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| Men's #63 Weekend Apr 17 - 20 Columbus | <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!!!!</p> </div> | |

UPCOMING WEEKENDS AND EVENTS 2008

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| MEN'S #63 | APR 17 - 20, 2008 | Rector - Don Piddock |
| WOMEN'S #63 | MAY 1 - 4, 2008 | Rectora - Caryl Gatton |
| MEN'S #65 | OCT 23 - 26, 2008 | Rector - Mark Kannenwischer |
| WOMEN'S #65 | NOV 6 - 9, 2008 | Rectora - Marilyn Baker |
| Above Weekends site Holy Cross Catholic Cursillo Center Downtown Columbus | | |
| MEN'S #64 | JULY 17 - 20, 2008 | Rector - Jim Caldwell |
| WOMEN'S #64 | JULY 24 - 27, 2008 | Rectora - Connie Anderson |
| Above Weekend site St. Leonard's Retreat Center - Avon, OH | | |

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National Via de Cristo Website
Kairos Website

www.viadecristooh.org
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De Colores!

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From the Lay Director

DeColores!

A term used by many to greet each other, identify each other and encourage each other as they pass on the road of life. In the VdC we use it to greet mostly. When we wish to encourage we use the term, Ultreya, reflecting keep on keeping on. So I will use both terms to greet and encourage you.

In the book of John chapter 15:1-5 we see the parable of the vine and branches as related by Jesus. He instructs us through the scripture to be fruitful. What does this mean? It simply is asking each one of us to stay connected to Him and that if we do we will produce His fruit.

I do not know of a better tool to use in the production of His fruit than this short course in Christianity we call Via de Cristo. If we but stay in His word and speak of what we know then we will produce fruit of Jesus the vine. We have the spring weekends coming very quickly. Take time to think about your friends and relatives that know Christ. Speak of your relationship with him and introduce them to the weekend. God will do the rest for us. I am happy to say we have eleven (11) known pilgrims for this spring men's weekend. I know there is little time left before the 17th of April but there is always Gods will. Ask and it shall be given seek and you shall find. God will produce the yield as He needs it.

I Ultreya you and DeColores you in Christ!

Doug Burrows
Lay Director Ohio VdC

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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 Rector



Blessings to all. It is truly an honor to serve the Lord as the Rector for Ohio Via de Cristo Men's Weekend #63. Yes, there were trials and tribulations in putting together this team. However, the team that I have put together for his weekend is the one the Lord lead me to form.

The team is heavy laden with previous Rectors and they have allowed me the pleasure to lead this team my way. Their inputs at team meetings have helped clarify things for those who are giving their first rollo talk. I have three terrific Spiritual Director, Peter Kruse, Brian Peltomaa and Bob Hauser. I wish to thank all the team members for giving of their time to serve the Lord and being away from their families to make team meetings and the upcoming weekend.

Yes, it has been a fun time for team members to attend the team meetings. We started at Living Word with good weather, but then enter the obstacles of rain, floods, thick fog, and a blizzard that made traveling from Bellville, Columbus area, Fairborn/Dayton and Cincinnati a joy. Due the blizzard one meeting was rescheduled, then back to back meetings to meet the required meetings. Even with these obstacles, we as a team persevered.

Pilgrim confirmation has been slow, but I have put this call into the Lord's hands and pray that we have as many as he deems ready to attend the weekend. As I write this we currently have six confirmed pilgrims, but I am praying and hoping that the other five plus potential candidates do answer the call. I pray that the Secretariat does not cancel the weekend, as I feel it needs to go on for those who the Lord has already called to attend. This weekend is for them.

This is the first weekend where the closing is held at Christ Lutheran-Bexley, across from Capital University. What a honor, and I wish to thank Pr. Tim Iseringhausen for allowing us to use his church for this very special occasion of welcoming new members to Via de Cristo.

I wish to thank all the communities for all the various types of palanca provided, whether it is prayer, letters or food. Please continue to pray and the men of weekend #63 look forward to seeing everyone at the closing.

