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September 2024



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Sunday Worship

10:00am

Worship (Sanctuary/
YouTube)

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“A Few Thoughts On.....”

The Busy and Joyous Season Before Us

Dear Friends,

Our church staff and leadership have heard me talk, often, about the ‘marathon sprint’ that is the fall and holiday season in the life of the church. As our members begin to transition from summer schedules to school-year norms, there is a transition that happens in the life of the church as well. Sunday programming for kids ramps back up, the choirs begin making music, and people fall more into the routines of daily life that get set aside, a bit, during those summer months.

While this is all happening in our individual lives, however, there is series of focused events that speed us through that busy fall season in the church. Commissioning Sunday in early September quickly gives way to Stewardship campaigns, Bible Sunday, Remembrance Sunday, Thanksgiving Sunday, Advent, Christmas... and before you blink it's January 1! Unique to this year, of course, we are adding our 75th anniversary celebration to that calendar with a banquet and program on Saturday, October 19.

I bring this up in this newsletter, however, for two reasons...

First, I raise this in the hopes of encouraging you to make a point of trying to be a part of these events as they come. There is no question that adding a busy church schedule into a busy home schedule can be challenging, at times, but making the effort to make room for these events is a gift to us all. Our mutual presence on these special days heightens the joy we share and the memories we make. I truly hope that you will seek to set aside the time to be a part of all that is in front of us in this special season in the life of the church.

Second, there is a tendency in life for the rush of the season to subdue the blessing of the moment, and I'd hate to see that happen to all these gifts God has laid before us in the coming months. There will be times that, for both the church leadership and the membership as a whole, it will feel as though we are bouncing from one major 'event' to the next in these coming months. While there is some truth to that from a programmatic perspective, I hope that you will join me in seeking to keep our hearts in the moment that is. These special days and moments make up a major piece of the richness that is the life of our church, and being truly present in each of them is a blessing that cannot be overstated.

It is a busy calendar in front of us, for sure, and there are definitely things that will need to be done. I for one, however, am very much looking forward to sharing them with our church family, and I truly pray that you will be present, in body, mind, and spirit, to share in them as well.

In Faith, *Marty*

Commissioning Sunday



As the new program year kicks off, join us for **Commissioning Sunday, 10am on Sunday, September 8**. Worship in the sanctuary, and online, led by Rev. Marty and our Chancel Choir as we kick off the new program year. And... An Ice Cream Social, hosted by our Fellowship Committee, immediately after worship. If you have been 'away' for much of the summer, we've missed you. Come to be a part of launching an exciting and important year at North Shore Congregational Church.

FORMATION AND FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday Morning Book Group

When we return on **September 3**, our first book of the new program year will be *Rooted: Life at the Crossroads of Science, Nature, and Spirit* by Lyanda Lynn Haupt.

Amazon offers this description:

Award-winning writer Lyanda Lynn Haupt's highly personal new book is a brilliant invitation to live with the earth in both simple and profound ways—from walking barefoot in the woods and reimagining our relationship with animals and trees, to examining the very language we use to describe and think about nature. She invokes rootedness as a way of being in concert with the wilderness—and wildness—that sustains humans and all of life.

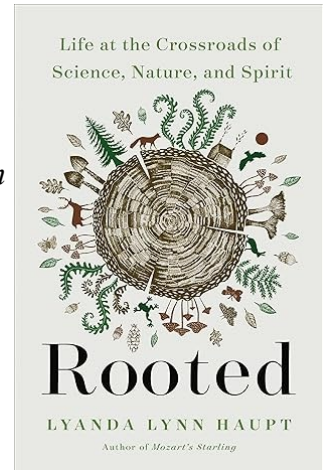
In the tradition of Rachel Carson, Elizabeth Kolbert, and Mary Oliver, Haupt writes with urgency and grace, reminding us that at the crossroads of science, nature, and spirit we find true hope. Each chapter provides tools for bringing our unique gifts to the fore and transforming our sense of belonging within the magic and wonder of the natural world.

Deepen your connection to the natural world with this inspiring meditation, "'a path to the place where science and spirit meet'" writes Robin Wall Kimmerer, the author of Braiding Sweetgrass.

