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<b>Women's #54</b> <b>Weekend</b> <b>May 12 - May 15</b> <b>Columbus</b>  <b>Sign up on the</b> <b>72-hour Prayer</b> <b>Vigil for the</b> <b>Weekend.</b>	<b>CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!!!!</b>  		

**UPCOMING WEEKENDS IN 2005 & 2006**

<b>MEN'S #54</b>	<b>APRIL 14 - 17, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Pete Bolig</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #54</b>	<b>MAY 12 - 15, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - Vickie Delynko</b>
<b>MEN'S #56</b>	<b>OCT 20 - 23, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Paul Swinehart</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #56</b>	<b>NOV 10 - 13, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - Lynn Ayer</b>
<b>MEN'S #57</b>	<b>APRIL 20 - 23, 2006</b>	<b>Rector - Dean Gatton</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #57</b>	<b>MAY 18 - 21, 2006</b>	<b>Rectora - Wilma Keller</b>
<b>MEN'S #59</b>	<b>OCT 19 - 22, 2006</b>	<b>Rector - Kevin Ayer</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #59</b>	<b>NOV 2 - 5, 2006</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>

Above Weekends site Holy Cross Catholic Cursillo Center      Downtown Columbus

<b>MEN'S #55</b>	<b>JUL 14 - 17, 2005</b>	<b>Rector - Skip Dodds</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #55</b>	<b>JUL 21 - 24, 2005</b>	<b>Rectora - Lucy Gesell</b>
<b>MEN'S #58</b>	<b>Summer 2006-TBD</b>	<b>Rector - Bob Gsellman</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #58</b>	<b>Summer 2006-TBD</b>	<b>Rectora - Cathy Doering</b>

Above Weekend site St. Leonard's Retreat Center - Avon, OH

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 National Via de Cristo Website  
 Kairos Website

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# De Colores!

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## From the Lay Director

Dear friends in Christ,

I know this message is a long one, but please bear with me...

Is it me or did we just fly through the church season? Is it me or did we just crash through the liturgy this past Sunday, rushing through the seemingly mundane parts of the service so we could get to the good stuff like ... well, you know ... the sermon ... hmmm ... depending on whose preaching ... not that I'm complaining. At least we have two full time pastors ... well, how about the choir anthem? ... hmmm ... it did sound a bit flat last week, not that I'm complaining. At least we have a dedicated choir ... well ... how about the last hymn? ... Too bad the organist muffed up the second and fourth verses last week ... not that I'm complaining. At least we have a full time organist ... well ... you know, I have a table reserved at Bob Evans and, Heaven forbid, we don't get there in time to sit at our most favorite booth ... you know, the one in the back corner away from the bathrooms but still in direct line so, if my colon starts acting up I can make a B-line straight for the men's room ... not that I'm complaining, you know. Time. It is all about time. We take time - we make time - we have spare time - we watch our watches like slaves watch their masters - we have a stitch in time - and on we go ... David had it right:

*Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 reads, "To everything there is a season (a span of time), a time for every purpose under Heaven... a time to be born and a time to die; a time to plant and a time to harvest; a time to kill and a time to heal; a time to break down and a time to build up; a time to weep and a time to laugh; a time to mourn and a time to dance; a time to cast away stones and a time to gather them in; a time to embrace and a time to refrain from embracing; a time to gain and a time to lose (remember your diets); a time to keep and a time to discard; a time to tear and a time to sew; a time to speak and a time to keep silent; a time to love and a time to hate; a time for war and a time for peace."*

Indeed, there is a time for every purpose. And we need to be sure we spend time doing that which God requires: Micah 6:8... *He hath shown thee, O man, what is good; and what the Lord requires of you: but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God.*

Walk humbly with our God. Take the time to humbly walk with Him. Our "Come Holy Spirit" and "Meditation" prayers say the same thing! We ask the Holy Spirit to come into our lives, to dwell within us (Piety). We ask for heart instruction (Study). We wait and listen because we ask the Lord to speak to our souls (Piety and Study).

