

May 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



9:30 Worship begins May 27th



Please mark your calendars to attend our Annual Congregational Meeting which will be held on **May 20th**. We will have one service at 9:15am followed by the meeting where we will be electing new members to our session, deacons, audit, personnel, and nominating committees. Following the meeting, we will launch a capital campaign to renovate the church. Then, we will enjoy lunch and perform a Hands-On Mission project. We hope you can attend!

YOU'RE INVITED

Please join us for a short informational presentation which will take place at the conclusion of the first service **this Sunday, May 6th** (approx. 10:15 a.m.). Hear about the future seating options for the sanctuary, which will be part of our upcoming capital campaign for church building improvements. **After the presentation, you will have the opportunity to vote for your preference.**



...and mark your calendars!

A full presentation of the planned projects for reconstruction of the front entryway and other improvements to our church will be included in the **Congregational Meeting** set for **Sunday, May 20th**. This will be the "kick-off" to our capital campaign, which has been approved by the Session. More info will be coming soon!

PW BAKE SALE

Presbyterian Women will hold a free will donation Bake Sale Sunday, **May 6th**. All monies raised will be donated to The Dwelling Place. Bake goods contributions would be appreciated and gladly accepted. If you have questions, please contact Mary Morrisette or another P.W. Board member. THANKS FOR ALL YOUR SUPPORT!



PLEASE SUPPORT WORKCAMP 2018

Seventeen workcampers will travel to Green Bay, Wisconsin to repair homes and share the joyful love of God. Every donation big and small helps us make this mission trip possible. There will not be a "Wall of Money Fundraiser" this year. Donations are needed and appreciated and can be given at the Pancake Breakfast on June 3, in the offering write "Workcamp" on the check or envelop or drop a donation off at the office Monday-Thursday between 9 and 2:30. Please pray for and encourage our workcampers: Abbey Tiffany, Cassidy Rangel, Sydney Tiffany, Spencer York, Elizabeth Zoya, Evan Willar, Lucita Zoya, Abigail York, Morgan Langer, Dillon Bergmann, Sarah Bearth, Madison Bergmann, Sherry Tiffany, Lonnie Rangel, Dean Willar, Ann Bearth and Pastor James.

GERTEN'S PLANTS & FLOWERS WORKCAMP FUNDRAISER

If you ordered plants, you can pick them up on May 20th between 10:00am—12:15pm and May 21st between 5:30-6:30pm.



PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER

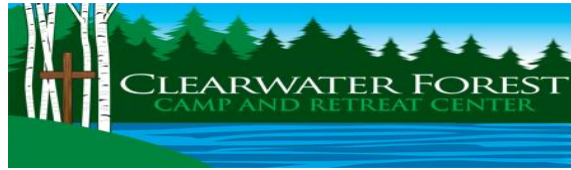


The youth will be hosting the 4th Annual Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser after the church service on June 3rd. Presale tickets will be available to purchase in the Gathering Space/Narthex beginning April 30th for \$8/adults. Prices at the door are: \$10/adults and \$5/kids 6-12. Kids who are under 5 are free. Please join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION

Children are invited to a Sunday School Celebration on Sunday, May 20th, at 9:15am. Please join us for a morning of crafts, games, singing, and goodies as we celebrate the end of the great Sunday School year.





FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE FOR CLEARWATER

The Endowment Committee and 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.

Seniors you are invited to bring your lunch and fellowship with Pastor James on Wednesday, May 16th, from 12pm —1:30pm in the Fireside Room. You bring the topic. It could be discussing a recent sermon, scripture selection, hopes for the church, current events, God's activity in our life or something else. Pastor James is eager to enjoy fellowship with you.



HANDS-ON MISSION SUNDAY



On Sunday, **May 20th** join us after our one worship service, annual meeting and lunch for a Hands-On Mission project. We will be working with NSP Fire and be painting fire hydrants! We will head out at 12:30pm in groups of 4-5 to different areas painting fire hydrants. This will be until approximately 2:30pm. This is a great time to invite a friend! If you are unable to go out on this project, we will have people stay at the church and write thank you and appreciation cards to our NSP Fire, Police and EMS services. Sign up in the Narthex or our website on the Hands-On Mission tab, sign up genius link.

SUMMER REFRESHMENTS



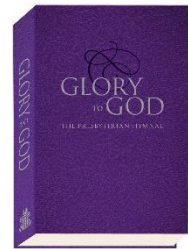
We will not be providing coffee and donuts beginning May 20th through Labor Day. We will resume providing regular coffee/donuts starting again in the fall.

GLORY TO GOD!

The New Hymnal Committee is pleased to let everyone know that the *Glory to God* hymnals for the sanctuary, along with the projection version for use in the Hall, have been fully funded! In all, \$4947.65 was donated by members of our church family. We would like to extend a *huge* thank you to everyone who so generously supported this project. We are blessed to have this new worship resource at North!

