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June 2017

“A Few Thoughts On.....”

Exciting New Beginnings...

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Sunday Morning

8:00 Worship—Chapel

10:00 Worship—Sanctuary

10:15 Sunday School

11:00 Coffee & Fellowship

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Dear Friends,

As most of you know, we have been going through a period of transition and discernment, throughout the 2016-2017 program year, in regard to the manner in which we provide staff to lead and coordinate ministries for the children and youth of our church. After a series of reflections and reconsiderations over the course of that time, I am excited to share a couple of updates on our progress in this endeavor.

First, I am thrilled to announce that our own Leslie Krueger (who has been our Children’s Choir Director for many years, and has served as our Interim Director of Children’s Ministries over the course of this past year) will be staying on, permanently, as the Director of Children’s Ministries. Leslie has done a wonderful job with the kids over the course of the year, and has grown to love the work that she is doing. Over the past few months, we have held a number of conversations of how the position might work for both Leslie and the church, on a long-term basis, and the new position was formalized this past week. I am truly excited to know that Leslie is staying on board, and I look forward to what she will bring to those ministries in the future.

Throughout this journey of reflection and consideration for our Children’s Ministry staff, we have also spent great time considering how we might provide staff for our youth ministries in the years ahead. We have made great strides, throughout 2016-2017, in gaining traction in ministries and programs for the youth of our church, and we are looking to how we might best capitalize on that foundation moving forward. With this in mind, we are also happy to share that the restructuring of Leslie’s position within the church has freed up the funds we need to launch a search for a Director of Youth Ministries (yes – BOTH positions will be able to be supported within the budgeted amount that was originally slated for the position Leslie has been filling this year).

Exciting New Beginnings cont...

The position we have designed for the Director of Youth Ministries will compliment (and coordinate with) Leslie's role in many ways, but will focus on the opportunities for ministry to young people in grades 6-12. With an anticipated workload of approximately 6-8 hours per week, the Director of Youth Ministries is expected to lead Sunday morning opportunities, as well as weeknight/weekend gatherings. The key now, of course, is to find that person!

If you know of someone who might be right for this work, or you would be interested in exploring it yourself, please contact me and I can share more. In the meantime, please join me in welcoming Leslie aboard in her permanent position in the church, and embrace this next search process in your prayers as we look to build on what God is doing in the life of our church. It has been a wonderful year for the children and youth of our church, and I truly can't wait to see what comes next!

Your Pastor and Friend, **Marty**

Celebrating the Ministries of NSCC



Mark your calendar for a special opportunity for worship and fellowship on **Sunday, June 11** as our Music Sunday, Teacher Recognition, Mission Commissioning and more all come together for a joyous celebration in worship. This is a wonderful opportunity to reflect on, and rejoice in, all that God has been, is, and will be doing in the life of our church!

Take Note - Beginning Sunday, June 18, our summer worship hours will kick in. The early chapel service will move to 8:30am, while the 10am service will continue without adjustment.

EDUCATION AND FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

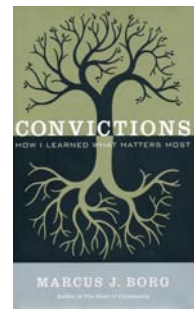
Thursday Morning Bible Study

Due to Summer Bible Camp and the Hosanna Mission Trip, the Thursday Morning Bible study will meet on **June 1 and 8** and then **reconvene** starting **July 20** in Friendship Lounge from 9:30-11:00. We will do a study of Psalms in June. If you are interested in coming, please feel free to join us anytime! Questions? Contact Rev. Julie.



Tuesday Morning Book Group

We will **conclude** our Tuesday Morning Book Group conversation with Marcus Borg's **Convictions** on **June 6** in Friendship Lounge (10am-11am). Watch for information on the next book, which we will begin discussing in August. Interested? Just contact Rev. Julie and you will receive a reminder/invitation!



