



Purpose Statement

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

News for Sunday, May 26 Join us for Outdoor Worship

Join us for Worship at 9:00 a.m.

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

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We Remember in Prayer; those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Patty Arians, JoAnn Garcia, Dorothy Carr, Barb Lenn, Lori Dewey, Shirley Graftaas, Betty Steinke, Michael Harting, Bob Cornelsen, Larry Wahler, JoDell Cruz, Harold & Sandy Julifs, Lila Edeus, and Berta Beyer.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

Following worship on Sunday, May 26, to take down and put away the wood cross and stand. Many hands make like work!

CELEBRATING GRADUATES: High school seniors, promoting 8th grade students and post-high school '24 grads. Graduate Sunday is set for June 2. Please let the church office know if you/your student is graduating, being promoted, receiving a certificate, or approaching a new life milestone by Wednesday, May 29th. We look forward to celebrating and honoring you!

Faith Formation Leader Recognition Sunday June 2

Thank you to all who taught Sunday School or lead Bible study this year. Please join us for worship on June 2nd so we can show our appreciation.

Next Sunday during Coffee Fellowship, a representative from the Synod will be us to go over the results of the surveys that were submitted. A volunteer is needed to serve Coffee Fellowship. Please sign up on the bulletin board by the water fountain or let Sue know.

Geraniums

We have purchased geraniums and have been planted outside to beautify our church. If you would like donate towards the purchase, please use a pew envelope and mark it "Geraniums". The cost of each plant is: \$7.00.

Personal Care Kits

For the month of May we will be collecting **Personal Care Kits**. We will ship these along with our school kits and quilts. There will be a list to take with when you are out shopping that has 5 items that are needed. Once purchased you may place them a plastic shopping bag and drop off by the personal kit display in the back of the church.

Immanuel Young Adult Gathering & National Youth

Gathering participants and their households will be holding a rummage sale June 7 from 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. & June 8 from 8 a.m. - noon. Come out and support our youth!

Mark your Calendar!

CommUNITY VBS will be held this year at 1st Presbyterian Church, June 23-25, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. with a free dinner at 5:30 p.m. Save the dates and plan to attend or volunteer for this amazing opportunity. Watch the announcements and the June newsletter for the registration QR code. We are looking of donations for empty and clean 2-liter bottles.

ST. PAUL STUDENT MUSICIANS:

This summer, the UNITE churches are again hosting student musicians from the Sterling/Rock Falls area. This includes any student completing 7th grade – a just graduated college student. We ask that students share a piece with St. Paul and then arrange to play that piece at other UNITE congregations, where you will be paid \$25/service as a guest musician. This is a chance to keep your music skills tip top over the summer, share an IMEA or audition piece you may be working on, or another special piece. Please contact Dawn Zeigler 815.275.3775 or dawn@stpaulsterling.com for all of the details! We can't wait to hear you!

Children's Offering

The children's offering for the month of May will support the United Way's Let's Feed Our Children. The free summer lunch program kicks off the first week of June. Thank you for sharing in the ministry of giving and helping to feed our local children.

THIS WEEK

Monday, May 27

Memorial Day

Office Closed

Wednesday, May 29

Deadline to submit graduate's names to be included in the Blessing on June 2

Thursday, May 30

Tri-Church Meeting at Immanuel at 6:00 p.m.

Next Sunday, June 2

Graduate Blessing & Teacher Appreciation

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship & survey results at 10:00 a.m.

Next week – June 2

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Chad Arians

Acolytes – Arians family

Greeters – Nancy Frank, Susan Kuehl

Ushers – John Renner, Janie Billings

Reader – Marilyn Geiger

Sound – Bradyn Arians

Altar Guild – Audrey Cox & Cathy Cox

Coffee Fellowship – *Volunteer Needed*