

North Shore Church News

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Sunday Morning

10:00am
Worship (Sanctuary/Facebook)
10:15am
Music & Movement and
Godly Fun

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“A Few Thoughts On.....”

Stay Tuned! ...

I don't think I'm the only one who has wondered if spring is ever going to truly arrive! The months of April and early May, with a few sporadic days of warmth here and there, seemed particularly cold and dreary this year. Even now, moving into the latter days of May, the sun may be shining, but there remains an undeniable chill in the air. Still, despite Mother Nature's unpleasant tease, I'm confident that the warmth is soon to arrive, the sun will continue to shine more and more, and those summer days, filled with blessings unique to the season, will descend upon us soon enough. Amidst all of that, however, I encourage you to stay tuned to all that is unfolding here at NSCC in the months ahead.

On June 5, we will have our Celebration Sunday worship and fellowship – a day in which we will rejoice in God's blessing shown in and through the many who devote themselves to the programs and ministries of the church. We will rejoice in all that has been in the year that has passed, and look with anticipation on that which is still yet to be in the year ahead. As our minds turn towards these summer months, however, we are looking forward to taking the next steps in the worship and fellowship life of our church.

Stay tuned for news about dates for Music on the Lawn over the summer! Preliminary conversations have taken place with fan favorite Frogwater, and we hope to schedule some opportunities for evenings spent in fellowship and music.

Stay tuned for the return of outdoor worship! Per the plans laid out in our Future of Worship proposal, our regular 10am Sunday services will be outdoors (weather permitting) on the fourth Sundays of June-September (June 26, July 24, August 21, September 25). This silver lining to the Covid cloud quickly became a treasured opportunity

Stay Tuned! continued....

in the life of our church, and we are looking forward to incorporating these outdoor services in the ongoing worship life of the church.

And, of course, stay tuned for the launch of our Wednesday evening services! While the date is not yet determined, we anticipate that our midweek services will launch sometime in late July or early August – taking advantage of the nice weather for some additional opportunities for outside worship and fellowship. As a staff, we are truly looking forward to this new element of our worship life, and as individuals who lead busy summer lives, it is our hope and prayer that this gathering will provide a summer worship opportunity for those of you who are drawn in other directions on Sunday morning. A formal start date will be published in the coming weeks and will be included in upcoming worship orders and newsletters.

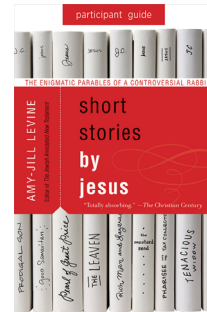
There will be more to come on these things, as well as some other noteworthy items, in the weeks ahead. For now, however, I simply ask you to stay tuned! Summer provides us with a wonderful opportunity to catch our breath and enjoy God's many blessings that are particular to this time of year in Wisconsin. I pray that you will make the most of every one of those opportunities. I pray also, however, that you will stay tuned to what's coming in the life of our church in the midst of these summer months. Personally, I can't wait to spend a little extra time with family, evenings around the campfires, and hours on my bike. I also can't wait, however, to be a part of what's just beginning here at NSCC. I hope and pray that you will feel the same as you stay tuned to what is next to come!

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

ADULT FORMATION

Thursday Morning Bible Study, from 9:30-11:00am.

Our summer schedule will shift a bit and we will look into some of Jesus' Parables in June with *Amy-Jill Levine's "Short Stories by Jesus"* as one of our references. We will meet on June 2, 9, 16, and 30 (please note not on the 23rd). Those of us who come in person, meet in Rev. Julie's office where we are joined by others online (through Zoom). The link for Zoom will be in the Monday emails each week.



