

# New Creation News



May, June, & July – 2011

## What's Going On This Season

### Coffee Talk Continues – Thursdays at City Espresso

These are fun evenings of music, timely conversation – and great coffee. 6:30-7:30 pm at City Espresso on Blossom Hill Rd. (next to Outback Steakhouse)

### Summer Day Camps – preschool-6<sup>th</sup> grade!

4 one-week sessions with lots of fun – see inside for all the details!

### Congregational Meeting (& Potluck - always a potluck!)

Okay, we've got to approve the new budget. So Members, *please attend* our semi-annual meeting after church on June 26<sup>th</sup>. We always make it easier on ourselves by sharing a great meal. **BE THERE!**

### Movie Night Returns!

on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>. You've been waiting all winter for the long warm evenings, the fabulous weather, beautiful spring flowers and the ability to watch movies outside! Join friends and family for great movies and great food. Always remember to bring a warm jacket, comfy chair and a blanket or two. It can get pretty cold after the sun sets. **Upcoming dates - 5/28, 6/11, 7/9, 8/6, and 9/24** Movies begin at dusk; popcorn and drinks are free. There will be dinners an hour before the movie at a nominal fee.

## The Biggest Thanks EVER!

### to the Property Team and friends

Matt Lawler, Frank Ronco, Rick Voss, Ken Doering, Ron Karns, Roger Hanson, Ted Hemmig – you guys are the BEST – the new parking lot looks fabulous, and the whole thing was handled with a minimum of fuss or inconvenience to anyone. And above and beyond the call of duty – a custom new foundation for the shed – you somehow managed to make its move look like a piece of cake!



**Coming Up:** New Paint for our building, and Ryan Hanson is doing it. We can't wait to see what you all have planned for us!



# Youth and Family Programs

## News You Can Use

 What's Going On For Youth 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> Grade

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| <p><b>Teen Happenings</b> - 3rd Thursday of the month. Meet me at the trailer, 7:00 pm! Grades 9-12 Engaging-Relevant-Encouraging</p>  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursdays</b><br/>May 19, June 16, July 21</p>                            |
| <p><b>Jr High FUN Night</b> - 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month. We meet at the trailer, play games, build lasting friendships. 7 pm.<br/>Faithful-United-Nurturing= FUN      *Note changes in date 🖱</p>   | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Fridays</b><br/>May 20, June 24*, July 8*</p>                             |
| <p><b>Youth Band</b> - Everyone is welcome to join - no previous experience necessary – come rock out with friends. Grades 7-12 for further dates, see Charlie Parker (their band manager ☺), or call 972-9200 and leave a message.</p>                                  | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sundays</b> 5-6:30 pm<br/>5/1, 5/15, 5/22,<br/>6/5 + <i>more</i></p>      |
| <p><b>THRESHOLD</b> - New monthly events for Jr High &amp; High school groups. Join in the fun, bring some friends. Students will plan events-game night, mini golf, etc. Details will be emailed – if you're new to our community, be sure Cristina has your email!</p> | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Thursdays</b><br/>June 9, 2-5 pm<br/>July 7, 2-6 pm<br/>Aug 4, 1-7 pm</p> |
| <p><b>Recycling for NOLA</b> - How can you help our youth get to New Orleans next summer? Bring in your recyclable aluminum cans and bottles (CRV) on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month and our youth will take care of the rest.</p>                               | <p style="text-align: center;"><b>Sundays</b><br/>May 15<br/>June 19<br/>July 17</p>                        |

If you have additional questions about anything happening, please contact Cristina Beauchemin - Child, Youth & Family Director.  
[cristinab@newcreationschurch-sj.org](mailto:cristinab@newcreationschurch-sj.org) ~ 408-972-9200

## The Little Tree Playschool



A warm and belated welcome to Cindy Silva, who's helping out while Director Debra Townley is on medical leave. We are praying for Deb's speedy recovery, and we are SO grateful to Cindy for stepping in so easily in a pinch.

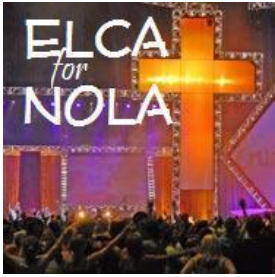
Little Tree is still taking students for the last weeks of school if anyone has a need, and we are accepting applications for the fall.

