# North Shore Church News

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# "A Few Thoughts On....."

# The Winter Market

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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,

One of the highlight successes for our church in 2018, I would suggest, was our burgeoning relationship with the Fox Point Farmer's Market. When the opportunity to host the market first arose, our leadership jumped at the chance to host the community and extend hospitality to our neighbors. It was, at the time, a one-year arrangement. Stormonth Elementary School was repaving their lot over the summer, and the market needed an alternate location for the year. It was a perfect opportunity for us to be an active part of the community, and we rose to the occasion!

Fast forward a few months and, by mid-summer, conversations were more and more reflecting on the long-term location of the market. The volunteers and leaders loved working with our church, the vendors much preferred the set-up, the visitors greatly appreciated the parking and accessibility, and even the Fox Point Police Department made overtures hoping that it would stay at NSCC and not return to Stormonth in 2019. Thus, what began as a one-year opportunity to host our community for 2018 has become a new relationship and ministry of our church. The Fox Point Farmer's Market will return to our campus in 2019 (and, I presume, in the years to follow), and we will continue to do our best to share the grace we know in God through the hospitality we extend to our neighbors.

With this backdrop of the market's success, then, we decided to re-engage with a ministry that we had shared in past years. On February 10, we are excited to be reconnecting with the Food, Faith and Farming Network as we host their Winter Farmers' Market (11am-1:30pm). While only for one day and not a season, this market provides us with the same opportunity as did the Fox Point market last year – a chance to share God's love through the hospitality and welcome we extend. Just as we did with the summer market, however, we need your help to make this market a success!

#### The Winter Market cont...

Those who attend worship on February 3 will hear a lot more about the program and you will find, elsewhere in this newsletter, both a snapshot and a fuller description of the Winter Farmers Market, its mission, and its format. What we need to make it a success, however, is your help in a couple of critical ways.

- 1. **Show up!** Be here after the 10am worship on February 10, enjoy the brunch and the fellowship, and take part in this opportunity to support local farmers and vendors.
- 2. <u>Invite your friends and neighbors!</u> Details are available in this newsletter, online at NSCChurchwi.org/calendar-news/, and on Facebook at facebook.com/north.church.3. Share it, link it, talk about it invite those who might be interested to come and be a part of the fun (they can show up anytime between 11 and 1:30).
- 3. **Spread the word.** Are you a regular at a restaurant or grocery story that posts event flyers near the door? Does your stylist or barber have a community happenings board? We have flyers available in the church office to be posted around town. Help us get them up and let the community know the date and time of the market.

I am thrilled to look at the ways in which our church is continuing to strive to grow in welcoming and engaging the community around us. This market is a perfect opportunity to do that once again, and I hope you will take the time to help us spread the word, share the news, and join in fellowship as we host the Food, Faith and Farming Network and their 2019 Winter Farmers' Market.

Your Pastor and Friend, **Marty** 

Mark your calendar for **Wednesday**, **March 6**, as we gather to mark the beginning of the Lenten season with our annual **Ash Wednesday** worship. Please join us for the service at 7pm.



### **EDUCATION AND FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES**

Poetry is

**Book Group special event-** all are invited to Friendship Lounge on Tuesday, **February 12, from 10-11am** for **sweets and poetry readings**. Bring a poem you enjoy, or have written, or come simply to hear. See more information on pg. 8.

Through the rest of February, we are reading and discussing Frederick Buechner's Wishful Thinking: A Seeker's ABC's. Join us on Tuesdays in Friendship Lounge from 10-11am. Contact Rev. Julie for more information.



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.



**Thursday Morning Bible Discussion**: Come try out or join this growing vital group of people as we discuss and learn about the Bible as well as how this interacts with our life today! We are currently discussing the Letter to the Romans. We meet in Friendship Lounge from 9:30 to 11:00am.

# FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Help Us Feed Homeless

Repairers of the Breach Lunch Making—Sunday, Feb. 3
Meet in Friendship Lounge at 9am to make 75 bag lunches for Repairers of the Breach daytime homeless shelter. Wondering about other ways to help? Contact Mary Kramer or Jane Ford to donate supplies (bread, peanut butter, jelly, waters, desserts, carrots) or drive the lunches to the Repairers sight on Monday morning. Janer1975@gmail.com or mewkramer@sbcglobal.net Thank you!

Knitters and prayers unite! The Health Committee needs more prayer shawls. This is a wonderful and clearly welcome ministry that brings a touch of love from the church to friends and members during difficult times. Knit and crochet patterns are available below the bulletin board in the hall, or check with Rev. Julie or Pat Jipson if you have questions.



Lydia Circle will be attending the Friday, February 22, 2pm performance of The Church

Basement Ladies production of "Rise Up, O'Men" at the Schauer Arts Center in Hartford, WI. If you weren't a part of the group ticket purchase in January, there may still be individual tickets available. You're welcome to join us if tickets are still available. The plan is to carpool from church, exact departure time yet to be determined, then have lunch at a yet to be determined location prior to the show.



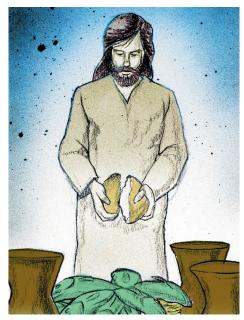
If you're interested in this production but are unable to join us, there are evening productions both Friday and Saturday, February 22 and 23, that have many more tickets available.

# **LOAVES AND FISHES**

# **February 19, 2019**

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MAN DOES NOT LIVE ON BREAD ALONE BUT ON EVERY WORD THAT COMES FROM THE MOUTH OF THE LORD. DEUTERONOMY 8:3

# **DRIVERS**

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# **SQUEAKY CLEAN—FEBRUARY 2019**

The Benevolence Board has chosen to support the Sojourner Family Peace Center during the month of February with our annual Squeaky Clean collection. All donations will go to the Sojourner Family Peace Center, which provides a short-term home away from home for women and children who have been forced to leave their homes due to domestic abuse. The focus of our collection will be all things "Squeaky Clean."

Bar soap and body wash, shampoo and conditioner, toothbrushes and toothpaste, deodorant, lotion, baby care products (wipes, shampoo, powder, teething rings, sippy cups, etc. diapers, sizes 4, 5, 6, and pull-ups).

All items should be full-size for extended stay usage. You will find hampers throughout the church ready for your contributions!

Thank you in advance for your generosity. Your Benevolence Board

#### **2019 BUDGET**

Thanks to everyone's cooperation, our 2019 budget is realistic, and balanced. Each board has examined the budget and agreed that they can operate within the budget.

At the December 23 Congregational Meeting I said that the report handed out was the same as the Church Council had twice approved and the same as was distributed at the October 28 Congregational meeting. Unfortunately, the copy distributed on December 23 was a much earlier draft budget and not what the council approved. I failed to recognize the error until after the meeting.

On January 15 the Council re-approved the correct budget that was originally presented to the congregation on October 28 and accepted at two previous Council meetings. In doing so, they corrected my error made at the December Congregational meeting. Please accept my apologies for this mix up. Copies



of the correct 2019 NSCC Budget are available in the church office if you wish to have one.

On a more positive note, I believe 2019 will be a positive inflection point in NSCC finances. I expect the 2019 income will exceed 2018.

If you have not done so, please send or email your EOG to Kerrin White kerrinwhite@northshorecongl.org.

Steve Anderson, Budget Chair

## HEALTH COMMITTEE

# POETRY READ - FEBRUARY 12, 10:00 AM

The Health Committee, in partnership with the Book Group, invites NSCC members and friends to share "Poetry of Love and Blessings" on Tuesday, February 12, at 10am.

Join us with a poem you have written or one you have read that is especially meaningful to you for any in your life, ie: special thoughts of a loved one; for healing;

heartfelt circumstance in your life, ie: special thoughts of a loved one; for healing; quieting the mind; for joy; etc. Or just come to listen and enjoy.

