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Women's #63 Weekend May 1 - 4 Columbus	 <p style="text-align: center;">CHRIST IS COUNTING ON YOU!!!!</p>	

UPCOMING WEEKENDS AND EVENTS 2008

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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From the Lay Director

Greeting to you all,

Having just come from the closing of Men's #63 weekend I find myself reflecting on the statements of a Pilgrim from the table of Silas. His remarks centered on Apostolic Action and the call to this action he gained from the weekend. I believe we all remember that call from our own weekend experience. I can remember a drive to Indianapolis the Monday I began my fourth day and the fire I had to express my belief in Jesus Christ.

Sometimes I begin to think we fade in our zeal and so, as is said to the Pilgrims at our closings, we renew our weekends through you. We have a Women's weekend coming up May 1st. I would challenge all of you to remember that fire and help someone else to experience the same joy of knowing Christ more closely. In my last communication prior to the men's weekend I spoke of bearing fruit. I will repeat myself as this is exactly what we are to be about, bearing the fruit of Jesus Christ. This is His fruit because we are attaché to the vine and unable to bear fruit on our own.

Let me ask you to seek out the leaders of your community and invite them to the VdC weekend. We need all the help we can get and your role in this movement is important. Christ is counting on you and you, on whom do you count? As for me, I am counting on Him.

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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 Rectora



To My Sisters and Brothers in Christ,

As the Women's Via de Cristo Weekend #63 approaches, I want to express my deep and sincere thanks for the many hours of sacrificial giving provided by the team, families, community and Secretariat. You have blessed me and shown me in so many practical ways how much God is a part of your lives. Thank you for all the prayers, support and encouragement that you have given me throughout this process. What a beautiful picture of God's grace in action! There is no doubt that God's Holy Spirit is at work in each of you, as you give of yourselves to make the weekend a success.

God has brought together an amazing team of servants to carry His message of love, mercy, and grace to the Pilgrims. I have been so incredibly blessed at each of our meetings, and I know this team is going to bless the Pilgrims abundantly through the power of the Holy Spirit.

I want to offer a special thank you to the Pastors (one even allowed us the grace of his church for two of our meetings) who opened their churches to us for our meetings, and the communities from those churches that provided us with lunch for each of our four meetings.

I would also like to send a heartfelt thanks to the community. Through your gifts of palanca (prayer, letters, food, serenades and other special treats), this will be a most memorable weekend that will set each pilgrim up for their fourth day in a cocoon of love and grace.

May the grace of our Lord be with you always!

God loves you and so do I!

