

E-Note for August 2, 2023

All Saints Family,

Registration is now open for all our youth programs: Sunday School, Confirmation, WOW, Children's Choir.



You will find brochures and registration forms at the Welcome Center and on our website: www.allsaintsnya.org

Blessing of the Backpacks

Students, bring your backpacks to worship on Sunday, August 13 at 8:00 or 9:30 am and we'll pray and do a special blessing of you and your backpack as you begin a new school year.

School Supplies

Keep All Saints in mind as you shop for school supplies. We can always use crayons, glue sticks, and markers. A donation box is by the offices.



2023-2024 Sunday School Teacher(s) Needed

We are looking for 2 more Sunday School teachers for the upcoming school year. High School to Adults are welcome to volunteer. Middle School can assist teachers. There will be one session of Sunday School at 9:30 am. All lessons will be planned out and in a binder for you. You will also have access to our online account with Group Digital.

The classes we need teachers for are: Kindergarten/1st Grade; and 2nd/3rd Grade.

Let Darcy know if you would like to be a part of our Sunday School program. Thank you for your help in bringing God's Word to life for our kids.

Donations for 3 on 3 Basketball

The 3 on 3 Basketball tournament for Stiftungsfest is being held in the gym at St. John's school this year. A group of All Saints Youth will be running the concession stands during the tournament in order to raise money to help fund our trip to New Orleans next Summer for the National Youth Gathering. We are looking for some donations in order to stock our concession stand: 2-3 cases of water, 2-3 variety packs of gatorade type drinks, and a few boxes of granola/energy bars. If you feel called to help us with this project, please drop these supplies off at the church by Thursday August 24th. Thanks for helping us reach our goals!

Stiftungsfest Service

On Sunday, August 27 at 9:00 am we will help lead the Stiftungsfest Worship service which means we will not have worship at All Saints on that day. If you can help by ushering at this service please let Pastor Matt, Pastor Paul or Darcy know.

Staffing Needs Update

Earlier this year the Church Council appointed a Staffing Task force to look into the staffing needs of the congregation. A report from the task force was presented at the congregation's annual meeting in May. After interviewing members of the staff and surveying the congregation, the conclusion of the task force was that All Saints should consider calling a full-time pastor to serve in the areas of Christian Education and Youth.



Calling another full-time pastor would require about a 25% increase in our current Mission and Ministry budget. So, the council felt it would be best to spend the summer discussing such a position and then revisit Stewardship in September to see if the pledges can be increased enough to cover a full or part time pastor. To facilitate those discussions this summer we will host three Open Forums this summer. The third will be on August 13th. We hope at least one of these sessions will fit into your busy summer schedule as we prayerfully consider the staffing needs at All Saints.

<u>Fare For All</u> 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: 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: https://www.thefoodgroupmn.org/groceries/fare-for-all/

Sunday Morning Volunteers Needed

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 www.allsaintsnya.org and look for the Signup.com logo on the homepage or you can sign up at the Welcome Center.



Online Giving at All Saints:

Visit www.allsaintsnya.org 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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