

April 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



HAPPY EASTER!

April 1st

9:15am Traditional Service

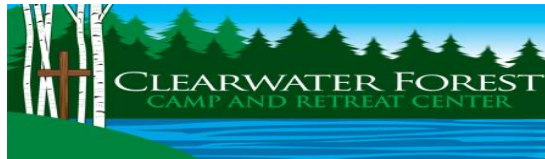
10:45am Contemporary Service

**WORK CAMP
GERTENS SPRING PLANT FUNDRAISER**

Help support our youth who are attending workcamp this summer by purchasing your spring plants from us. You can choose between hanging baskets, patio containers, annuals, vines, and grasses as well as flats of sunny and shady plants. If you're looking for a plant that is not listed on our order form, you can buy a plant card that will give us 15% on every plant card purchase at the Inver Grove Heights Store. The last day to place orders is **April 8th**. Delivery will be May 20st.



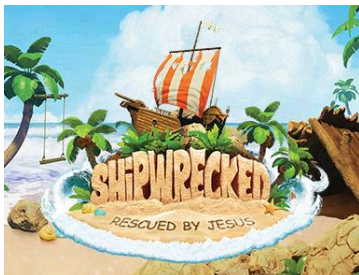
If you are a parent of a child under the age of 5, we invite you to enjoy a Parents' Night Out on **April 4th**. You can feel comfortable knowing that your children are being watched by your church family as you enjoy an evening of adult time. Parents' Night Out will be held from 5:30pm – 7:00pm in Room 21. This will be last Parents' Night Out until the fall.



Do you remember the campfires, skits, games, fun and adventures of camp? Why not share your love of camp with the campers of today by sending a child, grandchild, or neighbor to camp? For more information please visit www.clearwaterforest.org or call 218-678-2325.

Financial Assistance for Clearwater

The endowment committee and/ or a few members of our congregation are eager to offer financial assistance to any member in need so they can attend camp. They are glad to invest in the blessings that abound from the camp experience. Talk to Pastor James or Susanne Meyer of the Endowment Committee if your child wants to attend camp but you are short on the funds for the camp.



SAVE THE DATE

VBS will be held July 15 – 19 from 6:00pm – 8:30pm. More details to follow.

Please stop by the Culver's in White Bear Lake (694 & White Bear Ave.) on April 30th between 5pm – 7pm for our workcamp fundraiser. The North Church youth will be working that evening and will earn 10% of all the sales during that time. We hope to see you there!



HANDS-ON MISSION

We are so excited at the progress of our Hands-On Mission Sundays. Every third Sunday, keep your calendars open and plan to be a part of the different ways we can impact our community, our church, and serve our God.

Last month, 12 of us went to the NSP Food Shelf and were able to pack some hygiene bags and do some tasks the director needed done. We also got a tour and received information on what the food shelf is doing in our community. We also had about ten of us participating in making blankets for Arlington House.

This month, Sunday, April 15 we have two onsite projects. We are putting together Adirondack chairs or hope chests for Habitat for Humanity onsite. Please sign up for this activity, so we know how many builders we will have. We will let you know if there are any tools you can bring. We are also packing clothes for the Dayton Avenue Presbyterian Clothing Center along with PW Women. Please bring your donations to the Gathering Space boxes!

Also, later this month you will see some information about our "Mission Possible" volunteers. We asked for 3 volunteers in each service. Those who came up were given \$100 each and asked to go out and make a difference in a way that was interesting to them. We are excited to share with you how this process worked for the following volunteers: Coleen Colton, Yuven Lukong, Cathrine Satriano, Mike Gerhardson, Linda Hagen, and Cindy Carlson.

ALUMNI CHOIR SUNDAY

If you have ever sung in a choir - at North Church, at another church, in school or in a community choir - you are invited to sing with the Sanctuary Choir for Alumni Choir Sunday.

On Wednesday evening, April 25, we will meet for rehearsal from 7 – 8:30 p.m. On Sunday, April 29 we will meet at 8:30 a.m. to warm up and prepare for the 9:15 a.m. service. At both the rehearsal and the Sunday service, we will sing from the front pews of the Sanctuary. So, no need to climb stairs, wear robes or move to the chancel steps. We'll just stand and turn around to face the congregation from our pew/seats. For those who find standing difficult, we will have chairs available to sit in the center aisle when it comes time to sing the anthem. If you have questions or to RSVP, please contact Mary Livingston at 651-331-1089 or livingstonmusic@q.com.



