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July 2019

“A Few Thoughts On.....”

Summer Worship...

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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,

All the schools are finished for the year, the flowers are increasingly coming into full bloom, schedules are shifting into the new mode for the season...yes, despite the fact that I wore a jacket on my way into the office this morning (June 13), summer is, indeed, upon us. In the coming weeks and months our lives will be filled with opportunities of travel, family time, and enjoying the countless wonders of God’s creation. We will take a slightly slower pace at some things, we will take more time for others, and we will be blessed by the richness of opportunity the season brings. In the midst of all of that, however, I want to encourage you to take the time to enjoy the worship opportunities we have planned throughout these summer months.

By the time you receive this newsletter, we will be coming right upon the hymn-sing and celebration of the ministry and music of Rod Loren on June 30. Three weeks later, on July 21, our worship will be inspired by the Hosanna Mission Team sharing stories and memories from their trip to western PA in June. Then, on August 4, we will have the joyous opportunity to host the Agape Players – a group of high school and college youth who will present a 40 minute musical, “The Born Again Identity,” as the core of our 10am worship service. They will then join with us, around the table, as we share in our monthly service of communion.

Intertwined with these special days, our worship themes throughout the summer will surround Biblical Nobodies. Aeneas, Ahithophel, Jabez, Jael, Mahlah, Naboth, Onesimus...the list goes on and on of those stories of Scripture in which powerful lessons of faith are revealed in the subtle stories of those who nearly fade into the background of the Biblical narrative. Over the course of the summer, we’re going to draw them out!

Each Sunday (save those noted above), we will delve into the

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story of one of these individuals. We will explore how these Biblical Nobodies became somebody, and what their subtle stories of faith have to say about those we live each and every day. Then, twice each week (Tuesday and Thursday), a devotional focused on another will be shared on Facebook. We encourage all who are on Facebook to tune in, read, reflect and comment on these stories throughout the summer. For those not on Facebook, the previous week's devotionals will be published in each Sunday's order of worship.

For those who might want to follow along the series more in depth, the characters of our reflections will be drawn from a book compiled by Lance Wubbels and Terry McDowell, "Bible Nobodies who Became Somebodies: 50 Inspirational Characters Who Prove that Anyone Can Be Special in God's Kingdom." The book is available on Amazon and elsewhere.

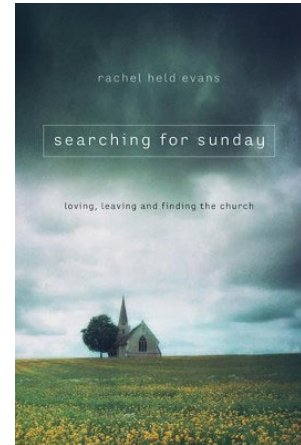
I am looking forward to a summer with special worship opportunities that are surrounded by this unique series delving into some of the most subtle stories of our faith. I pray that you all have a wonderful season, that you make the most of the blessings of God's creation, and that you take the time to join us for worship, in the midst of it all.

Your Pastor and Friend, ***Marty***



EDUCATION AND FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Book Group: For the near future the book group will meet in the Sanctuary from 10 – 11 am. Our Summer book is **Rachel Held Evans' *Searching for Sunday: Loving, Leaving, and Finding the Church***. Mark your calendar with the following meeting dates, July 9, 23, August 6, 13, 20 and Sept 3. The book is broken into 7 parts and we read and discuss by "part." Contact Rev. Julie if you need a copy of the book or 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@NSCChurchWI.org.



We are under a process of reconstruction! We will meet (until further notice) in the Sanctuary from 9:30-11:00am. We will meet twice in July: July 11 and 18 and our topic will be **Sabbath!** (A wonderful topic to practice at all times, and especially in summer). Come August 1, 8, 22, 29, and September 5 as we move from Sabbath to Hospitality. Please let Rev. Julie know if you might join us some summer Thursdays so you can be updated along the way.

