

Pew's News

April 27, 2014

Reflecting the Light of Christ in Crystal

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

www.stjamesincrystal.org

God's Amazing Race

A new summer event is being planned for all ages of children to learn, grow and have fun! There will be three race nights: June 11, July 9 and August 13, 6:30—8:00 p.m. On a race night, there will be games/challenges, Bible study/devotions, crafts/art, music, snacks and plenty of fun. Cost is \$15 and includes three nights of fun this summer and a sweet t-shirt. If a parent signs up to volunteer, their child's entry fee will be waived. Registration forms are available on the children's bulletin board.

Fore! It's Time for Golf Leagues

It's time to commit to playing in a St. James golf league for the 2014 season. Men's nine-hole-play is scheduled for Tuesday evenings at Theodore Wirth Golf Course, May 6 to July 22. If you are interested in some great fellowship and want to play golf with some fellow St. James members, contact Stan Tikkanen before April 30 (763-546-8155 or sactikkanen@hotmail.com). Friends, co-workers or relatives are welcome to join as well.

The women's golf season will begin on Wed., May 7 at French Lake Golf Course at 9:00 a.m. and will continue all summer on Wednesday mornings. If you are interested or have any questions, please call Carol Koosmann at 763-533-1356.

Car Care Saturday Volunteers Needed

The Car Care Ministry needs help with this community outreach ministry! Car Care Saturday will be May 31, 8:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

If you have any interested or skills in car care, including but not limited to: oil changes, filter changes, light bulb replacement, wiper blade replacement and interior car cleaning, your help is needed. Volunteers are also needed to welcome clients, assist with child care supervision (while cars are being serviced) and service coffee and cookies.

The parts supplied, but volunteers are needed to help with this ministry to persons on public assistance who are unable to care for their car because of very limited funds.

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near Pr. Dave's office!

Over 55's

The Over 55's will enjoy a gourmet meal at Hennepin Technical College (9000 Brooklyn Blvd.) on Mon., Apr. 28 with serving starting promptly at 11:30 a.m.

Spring Craft Retreat

Attention crafters! We will hold the Spring Craft Retreat on Sat., May 17, 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. in Wold Hall.

Each crafter will get at least four feet of table space, lunch, dinner, beverages, and a fun time! This is a time to come and work on those unfinished projects or start a new one!

The cost is \$35 and all proceeds go to the St. James Youth Group. Sign-up sheets are outside the church office.

Family in Need of Furnishings

There is a family of four (two parents, two children) in our community who are currently living in a completely unfurnished apartment. If you have ANY furnishings (beds, tables, chairs, etc.), please contact Amanda Burns in the church office at 763-537-3653 to make arrangements to have it picked up and brought to the family. Thank you for helping those in need!

Lenten Offering Banks

Please return your Lenten offering banks. Thanks!

Day Camp

June 23-26 at St. James
9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. each day
\$20 per child

Registration forms are due in the church office by Sun., May 18. We are considering before and after camp childcare if there is enough interest.

See registration packet (located on the children's bulletin board) for all the info. Contact Shayna or Pastor Kristen with any questions!

First Quarter Statements

If you would like a copy of your first quarter giving statement, please contact Financial Coordinator Lana Teigen at 763-537-3653 or lteigen@stjamesincrystal.org.

Spring Clean-Up

Many hands are needed to make the Spring Clean-Up Day a success. Come for as long as you are able on Sat., May 3, beginning at 9:00 a.m. Lunch will be provided.

Donut Sundays

Today is donut Sunday. Instead of the regular cookies, we will have donuts as a treat between worship services. Suggested donation is \$.75.

Altar Flowers

Today's altar flowers are given by Clarence Peterson in memory of Elaine Peterson.

This Week's Events

Sunday, April 27:

8:45 a.m. ELW Worship
9:57 a.m. Adult Ed / 9:57
11:00 a.m. *Now the Feast* Worship

Monday, April 28:

11:30 a.m. Over 55's
6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts

Tuesday, April 29:

4:00 p.m. Kid Pack
6:30 p.m. Bells
7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

Wednesday, April 30:

6:30 p.m. Confirmation
7:00 p.m. GA / Choir

Thursday, May 1:

9:00 a.m. Archives
10:00 a.m. Prayer Shawl
7:00 p.m. Kung Fu

Friday, May 2:

4:00 p.m. Violin / Girl Scouts

Saturday, May 3:

9:00 a.m. Spring Clean Up
9:00 a.m. Flower fundraiser delivery

Sunday, May 4:

8:45 a.m. ELW Worship
9:57 a.m. Adult Ed / 9:57
11:00 a.m. *Now the Feast* Worship

Last Sunday's Statistics

- Mission & Ministry: \$6,640
Received to date: \$118,457
- Capital Fund: \$935
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- Special Offering (*Feed My Starving Children*): \$169
- Kid Pack: \$2,555
- Attendance: 266

St. James Staff

Pastor Dave Valen (612-499-1006)
Pastor Kristen Brechler (651-307-6563)
Shayna Anderson, Dir. of Family Ministry
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April's Outreach Partner: Feed My Starving Children

Every day 18,000 children die from starvation.

Feed My Starving Children teams up with over 500,000 volunteers each year to package over 133 million meals for starving children in nearly 70 countries all over the world. Each Feed My Starving Children meal provides the key nutrients a starving child needs to survive and thrive.

All special offering donations during the month of April will help provide the food materials to make FMSC meals.

Garage Sale

The 5th annual garage sale benefiting St. James will be held at Tim & Becki Smith's home, 4301 Washburn Ave N, Minneapolis on May 30 & 31.

It's the Victory Neighborhood Garage Sale— and boy does it bring in the customers! We have sold plants, baked goods, furniture, books, golf balls, toys, kitchen items and tons of miscellaneous items.

Spring is in the air— time to clean out the cobwebs and dust bunnies. Bring items clean and in good condition to the Smiths to benefit St. James.

Tim & Becki will be accepting items brought to their house on the Wednesday and Thursday before the sale. Any questions, please call Becki's cell: 612-812-2022.

Ushers Needed At Both Services

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.

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.

The Page Turners Book Club

May's pick: Too Bright to Hear Too Loud to See by Juliann Garey.

In a look at mental illness that weaves together three timelines, Greyson Todd leaves his successful Hollywood career, wife and young daughter to travel the world, giving free reign to the bipolar disorder he has been forced to keep hidden for almost 20 years. Garey pulls no punches in her absorbing debut novel, a harrowing story of one man's descent into madness and his painful struggle to recover. [from hclib.org]

May's Book Club Meeting: Tues., May 6 at 7:00 p.m. in the Peter and Paul room. Join us! All are welcome.

June's pick: An Irish Country Doctor by Patrick Taylor

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

Office Hours

Monday-Wednesday, 7:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.; Thursdays, 7:00—noon; Fridays, 7:30—10:00 a.m.

Next Week's Texts

1 Peter 1:17-23
Luke 24:13-35

Kid Pack Packing Day

The next packing event is Tues., April 29 4:00-6:00 p.m. at Emergency Food Network (8501 54th Ave N— New Hope).

Contact Melodie Hanson 763-504-4981 if you are able to help.

Men's Breakfast

The next Men's Breakfast is Sat., May 17 at 8:00 a.m. at Fat Nat's (36th Ave. & Winnetka Ave).

Nursery Volunteers Needed

Caring volunteers are needed to spend time with the children during worship, while their parents or caregivers attend services. Please contact Shayna Anderson to volunteer.