

# Workcamp 2012

St. John's Lutheran Church

Newsletter #1 – February 2, 2012

## Important Dates

### **November 13, 2011**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **December 10,11, 2011**

Church Bake Sale Fundraiser

### **December 11, 2011**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **January 8, 2012**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **January 21/22, 2012**

Chili Fest Fundraiser

### **February 12, 2012**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **March 2 & 3, 2012**

Garage Sale Fundraiser  
2<sup>nd</sup> – setup Noon to 9 PM  
3<sup>rd</sup> – sale 8 AM to 2 PM

### **March 11, 2012**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **April 8, 2011**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **April 26, 2011**

Chicken Catered Dinner  
All month sell tickets  
Date for pickup TBD

### **May 13, 2010**

11:45 AM Group Meeting  
After 10:30 worship – PLC

### **June 30, 2012**

Godspeed Service 10:15 COJ

### **July 7, 2012**

Leave for Workcamp – early!

### **July 14, 2012**

Back to St. John's – evening

### **July 21/22, 2012**

Workcamp Testimonial at all Church services

### **September 9, 2012**

Sponsor Appreciation Dinner

## Fundraisers

The **Chili Fest Fundraiser** was a remarkable success. We raised over \$1800 and after expenses still managed to break our record with \$1200 profited. A special thank you to **Kirk Fagerland & Bob Abeling** for their hard work and leadership.

The **Garage Sale** is coming FAST! Please plan to work BOTH DAYS – Friday afternoon or night on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and ALL morning on Saturday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. Parents need to work too! Sign up online or at Church.

## Sponsor Letters

All Work Campers and Adult Leaders are asked to write and send **Sponsor Letters** to seek spiritual and financial support.

This is our largest and most important means of raising money for this Mission Trip.

Send letters to friends, family members, and church members asking for their financial support. A sample sponsor letter is online for your use.

Start making a list of who to write to. It really helps!

## At Workcamp You Will Experience...

Welcome & Acceptance	Awesome Devotions
Christian Community	Christian Music
Service that Matters	Shared Prayer
Bus Trip O' Fun	Wal-Mart Shopping
Faith In Action	Fun Day in Community
God's Word	



## News

**T Shirts** have been ordered. They should be in before the Garage Sale and all workcampers can pick up their t shirt at or before the sale. Please wear shirt at the sale!



## Birmingham, AL.

**Birmingham** is a larger metropolitan community located in Alabama. It was devastated by the tornados last late summer. The community has a growing unemployment and homeless population. We will be helping many lower economic homeowners who are struggling to keep their homes. We will be painting & fixing up homes for people who simply can't do it themselves. **PRAY** for this community as we get ready to serve them next July.

## Workcamp 2012

Birmingham, Alabama  
July 7 - 14, 2012  
[www.gropworkcamps.com/youth/](http://www.gropworkcamps.com/youth/)

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St. John's Senior High Website –

<http://www.stjohnsbloomington.org/srhigh/missions/work-camp/>



## **About the Group Workcamps Foundation**

The Group Workcamps Foundation exists as a nonprofit 501(c)(3) organization to serve churches by providing Christian mission trips that help children, youth and adults grow in their relationship with Jesus. The Foundation is located in Loveland, Colorado (Where the Group service missions program began!).

Each year, youth groups prove to us that nothing ignites spiritual growth like putting Christian faith into action. The results are amazing as students get away from their home and travel to a community with a desire to serve God. As students serve people in Christ's name (and with a little guidance and nurturing), they grow in faith and character—and have loads of fun at the same time!

On short term mission trips from the Group Workcamps Foundation, you'll find the "service" is secondary to "spiritual growth". The #1 goal is to provide an opportunity for God to work in the hearts of your young people. The byproduct is great service for people in need.

A Group summer mission trip is a powerful way to jumpstart your teens' faith. It's unforgettable. It's fun! And, it changes the lives of your students as they serve people in real need...maybe that's why so many church groups come back year after year.

### **Group Workcamps Statement of Faith**

We believe the Bible is the inspired, authoritative Word of God. We believe there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. We believe in the deity of Jesus Christ, in his virgin birth, in his sinless life, in his death on the cross, in his bodily resurrection, in his ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in his personal return. We believe people receive forgiveness of sins and eternal life through a relationship with Jesus.

Information from  
<http://www.groupworkcamps.com/youth/>