

THIS WEEK AT WCC

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20

Archives Committee, 9:30 a.m., Archives Room
Women's AA, 10 a.m., Geography Lab
Music Board, 7 p.m., Parlor
Al Anon, 7:30 p.m., Piper Library

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 21

Church Council, 7 p.m., Holmes Room
Unique Family Ministry Meeting, 7 p.m., Piper Library
OA, 7 p.m., Community Room

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 22

Women's AA, 10 a.m., Geo Lab
InnerChange (Middle School), 4 p.m., The Corner
Childcare for Birth-PreK, 4:15-8:30 p.m., Crib Room
SEEDS (Faith Formation), 4:00 p.m., Chapel
Preschool Stepping Stone, 4:30 p.m., Planet Hollywood
Soul Sisters Book Study, 4:30 p.m., Piper Library
Afternoon Classes and Choirs, 4:30-6:15 p.m.
Parables Young Adult Bible Study, 5 p.m., Onan Room
"Food for the Soul" Suppers, 5-6:15 p.m., Mithun Hall
Worship on Wednesday, 6:20 p.m., Sanctuary
SEEDS (Faith Formation), 7:15 p.m., Chapel
Fifth Grade Stepping Stone, 7:15 p.m., Colonnade
Evening Classes and Choirs, 7:15 p.m.
Al-Anon, 7:45 p.m., Onan Room
Inklings: Theology on Tap, 9 p.m., Kips Irish Pub, St. Louis Park

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23

Women's AA, 10 a.m., Geo Lab
Faith Bible Study, 10 a.m., Folkestone Community Room
Bridge, 12 noon, Mithun Hall
Minister of Congregational Life Search Committee, 5:30 p.m., Parlor
Smart Stepfamilies Class, 7 p.m., Piper Library

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 24

Middle School Guy's Lock-In, 6 p.m., The Corner
Coffeehouse Concert, 7 p.m., The Loft

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25

Saturday Seekers, 8 a.m., Holmes Room
Soul Sisters Retreat (Offsite)
Old Timers' Basketball, 9 a.m., Gym
AA, 11 a.m., Onan Room
Chuck-a-Puck Camp Fundraiser (Ice Palooza), 12 noon (Offsite)

WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY



Worship on Wednesday-WoW!

Join us for celebratory worship appropriate for all ages, every Wednesday with music beginning at 6:15 p.m. Music and message invite all who attend to feel welcome. Check out the variety of Bible studies, classes and music opportunities on Wednesdays at bit.ly/wednesdayprograms.

Childcare is available from 4:30-8:30 p.m. in the Garden Room, and Wednesdays at WCC are Parables-friendly!

SUMMER CAMP ICE PALOOZA

Update on the Ice Palooza!

**Saturday February 25th,
12:00 P.M. to 3:00 P.M.**

Oofta...It's been warm! Because of this, we're staying on land and replacing the Ice Palooza broom-ball tournament with something even more exciting this year... **The Big Ol' Chuck-a-Puck!** We'll have multiple rounds leading up to a grand prize giveaway of \$500! There will also be mini-tournaments of corn hole ("bags") and four square in the air (come learn!). It'll be an afternoon full of live music, food, hot drinks, and great company. All proceeds go to the Wayzata Community Church Summer Camp Scholarships Fund. We'll see you at 17502 County Road 101 W, Wayzata, MN 55391. Register at www.wayzataicepalooza.com!



MEMBERSHIP

How Do You Do Church?

Whether you are just visiting or looking for a new church home, WCC has something great for you!

- Worship to fit your style
- Inspiring adult and youth ministry programs for all ages
- Adult Bible Education for beginners to the "well versed"
- World-Class music and Music at Wayzata concert events
- Local, national and international mission & outreach programs

Interested in becoming a member? Check our website for information about New Member Classes: www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/newmembers, or contact Lou Vlahos at 612-850-5178, lvlahos@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are Needed at the WCC Reception Desk!

The Business Office is in need of volunteers to answer phones, direct visitors, etc. Spend 3.5 hours once each week on a regular basis or occasionally as a substitute. Contact Rita Beckman, (763) 476-0248 or ritab@q.com for more information. This is an easy and interesting way to help your church!



