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June 2018

"A Few Thoughts On...."

A Day of Celebration

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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,

A month or so ago I came across a contemporary Christian song that I had not heard before. The song is performed by Josh Wilson and is titled 'Dream Small.' I'm going to spend more time on this song, and the concept behind it, during worship on Sunday, June 10, but I was taken by the composer's lyrics and the manner in which they point to the remarkable difference our small acts and intentions can make in the world around us.

In the song, the chorus exclaims,

Dream small

Don't bother like you've gotta do it all

Just let Jesus use you where you are

One day at a time

Live well

Loving God and others as yourself

Find little ways where only you can help

With His great love

A tiny rock can make a giant fall

Dream small

On Sunday, June 10, this is precisely the joy and promise we will celebrate in worship. During our one service that morning, at 10am (there is no 8am worship that day), we will rejoice in the plethora of ways in which the many 'parts' come together to make the whole that is the ministry of North Shore Congregational Church. We will enjoy music from the Chancel Choir, Bell Choir and Children's Choir, we will thank the many teachers who have worked with our Sunday school program, we will commission the Hosanna Mission Team as they prepare to head east, and we will even receive a new group of members into the fellowship of the

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church. Then (as if this weren't enough), we will head outside to enjoy a picnic with great food and games for the kids.

It has been a wonderful year in the life of our church and, as we move into the summer months, this is a tremendous opportunity to thank God, and the many who carry out our ministries, for all they mean to our faith and lives. I pray that you will make it a priority to join us for all that is in store on June 10, and look forward to being with you for this day of tremendous celebration.

Your Pastor and Friend, Marty

Celebration Sunday (June 10), there will be no early chapel service, as we will gather together for a single worship experience at 10am.



EDUCATION AND FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Thursday Morning Bible Discussion: We continue to grow and welcome new people any time! Join us in Friendship Lounge, on Thursday mornings from 9:30-11:00, as we journey through Paul's letters. Drop in if you want to see and hear what we are up to.



*We will not meet on June 21. July and August we meet every other week: July 5 and 19; August 2, 16 and **30.** The **Tuesday Morning Book Group** meets in Friendship Lounge on Tuesdays from 10-

11 am. Please note book group will **NOT meet June 19**. Join us as we read and discuss The Book of Joy: Lasting Happiness in a Changing World by the Dalai Lama and Desmond Tutu.
Looking ahead we will meet every other week in July and August discussing Gregory



Boyle's wonderful new book, **Barking to the Choir: the Power of Radical Kinship**. (July 3, 17, 31; August 14 and 28). Please let Rev. Julie know if you need a copy of the book

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.

Let's Talk on June 13, 6:30 pm, in Friendship Lounge. A little bit like a book group, but instead of reading listen to a TED Radio Hour called The Act of Listening. You can access this through www.npr.org/programs/ted-radio-hour/411697251/the-act-of-listening



"Listening — to loved ones, strangers, faraway places — is an act of generosity and a source of discovery. In this episode, TED speakers describe how we change when we listen deeply."

Listen before coming. We will find much to discuss together! Any questions, contact Rev. Julie

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Repairers of the Breach Lunch Making

On **June 3** please come down after worship to lend your hand and joy to making 75 bag lunches for Repairers of the Breach daytime homeless shelter. We also need people who can make cookies ahead of time - or donate items such as carrots, bread, pretzels, peanut butter or jelly. We currently have donations of bottled water and fruit (thank you Rudy and Bodil Lange and Mary Taves Ruenzel). We also need a couple volunteers who can take turns delivering the bag lunches on Monday morning by 11:00 or earlier. Contact Jane Ford (janer1975@hotmail.com) or Mary Kramer (mewkramer@sbcglobal.net)





Chair Yoga continues through summer in Friendship Lounge! If summer makes room in your schedule - join in! Thursdays, from 11:15-12:15, in Friendship Lounge. \$10 per session to drop in or sign up for the next 6-week sessions. (\$54 for 6 week session). Chair Yoga offers improvement

for mobility and flexibility, overall health and relaxation. Dress comfortably, we provide chairs and a relaxing environment. Instructor, Erica Boos.

