

St. Luke Theme for 2000:

EQUIPPING THE SAINTS FOR LIVING

Catechism (oral instruction or manual for)

Jesus as Savior, Friend, Bearer of our Burdens

Jesus helps us "bear one another's burdens"

PURPOSE TODAY

To remind or introduce or reinforce resources available for families, **both** parents **and** their kids: identifying resources with solutions.

THE HOPE FOR THE ONGOING FUTURE:

To foster at home reading of these books by families for home discussion and for use in dialogues at church in our various small group meetings/ministries.

Oregon Synod Concern (October 1999 newsletter):

"Will our children have faith?" "Will our faith have children?"

"Faith education has to happen in the home!" "How do we equip parents to nurture faith in the home?"

St Luke's answer: Equipping the Saints for Living Events: **16** are listed in `the January 2000 Messenger, **plus** on-going, weekly Sunday School for kids & Sunday Adult Education classes.

Themes for today:

Life Long Daily Marathon

Personal journey/struggle to parent well

St. Paul and running the good race

In Canoe, Going Up Creek, With Paddles

Reciprocal Rowing/

Non-anxious presence

Self-differentiation/working w/family of origin

Harmonizing Autonomy/Granting Sovereignty

Making 2 circles into the 3rd circle

Creating Tiospayes

Tools and Practices for Success

Healthy Communities Healthy Youth?

ELCA supported 40 Developmental Assets

for BOTH Parents and Youth

Handout Packets:

(a one hour

head start on a

life long race

Self contained

For use in the long haul daily marathon

For BOTH parents and youth: a joint project

For St. Luke: a community project