**8 a.m. Chapel, 9 a.m. Celebrations, Sanctuary
10:10 a.m. Parables, 10:45 a.m. Traditions, Sanctuary
Rev. S. Lindy Purdy preaching**



Summer Camp 2017: Church Island on Bay Lake

Share in the amazing ministry of unbelievable fun, faith-forming relationships, and memorable experiences! We invite you to register now to attend Summer Camp at our beautiful new location, Church Island on Bay Lake, in Deerwood, MN. Spots are still available for children and youth, from 3rd grade through High School, as well as Church Camp for all ages of the church family. Get ready for the "best week of your summer" and register today at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/summercamp



Music at Wayzata presents Brahms, A German Requiem

Today at 3:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The Wayzata Symphony Orchestra will join forces with the Edina Chorale (Thomas Paulson, Music Director) and Two Rivers Chorale (Timothy Sawyer, Music Director) to sing what Brahms himself called "a human requiem." A free-will offering will be received.

Prior to the concert, Thomas Paulson, WCC Director of Traditional Music, will lead a conversation about the humanness of Brahms' Requiem at 2:00 p.m. in the Holmes Room. To reserve discussion materials, please email tpaulson@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.



Coffeehouse: Nate Sabin and Friends

This Friday, February 24 hear Nate Sabin and Friends at Coffeehouse! Nate is music preacher at Grace Place in St. Paul. He has a passion for beauty and excellence and his songs and influence have inspired congregations around the world. He prefers his folk-rock served with a side of gospelicious R&B! The Loft

is transformed into a European Coffeehouse, offering fabulous music, steamy coffee drinks, and delicious desserts (included in the price of your ticket)! Doors open at 7 p.m., and music begins at 7:30 p.m. Tickets (\$10) available at the door.



Travel to Israel with Rev. S. Lindy Purdy

October 25-November 7, 2017

This journey to the Holy Land will be more than a site-seeing trip, although we will see the major sites that are sacred to Christians, Jews, and Muslims. It will be a trip of experiences that excite the senses, stimulate and promote our understanding of the complexities of the Middle East, and inspires our faith journey along the way. Led by Rev. S. Lindy Purdy and Mike and

Marcia Bussey. Registration remains open, as space allows, until June 1.

Lindy will lead **Informational Meetings** about this trip on Sundays, March 5 and 12 at 10 a.m. and 12 noon in the Piper Library.

**Inspire the world with
the inclusive love of Jesus**

February 19-25, 2017

Welcome Visitors! Please take this issue of *Inspire Weekly* home with you today.



Gifts from the Dark Lenten Series

Lent is just around the corner. Our Lenten series is called *Gifts from the Dark*. We are looking for leaders to help us facilitate Small Group book studies and Table Discussion Groups during the 8 weeks of Lent. You can sign up to be a facilitator at our Lenten table in Founders Hall. You may also sign up to participate in a Small Group or Table Group, purchase your copy of the book, and learn about all the ways to go deeper in forming your faith during this Lenten season. Stop by our *Gifts from the Dark* table any Sunday or Wednesday of this month.

Ash Wednesday Worship

March 1, 2017

6:15-7:05 p.m. in the Sanctuary

The season of Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, ushering us into 40 days of reflection, repentance, and renewal.

As worshipers arrive they will enter a bright room and receive the gift of Holy Communion. As the service unfolds, we will move farther and farther into the Dark—where we will collectively spend the season of Lent.

Concluding with the imposition of ashes for all who wish, we will exit a darkened Sanctuary ready to receive Gifts from the Dark—knowing that we learn profound lessons in the dark and challenging times of life.

See more information in the upcoming March issue of *inspire!* regarding our Lenten theme: Gifts from the Dark.

ADULT FAITH & LEARNING

INKLINGS: Theology on Tap

Join Rev. Rustin Comer every Wednesday for a guided discussion on theology, the Bible, and courageous conversations topics. Tailored to Young Adults 21+, Post College and Career, 9:00 p.m. at Kips Irish Pub, St. Louis Park.



SEEDS

Rustin will conclude the Adult study called *Seeds: A Glimpse into the Kingdom parables of Jesus*. This study leads us into our congregation-wide Lenten study and teaching series, *Gifts from the Dark*. Join us for SEEDS on Wednesday at 4 p.m. & 7:15 p.m. in the Chapel.

- February 22: The Supper

Faith Bible Study

Faith Bible Study meets in the Community Room at Folkestone of Wayzata at 10 a.m. on Thursdays. We are studying the ancient words that tell the extraordinary story and mission of Jesus Christ, and their relevance for our lives today. All people are invited to come and share learning and life experiences.