The book is available on Amazon in paperback, Kindle, and audio formats. Please let Lizz know if you'd like her to order a copy for you. There are five copies available in the office that were \$9.00 for anyone who told me previously that they wanted a copy. Unfortunately, the price has since risen to \$12.00 (at least that's today's price). I look forward to gathering again on September 3rd on Zoom and in person.

Book Group meets every Tuesday morning at 9:00 via Zoom and 10:00 in person in Friendship Lounge. We would love to see you there!

-Lizz Loder and Susan Wauck



Thursday Bible Study: 9:30am

*Please join us for Bible study on Thursday mornings at 9:30. We continue to read the minor prophets or **The Book of Twelve**. We meet in the Owl room and also have a Zoom option for those joining us from a distance. The Zoom link is found in Marty's Monday email.*



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



Chancel Choir and Handbells start **Thursday, September 5.**

If singing and/or ringing brings you joy and you want to share that, consider joining us. Reach out to Trinny at trinnyschumann@nscchurchwi.org.

Our **Memoir Group** has been on a summer hiatus for July and August. We will be restarting our monthly meetings on **September 15** in the large classroom at 11:10 am. Future meetings will be held on the second Sunday of each month. Please join us. Look for a more details in the October Newsletter.





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PILLARS OF OUR CHURCH

PILLAR 8 - YOUTH

On May 15, 1949, during our first service at Country Day School, dozens of children and teenagers filled the congregation. We have pictures to prove it! Since that day, the youth have been a prominent and incredible part of our church's rich fabric for 75 years.

The foundation of our Youth is strong, committed and a source for our future. Over the years, we have nurtured waves of young people, providing them with a solid Congregational foundation. For example, on the second floor, outside the small chapel in the hallway, there are 18 framed confirmation group pictures circa 1988 and beyond. These pictures are a beacon of who we are, the commitment we give, and the support we honor in our Youth. I hope you can take a moment or two the next time you visit our meetinghouse to see these remarkable pictures, which are a part of our shared history.

Within the walls of our church over the past 75 years, our Youth have blossomed through many activities, including the Christmas Pageant, Confirmations, Advent Fest, Music & Movement and Godly Fun, KidsConnect, Vacation Bible School, Youth CF/PF and Lock-In's, to name a few. Each of these events has unique qualities that enrich and brighten the lives of our young members.

NSCC member and director of Children's Ministries, Kelsey Molinari shares these words, "The Children's Ministries at NSCC cater to the youngest in our congregation by distilling the lessons of the Bible and making them digestible and tangible while making the kids feel welcome into the community of faith in our congregation."

Outside the walls of our church over the past 75 years, our Youth have truly extended the right hand of fellowship and charity in remarkable ways. Our adventure trips have included Appalachian Work Camps, Mission Mazahua, Hosanna Mission, Habitat For Humanity, Congregational State Rallies, Green Lake Fall Retreats, Congregational Summer Camp, and two trips to Europe, to name a few.

NSCC member David Schimpf shared this touching story, "I was fortunate to serve on mission trips as a teen in Kentucky and Virginia. This experience of serving others and

sharing the love of God followed me into adulthood. As a parent I was blessed to participate on trips with all of my own kids. I became “Uncle Dave” to many of the youth one year and there were so many family members that one church member called it a “Schimpf family trip.”

Looking back a few decades, we remember the ministers, staff and teams who influenced and shaped our Youth: Harry Clark, Karl Schimpf, Ralph & Carol DiBiasio-Snyder, Rob Fredrickson, Bill Schnell, Doug Gray, Sue LeFeber, Connie Mullins, Julie Sheridan-Smith, Kelsey Molinari, Marty Hall and the BCE & Children’s Ministries.

Personally, my involvement with the Youth of this church struck a chord with me when I volunteered to be a Mentor. I have had this fortunate opportunity for three Confirmation classes over the last seven years. Each time, the spiritual journey taken by these young people was astonishing and distinctive. It also sparked something in me, prompting me to examine my own faith differently. I found myself, at times, taking the same learning path that these young people were advancing through. I look back and feel very blessed and fortunate to have had these three opportunities to watch our Youth on their religious passage as they discussed, questioned, and debated the Bible, Faith, and their relationship with God, and where this might take them in their spiritual growth journey.