We also have a great summer day camp planned – Four 1-week sessions in July, Mon-Fri, from 9 am – noon. The weeks are carefully planned out to offer children: Whole-food snacks, Outdoor picnics, Arts and crafts, and Theme-based activities – which are:  
**Week 1– Sand and Sea    Week 2– Little Artists    Week 3– Dress up Days    Week 4– You can Build It!**  
Talk to Teachers Cindy, Nita, or Ceroya – or call 972-9200 for more information and to sign up.

**5/22– Parent Appreciation Day** – here at school, complete with food and fun activities for both the children and parents! 4 pm-whenever! Come hungry!! FREE!

**More youth and family information will be found throughout our newsletter!**

## 2012 Youth Gathering - NOLA



On July 18, 2012, approximately 37,000 high school students and their sponsors will be converging on **New Orleans, LA**. When you get enough crazy, spirit-filled teens together in one spot, there is bound to be some serious energy! This is the event when teens meet others from all over the country – building relationships, spirituality, faith – and a city!

Our youth have already begun their fundraising, and the outpouring from the community has been amazing! As a church I want us to be able to send all of our teens who are able to attend to this event. This is a life changing event; this is an event to remember for a life time; this is an event that can build a passion for Jesus Christ.

As a member community I hope that during the next year, you continue to find ways to help sponsor our youth's faithful fundraising activities and maybe even throw out a few ideas for them to try.

Peace, Cristina Beauchemin



**book of faith**  
Open Scripture. Join the Conversation.

*"Kind words can be short and easy to speak,  
but their echoes are truly endless."*

*– Mother Teresa*

*This quote is shared by Charlotte Happel  
Please share a Bible passage or a quotation  
that has some meaning for you.  
We'll put it in an upcoming newsletter!*



### Bible Study

**Women's Bible study** meets Thursday mornings at 11:15 in the church sanctuary. All are welcome to bring a bag lunch and socialize afterwards.

**Men's Bible study** Jim Carlson leads the Men's Bible Study that meets on Wednesdays at 7:30 pm. We alternate meeting at Jim's and Rick's homes. All men are welcome to attend. For info contact Jim Carlson 224-3992 or Rick Voss 225-7127

## Our African Ministries

### Asante Network



[www.asantenetwork.org](http://www.asantenetwork.org)

See the NLB and Asante websites for all their latest news



### New Life Band



[www.newlifeband.net](http://www.newlifeband.net)

*And please consider shopping at Asante's website – you'll support African artisans and promote fair trade while keeping your money out of the "big boxes"!*

## More Kid and Family Stuff...

**Next Gen Summer Camp Is Coming!** This summer, elementary age kids from the neighborhood will have the opportunity to kick it up a notch and have some good old fashioned camp fun!

### Try It Camp June 20-24, Cost: \$115



We have rolled up all of our camp experiences into one week. Cooking, science, art - not sure which camp is the right fit? Well you won't know till you Try It!

### Science Camp July 18-22, Cost: \$115



Hands-on science experience! Each day we will dive into a different science topic and learn more about the world around us with fun experiments and more!

### Survivor Camp June 27-July 1, Cost \$115



Like the shows – Minute to Win It, The Amazing Race and Survival, then this is the camp for you! Find out if you can survive daily challenges and skill builders.

### Cooking Camp July 25-29, Cost \$115



Like the shows – Minute to Win It, The Amazing Race and Survival, then this is the camp for you! Find out if you can survive daily challenges and skill builders.

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## A Word from Pastor Anne



### THEOLOGICAL EDUCATION FOR **EMERGING** MINISTRIES [TEEM]

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*adj* .Newly formed or just coming into prominence; emergent:  
e.g. *emerging markets; the emerging states of the world*

**Emerging churches** are communities that practice the way of Jesus within postmodern cultures. The term Emerging comprehends the global reshaping of how to “do church” in a postmodern culture.

**Emerging church** is also about the vanishing 18-40-year olds: Where are they?

- The boomers are in the position to support those who are called to do emerging ministry
- The gen x'ers have abandoned ship, spiritual but not religious
- The millenials are “none of the above”. They don't dislike church and religion, they just don't spend much energy looking.

*“Emerging generations are increasingly being born and raised with a different philosophical set of values, a changing worldview, and an evolving belief system that generations before them did not experience.”* Dan Kimball, author of They Like Jesus but Not the Church: Insights from Emerging Generations, 2010

**Please see page 8 for the rest of Pastor Anne's message.**

## More News from the Community

**Church workdays** are usually the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month from 8 am - noon. We'll be doing general clean up, weeding, mowing, pruning, & also some clean up inside. Kids can pull weeds and push brooms too! (Please join us even if you can't stay all morning.) **Work can always be done on alternate days - - Please ask Matt Lawler how you can help!**

## Photos of Life at New Creation

This is YOUR newsletter. We have some great Kodak moments, so share pictures if you've got them! Send them to editor Becky Everson at [becky@all-offroad.com](mailto:becky@all-offroad.com) and your work will be published in an upcoming newsletter.