*"The human heart feels things the eyes cannot see, and knows what the mind cannot understand."  
 --Robert Vallett*

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Note: If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to call any of the Secretariat members. Also, anyone from the community is welcome to attend the Secretariat meetings.

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From the Lay Director

God is outside our limited space-time and cannot be fully understood by our limited senses. That's why we ask Him to teach our hearts and fill our minds with His understanding. That's why we must use our time to learn of Him. Albert Einstein, arguably the most gifted mind of the last century, put it this way:

*"A human being is a part of the whole, called by us 'Universe,' a part limited in time and space. He experiences himself, his thoughts and feelings as something separated from the rest - a kind of optical delusion of his consciousness. This delusion is a kind of prison for us, restricting us to our personal desires and to affection for a few persons nearest to us. Our task must be to free ourselves from this prison by widening our circle of compassion to embrace all living creatures and the whole of nature in its beauty. Nobody is able to achieve this completely, but the striving for such achievement is in itself a part of the liberation and a foundation for inner security."*

Dear ones... Dr. Einstein spoke of Apostolic Action and we need to embrace that compassionate, apostolic nature through Jesus Christ. We need to make it a part of our daily regimen. We must bring God's loving-kindness to the farthest reaches of our planet and keep the planet in mind while we do it. I know... this message was long and it took some time to read it, but we proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ Risen through our Piety, our Study, and our Apostolic Action. Isn't it time that we make it a real part of our lives, not just the "optical delusion" of our own making? I guess my time's up.

De Colores,

Kevin

## From the Rectora

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

My theme verse for Women's Weekend #54 is Psalm 20:7. I discovered right from the beginning of my team formation, that I needed to "TRUST" the Lord, He was in control. "TRUST" that He would bring the "right" people into the "right" position on the team. My next verse for guidance was Isaiah 31:1, which helped me to trust in Egypt (or Community) for help. You offered to make team lunches, you sent me CD's with Rectora and Head Kitchen Cha info, you will make my Thursday night team dinner, and Saturday night dinner is covered. You have offered help from everywhere to do anything and everything!! I sought help from the Lord and He provided through you, our wonderful Via de Cristo Community!!! My last verse, Psalm 32:9-10 taught me about my stubbornness in having everything go my "way". The Lord provided many opportunities to "TRUST" in His unfailing love, that He was available and His help would be provided through a grace-filled team and a Christ-centered Community. Thank you a million times for your obedience to being a servant to each other.

