

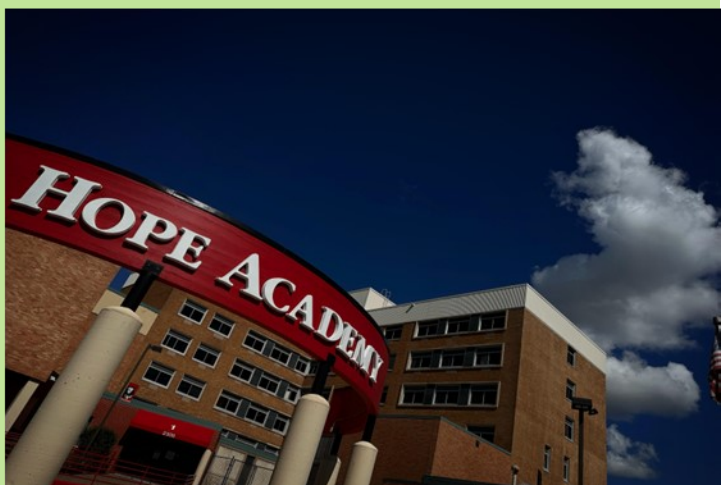
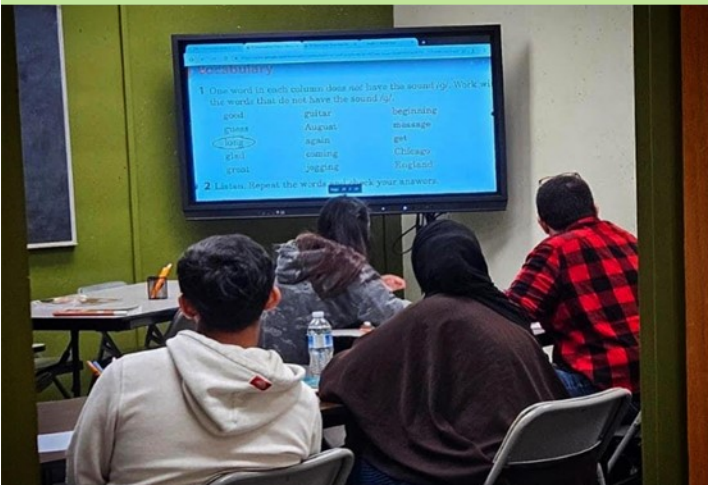
The Sentinel

June 2024

Our Saviour's Lutheran Church is a dynamic community, centered in Christ, called, nurtured and sent-to celebrate, serve and do justice.



**Propelled by the Holy Spirit
To Tell The Good News!**



Greetings beloved of OSLC !

The theme for this summer reflects on our own witness and stories to be "Propelled by the Holy Spirit To Tell The Good News!" Here are some Good News that I like to highlight from May that speak to the theme:

1. Engaging Preaching and Message

Dr. Kelly Sherman Conroy, a Native theologian preached about her ancestors captivating both children, adults and community surrounding with God's love and grace despite the struggles and trauma of her community where she grew up in the Oglala Lakota nation. Our very own Liz Lewis shared her message to the children about the presence of the Holy Spirit involving a pinwheel stand where kids were having fun blowing the wheel. Pastor Grant Stevensen shared there is no "other" when we talk about the radical love to others in the Gospel during Pentecost Sunday. Then, Dave Comstock shared God in three persons as God, the Son and the Holy Spirit and God in One during Holy Trinity Sunday. God is One because of the love the three persons have for each other as God so loves us and the world.

2. Nurturing the Next Generation

We have submitted the Lilly Endowment Grant proposal for Nurturing Children Through Prayer and Worship Initiative in early May. We proposed to partner with San Pablo/St Paul Lutheran Church and All Nations Indian Church to bring our children and parents or adult givers in deepening their faith through various forms of faith formations in prayer and worship in Spanish, Native Indian dialect and English. Thank you to those who have helped to complete the grant in full and on time. We let the Holy Spirit do the work!