*Please send in articles as well.*

## Mission Basket and Outreach – in our community and beyond



*Our Mission Basket is the pretty basket you pass on your way into church on Sundays. Every month or two we support a different effort. Our extra pocket change (and the folding stuff too) will help fund worthwhile organizations. If you drop in a check, please make it payable to NCLC, and write "Mission Basket" in the memo line. Thanks for your generosity.*

**In May and June**, we will be providing campership funds for Mount Cross Lutheran Camp [www.mtcross.org](http://www.mtcross.org) Camps include activities such as swimming, hiking, campfire cookouts, Bible encounters and campfire devotions, and Team Initiative Program on the Ropes Course.

**Update from Karen Apland – In March and April**, we supported Socks for Souls –Hurrah! In addition to the dozens of pairs of socks that were donated, we also collected \$200 in the Mission Basket to purchase more socks. Thank you all for contributing to this project to help the homeless. In **July and August**, we will move to supporting the ELCA World Hunger Appeal/St. Julie's Food Distribution Program.



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## Disaster Relief – How you can help

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
[www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Responding-to-the-World/Disaster-Response.aspx](http://www.elca.org/Our-Faith-In-Action/Responding-to-the-World/Disaster-Response.aspx)



Check or money orders may sent to:  
ELCA Disaster Response  
39330 Treasury Center  
Chicago, IL 60694-9300  
Credit card by phone: 800-638-3522

Or



[www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org)

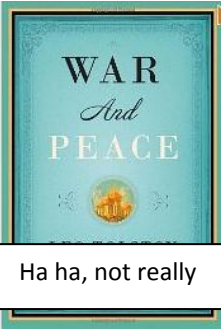
Check or money orders may sent to:  
Lutheran World Relief  
PO Box 17061  
Baltimore, MD 21298-9832  
Credit card by phone: 800-597-5972

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*Faith is a living, daring confidence in God's grace,  
so sure and certain that a man could stake his life on it a thousand times.*

*- Martin Luther*

# Small Groups



## Book Group

Books-n-Brew meets (usually) on the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the month, at rotating homes. The next meeting will be June 3<sup>rd</sup> at Pastor Anne and Jim's house. Good food, good drink, relevant discussion, good-natured argument, and a lot of fun. Book of the month will always be mentioned in the Sunday handouts and on the bulletin board. June's book is ***Love Wins: A Book about Heaven, Hell, and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived***, by Rob Bell. Stay tuned for more info about the next books/dates/venue each month. Join us!

## Quilters

Meet Fridays at 10 am. They have created some lovely pieces that hang in our church, gifts, items just for fun, and blankets for Lutheran World Relief. Regulars would like to extend an invitation to anyone who is interested to drop by and join their "happy crew." Sewing skills are not required; just bring a lunch, as part of the fellowship is a lunch break.



## Men's Poker Fellowship

The guys meet the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month, 6:30 pm, at rotating houses, and they start with dinner. \$10 first buy-in, \$5 after that, and all money is donated to charity. The group's ministries of choice often support single-parent families. Last month, they donated \$1,000 to a campership to Mt. Cross. For more info, ask Jay or Rick. Men of all ages and abilities are welcome – it's a casual and fun group!



**Gee, I don't know, what do YOU want to do today?**  
**Hey, I know, let's move a shed! Yeah!**



**Frank is helping. Really.**



**Now we bring in the heavy artillery.**

# Celebrations in Our Community

## Birthdays

### May

Patricia Beck - 05-01  
 Rudi Dorn - 05-03  
 Walter Spears - 05-05  
 Janette Rosales - 05-05  
 Serena Williams - 05-09  
 Rachel Doering - 05-11  
 Nancy O'Connell - 05-11  
 Jay Everson - 05-18  
 Carol Busby - 05-21  
 Linda Tremoureux - 05-21  
 Glenda Voss - 05-23  
 Kenzie Townley - 05-23

### June

Robin Bradbury - 06-03  
 Debra Dimas - 06-04  
 Isabelle Doran - 06-06  
 Rick Voss - 06-14  
 Franziska Beck - 06-15  
 Debrianna Dimas - 06-17  
 Cara Esparza - 06-20  
 Dana Dimas - 06-20  
 Tatjana Beck - 06-23

