

News & Announcements

IN OUR FAMILY | NOVEMBER 2017

BAPTISMS

Caleb Jon Mathisen | Son of Jon & Victoria Mathisen | November 12

FUNERALS

JoAn Burkholder | November 25

THIS WEEK @ NLC | DECEMBER 4 -10



LIFT UP YOUR EYES & SEE THE
light
ADVENT AT NORMANDALE

WORSHIP

ADVENT I-III | December 3 - December 20
Sundays, 8:45 & 10:45 am | 3:00 pm
Wednesdays, 11:30 am & 7:00 pm

ADVENT IV | December 24
Sunday morning | 9:30 am

GATHER
December 6-20
Wednesday Community Meals
Lunch following 11:30 am Worship
Dinner served 5:00-6:45 pm

ADULT COMMUNITY LEARNING | TODAY | 10:00-10:40 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Family Mental Health During the Holidays: Moving from Holly-Jolly Holidays to Grace-Filled Days

We welcome Rev. Dr. Hollie Holt-Woehl as she helps us discuss mental illness struggles and treatment within families and among children, youth, and adults. The holidays can be stressful for everyone, but for people who live with mental illness, the time can be even more stressful and challenging. How might our Lutheran liturgical tradition help during this time? Come join us as we embrace the realities of mental illness for families and individuals, and embrace the liturgy of the season (Advent, Christmas, Epiphany) to give hope for all who struggle during the "Holidays."



Peace with the Lingerin'

WOMEN'S ADVENT PAUSE GATHERINGS

Take time to gather in the peace of the season.
Gatherings hosted December 4-9. Sign-up beginning November 19.

WOMEN'S ADVENT PAUSE GATHERINGS December 4 - 9 | Various Times & Locations

Last chance to sign up! Take time to gather in the peace of the season. Gatherings hosted the week of December 4-9. Don't miss out! Sign up at the Welcome Center TODAY!

Questions? Please contact Jenny Bock, 952.929.1697 x349 or jbock@normluth.org.

ALZHEIMER'S EDUCATION & SUPPORT GROUP | SAT, DECEMBER 9 | 9:00 - 12:00 PM | ROOMS 209-211

The next Alzheimer's Education Session presented by the Alzheimer's Association is "Legal and Financial". Immediately following the education session, the Alzheimer's Support Group will meet from 10:30am-Noon in Rooms 212-213. The Center for Healing & Wholeness provides respite during the education session and support group. Call ahead of time to reserve a spot for your loved one. For more information, please contact Mary Cordell at 952.977.9363.

UPCOMING EVENTS



NORMANDEALE HOUSING MINISTRY CHRISTMAS PARTY | SAT, DEC 9 | 10:00-11:30 AM
Lutheran Social Service, 2400 Park Ave S, Mpls

Celebrate the season with Normandale Housing families and friends. Volunteer to help or donate household items (laundry items, toiletries, and more). Donations may be dropped off at NLC or contact Val Pruitt at 612.237.0995 to volunteer.

ANNOUNCING SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | DECEMBER 17 | 10:00 AM | SANCTUARY

The purpose of this meeting will be to consider & approve the sale of rights to the cell tower on the roof of the church. This transaction was discussed during the last Annual Congregational Meeting & was approved during 2017 by the Church Council. However, since the transaction involves an easement (encumbrance) on the property, the transaction must be considered and approved at a meeting of the Congregation. We look forward to discussing this with you and anticipate that it will be a relatively short meeting.

CHRISTMAS BINGO & SING-ALONG | SUN, DEC 17 | 10:00 AM | FELLOWSHIP HALL

Join us for Bingo and a Christmas sing-along on Sunday, December 17! We'll play bingo, sing Christmas carols, and spread some holiday cheer. Fun for all ages!

NLC Christmas
BINGO
& Sing-Along

PODIATRY CLINIC | WED & THUR, JAN 3 & 4 | 9:00 AM – NOON | ROOMS 212-213

December's clinic is full & January will be here before we know it! Consider scheduling your January appointment before the holidays. The Podiatry Clinic is provided by On-Site Podiatry and coordinated through the Center for Healing & Wholeness. Schedule your appointments by calling Patti Hankes at 952-929-1698.

