

✧ **WEST BERKS MISSION DISTRICT** ✧
Newsletter – March 2010

The West Berks Mission District is a coalition of area Lutheran Churches working together to do effective, cooperative ministry. YOU are a member of the West Berks Mission District!

The WBMD office is located in St. Mark's Lutheran Church, 1015 Windsor Street, Reading PA 19604.

Director – Dawn Baxter *Mission Associate* – Dick Kleinsmith *Bookkeeper* – Susan Rigby-Moore

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Now on the web at www.WestBerksMissionDistrict.org

WBMD Bowl-a-Thon
Sunday, April 25th
at Bowl-O-Rama
Route 422 in Reiffton

We have chosen to schedule this fund raiser in the Spring so as not to be in competition with the CROP Walk held each October.

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Get a group together to have fun, win prizes, and support our Summer Day Camp! This is our major fundraising effort for the Love for Children Day Camp. In 2009 more than 250 children were able to enjoy a week of camp thanks to the support of the WBMD, and grants from Thrivent's Southwest Berks Chapter and the NEPS Witness & Service Ministry Team!

Registration and Sponsorship forms were emailed to all churches and can also be found on our WBMD web site. Teams can request to bowl from either 1-3 PM or 3-5 PM. All bowlers bowl for 2 hours at no charge, (shoes included) and will also enjoy a hot dog & drink. We ask each bowler to try to raise \$15 in sponsorships.

Come join us for this day of fun, fellowship, food, and fundraising for a great cause! Thanks to Jackie Grauel and tyna Kaltenbaugh for helping to organize this event.

WBMD presents this family event-

"PRAISE & WORSHIP CONCERT"

With

Peder Eide

Friday, April 9th

7:00 PM hosted by

Allegheny Lutheran Church

Come experience the heartfelt, energetic worship led by singer/songwriter Peder Eide.

Please bring a can of food for the Greater Berks Food Bank

A free-will offering will be taken.

Bringing a group?

Please email Dick@westberksmissiondistrict.org to let him know approximately how many will be coming.

Contact Amy Naugle at a_knaugle@msn.com for more information.

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**WEST BERKS MISSION DISTRICT
Annual Lenten Prayer Breakfast**

**Wednesday, March 24, 2010 8:00 AM
At the Highlands of Wyomissing
2000 Cambridge Avenue
Wyomissing PA 19610
Cost—\$9.00**

Please join us for an inspirational morning as we prepare to enter into Holy Week.

The Rev. Cheryl Meinschein, pastor at Christ Mertz Lutheran Church in Dryville, will be our guest speaker to share her mission group's experiences in Haiti during the recent earthquake.

Everyone is invited! We hope you'll join us!
Deadline for Registration is March 17th

Please complete and mail with remittance.

**Reservation Form
2010 Lenten Prayer Breakfast
Wednesday, March 24, 2010**

Name _____

Congregation _____

Number attending breakfast _____

Amount enclosed/ \$9.00 per person _____

Make checks payable to WBMD and mail to:

**West Berks Mission District
1015 Windsor Street
Reading PA 19604**

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Community Based

**Disaster Preparedness & Recovery
March 6, 9AM-3PM (check in at 8:30)
Alvernia University – Main Campus
400 St. Bernardine St, Reading.**

Cost (including lunch):\$10 per person

This program is designed to assist individuals, congregations and community groups to be prepared to respond quickly and efficiently as possible.

Sponsored by
Berks County Volunteer Organizations Active in Disaster (VOAD)

For more information contact Rev. Tim Speicher at 610-374-8451 or wcotb2200@aol.com

Some special events...

April 10 – Magic Show

“Creating Miracles Brick by Brick”

**5:45 PM Antietam Primary School
2310 Cumberland Avenue, Reading
Food & Drinks Available**

For information or tickets call 610-698-0311 or
revmike@ptd.net

Proceeds benefit Thrivent Builds/Habitat for Humanity

April 17 – Flea Market

8-11AM Nativity Lutheran Church, Reading

Proceeds benefit the Relay for Life.

WBMD Calendar of Events

March 23 – WBMD Council Meeting
March 24 – Lenten Prayer Breakfast
April 9 – Peder Eide event
April 10 – Magic Show to benefit Thrivent Builds
April 21 – Office Professionals Luncheon
April 25 – Bowl-a-Thon
April 29 – WBMD Spring Assembly
May 13 – WBMD Ascension Day Service
June 18-19 – Synod Assembly

Positions available -

Youth Ministry Leader

Robeson Lutheran Church, Mohnton is looking for a part-time Youth Ministry Leader. Key responsibilities will include overseeing special youth and preschool programs and events. Looking for someone with an upbeat personality and possessing interpersonal skills with young people. Previous experience working with children and youth highly valued. 610-856-7242 or email information to ddemarco@dejazzd.com.