### July

Debra Townley - 07-01  
 Carrie Everson - 07-02  
 Frank Ronco - 07-10  
 Nick Rinde - 07-13  
 Annette Howell - 07-18  
 Ginny Sullivan - 07-21  
 Romona Willits - 07-28

## Anniversaries

Jakki Wilson & Ron Karns, their 7<sup>th</sup> on 05-08  
 Anne & Jim Carlson, their 41<sup>st</sup> on 05-16  
 Glenda & Rick Voss, their 50<sup>th</sup> 05-19  
 Sally & Dennis Pierce, their 35<sup>th</sup> on 05-26  
 Debra & Dana Dimas, their 26<sup>th</sup> on 06-06  
 Gwen Mustin & Harry Welton, their 23<sup>rd</sup> on 06-18  
 Becky & Jay Everson, their 24<sup>th</sup> on 06-20  
 Karen & Jim Apland, their 32<sup>nd</sup> on 06-21

Thanks so very much to **Rick Voss** for contributing this information every month!  
 Please let Rick know if we've missed your special day, so he can update your information.

| Worship Assistants -- May-June 2011 |                       |                    |             |                |               |              |                      |                  |                   |                   |
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|                                     | <u>usher/greeters</u> |                    |             |                |               |              | <u>Sunday School</u> |                  |                   |                   |
|                                     | <u>pastor's asst.</u> | <u>comm. asst.</u> | <u>lead</u> | <u>outside</u> | <u>inside</u> | <u>usher</u> | <u>nursery staff</u> | <u>preschool</u> | <u>elementary</u> | <u>jr/sr high</u> |
| 5/1                                 | Robin                 | Charlotte          | Nancy       | Les            | Romona        | Charlotte    | Denise               | Loretta          | Cristina          | Ken               |
| 5/8                                 | Sally                 | Rick               | Rick        |                | Karen         | Linda T      | Denise               | Shannon          | Bevlee            | Debra             |
| 5/15                                | Matt                  | Sally              | Rick        |                | Bernhard      |              | Denise               | Cristina         | Mimi              | Rick              |
| 5/22                                | Roger                 | Robin              | Laura       | Matt L         | Kaylee        | Sally        | Denise               | Jennifer         | Mimi              | Cristina          |
| 5/29                                | Kaylee                | Brenna             | Rick        | Ken            | Sarah         | Alicia       | Denise               | Loretta          | Cristina          | No Class          |
| 6/5                                 | Karen                 | Charlotte          | Nancy       | Ron            | Carrie        | Shannon      | Denise               | Loretta          | Cristina          | Debra             |
| 6/12                                | Sally                 | Karen              | Rick        | Roger          | Romona        | Linda T      | Denise               | Shannon          | Bevlee            | Cristina          |
| 6/19                                | Robin                 | Sally              |             | Ken            | Karen         | Sarah        | Denise               | Jennifer         | Cristina          | Rick              |
| 6/26                                | Jonathan              | Rick               | Laura       | Matt L         | Bernhard      | Kaylee       | Denise               | Cristina         | Mimi              | No Class          |

## New Schedule Pending!

If you are interested in lending a hand during worship, or just around the property, please get in touch with **Becky Everson**, worship asst. coordinator – she'll get you on the schedule and in touch with the right folks to get you the information you'll need. [becky@all-offroad.com](mailto:becky@all-offroad.com) or 226-2026

## Pastor Anne's message continues from pg. 4...

### BIBLICAL stories of emerging ministry

She said to the people of the Samaritan village: "come and see a man who told me everything I have ever done... The left the city and were on their way to him" John 4:25 The Samaritan woman emerged as an evangelist to her town.

"All of them [Jesus' disciples & followers] were filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak in other languages." Acts 2:4 Their ministries emerged within the context of time and place to be witnesses to who Jesus was and what he offered believers.

"Peter standing with the eleven raised his voice and addressed the crowd." Acts 2:14. Peter emerged as a preacher through the work of the Holy Spirit and the needs of the crowd.

"Now when they [the Jewish church council, elders, etc] saw the boldness of Peter and John and realized they were uneducated and ordinary men they were amazed..." Acts 4:13. Emerging ministry at its best.

### Examples of emerging ministry at NCLC:

**Coffee-talk** at a commercial coffee house. Originally developed as a ministry site by Cristina and the folks at Next Gen

**Next Generation family ministry** – a name given to Cristina by the Spirit

**New worship experiences** aimed toward those who seek a reconciling experience with God in Jesus and the people of God, while continuing to nurturing the believers of NCLC

**Little Tree Playschool** which attracts a significant number of immediate neighbors, and brings the songs of the Bible to the children, then teach their parents. Quote of the day: "My daughter tells her daddy that Jesus loves him and everybody."