If you have any questions or thoughts about Bible studies and book groups, please contact Rev. Julie Sheridan-Smith at 414-588-8693 or juliesmith@northshorecongl.org.

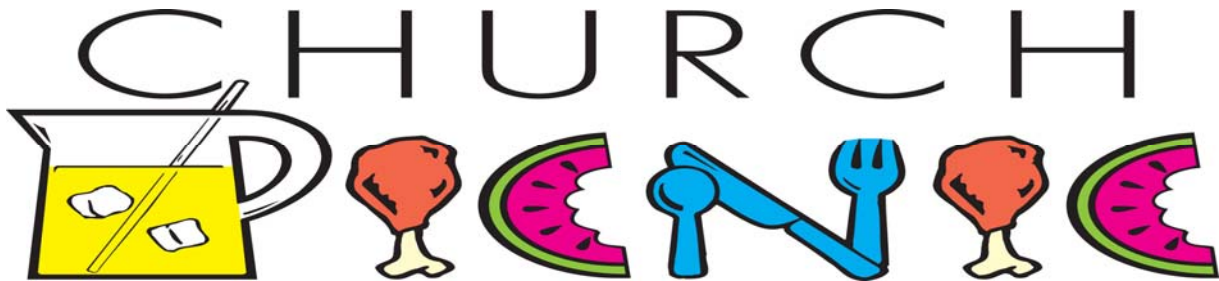
FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Repairers of the Breach Lunch Making



June 4, all ages welcome and wanted to help make 75 bag lunches for Repairers of the Breach, daytime homeless shelter in the church kitchen after the 10:00am worship service. No expertise needed for pretzel baggers, sandwich makers, fruit washers etc., just a willing heart! We are also actively seeking help through donations of supplies such as pretzels, carrots, peanut butter, jelly, bread, juice boxes and occasional baked desserts (enough for 75 lunches). If able - please contact Tom Smith at jtsmith5@sbcglobal.net or call 414-774-8688

The next Potluck gathering will be held on **Friday, June 2**, 6:30pm at 8235 N. Mohawk Rd, the home of Bill and Judy Shirley.



Join the Fellowship Committee as we celebrate the many ministries of North Shore Church in a picnic after our 10am worship service on **Sunday, June 11**. After a worship service celebrating the music, Sunday school and mission ministries of the church, we will proceed outside for great food, games for the kids, face-painting, and more. This is a great way for us to celebrate all that has happened throughout the 2016-2017 program year, and all that will be taking place throughout the summer. Please plan to stay and join us for a great time!

FELLOWSHIP



Relax with friends and neighbors with “Music on the Lawn,” **Wednesday evening, June 14**, from **7pm – 9pm**. Bring your blankets or chairs, and invite your friends and neighbors. We will provide live musicians, snacks, sidewalk chalk, hula hoops, etc.



Lydia Circle will be meeting for their picnic and program planning on **Monday, June 12**, at 4pm at Hetty Tollefsen's beach front home, 7730 N Beach Rd. in Fox Point.

Plan on arriving with an hors d'oeuvre, salad or dessert to share and whatever beverage you prefer.



As usual, we'll work at planning the programs for the 2017-18 year. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE come with suggestions.