Blessings to you all,

Caryl Gatton

Rectora, Women's No. 63

**Ohio Women's Weekend #63
May 1 - 4, 2008**

Names received by Registrar as of Apr 28

Women's Team #63			Pilgrims and Sponsors		
Name	Position on Team	Home City	Pilgrim	Sponsor	Church, City
Caryl Gatton	Rectora	Westerville	Joy Wilcox	Wesley Scoates	United Christian Church, Clayton
Wendy Seeley	Head Cha	Johnstown	Sharon Smith	Diane Hammett	St. Paul Luth., Bellville
Pr. Al Sager	Hd Spiritual Director	Westerville	Jean Knuteson	Pastor Al Sager	Christ the Savior Luth., Fishers, IN
Pr. Lisa Peterson	Spiritual Director	Marblehead	Jeanne Coleman	Wesley Scoates	United Christian Church, Clayton
Pr. Ann Marie Winters	Spiritual Director	Pataskala	Ceil Laprocina	Jane Lehto	Prince of Peace Lutheran, Cortland
Peggy Retherford	Chapel Cha	Galena	Carol Givens	Jane Lehto	Prince of Peace Lutheran, Cortland
Shana Berger	Chapel Cha	Westerville	Jes Franklin	Dean & Caryl Gatton	St. Joseph's Catholic, Columbus
Judy Pochard	Music Cha	Hamilton	Diane Koehler	Dean & Caryl Gatton	St. Paul Catholic, Westerville
Cyndie Murray	Palanca Cha	Bellville	Jessica Davis	Dean & Caryl Gatton	Vineyard Church of Columbus
Julie Overmeyer	Palanca Cha	Canal Winchester	Pam Newman	Dean & Caryl Gatton	Vineyard Church of Columbus
Linda Green	Go-fer Cha	Pickerington	Regina Summers	Ella Gall	Christ Lutheran, Bexley
Cathy Doering	Head Kitchen Cha	Wadsworth	Amy Sharp	Janis Marhenke	St. Paul Luth., Bellville
Lisa Bacu	Kitchen Cha	West Chester	Lydia Smith	Denise Clark	First Baptist, Groveport
Ann Ness	Kitchen Cha	Lewis Center	Sharon McAllister	Minda Bickley	Grace Luth., Columbus
Marilyn Payne	Kitchen Cha	Galena			
Beverly Willis	Kitchen Cha	Huber Heights			
Jackie Fahnestock	Kitchen Cha	Fairborn			
Lori Hertlein	Hd. Rollo Room Cha	Carroll			
Christy Brill	RR Cha / Escort Cha	Lewis Center			
Shannon Howman	Rollo Room Cha	Lewis Center			
Linda Morton	Rollo Room Cha	Westerville			
Karen Schwartz	Rollo Room Cha	Pataskala			
Katrina Bruns	Rollo Room Cha	Trenton			
Wilma Keller	Ideal Rollo	Newark			
Sandi Troup	Laity Rollo	Miamisburg			
Lynette Wahl	Piety Rollo	Columbus			
Erline Sager	Study Rollo	Westerville			
Linda West	Action Rollo	Fairborn			
Kathy Sperling	Leaders Rollo	Canal Winchester			
Jackie Lann	Environment Rollo	Ravenna			
Gracia Luoma	CCA Rollo	Stow			
Jewellee Smith	Silent Professor	Norton			
Vickie & Rick Delynko	Fourth Day Couple	Granville			

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

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

THURSDAY & FRIDAY May 1 & 2	
Thursday - Send-off	
Pilgrims arrive at Cum Cristo Center, Columbus 6:45 PM.	
Friday	
Ideal	9:40 AM
Habitual Grace	10:55 AM
Laity	1:30 PM
Actual Grace	2:45 PM
Piety	4:40 PM

SATURDAY May 3	
Study	8:50 AM
Day In the Life	10:10 AM
Apostolic Action	1:30 PM
Obstacles to Grace	2:50 PM
Leaders	4:30 PM
Serenade Practice	
At Linden Lutheran , Columbus	
at 5:00 PM	
(Directions next page)	
Serenade	6:00 PM

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

For several years, Holiday Inn City Center has donated ice to our Via de Cristo weekends. This donation has been very generous and a great help to our weekends. The Holiday Inn is just one block from the Cum Cristo center, so to the extent that any of you are planning an overnight stay during one of the Via de Cristo weekends or otherwise, you may want to consider reserving accommodations at the Holiday Inn. Additionally, for your consideration, we understand that the Holiday Inn features a buffet breakfast every Sunday morning.

Doug Hertlein
Cum Cristo Facilities Coordinator for Ohio Via de Cristo

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.).

SATURDAY SERENADE PRACTICE ---- LINDEN LUTHERAN , 1230 OAKLAND PARK AVE., COLUMBUS

Take I-71 to exit 114 (N. Broadway), Go east on N. Broadway to the first traffic light, Turn left and go to dead end. Turn right on to Oakland Park Ave., go about ½ mile to the church which is on the left hand side.

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.

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

Make a poster for a weekend

Ultreyas and Reunion Groups--pray for upcoming weekends. This is as it should be, because palanca is prayer. It lifts up the rector, the team, the chas, the professors, the pilgrims and the spiritual directors.

Let them know you are praying. Make a poster. Write a letter and everyone sign it. Keep it on hand for a couple of meetings so more can sign it. Then send it to me or take it to the weekend. The Palanca Cha usually is at the sendoff. Give it to him/her.

Large posters are better. Use a 17x22 poster board or even a roll of wallpaper. Draw things on the back. Be original.

Pray for other movements' weekends. One Ohio church is running the list in the Sunday bulletin of the weekends that I send letters to. I get it to them in time so the current week's weekend dates are available. If your church would like to do that, let me know, I will send the list to you, too. Then we send the same list to the newsletter mailing list.

Thousands of prayers are going out and thousands coming back to us from other movements. Praise God!

I am praying for your prayers.

DeColores. Paul Swinehart, Palanca coordinator.



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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