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<b>Annual Meeting</b> <b>Grand Ultreya</b> <b>Jan. 27</b>  <b>Christ Lutheran Church</b> <b>2314 East Main St.</b> <b>Bexley, OH</b>  <b>Ballot inside</b>  <b>Mail By</b> <b>Jan. 19</b>	 <p><b>CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!!!!</b></p>	

**UPCOMING WEEKENDS AND EVENTS 2007**

<b>MEN'S #60</b>	<b>APR 26 - 29, 2007</b>	<b>Rector - Bill Evans</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #60</b>	<b>MAY 17 - 20, 2007</b>	<b>Rectora - Julie Overmeyer</b>
<b>MEN'S #62</b>	<b>OCT 18 - 21, 2007</b>	<b>Rector - TBD</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #62</b>	<b>NOV 1 - 4, 2007</b>	<b>Rectora - TBD</b>

Above Weekends site Holy Cross Catholic Cursillo Center    Downtown Columbus

<b>MEN'S #61</b>	<b>AUG 9 - 12, 2007</b>	<b>Rector - Ralph Minton</b>
<b>WOMEN'S #61</b>	<b>AUG 16 - 19, 2007</b>	<b>Rectora - Lynn Steffey</b>

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

**ANNUAL MEETING AND GRAND ULTREYA - JAN 27, 2007**  
**Christ Lutheran Church, Bexley**

**LEADER'S SCHOOL - FEB 17, 2007 , St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville**

**GET ON THE WEB ==>**

Ohio Via de Cristo Website  
 National Via de Cristo Website  
 Kairos Website

[www.viadecristooh.org](http://www.viadecristooh.org)  
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# De Colores!

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## From the Lay Director

On our weekends we work in threes – like short, clean and funny. This newsletter will be short (I am past my deadline), clean (would you expect anything else) and will provide some resolutions (not really funny).

- 1) Pilgrims – Let's begin to think of who we would like to ask today and not a week or two before the weekends. I was really happy that all the weekends had enough pilgrims last year to be held. Begin to think, pray about and ask pilgrims now. Get it on their calendars early.
- 2) Palanca – We have been blessed over the last year with Paul Swinehart as our Palanca Coordinator. Paul has shared with us via email all of the weekends that are being held all over the world. I think this sharing has us focus on the fact that palanca is more about prayer and sacrifice and less about items on a weekend. Let us all focus on the aspects of our lives that could use a little more palanca.
- 3) Environments – Let us all focus on how we can make a greater impact our environments in 2007. Remember Christ is counting on us.

There is a great annual meeting and ultreya being planned for January 27. Please try to be there for the business, the fellowship and the worship.

GLY&SDI

Jim Caldwell

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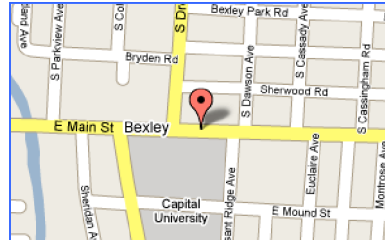
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Note: If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to call any of the Secretariat members. Also, anyone from the community is welcome to attend the Secretariat meetings.

Via de Cristo of Ohio  
P.O. Box 53081  
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*Plans are shaping up very well!!!  
Look for the additions below!*

OHIO VIA DE CRISTO ANNUAL MEETING  
SATURDAY, JANUARY 27, 2007



## CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH

2314 East Main Street  
Bexley, Ohio 43209

(Across Main Street from Capital University. Park behind church – Signs will direct you inside!)

*Gather at 12:00 Noon*

**Pot Luck Lunch – 12:30 PM**

*Everyone bring your best!*

**Election of Officers ~ 1:30 PM**

*We elect two of our officers each year – this year Assistant Lay Director and Treasurer*

**Music! Music! Music! ~**

*featuring Roger Retherford & Co!*

**UUUUUU GRAND ULTREYA! TTTT**

*About 2:00 PM (or so, depending on how good the food is!)*

*Speaker: Pastor Paul Schmidlin, Good News Via de Cristo*

**Holy Communion!**

*Come and bring all your friends!*

# Ballot Information

Each year two of the four elected officers of the Via de Cristo Secretariat are elected by our community. This year, you are asked to vote for **Assistant Lay Director and Treasurer**. The names below have been offered in nomination. **Write-in votes are acceptable** and lines have been provided accordingly.

OFFICIAL BALLOT	Via de Cristo of Ohio	OFFICIAL BALLOT
<b>ASSISTANT LAY DIRECTOR</b> (Vote for one)	_____ Mary Ann Sauer	_____ Joel Marhenke
		Other _____
<b>TREASURER</b> (Vote for one)	_____ Sue Solvig	Other _____
<b>YOUR NAME</b> _____		
<b>ADDRESS</b> _____		<b>City/State/Zip</b> _____
Please complete your ballot and bring to the Annual Meeting		
<b>OR</b> Mail it by January 19 to: Via de Cristo of Ohio P.O. Box 53081 Cincinnati, OH 45253		

Directions to Christ Lutheran Church: (directly across from Capital Univ.)

Coming from the West on I-70 E:  
exit at Bexley / Main Street (103A) onto a ramp that circles around to Alum Creek Drive (north). Alum Creek Drive dead-ends at East Main Street. Turn right onto East Main Street.  
Continue on to church (2314 East Main St.).

Coming from the North on I-71 S:  
Merge onto I-70 E (exit 107 on the left toward Wheeling). Then follow the directions above.

