

# October 2019 Innovator

## News

9:30am ~ Traditional Worship & Simulcast Praise Worship

10:30am ~ Birthdays & Fellowship (1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month)

Education for All (2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays of the Month)

Hands-On Mission (3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month)

***Refreshments and Fellowship begins at 9:15am in the Hall.***

*The Wednesday Discipleship Program resumes October 2.*



## Dedication Sunday

October 27, 2019

*"The meaning of life is to find your gift; the work of life is to develop your gift and the purpose of life is to give your gift away." - unknown*

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 27, 2019. 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.

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**WEDNESDAY**  
**NIGHT**  
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**ACTIVITIES**

**On October 2, 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**

5:30-6:00      Youth in Grades 6 – 12 will meet for supper.  
6:00-7:00      Youth Fellowship Time

**Wednesdays for Adults**

7:00-8:30      Choir rehearsal meets in the Sanctuary.  
7:00-8:30      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 2. 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.

Our next Red Cross Blood Donation Drive will be held at St. Mark's Lutheran Church on Monday, October 7th, 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](http://www.redcrossblood.org). Walk-ins are always welcome!



**HYMN LEADER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

We are pleased to offer another opportunity for individuals to serve the Lord and the North Community. We are looking for volunteers to act as Hymn Leaders. This new ministry will allow us to be more flexible when it comes to singing new or unfamiliar hymns, call-and-response hymns, songs that have unfamiliar introductions or interludes, etc. You would be singing from the lectern at the front of church. Hymn leaders should be at least 14 years old, able to sing 'on pitch', either be familiar with the hymns or willing to learn and lead them, as well as encourage the congregation to sing. You can do it as an individual, a husband / wife team, parent / child team, or two people who want to sing together. If you want to try it as a duo, but don't have someone to sing with, we can arrange for hymn leading partners. To find out more about this opportunity, talk to Mary Livingston in the Narthex after the service on Sunday, October 6 or 13 or at 651-331-1089/ [mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com](mailto:mary.livingstonmusic@gmail.com)

Houses For Haiti is hosting its 12<sup>th</sup> Annual Bowling Tournament and Silent Auction/Raffle at Concord Lanes (*Formerly Mattie's Bowl*) on Sunday, October 27<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](mailto:Dalbright@housesforhaiti.org).



### October 11<sup>th</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 10/09/19 or \$25 after that date.



Please join us on Sunday, November 3, after worship for an All Saints Day Family Party. We invite children to dress-up in their Halloween costumes for this fun, family celebration. The morning will be jam-packed with games and crafts as well as a New Orleans-inspired brunch. Everyone is welcome!



### BRING OUT YOUR BREAD

As part of the World Communion Celebration on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, we are encouraging members to bake and bring a fresh loaf of bread to enjoy with everyone after service. Any recipe you want to bake and share with members would be welcomed. The bread will be shared & served after the worship service on October 6<sup>th</sup>. Butter & Jam will be provided. Show off your bread baking prowess and bring your favorite loaves on Oct 6<sup>th</sup>!



### **HANDS-ON MISSION**

We are so excited for Hands-On Mission this month! We are partnering with OA Native Missions. They work with those in need, those who are underprivileged, and those who are in need of hope, to rebuild families. Their focus lies on Native American community efforts, including small-scale construction projects, shelter, food aid, clothes, supplies distribution, advocacy, and counseling. We will be putting care packages together that will be distributed directly to the reservation at Red Lake Community. Sunday, October 20, directly following worship, join us in the Narthex area to help support this Native American all-volunteer led program.

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 17<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 20<sup>th</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\*\*\***

### **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](mailto: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](mailto: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 October is Bill Morrisette, (651) 777-3470.

### **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)

## **STATEMENT 2019**

### **Year-to-Date Activity**

**(Detailed report available in the church office)**

<b>Total Income</b>	\$199,595
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<u>\$219,100</u>
<b>Overall Total (Deficit)</b>	<u><u>(\$19,505)</u></u>



Thanks so much for the \$100 donations to our ministry. We genuinely appreciate it.  
~ The Sandwich Project Minnesota

Thank you so much for the generous donation of school supplies for our students here at Richardson Elementary! They are very appreciated.  
~ Jenna Willemarck, social worker, Richardson Elementary



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	Eric Holm	October 22
Dave Hoffman	October 4	David Novy	October 22
Kris Craft	October 8	Beth Shipway	October 25
Billie Novy	October 8	Sharon Iliff	October 27
Nancy Hansen	October 10	Ryan Smith	October 28
Loveline Ngu	October 10	Nancy Matteson	October 28
Steve Glasenapp	October 12	Ralph Maves	October 29

## OCTOBER



### **Tuesday, October 1**

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

### **Wednesday, October 2**

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

### **Thursday, October 3**

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, October 4**

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

**Saturday, October 5**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 6~ Birthday Sunday**

9:15am Refreshments

9:30am Worship

10:30am Birthday Celebration

10:45am Kerygma

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, October 7**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, October 8**

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

**Wednesday, October 9**

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Great Rivers Meeting

5:30pm Youth Fellowship

6:00pm Wednesday Women

7:00pm Choir Practice

7:00pm Praise Band

**Thursday, October 10**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Cub Scouts

6:30pm Music Sense Band

**Friday, October 11**

6:00pm Craft Til U Drop

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

**Saturday, October 12**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 13**

9:15am Refreshments

9:30am Worship

10:30am Education for All

10:45am Kerygma

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, October 14**

8:00am ARM Breakfast

7:00pm Personnel

**Tuesday, October 15**

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

**Wednesday, October 16**

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice

7:00pm Praise Band

**Thursday, October 17****Office Closed - Floating Holiday**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Music Sense Band

**Friday, October 18**

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

**Saturday, October 19**

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 20 ~ Hands-On Mission**

9:15am Refreshments

9:30am Worship

10:30am Hands-On Mission

10:45am Kerygma

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, October 21**

1:00pm Ruth Circle

3:00pm Guild Meeting

6:00pm Quilt Guild

**Tuesday, October 22**

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

**Wednesday, October 23**

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice

7:00pm Praise Band

**Thursday, October 24**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Music Sense Band

7:00pm Session &amp; Deacons

**Friday, October 25**

7:00pm El Shadai Bible Study

**Saturday, October 26**

9:00am NMG

3:00pm El Shadai

**Sunday, October 27 ~ Dedication Sunday**

9:15am Refreshments

9:30am Worship

10:30am Education for All

10:45am Kerygma

1:30pm El Shadai

**Monday, October 28****Innovator Articles Due**

7:00pm Boy Scouts

**Tuesday, October 29**

9:00am Comforters

7:00pm 12-Step Program

7:00pm Northern Bells

**Wednesday, October 30**

10:00am Choral Bells

5:30pm Youth Fellowship

7:00pm Choir Practice

7:00pm Praise Band

**Thursday, October 31**

6:00pm El Shadai

6:30pm Music Sense Band