Tuesday Morning Book Group

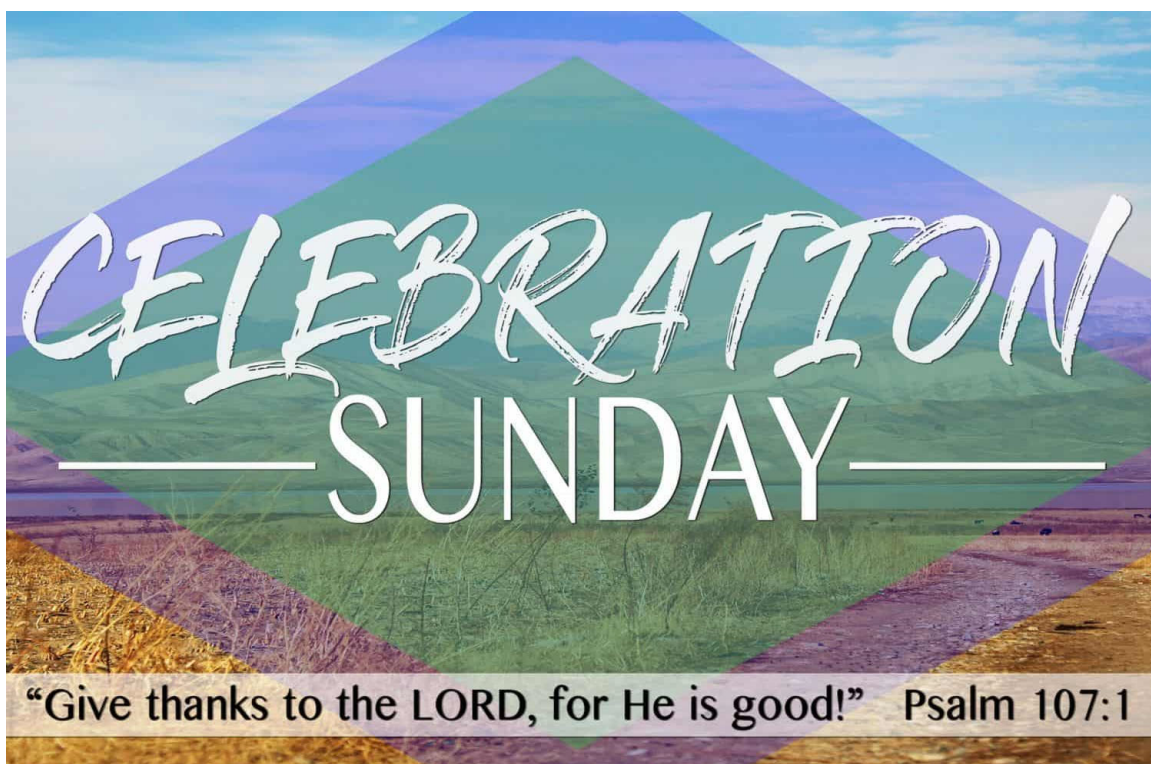
During the summer we will have a combination of articles, podcasts, and Tedtalks to frame a topic and conversation. Each gathering will be a unique topic so you can join when you are able! The "Zoom" group meets at 9am (link provided in Monday E-News), the 10am meet in Friendship Lounge. We will meet on June 7, 14, and 21 (not on June 28).

If you are not already on Book Group email list, let Rev. Julie know so you can receive updates on topics!

Special Tuesday Book Group gathering on **MONDAY June 20** to serve together at **Just One More Ministry from 9-11.**

If you have any questions, or would like to receive more communication about our study groups, contact anyone in the church office.

SAVE THE DATE



Join us on Sunday, **June 5**, for our **Celebration Sunday** festivities.

A worship service filled with special music from all of our choirs, teacher recognition, communion, and more... all followed by a celebration picnic immediately after the 10am worship service.

Join us at 10am for worship and then stay for the fun and festivities to follow!



NEW OPPORTUNITIES

Would your church group (Bible Study, Men's Discussion Group, Board, Committee, Choir?) like to get together for some good times and some good works? The Benevolence Board will help you arrange a date for a service opportunity. The Book Group, for example, is looking forward to sorting food at Just One More Ministry on the morning of Monday, June 20. We hope this will be a wonderful chance for comradery and community along with compassion for those in need.

HATS OFF!

Our hats are off to the "In the Middle" youth group who participated in several service projects this year, including filling bags for Just One More Ministry, making sandwiches for Repairers of the Breach and sorting shoes for Soles for Jesus. The congregation is proud of you!!

