

This Week at NLC | March 20-26, 2017

MONDAY, MARCH 20 7:00 am 11:00 am 12:00 pm 5:15 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm	PRESCHOOL & BLESSING PLACE M-F Men's Monday Bible Study Visitation for Helen T. Smith Funeral for Helen T. Smith Reading Buddies Stephen Ministry Leadership Stephen Ministry Peer Supervision	Lower Level Conference Room Fireside Room Sanctuary Hope Academy, Minneapolis Conference Room Rooms 212-213
TUESDAY, MARCH 21 1:00 pm 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Matter of Balance Alcoholics Anonymous Church Council	Richfield Lutheran Church Room 207 Rooms 212-213
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 22 9:30 am 9:30 am 11:30 am 12:00 pm 4:45 pm 4:45-6:45 pm 5:00-6:45 pm 5:15 pm 5:30 pm 5:45 pm 5:50 pm 6:15 pm 6:45 pm 7:00 pm 7:45 pm 8:00 pm	Women's Bible Study Rachel Circle Matins Worship Service & Luncheon Miriam Circle Boys Choir Rehearsal Kids Faith Connect (KFC) Wednesday Night Dinner Brass Quintet Rehearsal Youth Choir Rehearsal Justice Seminar Girls Choir Rehearsal Normandale Chamber Choir Rehearsal Confirmation Mentoring Sign-in Lenten Worship Normandale Choir Rehearsal High School Hangout	Rooms 209-211 Lower Level Conference Room Sanctuary Fellowship Hall Lower Level Conference Room Multi-Purpose South Valley View Room Fellowship Hall Balcony Rehearsal Room Rooms 212-213 Multi-Purpose South Rehearsal Room Fireside Room Sanctuary Rehearsal Room Fishbowl
THURSDAY, MARCH 23 4:30 pm 5:45 pm 7:00 pm	Cherub Choir Rehearsal Handbell Choir Rehearsal Evening With Julia Dinsmore	Multi-Purpose South Rehearsal Room Fireside Room
FRIDAY, MARCH 24	NO EVENTS SCHEDULED	
SATURDAY, MARCH 25 8:00 am	Environment Lent	Sanctuary
SUNDAY, MARCH 26 9:00 am 9:15 am 9:15 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 10:30 am	Worship ParentRest Sunday School Coffee Fellowship Recognizing Ron Nelsen 7-12 th Gr. Donuts & Devotions Worship Baptisms	Sanctuary Rooms 212-213 Various Locations Fireside Room Fishbowl Sanctuary

2017 EASTER GARDEN AND MEMORIALS

All members of Normandale are invited to share their blessings by means of decorating the church at Easter with blooming plants or supporting our local & global missions. Please make contributions in the amount of \$16 for each gift (**forms available at Welcome Center or at www.normluth.org/news**) and return it to the church office along with your payment. The deadline is **Sunday, April 9**.

PROPERTY IS AVAILABLE TO RENT: 6109 WILRYAN AVE, EDINA

A split level 3 bedroom, 1 3/4 bath with a large living room and basement, and walkout to backyard from kitchen. Interested or know someone who is? Contact: Wendy Reynolds, Business Administrator, at 952.977.9352 / wreynolds@normluth.org.

SEE NORMLUTH.ORG FOR UPCOMING EVENTS, SERMON VIDEOS, & SERVICE OPPORTUNITIES

News & Announcements

TODAY | SUNDAY, MARCH 19, 2017

EAST TO WEST YOUTH AUCTION FUNDRAISER IS TONIGHT!

6:00-8:00pm | Lower Narthex / Fellowship Hall | Live Auction, Silent Auction, Raffle, Wine Cork Pull, Appetizers, Dessert, Beverages, Musical Entertainment by NLC Youth and more!

You can **purchase your \$15 event ticket** in the Fireside Room this morning or at the door tonight.

Raffle tickets are now on sale! You can purchase 1 ticket/\$5 or 5 tickets/\$20 for a chance to win one of our raffle prizes located in the Fireside Room this morning.

Head downstairs in the lower narthex to check out our fabulous **Silent Auction items** and start your bidding. You'll have to come tonight to be a part of the live auction and secure your bids!