NSCC Bridge Marathon wrapped up another fun season on Wednesday, May 9, at our annual "awards" luncheon! 1st place winners were the partnership of Hetty Tollefsen and Mary Ferguson; 2nd place, partners Liz Strong & Susie Bigham. The 3rd place winners were Pat Seidel and Joyce Evans, who were unable to attend the luncheon.

We will begin a new season in the Fall and YOU are welcome to join our group! Pat Harper and Bev Riggert; Sue Wood and Pat Jipson; Liz Strong and Susie Bigham; Pat Seidel & Joyce Evans; Mary Ferguson & Hetty Tollefsen; Jeanne George & Missie Hawley and Jeanne Gaenslen and Marsha Krosnosky. Contact Hetty or Mary, our new leaders!



Enjoy a Healthy Summer

Eat healthy and locally grown foods, while supporting our many nearby farmers, at these north shore Farmer's Markets:

- * Fox Point Farmers' Market Saturdays 8am-noon, June 16 October 13. New location: in our own NSCC parking lot! You will find some of the best purveyors in the area, yummy food stands, and fun musical combos. Also new will be a monthly story time, presented by the North Shore Library, on June 16, July 21 and August 18.
- Shorewood Farmers' Market this Sunday option 9:30am-1pm, June 17- October 28 can be found behind Lake Bluff School. Two playgrounds nearby.
- * Whitefish Bay Farmers' Market Saturdays 8am-noon, July 7 October 7. A small market just off Silver Spring Drive in the village.
- * Brown Deer Farmers' Market Wednesdays 9am-6pm, June 13 October 31. In the parking lot near Burlington Coat Factory on N Green Bay Rd.
- * Thiensville Farmers' Market Tuesdays 9am-3pm, June 12 October 16. Located in Fireman's Park, it's a great spot for lunch and mom's and kids.

Get active with some fun sports selections to be found in your local high school recreation bulletin. Nicolet High School is offering Father/Son Lacrosse, Archery, Ultimate Frisbee Camp, Sail Venture, Sunset Paddle on the Milwaukee River, for example.



Take some scenic strolls while exploring around town: walk the trails at Urban Ecology Center at Riverside or Menomonee Valley; Lakeshore State Park (just south of Discovery World); to the north check out Mequon Nature Preserve and Lion's Den Gorge in Grafton.

Don't forget to give - our neighbor church, Fox Point Lutheran, is sponsoring a blood drive Tuesday, July 24, 1-6pm for the Blood Center of WI. Appointments encouraged, 877-232-4376; walk-ins most welcome at 7510 N Santa Monica, east entrance. Future dates will be posted on the church bulletin board.

Take a Walk in the Grove

Thank you to the Weed and Feeders who, among other things, mulched a path through the Grove by the North parking lot. Come take a walk and enjoy the beauty of so many hidden treasures. See if you can spot: Bluebells, Mayapples, Trillium, Wood Anemone, Trout-lily, Shooting-Star, Wild Geranium, Wild Ginger, Wild Leek, Ramps, Jack-in-the-pulpit, Canada Mayflower. Come - take a walk in the woods.



Sunday, **June 3** – Communion Worship with **baptism**.

Sunday, June 10 – Celebration Sunday - 2018. Chancel Choir...Bell Choir...Children's Choir...Mission Commissioning...Teacher

Recognition New Member Recention be a part of

Recognition...New Member Reception...be a part of it all as we celebrate the many ministries of North Shore Church during our worship service on Sunday, June 10 (note that there is no 8am worship service on this day). After worship, join us for a picnic with food, fellowship, and games for the kids - all in our portico drive and front yard. It is certain to be a wonderful day of celebration and worship - don't miss out!