God Bless

Don Piddock

Rector, OVdC Men's Weekend #63

**Ohio Men's Weekend #63
Apr 17 - 20, 2008**

Names received by Registrar as of Apr 9

| Men's Team #63 | | | Pilgrims and Sponsors | | |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------|------------------------------|----------------|--------------------------------------|
| <u>Name</u> | <u>Position on Team</u> | <u>Home City</u> | <u>Pilgrim</u> | <u>Sponsor</u> | <u>Church, City</u> |
| Don Piddock | Rector | Fairborn | Sandy Mueller | Dan Brill | Living Word Luth., Galena |
| Raleigh Sandy | Head Cha | Centerville | Bob Sharp | Dick Brenneman | St. Paul Lutheran, Bellville |
| Pr. Peter Kruse | Hd Spiritual Director | New Carlisle | Bill Ney | Eddie Cooper | St. Paul Luth., Westerville |
| Pr. Bob Hauser | Spiritual Director | Bellville | Michael Smith | Shane Clark | First Baptist, Groveport |
| Pr. Brian Peltomaa | Spiritual Director | Mansfield | Bill Smith | Robert Hauser | Presbyterian Church of Bellville |
| Mark Timberlake | Music Cha | Bellville | Larry Brown | Craig Fourman | Abiding Christ Lutheran, Fairborn |
| Paul Swinehart | Palanca Cha | Columbus | | | |
| Jeff Albrektsen | Go-fer Cha | Kettering | | | |
| Rick Walkenhorst | Chapel Cha | Cincinnati | | | |
| Dick Hatch | Head Kitchen Cha | Pataskala | | | |
| Robert Stone | Kitchen Cha | Worthington | | | |
| Joel Haynes | Kitchen Cha | Marysville | | | |
| Jerry Shinkle | Kitchen Cha | Beavercreek | | | |
| Tom Payne | Kitchen Cha | Galena | | | |
| BJ Fleischmann | Rollo Room Cha / Ass't Head Cha | North Lewisburg | | | |
| Doug Hertlein | Rollo Room Cha | Carroll | | | |
| Eddie Cooper | Rollo Room Cha | Westerville | | | |
| Kevin Hoch | Rollo Room Cha | Cincinnati | | | |
| Dean Gatton | Rollo Room Cha | Westerville | | | |
| Fred Schneider | Ideal Rollo | Cincinnati | | | |
| Thad Ness | Laity Rollo | Lewis Center | | | |
| Dan Brill | Piety Rollo | Lewis Center | | | |
| Bruce Schwartz | Study Rollo | Pataskala | | | |
| Paul Martin | Action Rollo | Bellville | | | |
| Chuck Fahnestock | Leaders Rollo | Fairborn | | | |
| Nathan Piddock | Environment Rollo | Kettering | | | |
| Dick Brenneman | CCA Rollo | Fredericktown | | | |
| Rich Maassel | Silent Professor | Westerville | | | |
| Pr. Craig & Leann Fourman | Fourth Day Couple | Fairborn | | | |

**Remember – Closing is at Christ Lutheran
Church, Bexley at 4:30 PM**

**The emergency phone # at the center is :
614-221-1809**

| THURSDAY & FRIDAY Apr 17 & 18 | |
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| Thursday - Send-off Pilgrims arrive at Cum Cristo Center, Columbus 6:45 PM. | |
| Friday | |
| Ideal | 9:40 AM |
| Habitual Grace | 10:55 AM |
| Laity | 1:20 PM |
| Actual Grace | 2:45 PM |
| Piety | 4:45 PM |

| SATURDAY Apr 19 | |
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| Study | 8:40 AM |
| Day In the Life | 10:00 AM |
| Apostolic Action | 1:25 PM |
| Obstacles to Grace | 2:50 PM |
| Leaders | 4:30 PM |
| Serenade Practice | |
| At Linden Lutheran , Columbus | at 5:00 PM |
| Serenade | 6:00 PM |

| SUNDAY Apr 20 | |
|----------------------------|---|
| Gather In Kitchen 5:45 AM | QUIETLY!!! |
| Wake-up Serenade - 6:00 AM | |
| Environment | 9:05 AM |
| CCA | 10:00 AM |
| Life in Grace | 11:25 AM |
| Total Security | 1:25 PM |
| JOG Talk | 3:25 PM |
| Closing - 4:30 PM | At Christ Lutheran Church, Bexley (Directions next page) |

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., 43209).

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.).

ULTREYA! in OHIO For further details on these and other Ultreya's in Ohio, contact: Paul Swinehart 614-476-5979 palancaohio@yahoo.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

Dayton Lutheran Ultreya (Thursday's) - Monthly Third Thursday, 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

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

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

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



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 weekend #63, April 17-20, 2008

Women's weekend #63, May 1-4, 2008

Men's weekend #64, July 17-20, 2008

Women's weekend #64, July 24-27, 2008

Men's weekend #65, Oct 23-26, 2008

Women's weekend #65, Nov 6-9, 2008

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.viadecristooh.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. 2008 spring weekends are near and more 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