Saturday Seekers

The Saturday Seekers, a longstanding, lay-led study and discussion group, meets in the Holmes Room on Saturday mornings from 8-9:30 am, after which time they share potluck breakfast. The Seekers are currently studying *The Beatitudes of Peace* by Fr. John Dear. New members are very welcome.

SUNDAY EDUCATION

- Birth-1 year old (9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.): check children into the CRIB ROOM before the service, check them out from the same location directly after the service.
- Ages 2-PreK (9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.): check children into the TREEHOUSE ROOM before the service, check them out from the same location directly after the service.
- Kindergarten-5th Grade: at the 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. worship service, all K-5th grade students begin with their families in worship. Children will be called out by Jodie toward the beginning of the service. Pick up children in the Gym directly following worship.
- Middle School: 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. worship services, students begin with their families in worship. Middle Schoolers will be called out by Christa towards the beginning of the service and will walk down together and meet in The Corner.
- High School: Programs meet during the service this morning at 10:15 a.m. in The Loft!

LITTLEST ANGELS

Preschool Stepping Stone

Parents and preschooler's (age 3-preK), join Rev. Kristen Jeide and Shana Shurson for this three-session class as we discuss the physical, emotional and spiritual development of children. Immediately following Cherub Choir, parents will meet in Planet Hollywood for an adult conversation about the physical development of your children while the children do an activity in the Community Room. Toward the end of the session, they will join together to begin a spiritual practice of sharing highs and lows of the day. Sessions are Wednesdays, February 22 and March 22, 4:30-6:00 p.m. Childcare available for siblings. Please contact Shana Shurson for more information.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

5th Grade Stepping Stone

A special month of faith learning and fellowship is coming up for you and your 5th grader! Join Rev. John Ross and Jodie Nyberg as we learn about the sacrament of communion together. The next session is Wednesdays, February 22, 7:15 -8:30 p.m. Then on Sunday, March 5, when we'll invite the 5th graders to a communion experience in the Sanctuary at either the 9:00 a.m. or the 10:45 a.m. service. Register at <https://wayzatacommunitychurch.org/education/childrens-education-ministry/5th-grade-communion-stone/>



Mission in Motion

All are invited to Mission in Motion on Ash Wednesday (ages 3 through adult). This is our 6th annual service fair, held on March 1st from 4:00-6:00 p.m. in the Gym. Stop at the information desk in the West entrance and take a map and Passport Card. We'll learn about 10+ organizations in our community and world and help make a difference by doing hands-on service as a church family! We'll make sandwiches for the hungry and homeless, bookmarks for Read Indeed, Care Kits for refugees through Church World Service, and much more!

MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY

Guys Lock-in: Register Now! (Note date change)

The Middle School GUYS LOCK-IN is Friday, February 24 at 6 p.m. to Saturday, February 25 at 12 noon. The night will include getting to know other guys and the guy leaders, fun games, competitions, hang out time, discussions and much more! This is a great overnight and a great way to try out a Middle School Retreat if you have never been to one, before our big Middle School Retreat in March! Friends are always welcome! The cost is \$25 and covers activities, dinner, breakfast and snacks and lodging/building care. Scholarships are available. To register go to www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/mssspecialevents

We're going offsite for some fun in the snow for **Crossroads Winter Fun on Wednesday, February 22!** Join us for nighttime tubing as we take on the big hill with our friends and middle school leaders! cost is \$12. To register, go to www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/mssspecialevents

HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY

Register for the Colorado Trip! All current 12th graders are welcome. Trip dates are July 22 - July 30, 2017. For more information and to register, please visit www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/coloradotrip.

Summer Camp Work Crew Application

All 10th - 12th graders are encouraged to participate in an extended service-based faith experience through our Summer Camp Work Crew Program. For more information, and to apply, visit: www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/ministries/camp-ministries/high-school-work-crew/

WCC NURSERY SCHOOL

WCC Nursery School

Enrolling for 2017-2018 Now!

WCCNS is a non-profit, non-denominational school offering toddler and pre-school classes for children from 26 months to 5 years old. Our mission is to promote the development of the whole child; physical, intellectual, social and emotional, and to assist parents in their parenting challenges. WCCNS offers an extended summer program, along with many enrichment opportunities, providing quality programming for families all year long. Come and see what Wayzata Community Church Nursery School has to offer! www.wccns.org



GIVING

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Mobile Giving: Fast, Easy and Secure!

