

# Weekly News & Notes

Lamb of God Lutheran Church, Columbus, OH

March 9, 2014

## Perfect DNA is Coming

**Sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned...Just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.” (Romans 5:12-19)**

Your DNA (the information code that God employs to define every cell in your body) is exposed to damage from things such as sunlight, X-rays, hurtful chemicals in food, and the environment . . . and perhaps even by your cell phone. The result is that each cell has to repair as many as 500,000 DNA lesions every single day! As part of our miraculous design, each cell has an extensive repair “factory” that copies “good” DNA and uses that model to repair the damaged DNA at amazing speed. Normally, that speed slows down as we age, which marks the beginning of medical

problems. Ultimately, in every case, the DNA break-down is so complete that every one of us will finally die.

God didn’t design us to die. It was Adam and Eve’s sinful decision to break God’s command in Eden’s garden that introduced a fatal infection into our DNA and reached all the way into our souls, affecting our thoughts, decisions, actions, health, and life. Even before the Ten Commandments were given, people were breaking them all of the time.

Adam’s sin keeps getting passed down from one generation to the next. Our children are born as sinners because we gave them our sinful nature. But Jesus gave a far greater gift. He earned a perfect grade on his life by never once sinning. Then, he offered up his perfect life on the cross as payment for not just one sin, but for the billions of sins committed since Adam! And having purchased forgiveness for



them all, he gives it to you and me and the whole world for free, a gift of his grace. His gift is so big that everyone, including Adam himself, received God’s own stamp of “holy” because God looked at us through Jesus, and saw nothing but “righteousness.” Through faith in Jesus, when he calls us home to heaven, we will have new eternal bodies with perfect DNA!

*Prayer: Dear Jesus, thank you for the huge gift you have given me in reversing the effects of our sin-damaged DNA by giving me eternal life through faith in you. Walk with me each day and keep me always aware of the eternity that’s coming. Amen.*

Devotion from  
[www.WhatAboutJesus.com](http://www.WhatAboutJesus.com)

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## This Week at Lamb of God (March 10-16)

### Serving Our Lord

- Bulletins: Jocelyn Ritter
- Accompanists: Elisabeth Wagner (Wed), Rhea Franks (Sun)
- Refreshments: Franks Family
- Church Cleaning: Dianne Johnson Family
- Acolyte: Samantha Cox

### Events

- *Monday, March 10*  
7:00 pm—Church Council Meeting
- *Tuesday, March 11*  
7:00 pm—Keys to Christianity
- *Wednesday, March 12*  
6:15 pm—Lenten Supper  
7:00 pm—Midweek Lenten Worship
- *Thursday, March 13*  
6:15pm—Choir Rehearsal
- *Sunday, March 16*  
9:15 am—Sunday School & Bible Study  
10:30 am—Worship w/Holy Communion  
12:00pm—Evangelism Committee Meeting

## Mission Prayer: Forward in Christ Magazine

Holy Spirit, God and Lord, you have built your Church on the firm foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone. For the past 100 years, you have blessed our efforts to build up people both inside and outside our church on that foundation through *The*



*Northwestern Lutheran/Forward in Christ.* We thank you for your grace

and ask that you continue to pour it out on our efforts. Keep this publication founded on your truth and rooted in your love that it may continue to gather, strengthen, and unite your holy people. Amen.

## Take Up Your Cross and Follow Jesus

Jesus said, “If anyone would come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross and follow me.” Join us, as Jesus encourages and equips us



for life under the cross as his disciples Sundays at 9:15 am in our bible study, ***Come, Follow Me.***

## Thursday Night Bible Study on Hold

Our Thursday evening Bible study, ***Church Fellowship: Working Together for the Truth,*** is taking a

break for Lent. Our study will resume on April 24. Our Bible Basics classes continue on Tuesday evenings.

## Midweek Lenten Suppers & Worship

Join us Wednesdays at 7:00 pm for our Midweek Lenten services. A light supper will be served each Wednesday before worship at 6:15 pm. Sign up in the fellowship hall to attend or provide a portion of the meal. This week,

Pastor Kuehl (Shepherd of Peace, Powell) will share a message from Mark 4:26-29 on the “Garden of Proclamation.”



## Easter for Kids—Donations Wanted

Planning is underway for Easter for Kids, coming Saturday, April 12. There will be the Easter story, crafts, music, lunch, and an Easter Egg Hunt for children ages 2-10. Watch for

invitations to invite kids you know. Meanwhile, check out the supply board to see how you can support this outreach event. Contact Lori Pongtana or Destinee Fiecko with any questions.

## Serving for You and With You

Pastor Wagner would like to visit all of our members in their homes in 2014. Each visit should include all

confirmed members of the family and will last about one hour. Please sign up for a time in the fellowship hall.

## We “Can” Do It

Help the needy with your donation of non-perishable food items (to be matched by the Thrivent Community Board). We’ve given each Sunday in March a unique theme. On March 16, **“Fruit Felons Wanted.”** Bring one or more cans of fruit.

If you have news, upcoming events, or prayer requests that you would like published in the weekly newsletter, contact Katie Chen (katiesl@hotmail.com).

## Prayer Requests

Please keep in your prayers this week:

- Our shut-ins (Kitty, Dot, Julie, Monty)
- Our expectant mothers (Katie, Elisabeth, Destinee)
- Pastor & Elisabeth Wagner, who had an offer accepted this week on a home purchase in Columbus

*Request prayers of your pastor and/or your fellow Christians using a prayer request form by the mailboxes or online at [LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers](http://LambofGodColumbus.org/prayers)*

## Give Thanks to the Lord!

<b>Attendance (March 2 &amp; 5):</b>	
Worship (3/2):	42
Worship (3/5):	46
Sunday Bible Study:	10
Sunday School (w/teachers):	15
<b>Offerings:</b>	
General Fund (3/2):	\$1872.30
General Fund (3/5):	\$647.01
<i>Year-to-Date Average:</i>	<i>\$1940.61</i>
<i>Weekly Budgeted Ministry:</i>	<i>\$2217.52</i>
Sunday School:	\$7.00
Building Fund:	\$125.00