LUTFISK DINNER | SUN, JANUARY 7, 2018 | 12:00 NOON | COST: \$22

The Senior Committee will sponsor our annual lutfisk dinner with all the traditional dishes. Reservations at the Welcome Center Sundays through Dec. 31, OR call the church office at 952.929.1697. Deadline: Jan 3.

STEP FORWARD & ENGAGE

THE JOY OF GIVING 2017 | ANNUAL HOLIDAY GIFT CAMPAIGN

Normandale Mission Outreach invites you to spread God's love and share the joy with families living at Normandale & Elliot Avenue Housing and others in need around the world.

the joy of giving
Annual Holiday Gift Campaign

Two Ways to Give:

~ **Buy a Gift for a Child or Adult from a Wishlist:** This program helps individuals living in NLC's transitional housing enjoy the holiday season by anonymously matching them with donors like you, who provide hope and compassion through fulfilling a holiday gift wish.

~ **Give a Monetary Gift:** New this year! We will participate in the ELCA Good Gifts program to help fight hunger and poverty around the globe, including Huch'uy Runa in Peru. Pick a gift and donation amount off of our Good Gifts tree (for example, a \$50 donation will purchase a goat to provide milk for a family) and help those in need.

We will gratefully sign you up for gifts for an individual(s) or receive your donations in Fireside Room on **Dec 3 and 10!** Questions? Please contact Kim Sannerud at kimsannerud@gmail.com.

GIFTS FOR SENIORS There are 750,000 Minnesotans over 65, and data shows that 1:3 live alone and are isolated, lacking in support. Gifts For Seniors tries to help these elderly with a gift to show that someone cares. Drop off unwrapped gifts/checks in the barrel on the first floor by the Preschool entrance/elevator. Thank you!

HIRING! Dishwashers are urgently needed. Our busy hospitality schedule makes the dishes pile up fast. NLC needs a dishwasher/s for the Wednesday night dinners from approximately 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm. We would also like a pool of on-call dishwashers for special events. These are paid positions. For more information, please contact Jenny Bock at jbock@normluth.org or 952.929.1697 x349.

STEP FORWARD & ENGAGE

CHRISTMAS CRAFT & COOKIES BAZAAR | SUNDAYS, DEC 10 & 17 | 9:00AM–1:00PM | LOWER NARTHEX

Come joyfully peruse the “Christmas Craft & Cookies Bazaar” Youth Fundraiser and help raise funds for our Summer 2018 Youth Trips!



CHRISTMAS
craft & cookies **BAZAAR**

MLC Youth Fundraiser | Help Support Summer 2018 Trips
DEC 10 & 17 9 am - 1 pm
lower narthex

Donations needed! There are 3 ways you can help out:

Make a donation of handmade holiday crafts (Examples: handmade hats/mittens/gloves/scarves, Christmas ornaments, wooden carvings, wreaths/swags, quilts, pottery, jewelry, artwork, holiday cards) **Please fill out the form below and bring in your donation by December 8.*

Make a donation of some type of holiday baked good (Examples: Cakes, pies, cookies, bars, muffins, cupcakes, buns, etc.) **Please fill out the form below and bring in your item no sooner than 24 hours before December 10 or 17.*

Come to the event! The Christmas Craft & Cookie Bazaar will be running in the Lower Narthex outside of the Fellowship Hall Sundays, December 10 and 17.

Please fill out the form below and turn it in at the Welcome Center OR fill one out online at normluth.org/Events. All items will be dropped off with Jean or Maggie in the Fishbowl CYF Center.

Donor Name: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

Check One: Handmade craft donation (*drop off by Dec. 8*)
 Baked good for Dec. 10 (*drop off within 24 hours of event*)
 Baked good for Dec. 17 (*drop off within 24 hours of event*)

Description of Item: _____

Approximate Value: _____



2017 CHRISTMAS CHANCEL

You are invited to share the Good News this holiday season by way of decorating the church at Christmas with plants or by making a contribution to community concerns such as VEAP and CES.

Please make contributions in the amount of \$16 for each gift by filling out the form below and returning it to the church office with a check made out to *Normandale Lutheran Church* **OR** by signing up online at normluth.org/Serve. **The deadline for plant orders and contributions to community concerns is Sunday, December 17.** All gifts will be recognized by way of a special insert in the bulletin on Christmas.

Plants will be delivered to homebound members by members of the congregation after Christmas.