We would love to have you share with us, but if you are unable to come or don't care to read aloud, please submit your poem to Rev. Julie so it can be included. A suggested resource to explore is poetryfoundation.org. and the Poem-A-Day project.

# SAVE THE DATE - "BEING MORTAL"

Looking ahead, mark your calendar for **March 17**. Following the 10 am worship service, the Health Committee will host a light (a bit 'o green for St Pat's) lunch while watching "**Being Mortal**." This moving and helpful video explores relationships between doctors and their patients nearing end of life.



# WINTER FARMERS' MARKET AND BRUNCH

# February 10

Local farmers, vendors and exhibitors, a delicious brunch, and fellowship with your church family...what could be better?

Mark February 10 on your calendars for our Food, Faith & Farming Network Winter Farmers' Market and Brunch. Building on the wonderful success of hosting the Fox Point Farmer's Market in 2018, we are excited to bring back the Winter Market in February! The event is co-sponsored by Food, Faith & Farming Network, an ecumenical organization that works to foster urban and rural relationships and promote earth stewardship, community, spirituality and economic justice through healthy food and sustainable farming practices. Food will be sourced from local farmers.



A goodwill donation will be accepted, for the brunch, to support the work of Food, Faith & Farming Network, helping farmers across the state. Purchases from vendors not only supports their livelihood, but also supports the Harvest of Hope Fund, a nonprofit providing emergency financial assistance for farmers. Vendors donate 10% of their sales if they make a minimum threshold of Harvest of Hope fund was

initiated in 1986, it has given away over \$1 million dollars to farmers in need.

More Information about Food, Faith & Farming Network and the Harvest of Hope Fund Is available on their website, www.foodfaithandfarmingnetwork.org.

Bring your family and friends to share this special meal and event. All are welcome.

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRY



#### **February Lessons at a Glance:**

- © February 3: Jesus Heals Jarius' Daughter (Luke 8:49-56)
- © **February 10**: God Cares for Birds (Matthew 10:29-31)
- © February 17: Jesus Heals a Deaf Man (Mark 7:31-36)
- © February 24: Jesus Heals a Crippled Woman on the Sabbath (Luke 13: 10-16)

#### **KidsConnect LOCK-IN (grades 3-5)**

**♦ When?** February 8 (enter by the north door/small parking lot), 7:00pm. Pizza, games and movie time. Breakfast the next morning at 8:30am and the kids will be ready to head home by 9am. We will have them packed and ready by the north door/small parking lot.



- \* What to bring? Bring pillow, pjs, blankets, (whatever they need for comfort and sleep), toothbrush etc. We ask that all electronics stay at home. Our adult leaders will have cell phones for communication purposes.
- \* Friends very welcome as is an RSVP for planning.

Sunday, February 10' Children's Choir sings during 10:00am worship.



We continue to sponsor children at Happy Life Children's 🍖 🤝 Home in Kenya Africa, through the offering collected in Sunday School each week. Remember each cent collected adds up and is used to help in big ways!

Would your child like to acolyte and carry God's light into the sanctuary on a Sunday morning? Please contact Leslie Krueger if your child is interested in helping with this special responsibility!





Squeaky Clean - Children in our Sunday School will have the opportunity to donate items to the Sunday School collection, which will go specifically to children staying at the Center. Please consider adding children's socks and underwear to this collection.

## SAVE THE DATE!

# WISCONSIN CONGREGATIONAL ASSOCIATION SMART CHURCH SUMMIT AND ANNUAL MEETING MAY 3-4

Watch for the complete flyer and information, but here are some tidbits to spark your interest. Friday evening we will host Adrie Groenewig, founder and CEO of Pizza Ranch. He will inspire us with his story of Christian practices in business leadership. The evening will conclude with fellowship and a concert.

Saturday morning following the business meeting we will have two sessions on *Smart Church*. Do people and leaders in your church have questions about Stewardship, Fundraising, or new creative giving solutions? The morning will begin with a presentation and talk back with financial expert Angela Smith.



