

River's Edge Via de Cristo Newsletter

Mission Statement: By grace, with the Holy Spirit, we challenge leaders to discover and achieve their personal calling, assisting them to influence their environments with the Gospel.

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Weekend #15 – Women's WOW!!

14 Beautiful Ladies made the weekend!! The Holy Spirit was present the entire weekend! It was awesome! So grace-filled!

Welcome Ruth Hansen, Jaime Henderson, Nyokia Robinson, Ginny Boydte', Susan Buhs, Linda Ortmann, Joan Tucker, Barbara Watz, Lisa Whitener, Debra Rathert, Christine Walker, Stacey Koeller, Annette Sanderson and Kathy Shemwell to River's Edge Via de Cristo Community.

ULTREYA!!!

The simplest description of our Ultreya is a meeting of Group Reunions, and others who have attended a Via de Cristo weekend, and guests.

The Ultreya carries out the spirit of Via de Cristo. It is a place where community can come together for revitalization by sharing with others. Ultreyas are where the new Cursillistas (weekenders) become part of the larger community. It's a place for growth in Christ for all of us; where blessings and successes can be multiplied and hurts and failures healed. You are among friends.

It's a cry of encouragement! We meet to encourage one another, to inspire one another in our endeavor to bring the world around us to Jesus Christ.

The entire Via de Cristo 4th Day is no more and no less than a model for normal Christian life, combining the elements of personal piety and spiritual guidance, a small group of Christian friends (better known as the Group Reunion), and a larger community for the support and encouragement of Christian life and witness in the world (the Ultreya).

At the Ultreya, you will reaffirm friendships you made on your weekend and meet new friends. The Ultreya gathering might be a way to seek out a Reunion Group. The Reunion Group is a meeting of friends who have experienced a Via de Cristo weekend (or other movement). The Reunion Group shares with one another their efforts to live and grow in union with Christ. It must include some piety, study and apostolic action.

A typical agenda for Ultreya is prayer and singing, usually a short talk given by one of the community. Then there might be a response by one of the community or spiritual leaders. Following will be time for sharing and discussion in small groups.

We are filled with a worship service and receive communion.

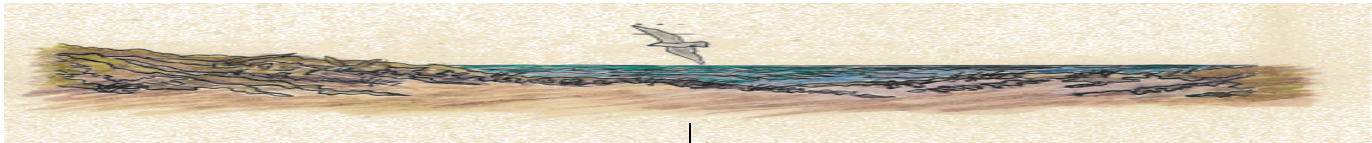
The day closes with food (a traditional pot luck) and fellowship.

The next Ultreya:

Sunday, November 21, 2010

3:00 – 6:00 pm

Hilltop Manor Apartments, Eureka, MO



“Thanksgiving Blessings”

I hope you are thankful for River’s Edge Via de Cristo. VDC has changed many lives...and changed many relationships with God...and others.

Have you been reviewing all your blessings during 2010? There has been some rough patches for many...but even so, there have been blessings as well. Jesus is one sure blessing that we have. Would you be willing to make a pledge for Jesus, our friend and savior? I thought you would!

This is our annual plea for donations to our Community...River’s Edge Via de Cristo. **Our goal is \$1600.** We will receive \$800 match from the Mid-North St. Louis County MO Chapter of Thrivent Financial if we reach our goal. We can do it!! We are hoping to reach our goal; but the Thrivent match is good for 50% of whatever we collect. But, let’s work toward the maximum. **Thus far, we have received \$702.** **We need to complete the fund raiser by the end of November.** There is a lot of cost in each weekend and other necessary expenses, like insurance, music license, etc.

Pray about your Blessings...even simple Blessings...like a hug, a smile, a kind word when you were blue, a better Arthritis day...and more.

One huge blessing in Via de Cristo:

The Gift of God’s Grace

“For by grace are you saved through faith; and not of yourselves; it is the gift of God.”

Ephesians 21:8

Send a donation today...no matter the amount. **Mail your check to Penny Kammeier, 1209 Haley Avenue, St. Louis, MO 63121. Or bring a donation to Ultreya. THANKS!**



2010 Calendar...

November 21 – Ultreya, Hilltop Manor, Eureka, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Dessert, K-S Main Dish, T-Z Salad.



2011 Calendar...

January 16 – Ultreya, Zion, Ferguson, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Main Dish, K-S Salad, T-Z Dessert.

February 20 – Ultreya, Hilltop Manor, Eureka, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Salad, K-S Dessert, T-Z Main Dish.

March 10-13 – Weekend #16 – Men’s – All of God’s Children Camp, High Ridge, MO.

March 27 – Ultreya, Zion, Ferguson, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Dessert, K-S Main Dish, T-Z Salad.

May 22 – Ultreya, Hilltop Manor, Eureka, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Main Dish, K-S Salad, T-Z Dessert.

August 14 – Ultreya, Zion, Ferguson, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Salad, K-S Dessert, T-Z Main Dish.

September 25 – Ultreya, Hilltop Manor, Eureka, Mo. Food for Fellowship: A-J Dessert, K-S Main Dish, T-Z Salad.

October 13-16 – Weekend #17 – Women’s – All of God’s Children Camp, High Ridge, MO.

November 6 – Ultreya, Zion Ferguson, MO. Food for Fellowship: A-J Main Dish, K-S Salad, T-Z Dessert.