more details



Sunday School

Just a Note from Sunday School...

It has been an amazing summer full of High Flying Adventures! The Summer Sunday School Program is coming to an end... but we will finish with a celebration on August 26th RALLY DAY! Please join us in closing out the summer and opening up the fall/winter program.



We need teachers and substitutes! Please contact me for questions or if you are interested. The fall/winter program will have two teachers assigned per class and we need a good list of substitutes to help when the teachers are in need of a Sunday off. We are also going to need helpers to sign up for leading the openings for the Elementary Sunday School! It's a great opportunity to share Jesus love with joy, laughter, and music with our youth.

In His Name!
Karen Bodine



Library—Monthly Featured Items

"To Live is Christ" by Beth Moore

Beth Moore is a well known writer and teacher of best-selling books and Bible studies. Several people in our church have taken part in Bible Studies in our area that have been based on Mrs. Moore's studies.

For the apostle Paul....author of many of the books of the New Testament - life with Christ was a total 180 degree turn from where he had been. He turned from Christian basher to Christian champion.

The same can be true for us. No matter who you've been or what you've done, your Christian life can be complete, all consuming experience - filled with more passion, purpose, and power than you ever expected to find in one place. Join with this author as she relives Paul's journey and mark a bold, new path for your own.



HUMOR FOR THE MONTH:

A small boy told a Sunday school teacher: "When you die, God takes care of you like your parents did when you were alive — only God doesn't yell at you all the time."

A woman invited some people to dinner. At the table, she turned to her six-year old daughter and said, "Would you like to say the blessing?"

"I wouldn't know what to say," the little girl replied.

"Just say what you hear Mommy say," the mother said.

The little girl bowed her head and said: "Dear Lord, why on earth did I invite all these people to dinner?"

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**Newsletter Deadline
August 15, 2012**

**ITEMS FOR DONATIONS
FOR WESTSIDE CARES
FOR AUGUST ARE:
*Breakfast Items***

LUTHERAN HOUR TIME
Sun. 7:30 a.m. KZNT 1640
AM

FUNDS UPDATE

Building Fund = \$210.00
Scholarship Fund = \$14,151.85
Capital Improvement Fund = \$16,949.47

Upcoming Book Club Selections:

August/September: Blue Like Jazz- "I never liked jazz music because jazz music doesn't resolve. I used to not like God because God didn't resolve. But that was before any of this happened." —Donald Miller
August is going to be discussion on “Blue Like Jazz” the movie—including a viewing. (Location to be announced) The movie is billed as an “atypical” Christian film that looks deeply into real life questions and struggles.

September will be discussion on the book “Blue Like Jazz”



Disclaimer: The Books chosen for discussion in Book Club do not necessarily reflect LCMS doctrine, beliefs, or practice. Many times they are chosen for this reason! Whether you agree with all that you read, or find yourself disagreeing heartily, it adds to the discussion and we can learn from each other.

Rock of Ages Sports Report

As the dog days of summer are upon us, your Rock of Ages softball team have been sweating it out on the field this past month. We've certainly welcomed the rain when it has come, but have also had some uncertainty in playing scheduled games these past four Mondays since our last update.

We played another solid defensive game on June 18th, but the bats never woke up from their nap, and your Purple Power lost 11-3. The next week was the same story, as we came up short 12-2. The good Lord gave the area a much needed soaking on July 9th, so no ballgame that evening. However, we bounced back on July 16th with a fun-spirited and whole-hearted effort, despite a 13-7 defeat.

As mentioned, the July 16th game was very exciting, and we were in it to the end. Of particular note was the first RoA Purple Power at-bats for Nathaniel George. He had a splendid game as our plate appearance, before being thrown



out. Great effort!
So, with 4 games played in this summer for it's first win. However, there is still plenty make our move! Stay tuned to the weekly bul- dated schedules.

coed season, the Purple Power is still searching of game action left, as we have 6 games left to letin and RoA website for more details, and up-

As always, everyone is invited to come out and support your Rock of Ages coed softball team on Monday evenings. It's a fun-filled time!

Lord's Blessings to you all, and enjoy His glorious creation!

Jim Kuehnert

Rock of Ages Sports Teams