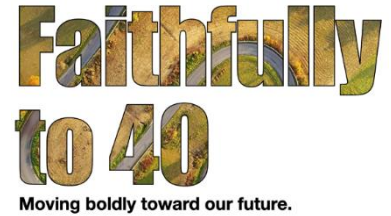




E-Note for February 29, 2024

Friends in Christ,

All Saints Lutheran Church is approaching an important milestone in the life of the church. We will celebrate our 40th anniversary on November 4th, 2024. At the same time, we are endeavoring to do something bold and new in this place. We are in the process of calling a full-time associate pastor.



The staffing committee discovered that we, as a church, want to call a pastor of children, youth, and family ministries to our staff. However, in order to call a full-time associate pastor, our total budget would need to increase by 20% (which is only up 4% from the budget we passed in 2021). Our mock pledge card campaign, in the fall, indicated that a majority of the congregation would be willing to increase their pledge in order to meet this need.

What does God have in store for All Saints Lutheran Church in the next 40 years? How can your giving reflect the bold faith you have in this place and the ministry we share? Your pledged commitments will help us to set our May 2024-April 2025 budget and make bold steps to expand our ministry for the sake of this community.

You will receive pledge materials after worship on March 3rd and we hope that you will prayerfully consider how your giving can help us meet our goals. Please join us for an open forum between services on March 10th to discuss this commitment campaign and the steps we are taking to grow the church. We look forward, with faith and hopeful anticipation, to the next 40 years (and beyond) of mission and ministry at All Saints Lutheran Church.

Peace of Christ be with you,
Pastor Matt Schroeder

Lent Schedule

Wednesday, Mar. 6, 13, and 20:
Lenten Supper at 5:30 pm
Worship at 6:30 pm

Our theme for lent is based on the hymn: *"Were You There?"*

- March 6: Were You There... as a Denier?
- March 13: Were You There... as a Spectator?
- March 20: Were You There... as a Mourner?

We are having Lent Suppers each Wednesday at 5:30 pm served by our youth. Free will offering. Proceeds will go toward the July 2024 National Youth Gathering Trip to New Orleans.



March FISH activity:

Sunday, March 3, 11:30-2:30 at All Saints

Broomball, Board Games & Walking Tacos!

*Bring your favorite board game(s)

*For Broomball, please bring your own broom!

Sign up at the Welcome Center- all are invited!



Fare For All is a program where anyone can shop for fresh, quality, and affordable groceries. Fare For All buys fresh produce and frozen meat from bulk wholesalers and growers, bundles them into \$10-\$30 packages, and distributes them at pop-up sites around the cities. No registration required and all are welcome to shop! **Upcoming 2024 sale dates at All Saints are:** Mar 7, Apr 4, May 2, Jun 6, Jul 11, Aug 8, Sep 5, Oct 3, Oct 31, Nov 26 from 3-5pm.



Volunteer sign up can be found at the Welcome Center.

More information on Fare for All can be found at: <https://www.thefoodgroupmn.org/groceries/fare-for-all/>

April FISH activity:

Friday, April 19, 5 - 8 p.m. at All Saints



Movie, Pizza & Popcorn!

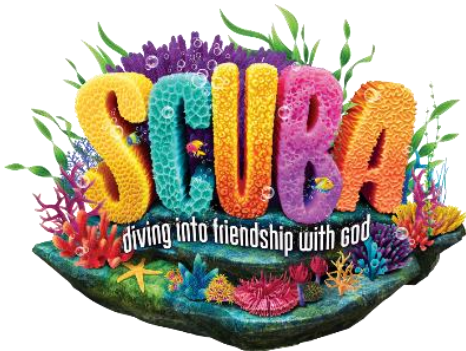
Parents' Night Out option!

Sign up at the Welcome Center



Discipleship Retreat: May 3- 5, 2024- Sign up deadline is April 7

Join us at Mount Carmel Bible Camp in Alexandria, MN for our annual discipleship retreat. Cost is \$180 per person double occupancy and \$219 per person single occupancy. Includes two nights of lodging and 5 meals. Sign up at the Welcome Center.



Vacation Bible School

VBS is June 10- 13, 2024, 9:00-11:30 a.m.

VBS is for students Age 4 - Grade 6 (entering fall 2024).

Join us for "Scuba" VBS, where we will

Dive Below the Surface to Build a Strong Faith and take kids deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. At Scuba VBS, kids will be immersed in the Word and discover what living water is all about!

Scuba is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences, music, crafts, games, and snacks. Cost is \$20 per child with a \$40 family max and deadline to sign up is **May 26, 2024**. Transportation is available. Register online at www.allsaintsnya.org or you can find registration forms at the Welcome Center.

VBS Staffing

We are looking for fun, energetic volunteers for VBS for the following areas:

~craft helpers,

~game leader, game helpers

~Classroom Teachers: Age 4/Kindergarten, 1st Grade, 2nd Grade, 3rd Grade, 4th Grade, 5th/6th Grade
(some of these classes may be combined depending on registration)

~Transportation drivers from Kid's Company to church and back again

~Photographer: take pictures and videos throughout the week

Online Giving at All Saints:
Visit www.allsaintsnya.org or scan the QR code to set up a one time or recurring donation using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account.



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