

# Valley of Peace Lutheran Church

Sunday, May 5, 2024 – Sunday, May 12, 2024

Sunday, May 5 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation 9:30 am Children's Faith Formation 10:15 am Worship 11:30 am Chili Cook Off 11:30 am New Member Orientation

Monday, May 6 6:00 pm Open Ringing 6:30 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal

Wednesday, May 8 4:00 pm Loaves & Fishes 6:00 pm Youth Bell Rehearsal 6:30 pm Confirmation 7:00 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal Thursday, May 9 10:00 am Text Study 5:30 pm Taste of the Burbs

Sunday, May 12 9:00 am Adult Faith Formation 9:30 am Children's Faith Formation 10:15 am Worship

*Our Mission* Living in God's love and compassion, we are called and sent by God to be disciples of Jesus Christ, as the Holy Spirit works through us for healing, justice, and peace.



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# A Couple Notes From AGCLC

As we look ahead to our Spring and Summer planning for All God's Children Learning Center, we are focusing on fostering a stronger sense of community and involvement within AGCLC. We are excited to begin offering more volunteer opportunities at our center. We believe that by coming together as a community, we can enhance the educational experience for our children and deepen connections with one another as well as our connections between AGCLC and VOP.

Volunteering at AGCLC is all about building bridges and having fun while doing it! There are many opportunities to be involved from reading stories, gardening with our preschoolers, setting up events, or rocking our littlest babies.

If you are interested, please follow this link <u>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/</u> <u>e/1FAIpQLSeQdWvkOpAwrJ098Ch1uHsiJzNGni7iOES-qPfze23k21tWew/</u> <u>viewform</u> or reach out with questions!

Anna Pearson

Open invitation to all Valley of Peace members to volunteer to serve on the All God's Children Board. Having done this twice I can attest that your input is not only needed but it is valued as well.

The Board meets every second Tuesday from 7-8:30pm on Zoom & for the most part that is the extent of the time commitment they are needing. VoP and AGC have a long history of working well together & Pastor Ashley & AGC Director Anna are trying to enhance this relationship, so now is an exciting time to join the board

As a board member your personal & professional experiences make all the difference as we try to assist Anna in creating & utilizing best practices. No experience is necessary but you will come away with great understandings. Several of us are coming of our three year commitment so it is necessary to find replacements.

Please ask Kelsey, in the church office, for an application or to ask more questions.

## Thanks all. Jim Jasper

### **Gerten's Flower Delivery**

AGCLC is looking for volunteers to help sort & organize flowers. Gerten's will be delivering 287 plants on May 14. Their drop off window is 8 am-12 pm, but will give a one hour window on the morning of May 14. If you are able to volunteer, please let Kelsey Pierson at office@valleyofpeace.org know.

Thank you!

# Summer Volunteering

We're trying something new for volunteering sign up this summer at VOP! Scan the QR Code below to go to our summer volunteer schedule. Any questions, email Kelsey Pierson at <u>office@valleyofpeace.org</u>. Thank you for volunteering!



#### Habitat for Humanity

Hello to the VoP Habitat Team!

Due to a number of circumstances, we will be unable to do a Habitat project in September this year. We have been offered a project in late June instead.

The dates are 6/26, 6/27 & 6/28 (we could do the whole week if we get enough volunteers). This is a Wednesday, Thursday & Friday. Weather will be spectacular!

The project is a new build in South Minneapolis (1406 22<sup>nd</sup> Avenue East- near Lake of the Isles). The project is supposed to start in early June so we would possibly be working on assembling walls (I hope that they will be farther along than what we had in Richfield two years ago!).

Check you calendars and let me know if those dates would work for you -Sign up for the work crew volunteers will be at the end of May.

Paul Mikelson

### Question or Two & a Brew

Join us on Saturday, May 18th at 4:30 pm. We will meet at Luce Line Brewing at 12901 16th Ave. N. Plymouth, MN 55441. If you have any questions, talk to Wes Syverson.

### **Treble Tones**

Treble Tones Women's Chorus presents "The Magic is in the Music"

Saturday, May 18, performances at 4 pm & 7 pm at Holy Nativity Lutheran Church on Winnetka between 36th & 42nd Aves. North.

> Suggested donation: \$20 Checks to: Trevle Tones Women's Chorus

> > Questions? Ask Linda Cherra

### Children, Youth & Family Announcements

#### **VBS Registration is live now!**

The date for Vacation Bible School! Vacation Bible School will be held August 11th through 15th (Sunday through Thursday) from 6-8:30pm. Vacation Bible School will be held at Elim Lutheran Church this year (3987 West Broadway; Robbinsdale, MN 55422). Registration will open May 1st.

#### Calling All Chili Chefs!

Valley of Peace's returning annual chili cook off is May 5th following the worship service in the fellowship hall! Funds raised from this event will go toward the youth of Valley of Peace and help send three of our youth to the National Youth Gathering.

#### **Envelope Fundraiser**

You may notice envelopes appearing in the narthex (space outside of the sanctuary) with dollar amounts on them on May 5th. This is part of a fundraiser for the youth of Valley of Peace. The dollar amounts go from \$1 to \$150, take as many or as few envelopes as your family would like then return them with the donated dollar amount inside. These will be up all month long, so please consider taking one, two, or many envelopes to donate to the youth fund. Funds raised from this event will go toward the youth of Valley of Peace and help send three of our youth to the National Youth Gathering.

### Noble School Needs Volunteers

Hello Valley of Peace Community,

We have our Spring Carnival coming up on 5/17, and would love to see if there are any Valley of Peace members that would be interested in attending and volunteering.

Scan the QR Code for information and volunteer sign up form below:



Thank you! Lori Akin, Noble PTA

## **Council Positions Open**

Hello Fellow Valley of Peace Parishioners,

I want to share the following exciting opportunities to be involved in important work in partnership with fellow VoP members. We are currently seeking interest in the following team chair position on Council.

• Parish Life

For what it may be worth, every time I've put my fears and worries aside and just went ahead and said yes to such opportunities to work with my brothers and sisters at VoP. I have benefited in some of life's most beautiful ways-no regrets. I hope you'll find and seize similar opportunities for fulfillment in the openings above. If you're even the slightest bit curious about a position, please let me know. Let's have a discussion so a fully informed decision may be made.

> Peace be with you all. Pat McGraw, Valley of Peace Council President 615-260-2318 (Feel free to call or text) or <u>apmcgraw@msncom</u>





#### Valley of Peace Staff

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Valley of Peace is committed to Racial Justice & is a Reconciling in Christ Church.



**Birthdays:** 

Boden Moravec, 5/6; Chad Schneider, 5/6; Casey Balint, 5/8; Linda Franz, 5/9; David Franke, 5/10; Kacey Laurent, 5/10; Neil Peterson, 5/11; Liam Black, 5/12;

**Anniversaries:** 5/10, Abbey & Craig Wiltzius, their 16th;

We invite you to take the announcements home with you and remember in prayer:

The Lutheran Church of Christ in Nigeria/our Congregation partner -LCCN, St. Luke Cathedral, Mayo-Gwoi, Jalingo, Nigeria and Pastor Talmon Yakaba

The children and youth of Valley of Peace and the members of the congregation who pray for them daily.

The congregation of Valley of Peace, that we extend an open welcome to all people and model in our community the reconciling ministry of Jesus Christ.

Those who have health concerns or are receiving treatment.

For the family & friends of Dave Sawyer, who passed on April 23.

**Prayer requests are listed with permission.** If you would like to be included in the prayers please contact the church office. Names will be included for 4 weeks unless otherwise asked for. Confidential prayer support is also available.