- New Boards meet on June 5! Mark your calendar, the first meeting of the new boards (elected at our May 6 Annual Meeting) will be on Tuesday, June 5, at 7pm.
- ❖ Lydia Circle Potluck Planning meeting will be held at the home of Hetty Tollefsen on Monday, June 12. Information will follow at a later date.
- ❖ Due to staff vacations, **the office will be closed the week of June 11-14.** Rev. Julie will be in and available, but please call the office, prior to coming in, to make sure she is available to receive you.
- * Both Rev. Marty and Rev. Julie will be out of the office the week of June 16-23. They will be accessible by cell phone if needed, and emergency pastoral coverage will be on call.
- * 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 Green Bay Bullfrogs, Sunday August 5 at 5:05 pm at Kapco Park in Mequon. Tickets go on sale Sunday, June 10, after worship and will remain on sale until Sunday July 29. See Sharon Hall for tickets and more information. disneyfamily01@gmail.com.
- ❖ Interested in placing flowers in the Church during the summer months? Call the office or email Sue Wood (suewood@wi.rr.com) to reserve your Sunday.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Sunday school will continue to be held every week this summer. Pre k-5th grade (complete) will meet downstairs in the large classroom following the Children's Sermon. I am looking for someone to help with the group each week as a second adult. If you are interested, please email me! lrkrueger74@gmail.com



At a Glance:

June 3: Jesus Eats With Sinners at Mathew's House (Matthew 9:9-13)

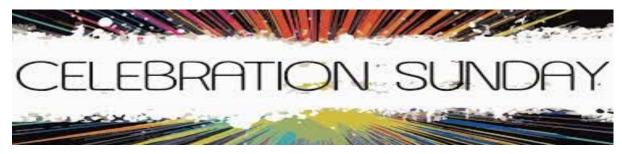
June 10: Jesus Heals a Lame Man by a Pool (John 5:1-18) ***Children in grades 2nd and up are welcome to attend worship on this celebration day.***

June 17: A Roman Officer Demonstrates Faith (Matthew 8:5-13; Luke 7:1-10)

June 24: God Creates us in His image, so we are creative! (Genesis)

Celebration Sunday will be on June 10 at 10:00am. This will be a wonderful service filled with music and recognizing teachers and mentors. It takes quite a team of people who had stepped in to help many Sundays or just a couple, or making bulletin boards and worship bags. We thank: Linda Emery, Jane Ford, Sharon Hall, Mary Kramer, Sarah Krauss, Helen Liu, Kelsey Molinari, Laurie Navarro, Trish Paul, Anne Plichta, Stephanie Pilling, Katie Steele, Susan Wauck, Lisa Wermuth. Mary Tornetta makes the worship bags for church. Mary and Pearl and Bob Czisny also create our wonderful bulletin boards.

Children in grades 2nd and up are welcome to attend worship on this day. Please join us after the service for an all church picnic and children's games.



Do you love children? Would you be willing to share your love of God and the Bible with some wonderful young minds? Please take some time this summer to think and pray about becoming a teacher this fall. It's a great way to make a huge difference in the life of a child! You do not need to have a child in Sunday school in order to participate in this important ministry! Contact Leslie Krueger if you're interested or have any questions! Lrkrueger74@gmail.com





In place of our usual gathering, **KidConnect** will gather after worship for our all church picnic and games on **June 10!** Please plan to join the fun!



Questions? Contact Rev. Julie Sheridan-Smith today! 414-352-6123 or 414-588-8693

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Or **Leslie Krueger** Irkrueger74@gmail.com



Crib n Crawler will be staffed during worship on Sunday mornings from 9:45 – 11:15.

Happenings with Youth!

June is a month filled with the end of the school year and preparing for summer. We pray for, and with, our families that God's blessings abound in the flurry of life.

High School Graduates!

Congratulations and prayers of hope for the future for High School graduating seniors. Please know we will wrap you and your families in our thoughts and prayers as you step into your future.

