# October 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



## **Dedication Sunday**

October 28, 2018

## Growing our Faith Together!

"Accept God's love, be made complete with God's love and power to accomplish more than you expect." Ephesians 3:17-20 (condensed)

The Stewardship Commission extends a heartfelt thank you for all you have done and are doing to contribute to the ministries of North Church. God is blessing people locally and around the world through your support. Please bring your pledge card to church to be dedicated to God's glory on Sunday, October 28, 2018. If you are unable to attend the service, please mail it to the church. Pledge cards are also available in the pews, meeting space, and in the church office if you need one. Thank you for your ongoing support. We hope you are experiencing the joy of giving and seeing the abundant blessings of your stewardship.



## On October 3, we will begin our Wednesday Evening Discipleship Program. Everyone is invited, so bring your friends!

## 1st Wednesday of Each Month

5:30-7:00 Parents' Night Out for children ages 6 and under.

## Wednesdays for Youth

Activities begin in Room 28
5:30-5:50 Youth in Grades 6 – 12 will meet for supper.
5:50-7:00 Youth Fellowship Time
7:00-7:30 Youth Praise Band

### **Wednesdays for Adults**

7:00-8:30 Choir rehearsal meets in the Sanctuary. 7:30-8:30 Praise Band rehearsal meets in the Hall.



If you are a parent of a child under the age of 6, we invite you to enjoy a Parents' Night Out on October 3. 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.



Middle School Youth and Senior High Youth are invited to attend the Annual Clearwater Youth Retreat on November 2 – 4. If you attend, you will have fun, discover what God is doing in your life and make new friends with youth from throughout Minnesota. Your cost is \$95 (financial aid is available per request to Pastor James). All meals, transportation, programming, and lodging is included. We need a few adults to provide transportation and participate with our youth. Questions contact Pastor James.



Please join us on October 24th at 6:00pm for a Halloween Party. We invite children to dress-up in their Halloween costumes for this fun, non-scary celebration. The evening will be jam-packed with Halloween games and crafts, and even a costume parade! It's a great way to get into the Halloween spirit.

Seniors you are invited to bring your lunch and fellowship with Pastor James on Wednesday, October 24th, from Noon to 1:30 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





Our next Red Cross Blood Donation Drive will be held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Monday, October 8th, 1-7 pm. If you have any questions, want to be added to the current donor list, or set up a donor appointment please contact Joni Purrington at 651-777-1193 or visit www.redcrossblood.org. Walk-ins are always welcome!

Houses For Haiti is hosting its 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction/Raffle at Concord Lanes (*Formerly Mattie's Bowl*) on Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>. Registration is at 12:00pm, bowling starts at 12:30pm. The cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children under 18, which includes 3 games of bowling, shoes, and a chance to win fabulous prizes. We are raising money to build houses for homeless people in Cite Soleil, Haiti, the poorest slum in the Western Hemisphere. Registration forms can be found in the Gathering Space. If you have any questions, you may contact Diane Albright at (651) 983-7501 or at Dalbright@housesforhaiti.org.





## November 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 6pm - 12am

A 6-hour Crafting/Scrapbooking/Stamping event! Bring your crafting, scrapbooking, or stamping projects along with your own supplies. A light meal will be served. Please bring a snack. Call Nancy Gerhardson at 651-808-0306 or Juanita Zoya at 651-748-9784 to reserve your spot TODAY! The cost is \$20.00 by 10/31/18 or \$25 after that date.

## SAVE THE DATE! A Breakfast to Honor All Our Church Military Veterans

On Sunday, November 11th, Life Commission will host a breakfast to honor our military Veterans. This event is open to everyone. Please come, help us honor those who have served in the military, enjoy a wonderful breakfast and a great speaker. The breakfast starts at 7:30am. More details to follow.





### **HANDS-ON MISSION**

Thank you to all who participated in September's *Meals from the Heart* Hands-On Mission. We had over 25 of us there packing 27,000 meals during our shift along with some other churches! This was a great team building event and a fantastic way to be part of the greater church body. We partnered with 10 other faith communities to make this happen. That weekend over 200,000 meals were packed, and we helped financially support that along with our physical work.

In October, we will be working at Arlington House which is a home for youth ages 11 to 17 that provides emergency shelter for up to 90 days while more appropriate placement arrangements are made. The time frame we will be working is from 11am-2pm and you can come for any block of time during those hours. We will be painting, cleaning, doing some maintenance and possibly some yard work. Please plan to attend this Hands-On Mission on October 21.

Our upcoming Hands-On Missions are November, Operation Christmas Child and December, Christmas cards for homebound and candy and messages for the children at North Metro Flex.

If you have an idea for a Hands-On Mission, or you want to do your own mission with our friends and family, please contact Lisa at 651-808-4226.



### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

On November 18<sup>th</sup>, the congregation will be packing shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. Through this program, children throughout the world receive shoe boxes filled with Christmas presents to remind them that they are loved.

We need inexpensive donations of gifts for boys and girls ages 2 - 14 that are small enough to fit into shoe boxes. Donation will be accepted beginning October 21<sup>st</sup> in boxes located in the Gathering Space. Some gift ideas are listed below.

