



SPIRIT OF CHRIST

COMMUNITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

April Newsletter

Happenings at Spirit of Christ

Save the Dates for Children/Youth/Family Activities

The CYF Team has several upcoming events they'd like you to add to your calendar. Please contact Maria Wasvick with questions.



Sleep on the Street: April 15-16th

Confirmation Sunday: May 15th

Last day of Sunday School: May 22nd (with a potluck afterward!)

Mission Trip to Denver: June 19th - 25th

Camp Wapo: August 7th - 12th

Day Camp: August 22nd - 25th

Stewardship Lab

On April 16th from 9:00am-noon the Grace in the Park Churches (Wooddale, Prince of Peace, and Spirit of Christ Lutheran churches) are hosting a Synod Event at Wooddale.



Minneapolis Area Synod
of the ELCA

This "Stewardship Lab" is an event for pastors and lay leaders from all around the Minneapolis area to learn more about teaching their congregations about God's desire for us to be good stewards of all of our resources.

We are looking for people to help welcome people to the event, prepare and serve food, and people who would like to attend the event. Please contact Pastor Molly if you are interested in attending or helping host the event.

Active Adults

Starting at 1:00pm on Thursday, April 21st the Active Adults will be gathering in the church Fellowship Hall for a potluck and conversation. If you're retired and looking for a place to connect at church please join us, all are welcome! If you can't make it this month, we meet every third Thursday of the month at 1:00pm.



Grace in the Park Celebration

The three Grace in the Park churches (Spirit of Christ, Wooddale, and Prince of Peace Lutheran Churches) will be gathering on April 26 from 6-8pm at Prince of Peace Lutheran to eat dinner together and celebrate all of our work on the Lenten mid-week services. Our "Voice of Faith: Together at the Table" series was wonderful and the live da Vinci's *Last Supper* was especially moving. Special thanks to everyone who helped make that happen! We hope all members from each congregation can join us on the 26th to celebrate together!

Choir Concert

The Spirit of Christ Choir will be having their annual spring Choir Concert during the 10am worship service on May 1st. Come and hear the beautiful music your fellow church members are already working hard on! Afterward there will be a bake sale in the Fellowship Hall, full of treats provided by choir members.



Serving This Month

Ushers

April 3: Team 7 - LeRoy, Dick, Nancy, Derek, Bob
April 10: Team 8 - Greg, Karen, Steve, Dave, Pat
April 17: Team 9 - Mark, Carolee, Harding, Bruce, Dina
April 24: Team 10 - Renee, Jeanne, Deb, Marcee

Lectors

April 3: Sara Blood
April 10: Sara Blood
April 17: Renee Compo
April 24: Renee Compo

Powerpoint Operators

April 3: Mark Cohen
April 10: LeRoy Murray
April 17: Joanne Stone
April 24: Dina Strachota

Supporting Our Community



Shelter Breakfast

On Saturday April 9th, we will be serving breakfast at Our Saviour's Shelter from 5:30-7:30am. The menu is French toast, sausage, bacon, turkey sausage, fruit, juice, and milk. If you would like to donate grocery funds to cover this meal or come along and serve dinner, please talk to Carolee or Mark Cohen.

SLP Birdfeeder Food Drive

In April we're collecting donations for the Bird Feeder food shelf at St Louis Park High School. Bird Feeder is in its third year of service and is managed by high school students in community service classes. The best items are those that do not require a stove/oven or additional ingredients, such as this top 10 list:



1. Canned fruits
2. Microwavable meals
3. Bread/tortillas
4. Nutritional drinks/bottled water
5. Jelly
6. Pasta sauce
7. Backpacks
8. Snacks
9. Canned meat
10. Rice

Thank you for adding a few of these items to your shopping list in April! Please bring food items to the back of the sanctuary throughout the month and they will be delivered to Bird Feeder. Questions can be directed to Deb Schmitz, Jeanne Worm, or Carolee Cohen. More info about Bird Feeder can be found at theslpbirdfeeder.weebly.com

Save the Date - Blood Drive

Memorial Blood Centers will be hosting a spring blood drive at our church on Wednesday, May 4th between 3:30 and 6:30pm. If you would like to reserve a time to donate, please talk with Jeanne Worm.



Social Action Calendar



- 4/9: Shelter Breakfast 5:30 to 7:30am
- 4/17: Family Fund Sunday
- 5/4: Blood Drive 3:30-6:30pm
- 5/13: Shelter Supper 6:15 to 8:30pm
- 5/15: Family Fund Sunday
- 6/11: Shelter Breakfast 5:30 to 7:30am
- 6/19: Family Fund Sunday

The Social Action team welcomes everyone in the congregation to join us for planning and organizing mission and social action events. This could be an ongoing activity or a one-time commitment. Talk to anyone on the Social Action Team (Mark or Carolee Cohen, Wendi Harmsen, Pat Latvala, Deb Schmitz, Joanne Stone, or Jeanne Worm) if you want to help!

Church Information

Add Your Event to Church Announcements!

If you would like to add something to the Sunday morning announcements, weekly email update, or monthly newsletter, please contact Ben, our office admin (contact info below). Weekly information must be received by Monday morning to be included in Wednesday's email and Sunday morning's announcement slides. Info for the May newsletter must be received by April 15th. You can also contact Ben if you'd like to be added to the mailing list.

Church Leadership

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Congregation President: Bret Hanson

Choir Director: Steve Stucki

Please contact the church when:

- a member of your family is in the hospital
- a family member passes away
- a new baby arrives in your family
- you would like for Pastor to call or visit
- your address, phone or email changes
- a member leaves for college/military or establishes a new residence
- your group plans to have a meeting
- you have a joy or concern to share
- you feel the church can assist you in any way



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