Thomas Hadcock will be going to the University of Wisconsin Eau Claire in the fall. He is planning on a business major, with an interest in marketing.

Sophie Hess will be attending Miami University in Ohio in the fall.

Nicole Lennie is going to Colorado State and thinking about majoring in Nutritional studies with a fitness emphasis.

Abby Schill is excited to begin her college experience attending Dartmouth College.

Charles Yauck will attend Marquette University in fall and plans to study commercial real estate in the business school.





News for our Board of Christian Enrichment

We are adopting a new format for our Middle School age children for the next two years. Starting in September, 2018, our youth in grades 6 though 8 will meet together Sunday mornings from 10:15 – 11:00 for topical discussions related to scripture utilizing YouTube, thought provoking games and discussion starters. We will build in "preconfirmation" activities including outreach, liturgist, hosting coffee hour, cookie deliveries, grounds care and more! Rev. Julie is building a



small team to work with her to nurture and engage in the formation of these young people who are the church of today and tomorrow. Please contact Rev. Julie soon to talk about how you can get involved.

Youth Leadership/Discussion Team

June 3, Middle school and High school youth - come downstairs to Fellowship Hall, for brunch and our first "Idea Sharing" for Youth connections and activities with NSCC. We will get together every couple months to suggest, plan and review ways we gather for planned events, outreach, and church life. Parents, feel free to stay and help make bag lunches for Repairers of the Breach during this time. Contact Rev. Julie to help or with questions.



Parents/Youth: Let us know if there is a special event, games, musical, play etc. that you are involved in so the church can cheer you on! Message Rev. Julie with dates and events.

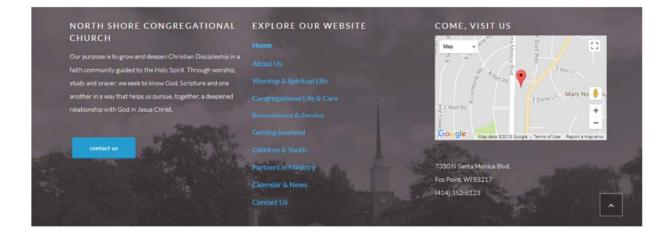


Our new digital doorway to the community...

www.NSCChurchWI.org

We are excited to announce the implementation of three new aspects of our digital presence in and through the community.

- A new website for visitors, friends and members.
- A new online database program for all members.
- An electronic giving program for one-time, periodic, and ongoing contributions.



Our Church Directory - always at your fingertips!

Access your giving records at any time...look up the address, phone number, or e-mail contact for another member...change your contact information...set communication preferences...make a contribution...and more! All through our new, **secure**, church management database.



Here's how:

- 1. Look in your e-mail inbox for an 'invitation' from OnRealm.org.
- 2. Follow the link included in that e-mail to set an access password (take note of the characters and numbers required for the password).
- 3. Log in to OnRealm.org to view your personal information, check your giving records, look up contact info on others, and more...
- 4. If you have any questions or difficulties, contact the church office for help.

NOTE - For Apple and Android users, most functions are also available through the free Realm App.

Electronic Giving

GIVE TODAY

Avoid the need to write another check, see your contribution immediately recorded in your giving records, and set up your ongoing contributions to be drawn automatically from your bank account or credit card! Electronic giving is accessible through our new website, or your OnRealm.org account, and is securely processed by Vanco Payment Solutions.

Set up regular, periodic, or one-time contributions through Bank Transfer or Credit Card by logging into your OnRealm.org account and setting up one (or more) contribution accounts.* For current contributions, the church will be charged a fee for each contribution made (fees are lower for bank transfers). As soon as this fall, contributors will be given the option to 'cover the cost' of the processing fee at the time of contribution. If you have any questions or difficulties with online giving, please contact the church office.

*Please note that we have learned that the Firefox browser, on Apple devices, is not supported by the online giving system at this time.

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