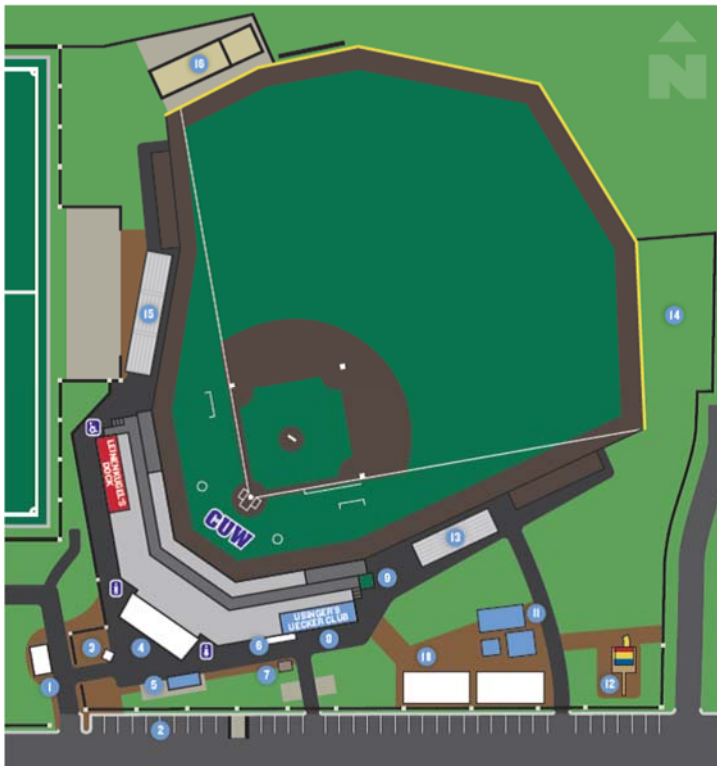
Potential new members are encouraged to participate too.



Take me out to the ballgame!

Join with other members and friends of North Shore Church, as we see our own Lakeshore Chinooks battle the Fond du Lac Dock Spiders, July 31, at 6:35 pm at Kapco Park in Mequon.

Tickets go on sale Sunday, June 11, after worship and will remain on sale until Sunday July 16. Contact Sharon Hall for tickets and more information. Disneyfamily01@gmail.com or 248-872-2449.



- 1 Stadium Box Office
- 2 ADA Parking
- 3 Gruber Law Offices Fan Assistance
- 4 Main Concession Stand
- 5 Bullpen BBQ
- 6 Double Play Pizza & Treats
- 7 Wing Shack
- 8 The Tackle Box Merchandise Shop presented by Straight-Up
- 9 VIP Autograph Zone
- 10 Gordon Food Service Picnic Area
- 11 Stein's Garden & Home Kids Zone
- 12 Rainbow Play Systems Playground
- 13 1st Base Bleachers GENERAL ADMISSION
- 14 Outfield Berm GENERAL ADMISSION
- 15 3rd Base Bleachers GENERAL ADMISSION
- 16 Villani's Backyard Patio
- 17 Women's Restroom
- 18 Men's Restroom
- 19 Handicapped Accessible Ramp

WCA LEADERSHIP SUMMIT

North Shore Congregational Church hosted this year's Wisconsin Congregational Association Annual Meeting on Friday and Saturday, April 28-29. The format was slightly different from recent years in that it included the usual business of the Association, as well as a Leadership Summit.

Pastor Tim Roberts, from Stuart Congregational Church in Stuart, Florida, was the keynote speaker for the Leadership Summit. The focus of the weekend was about "The Adaptive Church" – an exploration of how things are changing and the need to recognize that "Church" may be more than just a Sunday morning event. Pastor Tim's opening talk focused on the history of the Church, Christendom and the changing context of the church – a good foundation for the weekend's exploration of moving beyond the traditional practices of Sunday worship.

This was followed by a panel discussion on "20 Somethings: Where are they?" Three young women, who currently work with WCA Youth and Camp, shared their thoughts and answered questions from the audience about their faith and where the faith connection happens in their lives. In most cases, the Sunday morning church experience rarely happens unless they are home worshipping with family. However, they shared that their connection with God is present and their faith is strong – they do not have to be in church to believe and feel God's presence in their lives. The panel session gave us much to consider about being in relationship with individuals of this age group.

Saturday morning began with the Business Meeting – including reports from current officers and committees, approval of the 2017-2018 budget, and presentation &

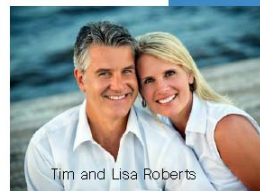
Wisconsin Congregational Association **2017 LEADERSHIP SUMMIT** & Annual Meeting

PREPARING THE WCA
CHURCH FOR THE FUTURE
TO BLESS AND ADD!