FELLOWSHIP AND OUTREACH OPPORTUNITIES

Repairers of the Breach Lunch Making - July 7

July 7 come to the library after 10am worship. Make peanut butter sandwiches, or prep bags of carrots, pretzels, and cookies, or stuff lunch bags with water bottles and apples in order to provide 75 bag lunches for Repairers of the Breach daytime homeless shelter. Children and adults of all ages work together. 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! Thank you to those who have knitted and dropped off prayer shawls. We are also glad to have some new people knitting and praying! Our prayer shawl ministry is a loving “hug” from God and we are grateful for this touch from the church that is shared with members and friends. Prayer shawl instructions (knit and crochet) are on the bulletin board in the hall. Please feel free to contact Rev. Julie if you would like more information, OR if you know of someone who would appreciate receiving one.



UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE



In addition to **July 4**, please take note that the **office will also be closed** on Thursday, **July 25**, for a staff planning retreat.

Mission Sunday:

Join us for worship on Sunday, **July 21**, as our Hosanna Mission Team shares stories from their trip to western PA in June. Hear about the people they met, the work they did, and the connections they made throughout their week together!



Agape Players:

Mark your calendar for the 10am worship service on **Sunday, August 4**. The Agape Players will join us to present a 40 minute musical during worship, and we will then all gather around the table for communion. The Agape Players is the high school and college age group connected to Children's Christian Theater – a faith based theater ministry centered at our sister church in Franklin. We have been blessed to host presentations by both CCT and Agape over the course of the past few years, and we look forward to sharing with them again on August 4. **Note that the 8:30am chapel service will continue with its normal timing and flow.**



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The Farmer's Market is back...and so is the NSCC Coffee Booth. After such a tremendous success in 2018 (in both raising funds for St. Ben's and welcoming the community to our church campus), we are excited to be hosting the coffee booth for the Fox Point Farmer's Market again in 2019. The market runs each Saturday from **June 15 through October 19**, and we need volunteers from 7:30am to 12:30pm each week. Two to three volunteers are needed at all times - so, yes, we need YOU! Sign up for an early shift (7:30-10), a late shift (10-12:30), or both. A form is available on Rev. Julie's office door, and a link to the digital sign-up is included with the This Week at NSCC email each Monday.

Please sign up for a few shifts and help us make 2019 another successful year for our participation in the market!

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 Wisconsin Woodchucks, Saturday **August 3** at 6:35pm at Kapco Park in Mequon. Tickets will remain on sale until Sunday July 28. See Sharon Hall for tickets and more information (disneyfamily01@gmail.com).



JULY 4 FESTIVITIES—2019!

The Fourth of July is soon to be upon us, and we are excited to continue to grow our gathering of fellowship and community hospitality for the Fox Point parade. Join in to help with some light set up at 7:30 that morning (bring some flags or decorations to set around the campus if you have them), jump in to help with hosting a bike decorating table for the kids, or simply come by sometime between 8 and 8:30 with your camp chairs and some snacks/treats to share (the parade starts at 9). With questions, or to sign up, please contact Bruce (brucelizz@sbcglobal.net) or Lizz (lizzloder@yahoo.com). Let's see how many of our members can be around as we reach out to the community with joy and hospitality!



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Terry Doty-Webb is a Fox Point resident who first started attending our church earlier this spring. Terry, the youngest of 4 (all brothers) is a surgical intake nurse who loves her dogs – three Cavalier King Charles Spaniels! She shared in her notes that she likes to think she can cook – but she's not sure how true that really is! She also shared that one of her greatest blessings is her amazing friends who have supported and strengthened her, particularly since the loss of her husband in 2003. If you catch a glimpse of a beaming smile in the pews on Sunday morning – it's quite possible it's Terry's!



Tom Halstead comes to us by way of his fiancée, a long-time member of our church, Ann Janikowsky. Tom and Ann, who dated in college and came back together 3 years ago, will be married here at North Shore this fall, and have spent much of their recent time looking for a new home in the Fox Point area. Tom has two adult children, a son and a daughter, and is a soon-to-be grandpa, as his daughter is expecting her first child a matter of weeks after the wedding this fall. While working in the hotel industry, Tom spends a lot of time on the side as a brass player in a local event band, and his love for music stems back to his years in the Badger Band as a student, and later for 13 years as a field assistant in the same. More than anything in the life of the church, Tom is looking forward to having a church home in which he can worship and serve!

