

February 2018 Innovator

News

9:15 Traditional Worship

9:15 Sunday School

10:10 Refreshments and Fellowship in the Hall

10:45 Christ Connection Praise Worship



February 14th

6:00pm Supper & 6:45pm Worship

Please join us for a light supper and reflective evening service which invites us to examine our lives and prepare for Easter.



HANDS-ON MISSION

We have had a great start to this year's Hands-On Mission. In January we made 400 sandwiches for The Sandwich Project. They feed 4500 people each week! Thank you to the 30+ people who helped out with making sandwiches.

In February, we will be participating in Cooks for Kids on **February 18th** from 9am-12:30pm. This program provides food for families whose children are patients at Children's Hospital in St. Paul. We can only have 6-8 people participate. You **MUST SIGN UP** for this event. And we need you to keep your commitment if you do sign up. We are cooking for 35 people, visiting, eating and then cleaning up. More details and logistics about the day will be provided to those that sign up. Sign up in the Gathering Space or contact Lisa for more information at 651-808-4226 or diezlisa@gmail.com.

If you are a parent of a child under the age of 5, we invite you to enjoy a Parents' Night Out on **February 7th**. You can feel comfortable knowing that your children are being watched by your church family as you enjoy an evening of adult time. Parents' Night Out will be held from 5:30pm – 7:00pm the first Wednesday of each month in Room 21.



Last year more than 260,000 youth participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring, collecting more than \$9.8 million for local hunger-relief charities. This year's goal is to empower 275,000 young people to collect \$11 million for charities in their communities. Help us grow this movement and tackle hunger in America! On **February 4th**, our youth will be in the Gathering Space after worship collecting money for this cause. Please join us in supporting the Souper Bowl of Caring.

You're invited to the PTCA

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PRESBYTERY MISSION TRIP

in collaboration with Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

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April 7-15, 2018
Baton Rouge, LA
Flood Recovery - Rebuilding Homes
\$150 total cost

INTERESTED? GET IN TOUCH WITH
A MEMBER OF THE PLANNING TEAM:
KEN WOOLEY 715-222-1063
BRENDA ALEXANDER 651-900-3119
CORINNE FREEDMAN ELLIS 630-935-7041



Lent begins on February 14. What are you planning to do to make your Lenten journey more meaningful? Some people give up something. Others add to their list of prayerful things to do. Some take on projects to help other people. Still others do something healthy for themselves.

You can check all four of those things off of your list by joining choir! Give up 90 minutes of your time on Wednesday evenings, sing prayerful anthems, help the Sanctuary Choir provide beautiful music to enhance Lenten worship and – did you know this? - singing in a choir helps improve breathing and circulation, lowers stress levels and boosts mental health!

Join us for your Lenten journey with no further obligation (unless, of course, you enjoy choir so much that you want to continue). Sanctuary choir meets Wednesdays, 7 – 8:30 p.m. in the choir loft. We are scheduled to sing at the evening service on Ash Wednesday, Sundays February 18, 25, March 4, 18, 25, Maundy Thursday, March 29 and Easter Sunday, April 1.

Anyone age 16 and over is welcome to participate. There are no auditions and you don't have to know how to read music. You just need to enjoy singing, have the desire to learn and be willing to add your voice to the choir. For more information, contact Mary at 651-331-1089 / livingstonmusic@q.com or just come to a Wednesday rehearsal.

PLEASE PAY YOUR PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT

“Per capita” is Latin meaning each person. It is the responsible way of sharing the costs belonging to the whole Presbyterian Church (U. S. A.) and expresses our unity. Some of the Per Capita goes to General Assembly (our national ecclesiastical government) and covers the cost of GA meetings, programs, ecumenical relations, new church development, administrative functions, and missions here and around the world. A portion goes to our Synod (our regional ecclesiastical government) and covers programs and ministries at a regional level, such as Clearwater Forest camp. Most of the per capita stays right here in the Twin Cities Presbytery, which provides an array of support, guidance, and programs for churches and local missions. Our presbytery helps us do things orderly and in accordance with our constitution and also funds, equips, and empowers an array of ministries in the Twin Cities Area. We would greatly appreciate if you would make your Per Capita payment of \$34 per person. Whether you pay it or not your church will make the payment for you.