Key Note:

Tim Roberts

The Adaptive Congregation
Pastor
Stuart
Congregational Church
Stuart, Florida
NACCC



Also:

Local Church Missions Stories,
Worship, Fellowship and more!

Schedule
Friday Key Note: 7:00 PM
Saturday . . .
Delegate Meeting 8:30 AM
Key Note Starts 10:00 AM
Closing Worship 3:00 PM

QUESTIONS: Call Rev. Julie Sheridan-Smith - (414) 352-6123

Friday Night & Saturday
April 28-29

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acceptance of the Slate of Officers for the coming year. Julie Sheridan Smith shared information about pulpit exchanges that have happened this year and how it has helped to strengthen connections between some of the Congregational churches. Cindy Bacon-Hammer reminded us of the Leadership & Lay Ministry Program and encouraged that anyone interested should contact her for more information. Mike Robertson shared information on the Minister's Fellowship Group and the presentations and discussions they share. It was voted that the day's offering be given to the Wakefield Fund in support of youth camp scholarships.

The remainder of the day provided several listening opportunities led by Pastor Tim Roberts, followed by break-out sessions for small group discussion. How do we "Bless and Add" to our traditional ways of worship? What opportunities do we have to think outside the box and be more inclusive to those who wish a faith experience beyond the traditional Sunday morning service? With permission, Pastor Tim's talks were recorded, providing us with an opportunity to share with those unable to attend the Summit. I look forward to continuing the conversation within our congregation in the year ahead.

Late afternoon provided a 'lightning round' of presentations on mission projects that member churches have supported this year. The Annual Meeting/Summit closed with Worship and Communion. It was a blessing to host the event, particularly in the year when our own Rev. Julie Sheridan Smith takes on the role of WAC Moderator. Special thanks goes out to all those who helped with food preparation and general hosting responsibilities before and during the weekend.

Laurie Swartwout

NSCC Moderator & Delegate to the WCA Annual Meeting

MINISTRY OF THE MONTH PRAYER CHAIN



The Prayer Chain is a Ministry of the heart. We intercede for you with prayer at a time when life's struggles seem overwhelming.....a loved one's passing, concerns about upcoming surgery, serious illness, etc. This Ministry has been an important part of North Shore Church for too many years to count and it has brought comfort to many in those years. The Bible repeatedly mentions the importance of prayer and we know that God's doors are always open and receptive to our needs.

Any adult member of North Shore Church can join in our endeavors to seek God's generous help in lessening ones' trials and tribulations. There is no special training needed, no special skills required, just a willingness to say your prayers any time of the day. Our hope, here at the church, is that we can add more participants to our present list of those who have been involved in this ministry for many years.

"God gave us sunshine, birds and trees, the star-filled sky above. He gave us beauty, flowers, and friends, and special ones to love.

But life still brings some sadness and some cares from day to day, so God gave us all a special gift to help us on the way.

With the wonderful assurance that His love is always there, to comfort and to guide us through THE MIRACLE OF PRAYER"

-Author Unknown

*We always thank
God for all of you
and continually
mention you in
our prayers.*

1 Thessalonians 1:2, NIV

Now Starting—The E-prayer Chain

Building on the rich and meaningful history of the NSCC Prayer Chain, we are excited to announce the formation of an ***all-digital, e-mail based, prayer chain*** that we will be launching starting this summer. For those unable to receive and pass along calls in the format of the traditional phone chain, we invite you to receive these special prayer requests of our members by e-mail, with no need to pass the requests along to others. If you would like to receive these notifications, please sign-up by contacting Rev. Marty at MartinHall@NorthShoreCongl.org.



CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday School

- June 4** God Tells Noah to Build the Ark (Genesis 6: 5-7)
- June 11** God Tests Abraham (Genesis 22: 1-18)
- June 18** Jesus Eases John's Doubt (Matthew 11: 1-6; Luke 7: 18-23)
- June 25** Parable of the Farmer and the Seed (Matthew 13: 1-9, 18-23; Luke 8: 4-15)

Summer Sunday school beginning **June 18!** All children will begin in worship and, after the Children's Message, grades K3-6 will meet in the large classroom for a one room Sunday school.

Summer Bible Camp is happening **June 13-15!** All children ages 3 through 5th grade (completed), and their friends, are invited to attend! 6th grade and older are encouraged to sign up as helpers! Please mark your calendars for this fun event!



Teacher Appreciation is **June 11**. We have been blessed with a fabulous and dedicated group of very special Sunday school teachers this year! I am truly thankful for their time and teaching!

- ❖ **TEACHERS:** Caroline Grove, Tim Grove, Jane Ford, Jodie Stollenwerk, Laura Santilli, Laurie Navarro, Mary Kramer, Sharon Hall, Tom Smith, Stefanie Pilling, Barb Holzhauer, Sarah Krauss, Amy Peterson, Lucianna Frable, Amy Gallinger and Pam Enea.
- ❖ **BULLETIN BOARD HELPERS:** Mary Tornetta, Amy Petersen and Bob and Pearl Czisny.

I am looking for a few additions to the teaching teams for fall! Please consider being an important part of this ministry. Curriculum is prepared for you and classrooms are prepped in advance. All you need is a love of children and your church to be a teacher! Please contact Leslie Krueger if you have ANY questions or are interested in being an important part of this ministry!

Questions?
Contact Rev. Julie Sheridan- Smith today!
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Or
Or **Leslie Krueger**
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Crib 'n Crawler will be staffed during worship on Sunday mornings from 9:45 – 11:15.

HAPPENINGS WITH YOUTH!

Youth Events (6th-12th grade)

Youth events calendar: put it on yours!



Come for live “Music on the Lawn” at church on **Wednesday evening, June 14**, from 7pm-9pm (friends are very welcome). We are setting up a pool and beach afternoon/evening in mid-July, watch for details to follow.

Summer Bible Camp is **June 13-15** from 9am-noon for preschool through 5th grade children. Youth grade 6 and above are invited and **NEEDED** to join in and be helpers with games, crafts, snacks, etc! Please contact Rev. Julie or Ms. Leslie to volunteer. Registration forms available on our website www.northshorecongl.org or paper copies are below the bulletin board (See the Children’s Ministry page for more details).



*Parents: We would like to keep a bulletin board and newsletter notes of special events, plays/musicals that the school age people of the church are part of so we join in as able!
Please contact Rev. Julie with dates and events!*



July 9- 15

This camp becomes, for many, their “favorite week of the year.” Camp is available for 3rd-5th grade (Minikamp), 6th-8th grade (Jr. High), and 9th-12th grade (Sr. High).

Where? Mt Morris Camp and Conference Center, Wautoma, WI.

Scholarships are available to offset some of the fees - just speak to one of our Ministers!

Go to <https://www.wiscongregational.net/camp> for more information and registration forms.



Congratulations to the following young members who will be graduating and moving on to the next phase in their lives:

Cal Papineau - Marquette
Taylor Snider - LaCrosse
Jack Schill- Carleton
Tommy Penno - Madison
Nathan Schimpf - Northwestern
Matthew Friedland - De Paul
Daniel Friedland - Oshkosh

CONFIRMATION CLASS UPDATE

Thank you to the Confirmation students who ushered, greeted, gave the welcome, led the call to worship and prayers and shared the Bible reading on Mother's Day. It was good to see all of you active in worship!

June 4 meet downstairs, Rev. Julie and Rev. Marty will make breakfast while we discuss class content and topics for September and beyond. Congratulations on completing your first year. Special thanks to Molly Allen, Laura Lennie, and Jeff Leypoldt for mentoring the Confirmation students.



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