During the month of September, the Friendship lounge will feature a variety of Youth inspired pictures, mementos and documents. These historical and important articles will narrate the long-standing story of how the Youth have moved through the church over the decades, growing, learning, and developing their faith in God. I hope each of you has a chance to visit this treasure trove of unique and timeless records that recognize a rich and wonderful story of our Youth and our church. Additionally, look to our TV monitors for more Youth-inspired subjects in September

The Youth of yesterday are our present, and the Youth of today are our foundation for tomorrow, bless North Shore Congregational Church!

Thank you,
Jeff Leypoldt

Timothy 4:12

“Don’t let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love and in faith and in purity.”

September 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
1 Communion 10:00am Worship 11:00am Fellowship	2 7:00pm Evening Prayer 8:00pm AA/Al-Anon	3 9:00am –10:00am Book Group (Zoom) 10:00am –11:00am Book Group 10:30am Yoga 1:00pm –4:00pm LX Club 5:30pm Benevolence Board (Friendship Lounge) 6:00pm Deacons (Owl Room and Zoom) 6:00pm Stewardship Board (Upstairs Classroom) 6:00pm Trustees (Library) 6:15pm –7:15pm BCE (Youth Room)
8 10:00am Commissioning Sunday Worship 10:15am Music & Movement and Godly Fun 11:00am Ice Cream Social	9 10:00am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Evening Prayer 8:00pm AA/Al-Anon	10 9:00am –10:00am Book Group (Zoom) 10:00am –11:00am Book Group 10:30am Yoga
15 Newsletter Deadline 10:00am Worship with Rev. Dr. Barry Szymanski Preaching 10:15am Music & Movement and Godly Fun 11:00am Fellowship 11:10am Memoir Group	16 10:00am Staff Meeting 6:00pm –7:00pm 75th Anniversary Meeting 7:00pm Evening Prayer 8:00pm AA/Al-Anon	17 9:00am –10:00am Book Group (Zoom) 10:00am –11:00am Book Group 10:30am Yoga 4:00pm Loaves and Fishes 7:00pm Council
22 9:00am –2:00pm Blood Drive 10:00am Worship 10:15am Music & Movement and Godly Fun 11:00am Fellowship	23 10:00am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Evening Prayer 8:00pm AA/Al-Anon	24 9:00am –10:00am Book Group (Zoom) 10:00am –11:00am Book Group 10:30am Yoga 1:00pm –4:00pm LX Club - Need Media Cart
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18 8:30am Quilters 6:00pm Midweek Manna Meal 6:45pm Midweek Manna Worship	19 9:30am Bible Study (hybrid) 9:30am Yoga 1:00pm –4:00pm LX Club	20 6:30am Men's Bible Study (Zoom and offsite)	21 8:00am –12:00pm Fox Point Farmer's Market 9:00am –10:30am OEAnon - Friendship Lounge
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LOAVES AND FISHES

April 16, 2024



Loaves & fishes
— MINISTRY —

CASSEROLES

DESSERTS

Anderson	Arnold
Bartlett	Lemorande
Fleck	Nelson
Gregory	Tornetta
Shawger	Wood, Sue
Barsch	Zganjar
Weiss	Wood, S
Wauck	Wink
Wininsky	Peterson - c
<i>Half recipe, single pan</i>	Weber, M
	<i>Single batch ~30</i>

DRIVERS

Osborne		-----
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SERVERS

Osborne	Schimpf/Scharnweber
Dallman	Schimpf/Scharnweber
Barsch	Schimpf/Scharnweber
Szymanski (2)	Schimpf/Scharnweber

You are cordially invited!

North Shore Congregational Church 75th Anniversary Celebration Dinner

Saturday, October 19, 2024

5:15 p.m. Open House

7:00 p.m. Dinner (Catered by Larry's Market)

Dress Code: *Celebration Attire!*

For those who need a ride, or if you have dietary restrictions, please let the church office know.