JUST ONE MORE MINISTRY

Grocery bags (particularly plastic ones) are very much needed in order to deliver items to the neediest areas of Milwaukee. As well, the need remains for pantry items. Peanut butter is still an excellent choice. So glad to have the **Tuesday Morning Book group** volunteering to serve at JOMM the morning of June 20!

REPAIRERS OF THE BREACH

We are asking for volunteers able to make sandwiches from home for June and July. The link to sign up for June is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0D4EACAF2CA6FD0-june1>; Bag lunches you prepare should be dropped off on June 5 and July 3 at church before noon. Thank you for reaching out to help!

Your generous Lenten offerings generated financial support of **\$4,210.00** and in-kind donations have been greatly appreciated by Repairers. Once again we have shown that we all can be "repairers of the breach."

ST. BEN'S LOAVES AND FISHES

NSCC will not be delivering casseroles or desserts or serving at St. Ben's in June or July. Many thanks for all those who assisted with this ministry during the year. Remember, however, that there will be a donation box for St. Ben's available at the Farmer's Market starting June 18.

SOLES FOR JESUS

Start cleaning out those closets for shoes in good condition that you can donate to Soles for Jesus. We will have the big donation boxes out at the Farmer's Market. All the shoes we collect will be sorted and sent to Africa. Upcoming Sort and Serve dates are Saturday, June 11 and Saturday, July 23 from 9 to 11. The link to sign up for the June date is <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4EA9A829A5FE3-soles7>



CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Graduation congratulations to some of our families.

We are grateful for updates on the young adults graduating and beginning something new:



- ♦ **Eric Detienne** will graduate from Whitefish Bay High School June 12. He will be attending UW Whitewater in the fall studying business/finance.
- ♦ **Jack Ford** is graduating from Nicolet this June and will attend MSOE in the fall.
- ♦ **Joe Hadcock** is graduating from UW Eau Claire May 21, with a major in Marketing and a minor in Creative Writing.
- ♦ **Nicole Lennie** will be graduating in May from Colorado State University with a B.S. in Communications.
- ♦ **Carl Plichta** will graduate from Whitefish Bay High School in June; then spend a post-graduate (“gap”) year studying at Wilbraham & Monson Academy in Wilbraham, MA before attending college.
- ♦ **Abby Schill** graduates from Dartmouth College on June 12 with a major in Environmental Studies and a minor in Earth Science. She wrote a senior thesis entitled "The Sun Will Rise: Climate Activism and Hope." Abby intends to pursue a career in environmental policy research.
- ♦ **Taylor Snider** graduated from UW-LaCrosse in December 2021 with a bachelor's degree in Public Administration. He currently is working at the Ozaukee County Administration Building and will be pursuing a Masters in Public Administration degree at UW-Milwaukee in the fall.

We will keep these young people in our thoughts and prayers and look forward to seeing them when visiting home. And don't forget, join us at the Agape Tables with Rev. Julie and Rev. Rob Fredrickson.

Thank you to the parents who sent in these updates!

Summer! Sunday mornings we will have simple games and activities for children from 10:15-11:00 downstairs or outside (weather permitting). On the 4th Sunday of the month we will all worship outside!



Parents, always check out the Noah's Ark shelf. There are books, bags of items, and children's bulletins available for children to take into worship with them. We are always happy for the sight and sound of children joining in.



If you have children under age 3, and would like to make use of the **Crib 'n Crawler**, please contact the church office and we will be sure to staff that room.

If you have any questions about opportunities for children during worship, please contact the church office!

All Youth and Families, watch for emails and text messages for updates on summer minigolf, firepits and hangouts for In the Middle (grade 5-8) and High school youth.



Wisconsin Congregational Summer Camp at Mt Morris, Wisconsin.

MiniKamp, grades 3-5 (complete 2022), Jr. High, grades 6-8 (completed 2022) and Sr. High, grades 9-12 (completed 2022). For kids who have come, they call it "the best week of the year!"

Join us for a week long "*Summerfest*" style celebration of Peace and Faith through music! How can we think about faith in the media we consume, the movies we love, the music we listen to, and more? Music, great food, field games, craft barn, pool time, nature hikes, and skit night, campfires and more.

July 10-16. \$475 register in June. Scholarships available! Go to <https://www.wiscongregational.net/>



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