Featured Live Auction Items:

- **“Choose Your Theme” Dinner Party at the Bock’s** for 8: Choose from 4 menu options: Flavors of Morocco, Taste of Spring, Cuban Fiesta, or French Countryside
- **MN Wild Fan Package** including 4 great tickets to MN Wild vs. Colorado Avalanche and a basket of MN Wild gear!
- **3-4 deliveries of homegrown fresh fruit & vegetables** from Lorna & Loren’s garden during growing season
- **One-Night Getaway at Nicollet Island Inn** for 2 and a 5-course brunch
- **“Taste of Scotland” Scotch tasting event** for up to 10 people
- **“A Week in the Woods” Full Service Camping:** Fun Activities for the whole family at beautiful Red Barn Campground in Shell Lake WI
- **An afternoon at Ferg’s Motorpool:** Take rides through quaint Northfield while checking out Ferg’s extensive collection of military vehicles and muscle cars!
- **Front Row Parking Spot and Reserved Front Row Pew at Thanksgiving Eve Worship** – priceless!
- **Leeann Chin’s Secret Recipes:** Dinner for 8-10
- **Take Me Out to a Saints Game (And for Libations!)** with Pr. Charlie for 4
- **Dinner at Pr. Paul and Lisa Pettersen’s** for 6
- **Get your car washed on 2 Sundays this Summer by NLC Youth!**
- **2 Tickets for a show at the Guthrie Theater + Optional Babysitting from NLC Youth** for select shows: *Sense & Sensibility*, *The Royal Family*, *Sunday in the Park with George*, *Native Gardens*, *The Lion in Winter*, *The Parchman Hour*, *King Lear*, *The Bluest Eye* or *Refugia*



HAVE A HEART FOR THE HUNGRY: March is Minnesota Food Share month! Grocery bags with suggested food shelf items needed are available at the Welcome Center. Food and hygiene donations can be returned to church and put in the bin by any door by March 31. Cash or check donations also gratefully accepted; please make checks payable to **Normandale Lutheran Church** with

FoodShare month on the memo line and place in the offering plate. Watch for upcoming opportunities for all to sort donations and volunteer at a food shelf. *Sponsored by Mission Outreach.*



LAST CHANGE TO SIGN-UP! ONE GROUP HAS NOT BEGUN YET.

Normandale is providing the opportunity for a short-term, easy way to connect a bit deeper in faith with others in the NLC community. Sign-up as a household to meet twice during Lent in a host's home to engage in connection, community, sharing, prayer, and a little faithful learning. The two sessions will utilize

an engaging brief video and discussion from the *Animate Practices* series centered on the practices of prayer and worship. This is a great way to connect and hear and learn with others. Many options are available - including options to bring the kids! If you're looking for a simple, easy opportunity to connect and explore faith together, this is it! Gather your friends or jump in with new connections. \$10/household registration fee covers the cost of materials. **Sign-up** in the Fireside Room today.

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WEDNESDAYS DURING LENT | 11:30AM & 7:00PM WORSHIP | 12 NOON / 5-6:45PM MEALS

March 22	Beef Stroganoff
March 29	Pork Tenderloin with Pineapple Salsa
April 5 (2nd Wednesday)	Spaghetti & Meatballs

WEDNESDAY WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY | WEDS, MAR 22 | 9:30-11:30 AM | ROOMS 209-211

Pastor Meta Herrick Carlson continues leading us in the large group. The study of Mark continues (Lesson 8: Down From the Mountain – Mark 9:2-50). **If interested in joining or have questions, contact Maggie Valenta, maggiemoen@aol.com.**

A NIGHT WITH JULIA DINSMORE | THURS, MARCH 23 | 7:00 - 8:30 pm | FIRESIDE ROOM

Friends of Normandale House present "A Night with Julia Dinsmore." Julia Dinsmore, respected author, advocate, and voice for justice, opens minds and hearts to the realities of people experiencing poverty, which changes perceptions about people experiencing wealth. Copies of her book, *My Name Is Child of God ... Not 'Those People'* will be available. Valerie Pruitt, Normandale House Program Manager, will also provide a brief update on our vital ministry to homeless families. Come to be challenged, informed, and deeply moved. Everyone is welcome. Refreshments will be provided.

UPCOMING EVENTS

THANKING & RECOGNIZING RON NELSEN AT COFFEE HOUR | SUN., MARCH 26 | 10:00 AM

Ron has resigned his position as our Lead Custodian, so please join us in thanking and recognizing Ron for his fine work.

