

April 2019 Innovator

News

9:15 Traditional Worship

9:15 Sunday School

10:10 Refreshments and Fellowship in the Hall

10:45 Christ Connection Praise Worship



Sunday, April 14th ~ Palm Sunday

9:15am Traditional Service & 10:45am Contemporary Service

Thursday, April 18th ~ Maundy Thursday

Tenebrae Service with Communion

6:00pm Supper & 6:45pm Worship

EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday, April 21st

9:15am Traditional Service & 10:45am Contemporary Service



EASTER PARTY

April 14th

9:15am—10:15am

All children up through the 7th grade are invited to our Annual Easter Party. Join us for games, crafts, and surprises!
Everyone is invited!



Confirmation Sunday will be **April 7th** at both services. Please keep our confirmands in your prayers as they discern what it means to proclaim Jesus as Lord and Savior and how to live as a faithful disciple.

Confirmands

Bella Glaser	Evangelyn Hill
Gaberik Holm	Lisa Kalle
Jasmine Kalle	Damien Langer
Matthew Marah	Parris Ngu
Erin Sellie	Sydney Tiffany
Lucita Zoya	

REIMAGINE SUNDAY WORSHIP & EVENTS BEGIN SUNDAY, APRIL 28

The start of the Reimagine Sunday pilot kick-off is only a month away! On Sunday, April 28, the first Sunday after Easter, Traditional and Praise Worship Services will be occurring simultaneously starting at 9:30am.

On Sunday, April 28, the Christ Connection Café will be open at 9:15am to 10:45am for your coffee and donuts. Worship for both services starts at 9:30am and educational opportunities for all ages begins at 10:45am. On May 5, the post worship activities will be a time of fellowship and the opportunity to play games of all kinds both indoors and outdoors. This is an intergenerational event for all ages. If there is a board game, card game, or outdoor picnic game you would like to share, please bring it with you.

Look for more information on Reimagine Sunday details in the coming weeks.

Please stop by the Culver's in White Bear Lake (694 & White Bear Ave.) on April 29th 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!



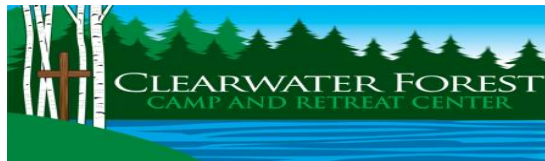
WORK CAMP GERTENS SPRING PLANT FUNDRAISER

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 7th**. Delivery will be May 19th.



May 3rd ~ 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 5/1/19 or \$25 after that date.



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.



Our next *Change for Haiti* Sunday is April 7th, so please save your change to bring it that Sunday to put in the jars.



SUNDAY WORSHIP FLOWERS

The Faith Commission is responsible for ordering fresh flowers for Sunday worship. Fresh flowers add to the beauty of our worship and are a wonderful way to honor a loved one or commemorate a life event. The cost is \$20.00, and you can take the flowers home after the worship service. If you are interested in providing flowers, please contact Ila Basch at ebaschei@juno.com or 651-429-4826.



HANDS-ON MISSION

Last month, we created 50 buckets of cleaning supplies for Arrive Ministries. Arrive Ministries helps newly arriving refugees or immigrants get settled and provides basic supplies they might need. We also wrote a welcome card for each bucket. Arrive has many opportunities to befriend immigrant families by helping them feel at home and welcoming them in their new community. If you are interested in additional ways to serve with them, please contact Lisa.

In April since our Hands-On Mission Sunday falls on Easter, we will not be doing a project. We encourage you to serve in some way your family or friends on this blessed resurrection Sunday.

Stay tuned for May Hands-On Mission opportunities. As always, if you have ideas around our HOM Sundays, please contact Lisa Diez at 651-808-4226 or mission@northchurch-mn.org

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 24, we will meet for rehearsal from 7 – 8:30 p.m. On Sunday, April 28, we will meet at 8:30 a.m. to warm up and prepare for the 9:30 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 mary.livingston@gmail.com.



**North Area Churches Red Cross
Blood Drive
April 8th, 1-7 p.m.
Christ Lutheran Church**

PLEASE seriously consider a donation at this drive. Please contact Joni Purrington at 612-750-8894 with any questions. If you do not wish to schedule an appointment, you can just show up. **WALK-INS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!** THANKS for considering this mission opportunity.

WEDNESDAY WOMEN MISSION

Wednesday Women is providing a bin in the narthex for donations to support both North Metro Flex and Weaver Elementary students. As you shop, please consider the following for donations to this mission. (A full list of items is also posted on the small bulletin board in the narthex.)