Thank you very much for your generous donations of soup and money to our 2018 Workcamp Soup Lunch fundraiser. We made \$325.00. We are blessed to have a loving and generous congregation! ~ North Church Youth

Thank you for your donation of \$1,406.86 and 15 pounds of food items to the North St. Paul Area Food Shelf. Through donations, we are able to serve between 162 and 202 families a month. Thank you! ~ Linda and Dave Zick, North St. Paul Area Food Shelf

Thank you for your contribution of \$1,317.05 to the Sheridan Story. You have changed the story of child hunger for many kids. Thank you! ~ Rob Williams, the Sheridan Story

Thank you for your contribution of \$59.19 to Interfaith Action of Greater Saint Paul. Thank you for your ongoing support and commitment to families in need! ~ Randi Ilyse Roth, Executive Director



Bella Glaser	February 1
Pat McKisson	February 6
David Nelson	February 7
DD Dumenya	February 8
Margaret Verlautz	February 10
Mikey Gerhardson	February 15
Julie Bergmann-Barnett	February 17
Bill Morrisette	February 21
Zachari Wetz	February 26
Eli Rangel	February 28

In the absence of the pastor or when contact with the session is desired, the elder on call for the month of February is Paul Colton, 651-242-1668.

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calendar

Thursday, February 1

6:00pm El Shadai
 6:30pm Faith Commission
 6:30pm Music Sense Garage Band
 7:00pm Deacons
 7:00pm Life & Stewardship
 7:15pm Nurture Commission

Friday, February 2

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, February 3

10:00am El Shadai Bible Study
 3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, February 4

9:15am Sunday School
 9:15am Traditional Worship
 10:10am Refreshments
 10:45am Kerygma
 10:45am Praise Worship
 1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, February 5

9:30am PW Coordinating Team
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 6

9:00am Comforters
 7:00pm Northern Bells

Wednesday, February 7

10:00am Choral Bells
 5:30pm Parents' Night Out
 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship
 6:00pm Children's Fellowship
 7:00pm Choir Practice
 7:00pm Youth Band
 7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, February 8

5:30pm Great Rivers District Meeting
 6:00pm El Shadai
 6:30pm Cub Scouts
 6:30pm Music Sense Garage Band

Friday, February 9

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, February 10

9:00am NMG
 3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, February 11

9:15am Sunday School
 9:15am Traditional Worship
 10:10am Refreshments
 10:45am Kerygma
 10:45am Praise Worship
 1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, February 12

8:00am ARM Breakfast
 1:00pm Ruth Circle
 7:00pm Personnel
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 13

9:00am Comforters
 1:00pm El Shadai/Staff Meeting
 7:00pm 12-Step Program
 7:00pm Northern Bells

Wednesday, February 14 ~ Ash Wednesday

10:00am Choral Bells
 6:00pm Ash Wednesday Meal
 6:45pm Ash Wednesday Service
 7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, February 15

6:00pm El Shadai
 7:00pm Session

Friday, February 16

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, February 17

9:30am El Shadai
 10:00am El Shadai Bible Study
 3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, February 18~Hands-On Mission

9:15am Sunday School
 9:15am Traditional Worship
 10:10am Refreshments
 10:45am Kerygma
 10:45am Praise Worship
 12:45pm El Shadai Leadership Meeting
 1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, February 19

7:00am Carol Mathey's Training Day
 3:00pm Guild Meeting
 6:00pm Quilt Guild
 7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 20

9:00am Comforters
 7:00pm 12-Step Program
 7:00pm Northern Bells

Wednesday, February 21

10:00am Choral Bells
 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship
 6:00pm Children's Fellowship
 7:00pm Choir Practice
 7:00pm Youth Band
 7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, February 22

6:00pm El Shadai

Friday, February 23

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, February 24

9:00am Boy Scouts Blue and Gold

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, February 25

9:15am Sunday School

9:15am Traditional Worship

10:10am Refreshments

10:45am Kerygma

10:45am Praise Worship

1:30pm El Shadai

7:30pm Praise Band

Monday, February 26

Innovator Articles Due

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, February 27

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

Wednesday, February 28

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice

7:00pm Youth Band