

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

David Weckwerth
Ernie Brown
Jeremiah Willard
Ruth Ann Willard
Cheryl Smith

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia Academy
Rich & Miriam Carter

Shut ins

Lisa Bisping

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, March 31

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/Communion
Noon Eritrean Worship

MONDAY, April 1

TUESDAY, April 2

7:00 P.M. Lay Ministry

WEDNESDAY, April 3

6:30 P.M. Lent Worship

THURSDAY, April 4

FRIDAY, April 5

SATURDAY, April 6

5:00 P.M. Spaghetti Dinner

SUNDAY, April 7

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship
Noon Eritrean Worship

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

March 31: *Joseph, Patriarch*

April 1: Katie Admasu

April 2: Andrew Thompson, Hailey Morris

April 3:

April 4:

April 5:

April 6: Lucas Cranach and Albrecht Durer, Artists

April 7: Alandra Banaei

April contact persons: Ruth Ann Willard & Cheryl Smith:

Mark Lageson, Terry & Michelle Sistad, Cheryl Smith, Andrew & Hanna Temme, Andrew & Lynn Thompson, Dale Trapp, Dave & Mary Ann Weckwerth, Jeremiah & Ruth Ann Willard, David & Mickey Zinter, Greg Zinter

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

March 31, 2019



FOURTH SUNDAY

In Lent



Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 A.M.
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 A.M.
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

March 31 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Christopher Schonebaum
(10:30) Savannah Caquelin & Emma Pagel
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, John Schonebaum, Russ VanDassor
(10:30) Erica Moore, Tricia Schmidt, Jeremiah Willard
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) B.J. Brown & Dan Savard
(10:30) Judy Brinkman & Candy Pagel
Lector: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Terianne Bender
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) B.J. Brown, Collin Hanan, Walt & Reba Peterson
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Jon, Rich, Tarrie Culbert



Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Jim & Sue Radtke

Last Week's Contributions:

March 24 8:00 (63) 10:30 (97)

Current - \$5,737.61
Lent - \$158.00
Sunday School - \$3.15
Piano's Moving - \$40.00
Caring Sharing - \$500.00
Total - \$6,438.76 **(\$7,200 needed weekly)**

April 7 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Christopher Schonebaum
(10:30) Oliver Bauch & Eva Gundermann
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, Leah & Russ VanDassor
(10:30) Erica Moore, Akbar Muhammad, Tricia Schmidt
Elder: (8:00) John Schonebaum (10:30) Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) Dan Savard & B.J. Brown
(10:30) Jackie & Jerry Spiess
Lector: (8:00) Dan Baker (10:30) David Sura
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson (10:30) Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard (10:30) Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) B.J. Brown, Collin Hanan, Tesfaya Maskalo, Wayne Warnest
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Noah Miller, Admasu Mekonen, Jeff Wussler



St. Stephanus Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner is
Saturday, April 6, 5-7 P.M.
Adult \$10.00 Children 5 to 12 \$5.00
Take out is available.



Check out the Lost and Found box in the lobby. There are many items that need your attention.



CA Dinner Auction: "Prost"

Celebrate Concordia Academy at "Prost," the 20th Annual CA Dinner Auction, held on April 13. It's like Oktoberfest in April, including German food and beverages, games, polka music by Mollie B and the Jim Busta Band, and live and silent auctions. Don't miss one of the most fun nights of the year, supporting CA's Scholarship Fund. Get details and reserve tickets at www.concordiaacademy.com/auction.

CA Summer Camps

Registration is now open for two dozen Concordia Academy summer camps for students entering Grades 3-12, including American Sign Language, Flag Football, Vision4Life Service, and Wrestling, as well as old favorites such as Basketball, CSI, Girls Choir, Soccer, Art, Theatre, Youth Worship Team, Softball, G3: Genuinely Great Girls, and more! Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/camps.

Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside room.

The Eight Little Preludes and Fugues, one of which will be played as our postlude today (8:00), are a collection of short organ works once thought composed by Johann Sebastian Bach. They have also been attributed to one of Bach's pupils, either Johann Tobias Krebs or Johann Ludwig Krebs. The style of these pieces suggests they may have originally been composed for the pedal clavichord, which is basically a piano that included a pedal board.

Beach Spring, the tune name which is the basis for the prelude today (8:00), originated in the "shapenote" style popular in the Southern Baptist churches in the early 1800s. The hymnbook *The Sacred Harp*, published in 1844, marked its rise to popularity. The tune is named after the Beech Spring Baptist Church in Harris County, Georgia - the first edition of the *Sacred Harp* misspelled the tune name, and because of the hymnbook's popularity, the name "Beach Spring" stuck. ~The Organ Bench~

A few years ago, due to a generous donation, we were able to purchase a new piano which was then placed in the Fireside Room. We have decided to move this piano up to the balcony to enable its use in worship, with the current (aged and well-worn) piano in the balcony replacing it in the Fireside Room. We enlisted the services of a professional piano moving company to accomplish this task because of the number of flights involved and the sensitivity of the instruments, and the task was completed this past Wednesday. Hopefully you noticed the vast improvement in sound! If you find yourself wishing to help support the financial impact of this move, all donations are welcome - just mark the donation as "piano" and it will be received appropriately. Thank you for your support! ~The Organ Bench~

Important dates: We have begun our Wednesday night worship at 6:30 P.M. (April 3, 10)

April 14 Palm Sunday

April 18 Maundy Thursday

April 19 Good Friday

April 21 Easter Sunday

Installation Service:

You are cordially invited to attend the installation service of Rev. Christopher Weber as pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 530 South Victoria St. St. Paul. The service will be held on Sunday, April 7, 2019 at 3:00 P.M. A reception meal will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. All are welcome to attend!

Women's Spring Event

St. Paul Metro Zone LWML

Saturday April 13, 2019

Gathering Place Lutheran
3245 New Brighton Road
Arden Hills, MN 55112

Registration and light breakfast 9am
Program 9:30-11:30
Bible Study, LWML news, ingathering
\$5 registration plus offering for LWML

“Stronger Together”



Speaker: Pastor Ben Griffin LINC Twin Cities

We empower local leaders to start new ministries that engage unreached people groups.

Our goals are threefold:

- NEW LEADER DEVELOPMENT through customized training and mentoring.
- NEW MINISTRY STARTS targeting unreached and marginalized people groups.
- UNITING THE TWIN CITIES in prayer; bringing together a diversity of leaders from across the city.

Gifts from the Heart -- Toiletry Kits

Please provide travel sizes only:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Lotion
- Bath soap
- Mouthwash
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Razor and shaving cream

How to assemble Toiletry Kits Kits should be neatly wrapped in transparent wrap and gathered at the top with ribbon, string, or a twist tie. Please feel free to share some love by including a note of encouragement!

Respond by April 8, 2019 if you plan to presstpaulmetroz@mnslwml.org or 651 631 8956 Beth

Jonathan House Ministry

Shelter, Hope, and Healing for Asylum Seekers

Through generous prayers, donations, and support, the Lord has built a house where individuals fleeing from trauma and forced displacement may find rest as they rebuild their lives.

Jonathan House welcomed a second resident this month!

St. Stephanus has opportunities to:

Pray:

That residents would grow in hope as they recover from forced displacement and begin to rebuild their lives. Jonathan House welcomed a second resident this month.

English conversation: A volunteer to help provide supplemental English language practice through in-home or community activities.

For more information or to volunteer contact Cherie Fleischhacker 651-348-9051 or ckflei@yahoo.com

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can: check the website at <https://iafr.org/11-projects/39-jonathan-house>. Like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any questions at jonathanhouse@iafr.org