If you've seen a young lady enter the church, on Sundays, with a puppet on her arms – that's Addy! Addy is in second grade, and comes into our church with her parents, Laura and Paul Rohling. Laura first started attending the church around Easter time of 2018, and the family has grown increasingly involved over the course of the past year. Also Fox Point locals, Laura recently left the education field and is just starting her new work at Meta House (an addiction treatment and recovery center in Milwaukee), and Paul is a licensed social worker and therapist with an emphasis on ADHD, trauma, and art therapy. They have two dogs – a boxer named JJ and a bull terrier named Gus – and while Paul enjoys art, photography, gardening, travel and Disney, Laura also enjoys spending her time reading and knitting. They all look forward to getting to know more members of the church and participating in activities with the church family.



HEALTH COMMITTEE

TIPS FOR HEALTHY TRAVEL

Airplanes are the perfect breeding ground for viruses and bacteria. The enclosed space, travelers with infections, and the fact viruses and bacteria can live for hours on surfaces, combine for the perfect storm. Research has determined areas with the most germs.

- * SEATBACK TRAY TABLE (it is **not** cleaned between flights)
- * OVERHEAD AIR VENT
- * SEATBELT BUCKLE
- * SEATBACK POCKET



Use an alcohol-based wipe on all of these surfaces **before** touching them. Wash your hands frequently with soap and hot water.

Sitting for more than 4 hours increases the risk of developing a blood clot. You can decrease your risk.

- * WALK AROUND EVERY HOUR IF YOU CAN.
- * PERIODICALLY RAISE YOUR HEELS WITH YOUR TOES ON THE FLOOR. ALTERNATE THIS WITH KEEPING YOUR HEELS ON THE FLOOR AND RAISING YOUR TOES.
- * DO NOT SIT WITH YOUR LEGS CROSSED.
- * DRINK WATER AND MORE WATER.
- * WEAR LOOSE CLOTHING.
- * AVOID ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES.



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 opening portion of worship. When the weather is good, you might find us having our lesson on the playground. Between our lesson/stories, games and experiments we have fun together learning about God. Please choose a Sunday to help as the second adult (no prep required, just come and enjoy) please email Leslie, lrkrueger74@gmail.com You will be glad you did.

At a Glance:

- * July 7: Patience (Jacob Waits for Rachael) Genesis 29: 1-30
- * July 14: Kindness (Abraham Shows Hospitality) Genesis 18: 1-15
- * July 21: Goodness (The Parable of the Good Samaritan) Luke 10: 30-37
- * July 28: Faithfulness (David and Jonathan's Friendship) 1 Samuel 20

Summer Bible Adventures:

This summer we are trying a new thing offering individual Summer Bible Adventures.

Dates and places:

- ☺ July 30, from 9-1, we will have our adventure at the Mequon Nature Preserve
- ☺ August 27 we will meet in the afternoon, from 2-5, at Lac du Cours Mequon. Stay after for dinner, swimming, and games with church families.

Please talk to Rev. Julie if you can help on any of those dates!

Families! Come for the **July 4 parade** right in front of the church. There will be a bike decorating station for the church and neighborhood children. Come as you are or bring bikes, your dog, and some flags and decorations. If you can help with a little set up at 7:30 please contact Bruce (brucelizz@sbcglobal.net) or Lizz (lizzloder@yahoo.com).

Summer Bible Adventures

July 30—Mequon Nature Preserve Adventure

9 am - 1 pm. We will combine our Bible lesson on God's good creation with the wonderful grounds and staff. Included are Nature's Scavenger Hunt, a guided tour of the animal habitat, a climb up the observation tower, and a bag lunch provided by you.



August 27—Lac du Cours Mequon Adventure

2 pm - 5 pm. We will take the story of God's Creation and make a skit which we will present at the beginning of the Summer's End Family Bash at Lac du Cours Club House!



