



Free, Family-Friendly Show June 27th



This theatrical experience, written by Sweet Potato Comfort Pie creator Rose McGee, takes audiences on a journey into the past, addressing the origins of Juneteenth and the imagined impact on the lives of individuals hearing the news of the Emancipation Proclamation and that the Civil War was over. Get tickets for this through the QR code below!

**Friday, June 27
2:00-4:00pm
The O'Shaughnessy at
St. Catherine University**



This performance is presented by Sweet Potato Comfort Pie in partnership with the Minnesota Humanities Center.

Support Students Starting School Strong!

Sponsor-A-Student Backpack & Shoe Drive



Starting Sunday, July 13th



Summer is here! While it may be far from our minds, another school year already sits on the horizon... and once again this year, we will help supply backpacks filled with school supplies as well as shoe gift cards to students affiliated with ministry partners Normandale House, SAYFSM, and ACT-TC.

Two New Stories This Week!

"Like Always, Like Never Before"



**NORMANDALE
LUTHERAN CHURCH**

1950-2025 | Celebrating 75 Years

Presenting **75 Stories**



Our entertaining "75 Stories" series continues with 2 stories this week -- both from Normandale Foundation president Lowell Stortz. The QR code above will take you to our YouTube channel, where all of our stories are released. You can also find them on our website at normluth.org/75th-anniversary/75-stories.

Register for Summer Book Club!

Normandale Center for Healing & Wholeness

Summer Book Club

6 Tuesdays, July 8 - August 12

10:00 - 11:30 am | Room 209-211
Normandale Center for Healing & Wholeness
6100 Normandale Rd., Edina, MN 55436

SAVE YOUR SPOT! Register today at:
www.NormandaleCenter.org/Events

Save the Date for Community Fest

"Like Always, Like Never Before"

Community Fest

Free & Open to the Public

Fun Activities! Delicious Food! Great Music!

Wednesday, August 20 Main Parking Lot

5:00-8:00pm

You are invited to a free-for-all-ages, neighborhood-wide festival to celebrate our 75th anniversary! This will be an opportunity to engage with the greater community and fortify Normandale as a neighbor here to help and participate alongside each other. Come enjoy live music, as well as great seasonal food and beverages!

Community Fest will be presented in partnership with both Normandale Foundation and the Normandale Center for Healing and Wholeness.

Photos and Running Diary from High School Trip to Holden Village

(from Director of Youth Ministry Jacob Boettcher Belz)

After a grueling 19-hour day [this past Sunday, June 15], we are officially one hour away from our hotel in Wenatchee as I write this. The one rule of Amtrak travel is to: expect the unexpected and that has stood true!

Below you'll find a recap of our day!

4:45am CT - Said farewell at the airport!

6:55am CT - Departed MSP.

8:45am PT (10:45am CT) - Landed in Seattle-Tacoma and made our way to regional transport. This was the first train of the day. Similar to Metro Transit in Minneapolis, the light rail took us directly downtown where we had a three-minute walk to King Street Station.

10:30am PT - We walked through downtown Seattle including Pioneer Square to reach Pike's Place market.

11:00am PT - We ate lunch together at Soundview Diner.

12:00pm PT - The group split into two smaller sections where we wandered around the market.

12:45pm PT - We rejoined to sit outside of the market and enjoy the sun. From there we walked back to Pioneer Square.

1:45pm PT - Some wanted to also see a bookstore!

4:45pm PT - Boarded our train to Wenatchee. We were all settled in when...



5:00pm PT - ... the train stops! We were delayed about an hour, when we finally started going again, traveling east through the Cascade Mountains.

9:27pm PT (11:27 CT) - The conductor just passed through to announce we are a half hour to Wenatchee, so we are almost there!

Tomorrow, travel continues. An early wake up call followed by bus and boat rides will culminate in our arrival at Holden Village, [where] we won't have cell reception.

God's peace be with you!
Jacob

This Week at Normandale Lutheran Church June 23 - June 29, 2025

Monday, June 23rd 9:00am - 12:00pm	Powerful Tools for Caregivers	Room 209-211
Tuesday, June 24th 9:30am - 10:45am 4:00pm - 6:00pm 6:30pm - 7:30pm 7:00pm - 9:30pm 7:00pm - 8:00pm	Worship Planning Team Meeting Normandale House Board Meeting Alcoholics Anonymous Stephen Ministry Class Church Council	Choir Conference Room Studio A Room 207 Studio A Room 212-213
Wednesday, June 25th 8:30am - 3:00pm 12:00pm - 1:00pm 7:30pm - 9:00pm	Hamline University Reading Program Al-Anon AA Meeting	Rooms 209-211 Multi Purpose North Studio A
Thursday, June 26th 1:30pm - 3:00pm 3:15pm - 4:30pm 3:30pm - 6:00pm	Caregiver Support Group Racial Justice & Equity Book Club Edina Coalition for Grief Support	Zoom (Virtual) Zoom (Virtual) First and Second Floors
Friday, June 27th	No events planned.	
Saturday, June 28th	No events planned.	
Sunday, June 29th 8:30am - 1:00pm 9:30am - 10:30am 11:30am - 1:00pm	Hamline University Reading Program Worship Virtual Coffee Hour	Rooms 209-211 Sanctuary Zoom (Virtual)