RSVP by October 1st

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Beyond Our Walls

SUCCESS STORY: WE STUFFED THE SCHOOL BUS!

Thanks to your incredible generosity and support, we gathered an abundance of supplies that will make a big difference for the fourth-grade students in Ms. Kari George's class at Clark Street School in Milwaukee! The outpouring of donations was truly heartwarming, and it's clear our church community cares deeply about supporting education and helping others. Here's to making a difference, one school supply at a time!



FARMERS' MARKET

The **Benevolence Board** will have a table at the Fox Point Farmers' Market in our very own parking lot on Saturday, **September 14**. Stop by to say "hello" and grab a bag of popcorn and water. We will be collecting donations for St. Ben's and promoting the good things happening at North Shore Congregational Church!



ST. BEN'S LOAVES & FISHES

We took a break for the summer (June-August), but now we are back! The Loaves & Fishes ministry starts up on **Tuesday, September 17**. Volunteers are needed to provide casseroles and desserts once a month on the third Tuesday September through May, AND to serve. One church member commented, "It truly is a humbling experience serving at St. Ben's. You walk away feeling blessed and grateful; not only for what you have, but for the time shared with these guests who are experiencing homelessness and hunger."



If you haven't participated in this outreach program before, will you prayerfully consider it? Whether you like to cook, bake, serve or get the food from church to St. Ben's, there is a spot for you. Please reach out to Dona with any questions at 414-426-3086 or via email at DonaWininsky@gmail.com.

Our monthly **Midweek Manna** services continue into fall. Join us on **Wednesday, September 18**, as we take an opportunity to gather for food and casual worship.



Kerrin will be out of the office between **September 2 - 15**. Please call ahead to make sure someone is in the office if you need to come in.



please note

NSCC BLOOD DRIVE 2024

Did you know that even though approximately 38% of the population is eligible to donate blood, less than 5% actually do? Every day, patients in our communities need red blood cells, platelets and plasma as a life-saving event or to keep them feeling healthy and strong. The blood you donate today ensures there is enough for tomorrow and for days ahead.

Your NSCC Health Committee, in coordination with Versiti Blood Center of Wisconsin, is hosting a blood drive at the church on Sunday, September 22, from 9AM until 2PM.

Hosting an annual blood drive at North Shore Church was initiated several years ago by the Schimpf family in memory of our long-serving senior minister, Rev. Karl Schimpf, a dedicated blood donor.



We invite you to embrace the 5%! Ask another church member, a friend, relative or neighbor to donate!

Appointments are encouraged. You can select a time online at the following link: bit.ly/nscc092423; you can call Versiti 877-232-4376; or scan the QR code.

Please note these reminders:

- ◆ Bring your ID.
- ◆ Be well-hydrated and eat prior to donating.
- ◆ There are some medication restrictions, call if you have questions.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR LIFE-SAVING GIFT!



Godly Fun

Godly Fun returns **September 8** - As the school year gets underway, so does Godly Fun at NSCC! Our weekly Sunday School lessons will once again be led by Ms. Haley Krueger! Each lesson features a Bible story, activities, and crafts. We can't wait to see you there!

KidsConnect Scheduling for Fall 2024:

Let's get the fall started with another raucous **KidsConnect for children in grades 2-6**. It's a wild afternoon of hide-and-seek, crafts, and PIZZA! Please scan the QR code or use this link to fill out the form with your availability: <https://forms.gle/FD1y5tVrqB6xx6r38>



Enrollment Forms for 2024/25

Please complete the enrollment forms for any child participating in weekly Godly Fun lessons on Sundays, KidsConnect, and more! Return the form to Kelsey via email (kelseymolinari@NSCCChurchWI.org) or in person. Printed forms are available in the office.

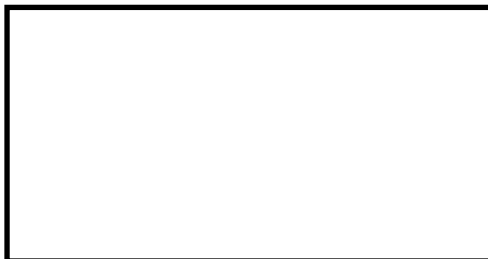


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