



Dear Friends,

January 9, 2020

Last night (Weds.) I opened my Bible and a spider came out of it (not a good thing for a pastor to admit).



Pastor Eric's E Note It had sat on the pulpit since Sunday and was already inhabited by a spider.

Part of our mission statement is to “Make Disciples” which means we do not want your Bible to be inhabited by spiders nor gathering dust. For that reason your offerings provide a daily devotional entitled “The Word In Season” which is available at the Welcome Center. We are also blessed with local websites from our ELCA seminary—Luther Seminary in St. Paul. Their daily devotional is “God Pause” register here: http://www.luthersem.edu/godpause/daily_view.aspx and they have a great biblical resource, “Enter the Bible” register here: <http://www.enterthebible.org/> . “Enter the Bible” uses commentaries, video, and answers your questions about the Bible. Finally, you can have a daily Bible verse sent to your Android or Apple phone by downloading the “Daily Bible” app and you can download the Bible and its various translations through the “Bible” app.

Drive the spiders out of your Bible and dust it off for you daily reading and study of God’s Word.

Pastor Eric

“What’s Your Story?” 2020 Stewardship Appeal

You have a story and we want to hear it. The story we want you to tell us is about a time God seemed very present in your life. You can share your story on the big screen during our appeal and throughout Lent by stopping at the All Saints Studio in February to record your story. You can also tell your story in person in worship or you can write it down and remain anonymous.

The great missionary Paul reminds his congregation in Thessalonica how important it is to share our faith and deepen our relationships: “So deeply do we care for you that we are determined to share with you not only the Gospel of God, but also ourselves. . . .” (1Thessalonians 2:8)

Over the next months we will have fun and be inspired as we share our stories with one another in a variety of ways.

Our Gratitude, Generosity and Outreach Team will be inviting you to be a part of this faith-building and life-changing event. Join them in prayer for “What’s Your Story?”

Pick up your poinsettias on Sunday

Please take your poinsettia home with you on Sunday. After that they will be recycled.

The Bishop Is Coming!

Bishop Ann Svennungsen is coming to All Saints on Sunday, January 19. After our worship services she will meet with the congregation and talk about the Mission and Ministry of All Saints, speak to our Ministry Site Profile and answer questions as we take the next steps in calling an Associate Pastor. After that meeting the synod will release the names of candidates they have in mind for the call committee to interview. Please be sure to attend on the 19th and keep the call process in your prayers.

Coffee Hour Bible Study

Join Pastor Eric on Tuesday, January 21 at 8:30 am and enjoy coffee, juice and rolls at this hour long study. All are welcome.

Congregational Meeting on February 2

Please join us on February 2 for our congregational meeting. It will start after the 10:15 service (~11:10am). At the meeting we will review the following agenda items: New Council Member Elections, Secretary's Report from the January 27, 2019 annual meeting, Congregation Statistical Report and Ministry Team summary. All confirmed members of All Saints are welcome and encouraged to attend.

Chanhasen Dinner Theater- Music Man - March 29, 2020

Adults - we have 20 tickets reserved so please sign up at the Welcome Center to reserve your seat. Dinner seating is at 4:30 pm, show starts at 6:30 pm. Cost is \$73.82 per ticket (this is a promotional price), includes dinner, show, tax and gratuity.