With gratitude,

Karen Pepin, Carol Havran, Joan Ruppel,
Ruth Jones and Marie Goebel



THANK YOU AND A SPECIAL REQUEST!

Thank you, Ginny Pleban for your loving care of the church flower gardens. We wish you well as you recover from health challenges! The Stewardship Commission is seeking members of the church who will assist in keeping the flower beds welcoming and beautiful this summer. Please contact Joni Purrington at 651-777-1193 if you would like to help!



We would to thank everyone who prayed for us while dealing with Ron's recent spine surgery. Thankfully, the tumor was benign. He's approaching six weeks of recovery and getting stronger each day. Also, thank you for all the cards, phone calls, and encouraging words. It means so much to both of us. Blessings ~ Ron and Porg Andrus

Thank you for your donation of \$100 and 49 pounds of food items which helped our food shelf's participation in the Minnesota Food Share March Campaign. Your donation will help us to continue to serve families from North St. Paul and Oakdale. Thank you again and God bless you. ~ Linda Zick, North St. Paul Area Food Shelf

Thank you for your recent contribution of household items to Solid Ground. Your donation supports our mission to prevent and end homelessness for families with children through housing, resources, and opportunity. ~Trisha Cummins Kauffman, Executive Director, Solid Ground

Thank you to the Life and Nurture Commissions for the beautiful bouquets I received on Administrative Professionals Day. It was very nice of you to think of me!
~ Renee Kristensen

In the absence of the pastor or when contact with the session is desired, the elder on call for the month of May is Cathy Hickman, 651-503-5680.



Tuesday, May 1

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

Wednesday, May 2

10:00am Choral Bells
7:00pm Choir Practice
7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, May 3

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

Friday, May 4

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, May 5

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

Sunday, May 6~PW Bake Sale

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

Monday, May 7

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

Tuesday, May 8

9:00am Comforters
5:30pm Capital Campaign
7:00pm 12-Step Program

Wednesday, May 9

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

Thursday, May 10

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

Friday, May 11

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, May 12

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

Sunday, May 13

9:15am Sunday School
9:15am Traditional Worship
10:10am Refreshments
10:25am Teacher/Leader Recognition
10:45am Praise Worship
1:30pm El Shadai Mother's Day Party

Monday, May 14

8:00am ARM Breakfast
7:00pm Personnel
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, May 15

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

Wednesday, May 16

10:00am Choral Bells
12:00pm Senior Lunch
7:00pm Choir Practice
7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, May 17

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

Friday, May 18

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, May 19

8:00am Gertens Flower Delivery
9:30am El Shadai
10:00am El Shadai Bible Study
3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, May 20~Pentecost

9:15am Blended Worship
9:15am Sunday School Celebration
10:10am Refreshments
10:15am Annual Congregational Meeting
10:45am Gerten Flower Pick-Up
11:30am Lunch
12:30pm Hands-On Mission Project
1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, May 21

1:00pm Ruth Circle
3:00pm Guild Meeting
6:00pm Quilt Guild
7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, May 22

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

Wednesday, May 23

10:00am Choral Bells
 6:30pm New Officer Orientation
 7:00pm Choir Practice

Thursday, May 24

6:00pm El Shadai
 6:30pm Music Sense Band
 7:00pm Session Meeting
 7:30pm New Officers with Session

Friday, May 25

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, May 26

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, May 27

9:30am Traditional Worship
 1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, May 28 ~ OFFICE CLOSED**Innovator Articles Due**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, May 29

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

Wednesday, May 30

10:00am Choral Bells
 7:30pm Praise Band

Thursday, May 31

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



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| Cathy Hickman | May 3 | Solii Yuven | May 13 |
| Harold Yates | May 4 | Jan Nelson | May 16 |
| Craig Seyforth | May 4 | Kevin Carlson | May 17 |
| Gary Lambert | May 5 | Robyn Marah | May 17 |
| Karen Pepin | May 6 | John Ruppel | May 19 |
| Lynne Beck | May 7 | Janet Schroeder | May 20 |
| Betsy Hoffman | May 8 | Dale Grapp | May 24 |
| Erik Pepin | May 9 | Marye Snyder | May 24 |
| John Snell | May 10 | Sean Bearth | May 25 |
| Linda Hagen | May 10 | Sarah Bearth | May 25 |
| Henry Rausch | May 11 | Virginia Gleason | May 26 |
| Allen Hicks | May 11 | Annaliese Miller | May 27 |
| Joshua Oji | May 11 | Jane Wolfram | May 29 |
| Doug Pepin | May 13 | Ruth Bullis | May 30 |
| Bryan Ross | May 13 | Julliet Tah | May 31 |