Name of Donor: _____

Phone _____ Envelope Number _____

Please check ONE option:

In memory of _____

In honor of _____

A gift

Please check ONE option:

Christmas Chancel

ELCA World Hunger

VEAP (Volunteers Enlisted to Assist People)

CES (Community Emergency Services)

SAYFSM (Sub-Saharan African Youth & Family Services in MN)

THIS WEEK @ NLC | DECEMBER 4-10, 2017

Mon-Fri 9:00am – 3:00pm Blessing Place - Rooms 1-3 | Preschool - 1st Flr Classrooms

Monday, December 4

7:00am – 8:00am

Men's Monday Morning Bible Study - Lower Level Conference Room

5:15pm – 8:00pm

Reading Buddies – Meet in Lower Narthex

Tuesday, December 5

10:30am – 11:30am

Yoga Basics (Holiday Season) – Rehearsal Room

6:00pm – 7:00pm

Finance Committee – Center Office

6:30pm – 7:30pm

Alcoholics Anonymous - Room 207

6:30pm

N. Choir & Mpls Civic Orchestra Rehearsal – Sanctuary

7:00pm – 8:00pm

Executive Committee – Center Office

Wednesday, December 6

9:00am – 12:00pm

Podiatry Clinic – Rooms 212-213

9:30am – 11:30am

Women Bible Study, Large Group – Rooms 209-211

10:30am – 11:30am

Women's Bible Study, Small Group – Rooms 205 -208, 308

11:30am – 12:00pm

Matins Worship – Chapel

12:00pm – 1:00pm

Advent Luncheon

4:45pm – 5:45pm

Boys Choir Rehearsal - Multi-Purpose South

5:00pm – 6:45pm

Wednesday Night Dinner - Fellowship Hall

5:00pm – 5:30pm

Dancers in Worship practice - Sanctuary

5:15pm – 6:15pm

Brass Quintet Rehearsal – David Clarke's office

5:15pm – 6:45pm

KFC (Kids Faith Connect) – Valley View Room North

5:30pm – 6:30pm

Youth Choir Rehearsal - Rehearsal Room

5:50pm – 6:50pm

Girls Choir Rehearsal - Multi-Purpose South

7:00pm – 7:45pm

Advent Worship – Sanctuary

7:45pm – 8:00pm

Confirmation Small Groups

7:45pm

Normandale Choir Rehearsal – Rehearsal Room

8:00pm – 9:00pm

High School Hangout - Fishbowl

Thursday, December 7

9:00am – 12:00pm

Podiatry Clinic – Rooms 212 - 213

10:00am – 11:00am

Thursday Morning Bible Study – Rooms 209 -211

1:30pm – 2:30pm

H & W Tai Chi - Rehearsal Room

4:45pm – 5:45pm

Cherub Choir Rehearsal - Multi-Purpose South

5:45pm – 6:45pm

Handbell Choir – Rehearsal Room

7:00pm – 9:00pm

DivorceCare - Rooms 205-206

Saturday, December 9

9:00am – 10:30am

Alzheimer's Education Session – Rooms 209-211

9:30am – 11:30am

Christmas Program Practice –Sanctuary

10:30am – 12:00pm

Alzheimer's Caregiver Support Group – Rooms 212-213

10:30am – 12:00pm

N'dale House Christmas Party – Lutheran Social Services, 2400 Park Ave. Mpls

Sunday, December 10

8:00am

Christmas Program Practice – Valley View Room North

8:45am – 9:45am

Worship - Sanctuary /Sunday School Christmas Program - Sanctuary

9:00am – 1:00pm

Christmas Bazaar Youth Fundraiser – Lower Narthex

9:45am – 10:45am

Coffee & Fellowship - Fireside Room

9:45am – 12:00pm

Sign Up: Joy of Giving, Christmas Bazaar, Lutfisk Dinner – Welcome Center area

9:45am – 10:30am

Sunday School Christmas Cookie Reception – Fellowship Hall

10:45am – 11:45am

Worship / Sunday School Christmas Program- Sanctuary

11:45am – 12:30pm

Sunday School Christmas Cookie Reception – Fellowship Hall

1:00pm – 3:00pm

Dancers in Worship Workshop – Studio B (Lower Level)

3:00pm

Joy of Giving Benefit Concert & Reception – Sanctuary

5:00pm – 5:45pm

Evening Prayer Worship - Chapel