

Dear Friends in Christ,

You may have noticed a new addition to our parking lot this past week. The structure for our new digital sign has been installed and now we anxiously await the next few pieces that will make show our community and all passers-by just how vibrant this community of faith is.

Speaking of vibrancy, All Saints Lutheran Church has been a flurry of activity these past few weeks as our program year is now in full swing. Our Word-on-Wednesday welcomes 40 kids each week after school for faith-filled fun and games. We have 5 full Sunday School classes during our 9 and 10:15 services. 35 confirmation youth have embarked on their Old Testament year. Over 400 people worship with us each week, either online or in person. Our adult Bible study, men’s and women’s fellowship, adult and children’s choirs, and so much more is well underway. It’s an exciting time as we get back to our life together and there’s much to anticipate coming up on our calendar.



All of this is possible because you continue to support the mission and ministry we share here at All Saints. You should have received in your email, or in your mailbox, a contribution statement of your pledged giving this year. I encourage you to check your statement and make sure you’re up to date with your pledged giving so we can continue to strive to make disciples and make a difference.

Grace and peace to you,
Pastor Matt Schroeder

National Youth Gathering Registration

The largest group All Saints ever sent to a National Youth Gathering was 35 youth. We can break that record this coming year as the gathering is in our backyard—US Bank Stadium. Your child will not want to miss this life-changing opportunity. **Registration is due now along with your \$150.00 non-refundable deposit.**

All Saints Quilting group will now be the Crafter’s Group

The Crafters meet Tuesdays, October 19 and November 2, 16, & 30 from 10:00 am – 4:00 pm. Bring your own craft and a lunch for yourself. If you can’t stay all day, that’s just fine. Come when you and want and leave when you need to.

Trunk or Treat - October 25 6:30 - 7:30 pm

Here is a fun and safe way to trick or treat. Bring your costumed children to the church parking lot where they can stop at decorated cars and pick up a treat or prize. This event is open to the public, invite your friends.



Trunk or Treat Vehicle Participants

We need participants to help by decorating the trunk of your car or back end of trucks or SUVs which we will park at the west end of the parking lot. We ask that you bring candy or prizes to hand out to the kids who come around. We are also going to ask congregation members to donate candy or prizes. Pick up a flyer at the Welcome Center for more detailed information or you can also find it on our website’s homepage www.allsaintsnya.org

New this year we will be inside the building too. You can decorate a “trunk” space in the church and hand out candy there (space limited). Sign up at the Welcome Center or email dgray@allsaintsnya.org to reserve a space either in the parking lot or inside.

Congregation: If you don't want to decorate a vehicle you can help by donating candy or small prizes to hand out. There is tub outside the offices for donations.

We are also looking for small pumpkins to decorate. If you can donate some or know where we could find them let us know.

College and Military Care Packages

Our 6th and 7th grade Confirmation students will assemble care packages on Wednesday, Oct. 27 to go to our college students and active military. Your donations are appreciated: money to help pay postage, items to go in the packages such as: candy, gum, ramen noodles, popcorn and other microwave foods, pens, pencils, highlighters, trial size health and beauty, anything else you think a college student or active military person would enjoy. Please bring items in or make your monetary donations by October 24. Items can go in the box outside the offices. Monetary donations, labeled "care packages", can be placed in the offering plate or in Darcy's office.

If you have a college student or an active military person in your family, please leave a note on Darcy's desk or email their address to Darcy dgray@allsaintsnya.org. Because we pre-purchase mailing boxes from the post office, we will be unable to send packages to addresses received after October 24.



Annual Men's Pancake Breakfast

The All Saints' Men's annual pancake breakfast is Sunday, October 31. Serving will be from 8:30 -11:30 am. We'll have pancakes, sausage, ham, juice and coffee. A free will offering will be taken. Men please sign up at the Welcome Center to help.

Game Dinner

Delicious food awaits you on Tuesday, November 2 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm at our annual game dinner. Sign up at the Welcome Center and let us know if you have a favorite dish to share. All are invited and you do not have to be a hunter or bring wild game to enjoy the evening.



"Being Present: A Soul's Journey" an adult forum led by Tim Sauer

Sunday, November 7 & 14 9:00 – 9:50 am

Have you ever wondered about: a) How do we know that we have a soul? b) Why are we here? C) What can I do/be to make more of my life each and every day?

Using stories, comfortable discussion groups and spirited conversations, we will discover together new ways to be more present in our daily lives. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

Farewell Celebration

We will gather together on November 21st to surround Eric, Judy, and the rest of the Aune family with love and gratitude as we give thanks for 40 years of ordained ministry. Bishop Ann Svennungsen of the Minneapolis Area Synod will be with us in worship for a Blessing of Godspeed to Pastor Eric. Join us for donuts and coffee before worship and a catered lunch from Hillcrest after the 10:15 service. Pastor Eric's last worship service will be December 24th so there will be plenty of time to wish him well in his retirement. We hope you will help us thank Pastor Eric and the Aune family for 36 years of faithful service to All Saints Lutheran Church.

To make reservations for the lunch, please go to www.allsaintsnya.org or fill out the reservation cards we have at church.