Love and blessings,

Vickie Delynko



**Ohio Women's Weekend #54**  
**May 12 - 15, 2005**

Names received by Registrar as of May 10

Women's Team #54			Pilgrims and Sponsors		
Name	Position on Team	Home City	Pilgrim	Sponsor	Church, City
Vickie Delynko	Rectora	Granville	Karen Schwartz	Anne Heughebart	Hosanna Luth., Pataskala
Laura Latessa	Head Cha	Englewood	Beth Renken	Linda West	Abiding Christ Lutheran, Fairborn
Pastor Doug Pretorius	Spiritual Director	Bellville	Nancy Snyder	Carol Pretorius	St. Paul Luth., Bellville
Pastor Bob Riggs	Spiritual Director	Sunbury	Angie Steffey	Laura Steffey & Lynn Steffey	The Chapel, Akron
Judy Evans	Chapel Cha	Huber Heights	Debbie Fulton	Marie Kovitch	Advent Lutheran, Mentor
Judy Pochard	Music Cha	Hamilton	Deb Laukiavich	Marie Kovitch	Advent Lutheran, Mentor
Irene Hoch	Palanca Cha	Cincinnati	Wendolyn Trozzo	Amy Fauquet	St. John Lutheran., Rochelle, MD
Lynette Wahl	Gopher Cha	Columbus	Linda Schaub	Judy Coppersmith	Bellville Presbyterian, Bellville
Karen Jackson	Head Kitchen Cha	Baltimore	Laura Ketchum-Jahn	Nancy Larson	Linden Luth., Columbus
Connie Caldwell	Kitchen Cha	Westerville	Diana Lynn	Gloria Kemmet	Abiding Christ Lutheran, Fairborn
Judy Coppersmith	Kitchen Cha	Bellville	Susan Keeley	Marie Kovitch	Advent Lutheran, Mentor
Kitty Wilburn	Kitchen Cha	Columbus	Janice Reed	Kathryn Glessner	St. Paul Lutheran, Lucas
Debbie Kelley	Kitchen Cha	Columbus	Carol Kilgore	Kathryn Glessner	St. Paul Lutheran, Lucas
Carol Laser	Kitchen Cha	Bellville	Denise Feathers	Marie Kovitch	Reformation Lutheran, Eastlake
Jackie Fahnestock	Kitchen Cha	Fairborn	Nancy Martin	Dawn Armstrong	St. Paul Luth., Bellville
Ann Hughes	Floating Cha	Beavercreek	Emily Mabry	Jean Mabry	Trinity Luth., Cincinnati
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Jutta Lochmeyer	Rollo Room Cha	Pataskala	Laura Haseley	Karleen Kinker	Clinton Heights Lutheran, Columbus
Teri Wilson	Rollo Room Cha	Huber Heights	Linda Kraschinsky	Bob Riggs	Hope Lutheran, Sunbury
Chris Tillman	Rollo Room Cha	Huntsville			
Karleen Kinker	Rollo Room Cha	Columbus			
Kathy Sperling	Ideal Rollo	Canal Winchester			
Marilyn Baker	Laity Rollo	Bellville			
PJ Musser	Piety Rollo	Fairborn			
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Judy Pochard	Action Rollo	Hamilton			
Carol Pretorius	Leaders Rollo	Bellville			
Katrina Pochard	Environment Rollo	Hamilton			
Lynn Steffey	CCA Rollo	Stow			
Lynn Ayer	4 <sup>th</sup> Day Rollo	Dayton			
Barb & Mark	Fourth Day Couple	Burlington, KY			
Ostermeier					

**The emergency phone # at the center is :**

**614-221-1809**

**THURSDAY & FRIDAY**  
**May 12 & 13**

Thursday  
 Send Off - 7:30 PM at  
 Grace Lutheran in Columbus  
 on Refugee Rd.

Friday  
 Ideal 10:00 AM  
 Habitual Grace 11:15 AM  
 Laity 1:40 PM  
 Actual Grace 2:55 PM  
 Piety 4:45 PM

**SUNDAY May 15**

Gather In Kitchen 5:45 AM **QUIETLY!!!**  
 Wake-up Serenade - 6:00 AM

Environment 9:05 AM  
 Life of Grace 10:10 AM  
 Christian Community in Action 11:35 AM  
 Group Reunion / Ultreya 1:05 PM  
 Fourth Day 2:00 PM

Closing - 5:00 PM At Grace Lutheran in  
 Columbus on Refugee Rd.  
**(Directions next page)**

**SATURDAY**  
**May 14**

Study 9:00 AM  
 Sacraments 10:20 AM  
 Apostolic Action 1:15 PM  
 Obstacles to Grace 2:55 PM  
 Leaders 4:25 PM

Serenade Practice 4:30 PM  
 At Christ Lutheran Church  
 in Bexley.

**(Directions on next page)**



**Serenade 6:00 PM**

**SEND-OFF & CLOSING  
GRACE LUTHERAN CHURCH  
4500 Refugee Road , Columbus**

**From Cleveland** - Take I-71 South. In Columbus, take I-270 East and continue to the I-70 exit. Take I-70 West exit to next exit, Hamilton Rd. exit. Turn left onto Hamilton and proceed past Eastland Mall to Refugee Road. Turn left onto Refugee Road. Grace Lutheran is on the left about 1/4 mile.

**From Cincinnati** - Take I-71 North. In Columbus, take I-270 East and proceed as in Cleveland directions.

**From Eastern Ohio** - Take I-70 West past the I-270 outerbelt. Proceed to Hamilton Road exit and proceed as in Cleveland. directions.

**From Western Ohio** - Take I-70 East . Proceed through downtown Columbus and continue to Hamilton Road Exit (317 S). Bear right onto Hamilton road and proceed as in Cleveland directions..

