

E-Note for January 16, 2024

All Saints Call Committee Update

Friends in Christ,

The process to call our new associate pastor is well underway! Our call committee met on January 2nd and was joined by Craig Pederson (assistant to the bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod). We were able to ask Craig some questions, as well as discuss norms, timelines, and expectations for this process. We elected Tim Sauer to act as chair and communicator for this committee, Katie Feltmann was elected as



note taker, and I will act as "chaplain" for the group. This committee will meet again at the end of January and will be tasked with retooling our "Ministry Site Profile" (a document that will be distributed to all available pastoral candidates). Please pray that the Holy Spirit continues to be at work in this committee and that we remain open to where it leads us!

Peace, Pastor Matt

Food Shelf Needs

The All Saints 8th grade girls confirmation group will be volunteering at the Waconia Food Shelf on January 31. They will be holding a food drive beforehand. The biggest needs are pasta sauce, coffee and snacks. If you would like to make a donation of any food items please bring them to church by January 30.



<u>Lasagna-thon- Saturday, February 10, 1:00 – 2:00 pm at All Saints</u>

"We have been put to a challenge! How many lasagnas can we make in an hour? We call it a "lasagna-thon" for Hope House in Chanhassen.

Hope House is a place where teens (13-19 years) can stay for up to 3 months. The services are completely free. There are a variety of reasons why these teens seek out a safe place to stay. On average, most will stay for about 2 months. Here they receive support-mental health,

physical well being support, schooling/tutoring help, help finding a job, free food, clothing, bedding, and much more. After Hope House, teens exit to safe housing-sometimes back home, with a relative, or possible a place of their own.

These pans of "take and bake" lasagnas are a real practical way to support the vulnerable in our community. It's a tangible way to be the hands and feet of Christ for those in need and provide a simple hearty meal.

Please sign up to help with this event by assembling take and bake lasagnas on February 10 and/or by donating funds to purchase the supplies. Make checks payable to All Saints and memo "Lasagna".

Thank you for supporting this event and thanks for helping us feed those in need and bring some love into their world!"



Lent Schedule

Ash Wednesday, February 14: Worship at 11:00 am & 6:30 pm

Midweek Lent Worship at 6:30 pm: Wednesday, February 21, 28, March 6, 13, and 20.

We're bringing back Lent Suppers each Wednesday at 5:30 pm served by our youth. Free will offering. Proceeds will go toward the July 2024 National Youth Gathering Trip to New Orleans.

Women's Gathering February 24, 2024! 8:30am to 3:30pm

2024, a new year, with potential for new insights, adventures, and spiritual growth. ASLC WOMEN and FRIENDS are invited to a day of sharing God's love, while deepening our relationship with our Savior. We will be exploring our many roles as women of faith. How do we serve God, our families, friends, and community, and still have a balanced life? Is a balanced life possible?

We will be spending the day at Lisa Sauer's house in the woods near Cologne. No cost other than budgeting time for your own refueling! Sign up at the Welcome Center.

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. No registration required and all are welcome to shop!



Upcoming 2024 sale dates at All Saints are: Feb 1, Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sep 5, Oct 3, Oct 31, Nov 26 from 3-5pm.

Volunteer sign up can be found at the Welcome Center.

More information on Fare for All can be found at: https://www.thefoodgroupmn.org/groceries/fare-for-all/



Discipleship Retreat: May 3- 5, 2024- Sign up deadline is April 7

Join us at Mount Carmel Bible Camp in Alexandria, MN for our annual discipleship retreat. Cost is \$180 per person double occupancy and \$219 per person single occupancy. Includes two nights of lodging and 5 meals. Sign up at the Welcome Center.



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