

Pews News

June 15, 2014

Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal

St. James Lutheran Church, 6700 46th Place North, Crystal, Minnesota 55428

www.stjamesincrystal.org

Final Deadline for Day Camp TODAY

Age 5 through 5th Grade
June 23-26 at St. James
9 a.m. – 3 p.m. each day
\$20 per child

If you have not registered for day camp, please turn in your forms to Pastor Kristen no later than today. If not enough campers have signed up, it will be canceled.

Each camp day is jam-packed with great songs, activities, Bible study, crafts, games and more! Luther Park counselors will be on-hand to lead all of the activities. We are considering before and after camp childcare if there is enough interest. See registration packet for all the info. Contact Pastor Kristen with any questions you may have.

Donations for Camp

An open invitation to the congregation: Box lunches are needed each day for the counselors, as well as snacks for the entire group for day camp June 23-26.

Housing is also needed for the counselors for the week.

If you can help with this need, please contact Pastor Kristen Brechler at 763-537-3653.

New Church Photo Directory

St. James will be creating a new directory!

When: July 21-25, 2-9 p.m. at St. James.

Sign Up: You can sign up for sessions online via the St. James website, or on Sunday mornings in June/July. There is a FREE 8x10 for each family participating and a free directory when they arrive.

Invite Others: Feel free to invite extended family or friends to have their photograph taken too, with the Lifetouch Outreach Program. It's a great way for them to have a professional family portrait and get a free 8x10! Another great idea would be a generational photograph with grandparents, parents and kids!

Dates don't work for you? If the July 21-25 dates don't work, contact Amanda Burns to get the listing of other locations that you can have your picture taken and still be in the St. James directory. You may also submit your own family photo.

Volunteer: This project will require some volunteer effort. If you would be willing to volunteer a few hours of your time, please contact the church office at office@stjamesincrystal.org. We are looking for people to help with portrait sign-ups on Sunday mornings in June/July and greeting our families during photography the week of July 21-25. This would be a great opportunity for student community service hours!

Changes: Please notify us of any changes to address, phone, or email so the directory can have the most updated information!

Questions: Contact Amanda Burns at 763-537-3653 or aburns@stjamesincrystal.org for more information.

Over 55's

The Over 55's will meet at church at noon on Mon., June 23 instead of Eagle Lake Park. Contact Emily Hauan with any questions.

God's Amazing Race

Due to low registration numbers, God's Amazing Race has been canceled. There will be a family event in July; watch for more details!

Prayer Concerns:

(Prayer slips are available in the pews. Please fill out and place in the offering plate. Names will be listed in the following week's Pews News.)

Allayah in foster care	Wendy
Sarah & her family	Dan, for employment
Jackson, dealing with immigration, long term and immediate issues	Bob Leinonen
Neighbors living under stress	Arnold
Barbara-jean, for a healthy pregnancy	Rachel Proctor for relief from pain and for a new job
Dorothy, battling leukemia and meningitis	The St. James community
Kevin	All homeless
Naomi	All the hungry
	All immigrants

Worship Information

Prayer of the Day

A: Let us pray. Almighty Creator and ever-living God:
C: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Readings

Psalm 8

O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens. Out of the mouths of babes and infants you have founded a bulwark because of your foes, to silence the enemy and the avenger. When I look at your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars that you have established; what are human beings that you are mindful of them, mortals that you care for them? Yet you have made them a little lower than God, and crowned them with glory and honor. You have given them dominion over the works of your hands; you have put all things under their feet, all sheep and oxen, and also the beasts of the field, the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, whatever passes along the paths of the seas. O LORD, our Sovereign, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Matthew 28:16-20

Now the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything that I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age."

Sermon Title: *Come On In, Go On Out*

Service Participants:

Preaching: Pastor Dave Valen

Musician: Mary Brown

Lector: Mary Roening

Canting: Deanna Loken

Special Music: Amy Jermstad, Mary Brown

Assisting Minister: John Lindstrom

Communion Assistants: Dawn Skare, Margaret Thomsen

Ushers: Mike Stanchfield, Jim Olsen, Stan Tikkanen, John Lindstrom, Wayne Rierson, Don & Deb Edmondson

This Week's Events

Sunday, June 15:

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Adult Ed

Monday, June 16:

10:45 a.m. Dinner at Your Door
7:00 p.m. Council

Tuesday, June 17:

5:15 p.m. Men's Golf
7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

Wednesday, June 18:

9:30 a.m. Women's Golf
6:00 p.m. Youth
7:00 p.m. GA

Thursday, June 19:

7:00 p.m. Kung Fu / Prayer Shawl

Friday, June 20:

4:00 p.m. Violin

Saturday, June 21:

8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast

Sunday, June 22:

9:30 a.m. Worship
10:45 a.m. Potluck

Last Sunday's Statistics

- Mission & Ministry: \$4,101
Received to date: \$165,298
- Capital Fund: \$455
Received to date: \$49,207
- Special Offering (*Habitat for Humanity*) \$53
- Attendance: 133

Office Hours

Summer Office Hours: Monday-Wednesday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Next Week's Texts

Romans 6:1b-11
Matthew 10:24-39

Parking Information

When coming to church on Sunday mornings, please be mindful of those who need to park closer to the church entrance.