**SATURDAY SERENADE PRACTICE 4:30 PM  
CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH , 2314 E. Main St., Bexley**

**Directions from EAST on I-70 :** Exit at Livingston Ave.(exit 103B). Turn left, go under the I-70 overpass and turn right (north) at the next corner, Alum Creek Drive. Go north to Main Street where Alum Creek Drive dead-ends. Turn right onto Main Street; go several blocks, church is on left hand side just past Drexel Ave.

**Directions from WEST on I-70 :** Exit at Bexley-Main Street (exit 103A) onto a ramp that circles around to Alum Creek Drive (north). Alum Creek Drive dead-ends at Main Street. Turn right onto Main Street; go several blocks, church is on left hand side just past Drexel Ave.

**Directions from NORTH on I-71:** Take I-71 South to I-70 East then follow **"Directions from WEST on I-70"**.

**Directions from SOUTH on I-71:** Take I-71 North to I-70 East then follow **"Directions from WEST on I-70"**.

**NOTE : Serenade Practice is at Christ Lutheran Church in Bexley,  
NOT Livingston. If any questions, contact Doug Burrows (614) 933-8930.**

The Ohio Via de Cristo Community mourns the death of Fred Schuller. His daughter submitted this piece for the newsletter:

He passed away on October 26, 2004. Fred was from Divinity Lutheran Church in Parma Hts, Ohio. He was 77. He leaves behind his wife, Doris and daughters Lynne and Joyce, a son Bill and 7 grandchildren. He was a great man, Christian and father who loved the Lord so very much. I know he loved so many people involved in Via de Cristo and I know he was very loved too.

Thank you,

Joyce Schindler , Fred's daughter

Construction Improvements at the Holy Cross Cursillo Center (Columbus)

(where the Spring & Fall weekends are held)



2 showers and 3 sinks have been installed  
in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor sleeping area.



**ULTREYA! in OHIO** For further details on these and other Ultreyas in Ohio, contact: Paul Swinehart  
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**Cincinnati - Monthly** First Saturday, 7:30 pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, Mt. Healthy, contact Kevin Hoch, 513-931-8797

**Columbus - Monthly** Fourth Tuesday, 7:30 PM at Linden Lutheran Church, 1230 Oakland Park Ave., Columbus, contact Paul Swinehart 614-476-5979 or Darryl Larson, 614-262-4420 at the church or 614-865-0469 at home.

**Dayton Lutheran Ultreya - Monthly** Third Tuesday, 7:30 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 901 E. Stroop in Kettering. For details, call Bob & Mary Ann Sauer at 937-439-9742 or Email: [MASAUER@aol.com](mailto:MASAUER@aol.com)

**Kent** - Contact Pastor Doug Fidler (330) 673-5445.

**Marysville Area - Monthly** Third Sunday at First English Lutheran, 687 London Avenue, Marysville. Call Judy Hurl 513/642-4621 or Jeanne Haynes, 513/642-4701

**Stow - Quarterly** Contact Gracia Luoma (330) 686-8807

**Western Lake County** Periodic joint Lutheran-Episcopal Ultreya. Hook up through George Cyphers, 216-951-2906

**Western Reserve - Monthly** Second Saturday 7:00 pm, Brecksville United Methodist Church, call Martha Mallen (440) 257-2235.

**Urbana - Monthly** First Friday 6:30 pm at Church of the Epiphany, corner Scioto and Kenton, Urbana. Joint ultreya with Episcopal, Roman Catholic, Methodist, and now Lutheran! Contact Dick or Marv Swan, 513/484-3189.

**Newark - Bi-monthly** Second Wednesday every other month. St. John's Lutheran Church, Linneville Road, Newark. 7:00 PM, 2005 Ultreya's - (April 13, June 8, Aug 10, Oct 12). Contact Chuck Hiles, 740-323-1588.

## PALANCA LETTERS

**Please..... Mark all letters: Sponsor, Spouse, Family, Friend, or Community**

**Remember the blessings of Palanca mail - sent from the community, but inspired by the Lord.**

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