



Merry Christmas

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Dear Friends,

Happy Advent everyone! I hope this Advent season finds you filled with hope to once again celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus. Registration materials for the Leadership Games will be available this week on the website and also emailed out to every congregation. The LYO Leadership Team has been working hard on putting this event together. Please encourage two youth from your congregation to attend this great event. Stomp Out Hunger materials will be out in the January Star - start thinking about how your congregation can raise money for this great event to stop hunger.

We pray that your Advent and Christmas seasons are filled with hope, joy and love. Blessings to you all!

In Christ,

Deb Bachman

Things you should know

There will be another God's Work, Our Hands Day this upcoming year! September 7th will be the day that we will once together join our hands together in serving our communities. Mark your calendars now!

Haiti Benefit Concert

Haiti Benefit Concert will be on Saturday, Jan 14, 2011 at

Two Events Happening Soon!

1. On January 18, the LYO Leadership Team is hosting the Leadership Games. Congregations will be invited to send two high school youth from their congregation to this event to dig in more to some leadership skills. The LYO Leadership Team wants to help youth groups be the best they can be and this is one way to help. The event will be from 10:30am to 3:30pm at Zion Lutheran in Waterloo (lunch included). Registration information will be available on the website this

Luther College to celebrate the spiritual legacy of Ben Larson, and to raise fund for the ongoing rebuilding in Haiti.

For more information, you can go [here](#).

week and via email.

2. **Stomp Out Hunger:** On February 15, the entire synod is invited to St Paul in Waverly for a dance event to stop hunger. Each congregation will be a team and be asked to raise money prior to the event (either donations or pledges). The event will be held from 2pm until 8pm. More details will be in the January Star and sent out via email.

Upcoming Events

2014

January 9	Youth Worker Meeting Luther College, Decorah
January 11	Haiti Benefit Concert Luther College
January 12	Ewalu Winter Fun Day Ewalu, Strawberry Point
January 18	Leadership Games Zion, Waterloo
Jan 30 - Feb 3	ELCA Extravaganza St Louis, Missouri
February 6	Youth Worker Meeting St John, Guttenberg
February 15	Stomp Out Hunger St Paul, Waverly
February 23	Ewalu Winter Fun Day Ewalu, Strawberry Point
March 1-2	Elementary Retreat Ewalu, Strawberry Point
March 6	Youth Worker Meeting Decorah, Decorah

March 22-23	LYO High School Assembly Ewalu Bible Camp
April 3	Youth Worker Meeting Holy Trinity, Dubuque
April 4-6	Dirty Feet Retreat Ewalu, Strawberry Point
May 1	Youth Worker Meeting Bethlehem, Cedar Falls
June 5	Youth Worker Meeting Zion St John, Sheffield
September 7	God's Work, Our Hands Day

Sincerely,
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