St. James Staff

Pastor Dave Valen (612-499-1006)
Pastor Kristen Brechler (651-307-6563)
Lana Teigen, Financial Coordinator
Amanda Burns, Director of Communications
Ryan Walesch, Senior High Youth
Ron Skalicky, Custodian
Mary Brown, Organist and Bell Choir Director
Deanna Loken, Choir Director
Amy Jermstad, Sunday Morning Custodian

Contact St. James:

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Second Sunday Singers Continues Through the Summer!

Join us on the second Sunday of every month to sing in worship. On July 13 and August 10, we will gather at 9:00 a.m. to prepare a piece to sing at that morning's service. All ages and all abilities are welcome!

Nursery Volunteers

Even though things slow down in the summer, we still need caring volunteers to help with childcare during the worship service. Please consider the time you can give, and sign up on the sheet outside the nursery, or call the church office. Thank you!

Dinner at Your Door Drivers

Drivers are needed for the Dinner at Your Door Program. Regular and substitute drivers are needed. Regular drivers can expect to volunteer about one hour each month. Substitute drivers are called as needed. This is a very small amount of time to give to a program that means so much to so many people. Having a meal delivered each day allows many people to remain independent. You will find volunteering for this program to be very rewarding. For more information call Barbara Parsons at 763-227-2282.

Adult Ed

Grab a cup of coffee and invite a new friend to join you at Adult Ed every Sunday morning in the Peter and Paul room. We will join Pr. Dave in studying the text for the following week.

Potluck Picnic after Worship June 22

Please bring a dish to share and stay after worship next Sunday, June 22 for a potluck picnic outside on the east lawn.

What is a Parish Nurse?

A parish nurse (called a Faith Community Nurse in Nursing Standards for Minnesota) is a currently licensed Registered Nurse (RN). Her/his job is to promote healthy living amongst the members of her/his congregation. In this case, the parish nurse is me, Debbie Haney and I am employed by the Bonfire Ministry (made up of members of St. James, House of Hope, and First) and therefore, work for you.

My job is to promote and maintain the health of your mind, body and spirit. I can explain health issues, test results; review medications; I can be a resource for health care issues; I can provide comfort and support. I'd be glad to explain all this in greater detail, so stop me after church services and/or come see me at the various office hours I'm in the churches. I'm at First Lutheran the second Sunday, House of Hope the third Sunday and St. James on the fourth Sunday. On the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. I'm at First Lutheran and at St. James from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. I'm at House of Hope on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. The 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, I'm at The Gathering Place (respice) from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at House of Hope. Utilize my services.

Debbie Haney

The Page Turners Book Club

No book club in July or August.

September's pick: Housekeeping by Marilynne Robinson.

For more information, contact Linda Judge (at 763-533-4081 or judgelinda@msn.com).

Bonfire Ministry Bonfire

The Bonfire bonfires were so much fun last year, we are bringing them back! The first will be Sun., June 29 at 7:00 p.m. at First Lutheran Church. We hope you can make it for some s'mores and singing.

Mark your calendar for July 27 at St. James. Our new Senior Pastor, Randall Romsdahl will be here!

Congregational Meeting Results

If you were unable to attend the congregational meeting on June 1, the call committee and council presented Pastor Randall Romsdahl as the candidate for the new senior pastor position.

The vote came back with 121 yes, 1 no, and 1 abstain.

Pr. Romsdahl is currently senior pastor at St. John's Lutheran Church in Shakopee, MN. He has grown that congregation in the eight years he has been there, which is what we expect him to do here as well.

Pr. Romsdahl is expected to begin at St. James on Mon., July 21.

His installation will be Sun., Aug. 10.

Please continue to keep St. James in your prayers.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is Sat., June 21 at 8:00 a.m. at Fat Nat's (36th & Winnetka Ave).

Blood Drive

Wildfire congregation, Cross of Glory, would like to partner with St. James for their blood drive on Tues., June 17 held at Cross of Glory. Please contact them to make an appointment or for more information: 763-533-8602.

Wanted: Grill Master for Picnics This Summer

We are looking for a grill master (to handle picking up hotdogs/buns and then grilling) for picnics this summer. If you are interested, please contact one of the pastors or the church office.

Ushers Needed

We need you! Ushers are assigned one Sunday a month at their preferred worship time. Please contact the church office or Stan Tikkanen (763-546-8155) if you are interested, or would like more information.