Presbyterian Women will be holding a bake sale on May 6th from 9am-noon. If you would like to donate a baked item or two, please sign up in the Gathering Area on Sunday, April 29th. All donated items should be put on paper plates or in containers that you don't want returned and covered with a clear wrap. Please be sure to label your items stating what they are, whether they contain nuts, and if they are gluten-free. Please contact Mary Morrisette at 651-777-3470 with any questions.



P.W. SPRING/SUMMER 2018 DRIVE **April 8-15**

Bring in your clean, gently-used spring and summer clothing as well as newer, gently-used bedding and towels. Items will be packed up on April 15th and taken to Dayton Avenue Presbyterian Church Clothing Center in St. Paul. The Clothing Center was started over 30 years ago and has served the community well. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Nowak at 651-756-7887.



LYNGBLOMSTEN FOUNDATION SPRING GALA

Join the Lyngblomsten Foundation for a special evening as it raises funds to support persons living at home with memory loss and their caregivers. For 18 years, Lyngblomsten has made it a priority to assist persons on this difficult journey through services such as The Gathering (group respite), support groups, one-on-one caregiver coaching, and more. Donations will help strengthen and expand these caregiver services, which are provided through 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten. The event starts at 5:30pm on April 20 at Vadnais Heights Commons. Purchase tickets at <http://www.lyngblomsten.org/SpringGala>.



Thank you for your kind donation of hygiene kits to Church World Services. Your compassion has given individuals and families touched by disaster the tangible evidence that they matter. That someone cares. And they are not alone. ~ Rev. John L. McCullough, President

Thank you for your generous donation to the Sandwich Project of Minnesota! Your support is greatly appreciated. ~ The Sandwich Project of Minnesota Board

Thank you for donating 25 pounds of food items to the North St. Paul Area Food Shelf. We appreciate the many wonderful donors, such as you, who support the work of our food shelf. God bless you. ~Linda Zick, North St. Paul Area Food Shelf

In the absence of the pastor or when contact with the session is desired, the elder on call for the month of April is Stephanie Olson, 651-226-7374.



Samuel Atu-Tetuh	April 2	Randy Smith	April 15
Katie Lewandowski	April 2	Leslie York	April 16
Walton Yates	April 2	Abby Kristensen	April 19
Deanna Dick	April 3	Esther Dumenya	April 19
Daniel Oji	April 6	Afi Dumenya	April 19
Kathie Johansen	April 6	Mary Japs	April 20
Casey Carlson	April 9	Jasmine Kalle	April 22
Courtney Colton	April 9	Charlotte Hess	April 23
Maddie Roth	April 10	Samuel Lindenfelser	April 24
Ariana Hill	April 10	Jenny Hanna	April 26
Sam Hickman	April 11	Ben Morrisette	April 27
Sydney Willar	April 11	James Nowak	April 28
Tyler Carlson	April 12	Jim Holle	April 29
Matthew Marah	April 15	Madelyn Stahnke	April 30



Sunday, April 1 ~ Easter

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

Monday, April 2

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

Tuesday, April 3

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

Wednesday, April 4

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, April 5

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

Friday, April 6

5:30pm Pinewood Derby Weigh-In
7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 7

8:30am Arlington House
10:00am El Shadai Bible Study
3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, April 8

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

Monday, April 9

8:00am ARM Breakfast
9:45am Ruth Circle
7:00pm Personnel
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 10

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

Wednesday, April 11

10:00am Choral Bells
5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship
6:00pm Wednesday Women
7:00pm Choir Practice
7:00pm Youth Band
7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, April 12

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

Friday, April 13

2:00pm El Shadai Wedding Set-Up
7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 14

2:00pm El Shadai Wedding

Sunday, April 15 ~ Hands-On Mission

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

Monday, April 16

3:00pm Guild Meeting
6:00pm Quilt Guild
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 17

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

Wednesday, April 18

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

Thursday, April 19

6:00pm El Shadai
6:30pm Music Sense Band
7:00pm Session

Friday, April 20

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 21

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, April 22

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

Monday, April 23

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 24

9:00am Comforters
6:15pm Eagle Scout Expo
7:00pm 12-Step Program
7:00pm Northern Bells

Wednesday, April 25

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

Thursday, April 26

6:00pm El Shadai
6:30pm Music Sense Band

Friday, April 27

6:00pm Craft Til U Drop
7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 28

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, April 29

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

Monday, April 30**Innovator Articles Due**

5:00pm Culver's Workcamp Fundraiser
7:00pm Boy Scouts