Ages 3—Grade 6

Two Dates: Two Adventures!
July 30, and August 27
Let's get outside and discover God's
good creation together.
Share this with friends and
neighbors!
Come for 1 or both adventures

**Would you like to join an Adventure
as a mentor/helper?**

**Please contact Rev. Julie or Leslie.
We would love to have you on the
Adventure with us!**

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Forms at Nscchurchwi.org



YouthConnect (grade 6-12)

Summer Lock-In at church for YouthConnect kids (grade 6-12) and any friends you invite—Friday, July 26, starting at 7 pm, ending the next morning after breakfast at 8:30 am. Mark your calendar and RSVP. This will help as we look into swimming, firepit, movie, and more for the evening.



Hosanna Mission Team



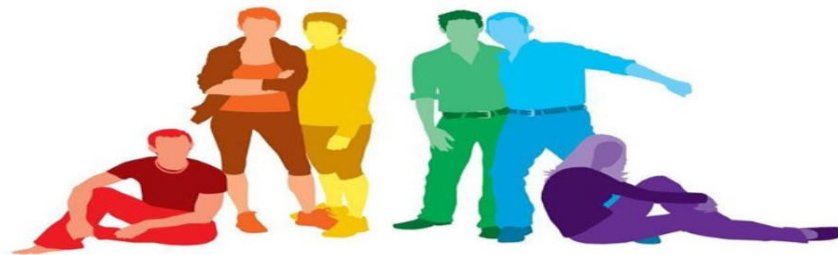
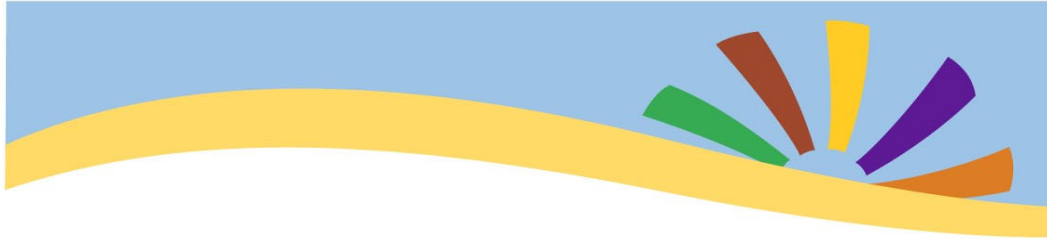
The Hosanna Mission Team will return June 28 filled to the brim (and perhaps a little tired and dirty) with stories of God's work the team partnered in. Please mark your calendar for **July 21** for a special time during worship to hear more about it.

Summer Bible Adventures

We have two Summer Bible Adventures ahead for children age 3 through grade 6, and we would love to have older youth join us as helpers (earn some service hours for Confirmation or school)

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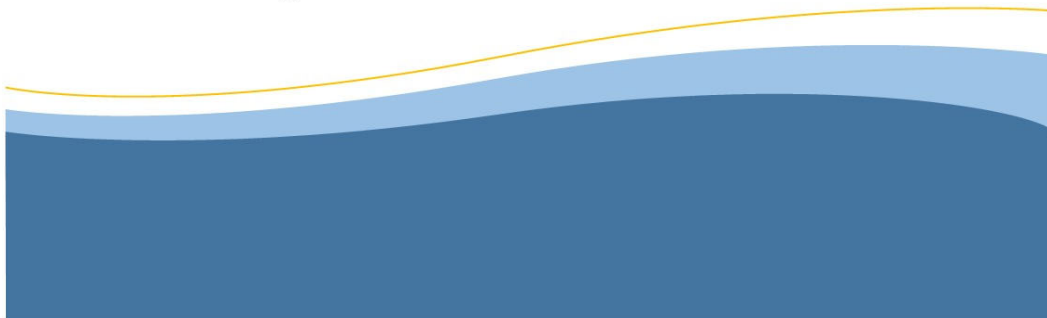
The Hangout

A Place for Youth

We are so excited to have a team of young people who will host regular “**hangouts**” during the school year for our **Middle and Highschool** people.

Abby and Nick Hodgdon brought the idea, and Sarah Schimpf who has graduated and is back in town is ready to join in!

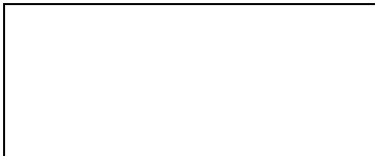
We will have a summer Fire Pit on July 30 at Church. Come at 7:30pm to relax, play games, snack and chat.



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