Following lunch there will be a presentation and talk-back with Lt. Chris D'Amato on the unique aspect of church security in our time.

These topics will be of interest to all church members, so we look forward to engaging many of you in the conversation!

#### 2019 HOSANNA INDUSTRIES MISSION TRIP

**♦ When**: June 22-28

**Where**: Rochester, Pennsylvania-just north of Pittsburgh

❖ Who: Those who want to take care of God's Business

This year we are looking for a cooking staff and mission team members. Please contact David Schimpf at 262-707-5224 or dschimpf@wi.rr.com if you are interested in serving.



#### HAPPENINGS WITH YOUTH!

### IN THE MIDDLE CLASS (GRADES 6-8)

Reminder that on the first Sunday of the month we invite the youth to remain in worship with your family and share communion. But, it would be helpful if you can early and help make 75 bag lunches for the daytime homeless shelter, *Repairers of the Breach*, in Friendship Lounge at 9 am. February 10, 17, and 24 the "In the Middle" class will meet upstairs at 10:15 (after the Children's Message) for donuts, conversation about the Bible aided by YouTube clips and games.

#### **YOUTHCONNECT (GRADE 6-12)**

Let's go to the **Brown Deer Jump Park!** On **Wednesday, February 6**, come to church for pizza at 5. We will carpool over to the park, leaving the church at 5:40. (Please let Rev. Julie know if you are an adult that can help with dinner, driving, jumping!) We will jump from 6-7, then back home to finish your homework! RSVP helpful - Friends welcome!

\*\*\*A waiver MUST be signed- see link below. (or go to the Rockin Jump website)

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Monday February 25, meet at (or carpool to) the **Riverside Park Urban Ecology center** for a 4-5:30 papermaking/recyclables session. Let's do some bits to care for God's creation, and have some fun checking out the opportunities that the Urban Ecology Center has for us! As always an RSVP is helpful as well as another adult.

#### WINTER FARMERS' MARKET

After the 10 am worship service on February 10 we are hosting a Farmers' Market downstairs in Fellowship Hall. Not only will there be delicious food to eat and things to buy, but it's a great way to learn a bit about sustainability and local/seasonal food. We do need help, if any YouthConnect people are available - guiding vendors downstairs before worship to set up their booths, as well as helping serve and/or clean up the brunch. Please let Rev. Julie or Sharon Hall know if you can help!





The WCA Youth and Camp Committee is proud to host World Vision's 30 Hour Famine.

When: Friday, February 22, at 7:00 PM - Saturday, February 23, at 3:00 PM

Where: North Shore Congregational Church

**Who:** Youth participants in grades 6-12 and college students

What: An over-night event filled with thought-provoking discussions, games,

inspirational videos, and service events — and mash them all up into an unforgettable day-and-a-half of fasting from technology (and/or food) while

raising funds for the hungry.

We also ask that each participant raise a minimum of \$40 – all donations go to World Vision and will be used to provide food and supplies to countries all around the world dealing with famine, drought, and war. Fund-raising can be done by collecting checks, or through online donations.

Please RSVP by Friday, February 15, by emailing Becca Penno at becca.penno@gmail.com. We hope this event can make a difference in many lives both near and far.

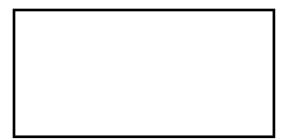
See link below to join the fundraising team!

https://www.30hourfamine.org/index.cfm?fuseaction=donordrive.team&teamID=21187&fbclid=IwAR3Bd0DLLjJJQcGJw6JnGngeCz637Hbfbn-1VE3Cr5AYhtirvZHXONw8pA

**February 4** is the next **Agape Table** with our college students at the **University of Madison**. Rev.'s Rob Fredrickson and Julie Smith meet on campus - for dinner and conversation with students, keeping and growing a connection with these young adults of our churches. If you have questions, or know of a student on or near UW Madison or Milwaukee let Rev. Julie know- we notify the group when we are coming. What college person doesn't appreciate a free meal! March 4 we will be hosting Agape table in Milwaukee.



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