SENIOR NUTRITION LUNCH-N-LEARN | MON, MAR 27 | 11:30 AM-1 PM | ROOM 209

Come share a meal with other seniors to talk over what your diet should look like now that you are 60 years old or better, ways to eat healthy in your everyday life, and how to avoid food-borne illnesses. The group will be led by Jan Johnson & Mary Lavelle, two licensed dietitians with years of experience teaching people how to improve their health through better eating. **Healthy lunches will be provided by the Vision for Healthy Living, please register beforehand so we have enough for everyone.** Contact Zach Greimann 952-977-9374 or zach@normandalecenter.org to sign-up.

POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS | TUES, MARCH 28-MAY 2 | 6:30-8:30 pm

Lutheran Church of the Good Shepherd, 4801 France Ave, Mpls.

If you are caring for a loved one, this 6-week small-group education program may be just what you need. The program is designed to provide you with a wealth of self-care tools that will help you take care of yourself while taking care of others. Register by contacting Mary Cordell at 952-977-9363. For more information, visit the Center for Healing & Wholeness website:

http://www.normandalecenter.org/seniors-family-services/health_wellness/courses-events/.

SENIOR HATHA YOGA | TUESDAYS, MAR 28-APR 25 | 9:30-10:30 AM | MULTI-PURPOSE NORTH

The Normandale Center for Healing & Wholeness, in partnership with the University of Minnesota, is excited to offer this FREE 5-week Hatha Yoga class to anyone over the age of 55. Led by a U of M student, this class will be a gentle introduction to the basic yoga postures and breathing techniques. All ability and experience levels are welcome, participants need only bring a mat, towel, or small blanket! **Space is limited;** contact Zach, 952.977.9374, zach@normandalecenter.com to save your spot ASAP!

LIVING WELL WITH CHRONIC CONDITIONS | TUES, APRIL 4-MAY 9 | 12:30-3:00 pm

The Pines Senior & Assisted Living Community, 400 W. 67th St., Richfield

Designed for those 60 years or older and living with a chronic condition such as arthritis, heart disease, diabetes, chronic pain and more, this 6-week program helps build confidence and increase skills in managing care for yourself. Register by contacting Zach Greimann 952-977-9374 or zach@normandalecenter.org.

ON-SITE PODIATRY CLINIC: We have openings for Thursday, April 6, 9:00 am-12:00 noon.

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Patti Hanks at 952.929.1698.

NORMANDALE WOMEN SPRING SERVICE PROJECT | MONDAY, APRIL 24 | 1-3 PM

Normandale Women are now in their 6th year of putting together HIV/AIDS Hospice Kits for Global Health Ministries. The expense for the project is \$20 per kit which includes money for shipping and medicine to accompany each kit. Contributions to this service project from the congregation are greatly appreciated. Checks can be made out to Normandale Women with HIV Kits in the memo line and can be left at the front desk in the Fireside Room. Thank you to Thrivent for their \$250 Action Team contribution to our project. GHM has had a request from Dr. Paul Mmbando in Tanzania for 4,000 Hospice Kits for the palliative care program of the Tanzanian Lutheran Church. We are making only a small dent in a large global need, but a few hygiene supplies and the love that's included in the bag mean a lot to the person who is sick and often alone.

MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE AT NLC: DONORS NEEDED TO GIVE THE GIFT OF LIFE!

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26 | 3:00-7:30 PM (NEW TIME)!

Donors receive a delicious meal of soup and bread, and save multiple lives with their donation!

1 out of 3 people will need blood in their lifetime. All blood types are needed - especially O- and O+.

Let's see if we can get all the spots filled!

Sign up: Alta Fossum, 952.941.7022, altafossum@hotmail.com; OR Janet Devine, 952-929-1697 x347, janet@normluth.org; OR www.mbc.org/searchdrives - Sponsor Code is 0546.

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A WAY TO HELP THE POOR WITH A ONE TIME COMMITMENT

Please consider serving a meal to Our Saviour's Shelter 50 homeless residents (the shelter is near Normandale House in the Phillip's neighborhood on Chicago Avenue. Families | individuals | small groups | friends (any group of 3-4 people) plan, purchase, prepare, and serve. Normandale will reimburse you for your food purchases. There are also non-cooking instructions if you prefer to pick up the food already prepared. **Please consider signing up one night:** 6-8 pm: May 11, June 8, July 13, Aug 10, Sept 14, Oct 12, Dec 14. Contact Dana Arnold, 952.929-1697, dana@normluth.org. or online @ www.normluth.org/Serve.