CANNED GOODS: Tuna, Soups, Stews or Chili, Beans - all kinds, Vegetables, Spaghetti Sauce, Canned fruits, Tomato sauce, Paste Chunks

GRAINS: Rice, Boxed crackers-all kinds, Oatmeal, Popcorn, Noodles-all kinds, Tortillas, Cereal

BOXED MEALS: Macaroni & Cheese, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, Instant Potatoes, Rice-a-Roni, Ramen Noodles

SNACKS: Prepackaged Fruits/Applesauce, Granola/Cereal Bars, Dried Fruit/Trail Mix, Nuts

MISC ITEMS: Peanut Butter, Nutella, Oils (veg, olive, canola), Spices, Powdered/Canned Milk, Bottles of Juice

TOILETRIES: Body Soap, Shampoo/Conditioner, Toothpaste, Individually-packaged Toothbrushes, Dish Soap, Laundry Soap, Toilet Paper

THERE IS A SPECIAL NEED FOR TOILETRY ITEMS

This will be an ongoing mission opportunity, so a bin will always be there for your donations.

Thank you North for your contribution to the elementary school food shelf collection. For the first three Sundays we have filled the bin. Your help is greatly appreciated. Please note - starting next Sunday we will be using the food cart for our collection container. A sign will be posted on the cart. Again, thank you so much for supporting this mission effort! ~ Mary Morrisette



Samuel Atu-Tetuh	April 2
Walton Yates	April 2
Deanna Dick	April 3
Daniel Oji	April 6
Kathie Johansen	April 6
Casey Carlson	April 9
Courtney Colton	April 9
Maddie Roth	April 10
Ariana Hill	April 10
Sam Hickman	April 11
Sydney Willar	April 11
Tyler Carlson	April 12
Matthew Marah	April 15

Randy Smith	April 15
Leslie York	April 16
Abby Kristensen	April 19
Esther Dumenya	April 19
Afi Dumenya	April 19
Mary Japs	April 20
Jasmine Kalle	April 22
Charlotte Hess	April 23
Samuel Lindenfelser	April 24
Jenny Hanna	April 26
James Nowak	April 28
Jim Holle	April 29
Madelyn Stahnke	April 30



Monday, April 1

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 2

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

7:15pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 3

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Parents' Night Out

5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice

Thursday, April 4

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Faith Commission

7:00pm Deacons

7:00pm Life & Stewardship

7:15pm Nurture Commission

Friday, April 5

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 6

3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, April 7 ~ Confirmation Sunday

9:15am Sunday School

9:15am Traditional Worship

10:10am Refreshments

10:20am Reimagined Sundays

10:30am Kerygma

10:45am Praise Worship

1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, April 8

8:00am ARM Breakfast

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 9

9:00am Comforters
 3:00pm El Shadai Meeting
 7:00pm Northern Bells
 7:15pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 10

10:00am Choral Bells
 5:30pm Great Rivers District Meeting
 5:30pm Youth Group Fellowship
 6:00pm Wednesday Women
 7:00pm Choir Practice

Thursday, April 11

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

Friday, April 12

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 13

9:30am El Shadai Fasting
 3:00pm El Shadai

Sunday, April 14 ~ Palm Sunday

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

Monday, April 15

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

Tuesday, April 16

9:00am Comforters
 7:00pm 12-Step Program
 7:00pm Northern Bells
 7:15pm Praise Band Rehearsal

Wednesday, April 17

10:00am Choral Bells
 7:00pm Choir Practice

Thursday, April 18 ~ Maundy Thursday

6:00pm El Shadai
 6:00pm Maundy Thursday Meal
 6:45pm Maundy Thursday Service

Friday, April 19

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 20

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

Sunday, April 21 ~ Easter

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

Monday, April 22

7:00pm Boy Scouts

Tuesday, April 23

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

Wednesday, April 24

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

Thursday, April 25

6:00pm El Shadai
 7:00pm Session

Friday, April 26

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

Saturday, April 27

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

Sunday, April 28~Reimagining Sunday Begin

9:10am Refreshments
 9:30am Praise Worship
 9:30am Traditional Worship
 10:30am Education Hour
 1:30pm El Shadai

Monday, April 29**Innovator Articles Due**

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

Tuesday, April 30

9:00am Comforters
 7:00pm Northern Bells

SUMMARY FINANCIAL STATEMENT 2019
Year-to-Date Activity
(Detailed report available in the church office)

Total Income	\$68,585
Total Expenses	<u>\$58,367</u>
Overall Total Surplus (Deficit)	<u><u>\$10,217</u></u>

**We need a surplus going into summer when our giving subsides.*

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

Church Office Hours
(Monday-Thursday 8:30am-1:30pm)
north@northchurch-mn.org
651-777-4044
(Voicemail is not checked Friday or Saturday)

The fastest way to reach Pastor James after hours is to send an email to 4theyorks@gmail.com with a call back number.

Please respect Renee's family time by not calling her cell phone. For an emergency, please send an email to rlkristensen@gmail.com.

Emergency Pastoral Care

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

Custodian

Nelson Portillo

Nelson has limited English, therefore we contact him through his son at 651-278-1831 or Pastor Arcenio's son, Christian, at 651-428-8107 from 3pm-9pm Monday-Friday.

Emergency Building Contacts

Thor Sellie (Home: 651-770-5943 or Cell: 612-840-0144)
Mike Gerhardson (Cell: 651-808-0307)