1. Open your text app and enter the phone number, 952-800-9300. Enter a donation amount in the message box. Hit send.
2. You will receive an immediate text message in return with a link to a secure website. Click on the link and you will be asked to enter personal information like your name and credit card or bank ACH information. Submit that information when asked.
3. You will receive an email receipt for your donation. Your donation will be entered in the church records when records are updated weekly.



MISSION

Legos Needed for Mission in Motion!

Do you have bins of Legos at your house that are not being played with anymore? Children's Ministries is collecting legos throughout this month. We are building creations that will be put in Operation Christmas Child gifts, which will be sent to children living in extreme poverty around the world. Bring your donations to the main office labeled "Children's Ministry for Jodie Nyberg". Thank you!

February Mission of the Month: Read Indeed

In February we are collecting new or gently used books for Read Indeed, a local non-profit which donates used books to kids who don't have books of their own in the US and abroad. Clean out your shelves and help a child in need develop the love of reading by owning their own books! Look for bins in the East and West entrances and in Founders Hall.

Adopt-A-Neighborhood

Adopt-a-Neighborhood is a ministry of joy. In partnership with Interfaith Outreach, Wayzata Community Church provides monthly dinners and activities for the residents of Kimberly Meadows Townhomes (at County Roads 6 & 101). On February 28 we will host Board Game Night at 6 p.m. at Interfaith Outreach. If you would like to help serve dinner to about 50 people and coordinate the game activities that evening, please contact Vicki Thompson at peterthompson9@comcast.net or 952-542-9152.

PARABLES

Parables Worship

The entire Parables community extends an open invitation to join us in the Chapel at 10:10 a.m. on Sunday mornings for a unique, uplifting and magical worship service. If you have not experienced a Parables service yet, you're missing out! A Parables service will fill your soul and heart with the inclusive love of Jesus!



FELLOWSHIP

Join us for "Food for the Soul" Suppers this Wednesday from 5-6:15 p.m. in Mithun Hall! On the menu for February 22: Garden Salad with dressing, Artisan Breads, Black Forest Ham with Apricot Brown Sugar Glaze, Smoked Gouda Au Gratin Potatoes, Honey Poached Carrots, Apple Ginger Cake with Penuche Frosting. Or choose the Entree Salad Option: Chef Salad. Visit our website for other upcoming menus (bit.ly/wccsuppers).

MUSIC MINISTRY



Calling All Chorale Singers!

Sing in A Concert for Peace to benefit Minnesota Food Share Month, Sunday, March 19 at 3:00 p.m. Chancel Choir and Friends and the Wayzata Symphony Orchestra will perform Ralph Vaughan Williams & Walt Whitman *Dona Nobis Pacem*. "Friends" rehearsals are Wednesdays, March 1, 8 and 15, 8:00 -9:00 p.m. in the Choir Room. Orchestra rehearsal with WSO is Thursday, March 16, 7:00-9:30 pm in the Sanctuary. Dress rehearsal is Saturday, March 18, 2:30-5:00 pm in the Sanctuary. For more information, contact Tom Paulson, tpaulson@wayzatacommunitychurch.org, 952-473-8877, ext. 216

Music at Wayzata Concerts

Artaria String Quartet

Sunday, February 19, 3 p.m. (Chapel)

Artaria will present "Russian Souvenirs," featuring Beethoven *Quartet, Op.59/2* and Tchaikovsky "Souvenir de Florence" with guests artists Renee Skerik - viola and Laura Thielke - cello.

SOUNDING LIGHT Choir in Residence, March 6-7

This semi-professional choir, associated with our sister congregation First-Plymouth Church, Lincoln, NE will be in Minneapolis to sing for the National Convention of the American Choral Directors Association, March 8-11. Sounding Light is directed by Tom Trenney, FPC Director of Music. They will be rehearsing here all day Monday and Tuesday, March 6 and 7.

The Choir will sing a **Compline (prayers before sleep) Service from 9:00-9:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 7 in the Sanctuary** as a dress rehearsal for the convention. The congregation is invited. Come and be inspired by their incredible singing!

Several SOUNDING LIGHT members will need bed & breakfast Monday and Tuesday nights. If you could open your guest room to two singers or more from our sister congregation, please contact Tom Paulson, Director of Traditional Music, 952-473-8877, x216 or TPaulson@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.