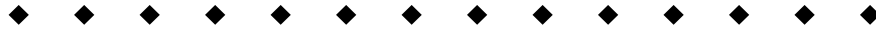


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Weekly Announcements June 18, 2017



July Worship Schedule

July 2: Free to Be!

Luther read Paul correctly: the gospel leads to a different kind of freedom - the freedom to love and serve. This is important to remember just as our nation celebrates its own freedom on Independence Day. With Pastor Neiderhiser.

July 9: Prisoners of Hope

This is a continuation of the paradoxes of the gospel. In Christ we are "prisoners" of hope. With Pastor Neiderhiser and dueling pianos.

July 16: Israel Sunday

Israel is the predecessor of the Christian church as a covenant community. On this Sunday, we will highlight God's love of Israel and some of the most important passages from our Hebrew scriptures. Cantor Elizabeth Shammash from Tiberet Bet Israel Synagogue will enrich our worship with songs from Hebrew and Jewish traditions.

July 23: Praising God's beautiful creation

On this Sunday, we will praise God and God's creation through lessons, songs, prayers and the music of Bob and Carol McGilloway.

July 30: Blessings that keep on coming

God's blessings are innumerable. On this Sunday, we will name many of our blessings and will take time to bless our community. With a musical trio: Karin Clark, Alan Berger and Ed Neiderhiser.



Flat Martin

The first Flat Martins have appeared. This week we got a picture from Harrod's in London. We have reason to wonder where else this travel-happy churchman will show up this summer. Please send us pictures. It will be so much fun on Rally Day when we will show you a slide show of

Martin's summer whereabouts!

"Holy,
holy, holy
is the Lord God
Almighty,
who was,
and is, and is
to come."

Revelation 4:8

Important Dates

- 06/19 Stephen Ministry meeting 6:30 pm
- 06/20 P.U.P. Support Group meeting 6:30 pm
- 06/25 Celebration of the Augsburg Confession 9:30 am service
- 07/02 "Free to Be" Summer Service with Pastor Ed 9:30 am

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Reformation
Five Hundred Years 1517-2017

A Very Lutheran Sunday June 25

We will have coffee hour periodically in the summer. Next Sunday, which marks the anniversary of the Lutheran Augsburg Confession and the Remembrance Day for Philip Melancthon, will be one of them. Come, celebrate with us!



The next event on our Reformation 500 celebration schedule will be our summer worship service on **June 25**. That date happens to be the Remembrance Day for Philip Melancthon who was Luther's right hand as a teacher, writer and theologian. It will also be the celebration day for the Augsburg Confession, which was introduced in 1530 and formulated specific Lutheran teachings. We will celebrate that Sunday in the spirit of the Reformation and have invited Jim Holton and Cindy LeBlanc to enrich worship with cello and flute. We hope you can be here!

We are adding another wonderful **ecumenical event** to our Reformation 500 Celebration calendar. **On Saturday, October 14** we will hold a special presentation and panel discussion about Martin Luther and Ignatius of Loyola. The first is considered the Father of the Protestant Reformation and the latter the Father of the Counter-Reformation and founder of the Jesuits. Both lived in the 16th century; both were interested in a spiritual renewal of the church; both have important things to say to the church today. We have invited a panel of five experts on Luther and Ignatius for that night. The event will begin with food and drink at 6:00, leading to the main event at 7:00 p.m. and will take place at St. Rose of Lima here in North Wales.

OKTOBERFEST

The Oktoberfest Team would like to thank all who have offered to adopt a Silent Auction basket for this year. Oktoberfest will be on Oct 7, and will take place once again in conjunction with North Wales Community Day. Very likely, vendors will set up along Main Street this year, and we will have some more exciting activities on our lower parking lot. Our planning team is also planning some new features, such as a roast pig, special merchandise and a home brew competition.

Europe 2018

Please take a look at our travel table. You will find the itinerary for our 2018 summer trip to Europe, June 20 – July 3, 2018. We will visit the land of Martin Luther, the city of Marco Polo and the places where Albert Schweitzer grew up. It is a well-rounded trip with lodgings in hotels, monasteries and with people. It is comparatively affordable as we have no overhead costs. It will be both fun and inspirational. The power point with pictures of our destinations will run for several weeks on the monitor in the parlor after church service. The sign- up period for this trip is between now and September 1. For more information, please contact our pastor at Pastor@stpetersnorthwales.org.

Vacation Bible School 2017. July 16 – July 20

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REGISTER ONLINE



VBS needs you! That's right you can be a SUPERHERO right here in our own church! Capes and masks are included! I know its hard to believe!

LOOKING

We are **LOOKING** for volunteers for **KITCHEN DUTY!**

Please sign up at the VBS table.

If you are unable to volunteer, please consider a donation to help VBS. Thank You!



Printables for Spark age children are available weekly on the table for Pre-readers and Readers that coordinate with the lessons we are learning in worship each Sunday.

P.U.P.

People Understanding Pain

This support group meets twice a month. Below are the upcoming meetings:

**June 20th
July 11th & 25th**