**Next Gen** after school program that brings in 11 different families from Los Paseos school. All of these ministries are under the direction of the newly defined position on staff called: **Minister of Emerging Ministries** – Cristina Beauchemin.

### What else is Emerging at New Creation?

#### 1. TEEM

"It is for exceptional persons who are identified for ministry in a specific context.... It is an educational process that is uniquely suited to the person identified to provide leadership in an emerging ministry."

Emerging ministry and outreach takes a person:

From the right generation

Who has a deep seated faith and trust in following the voice of God

A natural leader, and one with entrepreneurial energy and drive – like Peter, John, & Lydia (the developers/pastors of a community church).

2. **New Worship:** Two (2) newly redesigned worship experiences. Come to the Town Hall meeting after worship on June 5 to hear much more, and to add your two cents-worth.

3. **Stewardship** coming from a place of **Abundance**. "Abundant Giving" will be our theme for 5 weeks in May & June as we explore the evidences of abundant blessings in our midst and in our lives. We have set a goal of obtaining a total pledge of \$150,000 per year! There is great evidence around New Creation that we can support the current basic ministries, which cost about this much. Our second phase of pledging will need to grow to support the ministries currently supported from the investment pot. Please plan to attend **the annual June congregational meeting** to hear much more and to be amazed at the abundance emerging around New Creation Church

- **Pastor Anne Carlson**

# Upcoming Events for Your Calendar!

## **Congregational Meeting - June 26<sup>th</sup> after church**

Family Movie Nights - 5/28, 6/11, 7/9, 8/6, 9/24

### Usually...unless it's different

Work Days – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday  
Sr. High Youth Group – 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday  
Jr. High Youth Group – 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday  
Church Council – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday  
Men's Poker – 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday  
Books-n-Brew – 4<sup>th</sup> Friday  
(May/June on Jun 3<sup>rd</sup>)  
Quilters – every Friday  
Women's Bible Study –  
every Thursday morning  
Men's Bible Study –  
every Wednesday evening  
Choir practice – every Wednesday evening  
and Sunday morning

### Ongoing Calendar Items

Worship – Sunday Mornings, 10:15-11:30 (or so)  
Women's Bible Study – Thursdays, 11:15 am  
Men's Bible Study – Wednesdays, 7:30 pm  
Trekking the Bible – Tuesdays, 2x/mo, 7 pm  
After School Activities – Tuesday & Wednesday  
afternoons  
Choir practice – Sundays, 9 am; Weds 6:30 pm  
Preschool – Mon- Fri, morning and afternoon  
classes  
Youth Band – many Sundays, check w/Charlie  
or website calendar for dates  
AA meetings – Monday and Tuesday Evenings  
Confirmation Class – Thursdays –4:30-6 pm  
Quilters and coffee fellowship – Fridays, 10 am  
UCG (renter church) – Saturdays, 1-6:30 pm

### Other Calendar

#### Resources

We try to get everything on the *website calendar* as well as the paper *calendar in the hallway* at church.

[www.newcreationchurch-sj.org](http://www.newcreationchurch-sj.org)

We also keep you up-to-date via mostly-weekly *email news memos*. If you don't get those, be sure Webmaster Jay has your email address. And when something really great is coming up, we'll mention it during *announcements Sunday morning* – and maybe even give you a sheet of paper about it in your *bulletin* (that's the paper with the Bible lessons in it on Sundays).

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### A final word from your editor –

Please do submit any materials you find interesting, worthwhile, or just plain fun for the newsletter. This includes something you might write, a thought you might like to share, photos you've taken or drawings you've done, etc. Older photos are great too – especially if you feel like sharing some memories about the time they were taken. Thanks everyone – peace, love, and harmony to you all. – *Becky Everson*

# New Creation Lutheran Church

## Mission Statement

To be recognized as a group of people committed to reconciliation, hope, and healing; through Jesus Christ; by inviting, nurturing, serving, and sending.

## New Creation is a Reconciling in Christ Congregation

*"If I speak in the tongues of men and angels but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal."* —1 Corinthians 13.



We are all children of God and as such are all welcome in God's house. New Creation Church, committed to offering reconciling hope and healing, opens our doors and our hearts to all people, regardless of cultural background, physical or mental ability, socioeconomic or family status, gender or age. This welcome includes persons who are gay, lesbian, bisexual or transgendered, their partners, and families.



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