

E-Note for May 24, 2023

Annual Meeting Recap

Thank you for your presence and participation at this year's annual meeting held on May 21. We had an orderly, engaging, and positive meeting. That is always my hope and prayer while preparing for these things! We passed a robust and balanced budget for our 2023/2024 fiscal year. We are saying goodbye to these outgoing council members: Tom Simmons, Melissa Barthel, Leon Lenz, Al Steinhagen, and Lois Panning (who was elected to a 2nd term). We elected five eager and energetic new members to our church council: Lois Panning (2nd term), Chris Starr, Cassie Storms, Katie Feltmann & Paul Christopher. Then we began our discussion about the possibilities and realities to calling a full-time associate pastor. I am looking forward to continuing this conversation as we envision the expanded staff of All Saints together.

Peace be with you,

Pastor Matt

Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed throughout the summer

Please help us fully staff our Sunday mornings. Sign up to usher, assist communion, serve fellowship, and read scripture lessons. Our monthly serving schedules are available online through Signup.com. Go to our website <u>www.allsaintsnya.org</u> and look for the Signup.com logo on the homepage or you can sign up at the Welcome Center.

Special Music

During the summer our choirs take a (well deserved) break. Sadly, this means that our worship will not be filled with these frequent unique musical offerings. However, this gives us a special opportunity to showcase the musical talent of our members in ways that we can't accommodate during our program year. If you would like to bless our worship time (typically in the offering anthem space) with your vocal or instrumental abilities, there will be a sign-up in the welcome area or you can email Pastor Matt (<u>mschroeder@allsaintsnya.org</u>) or Darcy (<u>dgray@allsaintsnya.org</u>). Thank you for sharing your gifts with our church!

Fare For All is a program where anyone can shop for fresh, quality, and affordable groceries. Fare For All buys fresh produce and frozen meat from bulk wholesalers and growers, bundles them into \$10-\$30 packages, and distributes them at pop-up sites around the cities.

All Saints has joined 30+ sites in the Twin Cities and Greater MN area for the year 2023. Upcoming sale dates are: June 1, August 3, September 7, October 5, November 28 from 3-5pm. Volunteer sign up can be found at the Welcome



Center. More information can be found at: <u>https://www.thefoodgroupmn.org/groceries/fare-for-all/</u>

Feed My Starving Children

All Saints will be packing meals at Feed My Starving Children on Thursday, June 8 from 4:30 -6:15 pm. FMSC is located at 18732 Lake Drive East, Chanhassen, MN 55317. Plan on arriving at the facility 10 – 15 minutes prior to our packing session for check-in. All ages over 5 years are welcome to help pack. We have 12 spots reserved but more can attend. Please sign up at the Welcome center or RSVP to Pastor Matt (mschroeder@allsaintsnya.org) or Darcy (dgray@allsaintsnya.org) to reserve your opportunity to put our Gospel into motion.



Vacation Bible School VBS is June 12- 15, 2023 VBS is for kids age 4 (as of time of registration) and Kindergarten to Grade 6 (entering fall 2023)

Registration Deadline is May 28! Join us for "Stellar" VBS, the summer event that will launch kids on a cosmic quest where they'll have a blast shining Jesus' light to the world. Stellar is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences, music, crafts, games and snacks. Cost is \$18 per child with a \$36 family max and deadline to sign up is May 28, 2023. Transportation is available. Register online at www.allsaintsnya.org or you can find registration forms at the Welcome Center.

VBS Staffing - We can't do this without you!

We are looking for fun, energetic volunteers for VBS for the following areas: **Classroom Teacher: for 2nd Grade, and 4th Grade** Classroom assistants for Age 4, Kindergarten, Grade 2, Grade 3, Grade 4 **Craft helpers** Photographer - take pictures and videos throughout the week **Transportation drivers**

If you are interested, sign up at the Welcome Center or contact Darcy at dgray@allsaintsnya.org

Cash Donations for VBS. We try to keep the registration fee minimal and affordable to families. We need cash donations to cover all our VBS expenses. If you are willing to help, please visit our online giving page at www.allsaintsnya.org and give whatever amount you'd like under "VBS Donation". THANK YOU! In person donations can be given to Darcy.

Adopt a Highway

One of the easiest ways to show gratitude to God is to care for creation. We can do this in a variety of ways each day, but here's a way you can get involved right in our own backyard! All Saints is hosting an adopt-a-highway cleanup day on June 25th from 10:45-noon. All Saints adopted the stretch of 212 right in front of the church (specifically from Wells Ave to Faxon Road (approx 2.4 miles)) and it's been a few years since we've taken care of it. If you want to join us all you'll need to do is wear closed toed shoes, long pants, and some brightly colored clothing. Feel free to bring your own work gloves. We'll have garbage bags, high-vis vests, and disposable gloves available for you here. We'll meet at church after the 9:30 service, go over the "dos and don'ts", and head out to beautify our town. Thank you for making a difference!





The annual All Saints Garage Sale is:July 138 am - 6 pmJuly 148 am - 6 pmJuly 158 am - 12 pm

Lunch food stand open July 13 & July 14 11 am- 2 pm

Pick up a packet of information at the Welcome Center where you will find our list of acceptable items, important drop off dates and a volunteer form if you are interested in helping with this popular event.

| Upcoming Drop off dates: | June 25 | 9 am – 12 pm |
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| | June 28 | 6 pm - 8 pm |
| | July 2 | 9 a,m - 12 pm |
| | July 5 | 6 pm <i>–</i> 8 pm |
| | July 8 | 9 am – 12 pm |

Please remove any previous price tags that may be on your items and be sure items are smoke, odor and dirt free and in working order.

Baked Goods and Produce Sale during Garage Sale

Can you help by donating baked goods or homegrown produce at our sale? We are looking for bars, cakes, cookies, pies, muffins, breads, candies, jams, jellies, fruits, vegetables, eggs and other produce. Please pre-package your baked goods. Pricing will be done at church. Bring items in anytime on Wednesday, July 12 or by prior arrangement with the church office 952-467-3388.

Donations Needed for Garage Sale Concession Stand

The food stand at our garage sale will be a fundraiser for the youth. We are looking for the following items to be donated:

- Pop and Bottled Water, hamburger pickles, pickle relish, ketchup, mustard, hamburger and hot dog buns, cheese slices, chips. Please sign up at the Welcome Center by the item(s) you want to provide.

- Cash donations to be used for purchase of hamburger and hot dogs

Donations can be brought and placed in Darcy's office at any time but no later than July 9. Cash contributions should be marked and placed on Darcy's desk. Thank you for supporting our youth!



Online Giving at All Saints:

Visit <u>www.allsaintsnya.org</u> or scan the QR code to set up a one time or recurring donation using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.



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