Coming from the South on I-71 N:  
Merge onto I-70 E (toward Cleveland / Wheeling). Then follow the directions above.

Coming from the East on I-70 W:  
Take Livingston Ave exit (103B). Turn left onto US-33 / E. Livingston Ave.  
Turn right onto Alum Creek Drive. Turn right onto E. Main St. Continue to Church (2314 East Main St.).



**VIA de CRISTO  
OHIO**



## **Lutheran weekend retreat! !**

**Three days close to Christ! Learn more about His love and the scope and meaning of the Grace of God.**

**A three-day school which takes a look at Christianity as a lifestyle, highly structured to strengthen and renew the faith of Christian people. Presenters are inspired laymen and ordained ministers. There is no charge for a weekend, but participants will be given an opportunity to support the movement. Food and lodging are included.**

**The Ohio Lutheran Via de Cristo Secretariat, affiliated with the National Lutheran Secretariat, conducts six weekends each year—three for men and three for women. We invite all Christians to experience one of these events. Weekends scheduled:**

**Men's Spring, April 26-29, 2007 in Columbus  
Women's Spring, May 17-20, 2007, in Columbus  
Men's Summer, Aug. 9-12, 2007, in Avon  
Women's Summer, Aug. 16-19, 2007, in Avon  
Men's Fall, Oct. 18-21, 2007, in Columbus  
Women's Fall, Nov. 1-4, 2007, in Columbus**

**Spring and Fall** weekends are held at the Holy Cross Cum Cristo Center in Downtown Columbus. **Summer** weekends are held at St. Leonard's Retreat Center in Avon, Ohio.

**To learn more**, log on to our web site at [www.viadechristooh.org](http://www.viadechristooh.org), or write to Via de Cristo of Ohio, P. O. Box 53081, Cincinnati, OH 45253.

**The Via de Cristo** movement is self-supporting, not an official arm of the ELCA. But it adheres strictly to Lutheran doctrine. We invite the financial support of individual churches in the form of special benevolence. The goal of Via de Cristo is to make Christian church members more deeply aware of God's grace through Christ, to encourage a deeper commitment to their home churches and to teach and encourage them to tell others about Jesus.

**Come learn with us, because God loves you and so do we!!**

## **Cursillistas!! Help, help!!**

Let your fellow church members know more about us. See if your church will use this as a Sunday bulletin insert or run it in the church newsletter. Or both!! Newsletters reach all members. Put it on your bulletin board.

You can add your name as a contact for information, if you like.

You also could add that you would be glad to sponsor anyone who wants to attend. Spring weekends are about to go and more weekends are not that far off. We need to get applications in early. You can download application blanks from the web site address you see in the insert. DeColores

# Via de Cristo School for Leaders

## February 17, 2007

School for Leaders will be held on Saturday, February 17, 2007. The purpose of this school is to provide a better understanding of all aspects of Via de Cristo. Topics covered include: Theology of the Weekend: Dynamics and Psychology of the Weekend: Team Roles and much more. Attend to gain a fuller understanding of your weekend experience. You must attend the School for Leaders to serve on a Via de Cristo team.

The school will be offered February 17th at **ST. PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH, 48 Church St., Bellville, Ohio 44813**. The school starts at 1:00 PM on Saturday afternoon, running til 5:30 PM. You can register by using the form below. Cost is \$10 per person.

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### SCHOOL for LEADERS REGISTRATION

for

February 17, 2007

Name (s) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (    ) \_\_\_\_\_ Church \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Attended: Via de Cristo (    ) Other \_\_\_\_\_ Weekend Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please enclose a check payable to Ohio Via de Cristo (\$10 per person) and send it with this form to Chris Albrekton, 2793 Galewood St., Kettering, Ohio 45420 email:

[JC4Vdc@aol.com](mailto:JC4Vdc@aol.com)

**ULTREYA! in OHIO** For further details on these and other Ultreya's in Ohio, contact: Paul Swinehart 614-476-5979 [Pswnhrt@aol.com](mailto:Pswnhrt@aol.com)

**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.

**Pataskala - Monthly** First Sunday, 6:30 PM at Hosanna Lutheran Church, 7714 Hazelton-Etna Road (SR310) in Pataskala, contact Tony Starn [astarn@columbus.rr.com](mailto:astarn@columbus.rr.com)

**Dayton Lutheran Ultreya (Tuesday's) - 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)

**Dayton Lutheran Ultreya (Saturday's) - Monthly** First Saturday, 7:00 pm at Abiding Christ Lutheran Church, 326 Dayton-Yellow Springs Road in Fairborn For details, contact Craig Fourman [CraigFourman@abidingchrist.org](mailto:CraigFourman@abidingchrist.org)

**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.

**Bellville - Bi-monthly** Second Sunday every other month (Feb, April, June, Aug, Oct, Dec) at 6 pm. St. Paul Lutheran Church, 48 Church St., Bellville. Questions contact Dawn Armstrong, 419-886-9822 or [Dalpn@aol.com](mailto:Dalpn@aol.com)

**Sharon Center - Bi-monthly** Second Sunday every other month (Jan, March, May, Jul, Sep, Nov) St. Paul Lutheran Church, 6462 Ridge Rd., Sharon Center. Details or questions contact Cathy Doering, 330-239-0027 or [cdoering1@aol.com](mailto:cdoering1@aol.com)

## The Annual Meeting and Grand Ultreya

**Mark Your Calendars – January 27** – Food, Music, election of Assistant Lay Director & Treasurer, and a Grand Ultreya. Come and enjoy the Fellowship.