#### **TOYS**

small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

### **SCHOOL SUPPLIES**

pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

### **HYGIENE ITEMS**

toothbrush, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

#### OTHER

T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights

\*\*\*They are not accepting candy or toothpaste\*\*\*

In the absence of the pastor or when contact with the session is desired, the elder on call for the month of October is Kevin Carlson, 651-335-2539.



Thank you for you contribution of \$267.91 to World Vision. Churches like yours enable us to provide essential care, encouragement, and hope to hurting children and families. ~ Rich Stearns, President, World Vision

Thank you for your donation of 4 pounds of food items in August to the North St. Paul Area Food Shelf. May God bless you. ~ Cheryl Jensen, Interim Director, North St. Paul Area Food Shelf



Craig Moore	October 1	Bruno Sagnweu	October 13
Mason Ramey	October 1	Madison Bergmann	October 16
Lisa Smith	October 1	Ann Bearth	October 17
Brenda Willar	October 2	Harvey Gleason	October 17
Jane Maggart	October 3	Damien Langer	October 19
Erin Sellie	October 3	David Novy	October 22
Dave Hoffman	October 4	Beth Shipway	October 25
Kris Craft	October 8	Sharon Iliff	October 27
Billie Novy	October 8	Ryan Smith	October 28
Nancy Hansen	October 10	Nancy Matteson	October 28
Loveline Ngu	October 10	Ralph Maves	October 29
Steve Glasenapp	October 12	-	



Thursday, October 11 Monday, October 1 7:00pm **Bov Scouts** 6:00pm El Shadai **Cub Scouts** Tuesday, October 2 6:30pm Comforters Friday, October 12 9:00am 7:00pm Northern Bells El Shadai Wedding Set-Up 7:00pm Wednesday, October 3 Saturday, October 13 10:00am Choral Bells 3:00pm El Shadai Wedding 5:30pm Parents' Night Out Sunday, October 14 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship 9:15am Sunday School 7:00pm Choir Practice 9:15am Traditional Worship 7:00pm Youth Band 10:10am Refreshments 7:30pm Praise Band 10:30am Kerygma Thursday, October 4 10:45am Praise Worship 1:30pm El Shadai El Shadai 6:00pm 6:30pm Faith Commission 5:30pm Confirmation 7:00pm Monday, October 15 Deacons 7:00pm Life & Stewardship Ruth Circle 1:00pm 7:15pm **Nurture Commission** 3:00pm **Guild Meeting** Friday, October 5 6:00pm Quilt Guild **Boy Scouts** 7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study 7:00pm Tuesday, October 16 Saturday, October 6 3:00pm El Shadai 9:00am Comforters Sunday, October 7 7:00pm 12-Step Program 9:15am Sunday School 7:00pm Northern Bells 9:15am Traditional Worship Wednesday, October 17 Refreshments **Choral Bells** 10:10am 10:00am 10:30am Kerygma 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship Praise Worship 7:00pm Choir Practice 10:45am El Shadai 7:00pm Youth Band 1:30pm 5:30pm Confirmation 7:30pm Praise Band Monday, October 8 Thursday, October 18 **ARM Breakfast** El Shadai 8:00am 6:00pm 7:00pm Friday, October 19 Personnel 7:00pm **Bov Scouts** 7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study Tuesday, October 9 Saturday, October 20 9:00am Comforters 9:00am NMG 3:00pm El Shadai/Staff Meeting 3:00pm El Shadai Sunday, October 21 ~ Hands-On Mission 7:00pm 12-Step Program 7:00pm Northern Bells 9:15am Sunday School Wednesday, October 10 Traditional Worship 9:15am 10:00am Choral Bells Refreshments 10:10am 5:30pm **Great Rivers District Meeting** 10:30am Kerygma Praise Worship 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship 10:45am 6:00pm Wednesday Women 1:30pm El Shadai **Choir Practice** 5:00pm **Confirmation Mentors Meeting** 7:00pm

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Youth Band

Praise Band

Confirmation with Mentors

Monday, October 22

7:00pm Boy Scouts Tuesday, October 23

9:00am Comforters
7:00pm 12-Step Program
7:00pm Northern Bells
Wednesday, October 24
10:00am Choral Bells

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12:00pm Senior Lunch
6:00pm Halloween Party
7:00pm Choir Practice
7:00pm Youth Band
7:30pm Praise Band
Thursday, October 25

6:00pm El Shadai 7:00pm Session & Deacon Meeting

Friday, October 26

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

**Saturday, October 27** 3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, October 28 ~ Dedication Sunday

9:15am Sunday School
9:15am Traditional Worship
10:10am Refreshments
10:30am Kerygma
10:45am Praise Worship
1:30pm El Shadai
5:30pm Confirmation

Monday, October 29
Innovator Articles Due
7:00pm Boy Scouts
Tuesday, October 30
9:00am Comforters
7:00pm 12-Step Program
7:00pm Northern Bells

**Wednesday, October 31** 10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice 7:30pm Praise Band