3. Worship and Music

We discussed the future of our worship and music in a profound conversation and active dialog as our Mary will be retiring soon. We reflected on the impact of Mary's role, skills, passion and gifts of music and worship that we will dearly miss at OSLC.

4. Leadership and Justice

Celebrated the election of our Bishop Elect Jen Nagel who we know very well for her loving faith and commitment to justice and reconciliation. Our own Sophia Stout, a changemaker in her own right, inspires to grow only Native foods in her garden as part of revitalizing Native American foodways and wisdom. Some of our members attended the march and meetings at the Capitol during the recent Legislative

members were in session. We continue to listen and amplify our voices for marginalized communities.

5. Community Engagement

Seeing our community garden up and running excites me and all of us at OSLC. We are collaborating with OSCS housing, Augsburg University and our neighbors planting God's creation together in more meaningful ways. Seeing our prayer list full and active also shows our commitment to pray for each other for God's healing.

6. Property Envisioning

So much gratitude for the progress made by our property project committee planning the future use of our property and initiating strategic conversations with partners to live out our vision.

7. Gratitude

So much gratitude to all our teachers, volunteers and lay leaders for their time, energy, resources and enthusiasm at OSLC and our community in sharing the Good News!

I look forward to us being propelled by the Holy Spirit to Tell The Good News in this season of summer! I am reminded that we are a church even when we are not in our church building. This is increasingly evident in all of you!

I also want to extend my deep gratitude for your prayers, support and love as I completed and graduated with my Master of Theology from Luther Seminary. You are our extended family here in Minnesota far from home and both Jonah and I are so blessed. I continue to look forward to accompanying you, to listen, to wonder and to affirm you that you are the beloved child of God. As Jonah will be graduating from Roseville Area High School on June 1st, he will be heading to University of Minnesota - Twin Cities in the Fall! He will be studying Computer Science in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences with scholarships and awards! I am a very happy mother that he will be close with me! I have already signed him up for the U of M Lutheran Campus Ministry!

Go in peace and love, tell the Good News!

Pastor Esther

(she/her)



We have great lineups as our guest preachers for the month of June. Please thank them for their message and time with us

Pastor Esther

June 2: The Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs

Rev. Jim Bear came to preach recently on March 10th to launch us back on our reparations journey back in March of 2021. He continues to encourage us to do our own work of truth-telling, learning and relationship-building instead of expecting him or other Indigenous and/or Black leaders to do the sacred work for us. He has been published in a new book called *Gone for Good: Negotiating the Coming Wave of Church Property Transition*. He calls for predominantly white churches to reckon with the history of land theft and genocide as they discern what to do with their church properties. This is a very timely call for us, especially as we find ourselves in the midst of reimagining our properties with OSCS.

Rev. Jim Bear also serves on the board of MNIPL and Urban Homeworks. Born in St. Paul, he is a member of the Stockbridge-Munsee Mohican Nation, an American Indian tribe located in central Wisconsin. He has degrees in Pastoral Studies and Christian Theology and has served various churches as youth minister, adult Christian educator, and director of Men's Ministries. He is Co-Director for Racial Justice for the Minnesota Council of Churches. He has served as a parish associate at Church of All Nations Presbyterian Church. He is a cultural facilitator in the Twin Cities and works to raise the public's awareness of American Indian causes and injustices. He is founder of "Healing Minnesota Stories," an initiative dedicated to creating events of dialogue, education, and healing, particularly within faith communities.

June 16 (Celebrating Juneteenth and worship will be outdoor) : Pastor John Rohde Schwehn

Pastor John (he/him) serves as one of the campus pastors at Augsburg University. He previously served as pastor at Christ the King Lutheran Church in New Brighton, MN. In addition to pastoral ministry, he has also been a contributing author to Augsburg Fortress's suite of resources on scripture, theology, and Lutheran identity based on the works of Pr. Dan Erlander (*Manna and Mercy; Baptized, We Live; A Place for You; Water Washed, Spirit Born*). He lives in north Minneapolis with his wife, Anna, and their two daughters, Lydia (7) and Mira (5). They are proud and active members of OSLC!

June 23: The Rev. Angela T. !Khabeb

Rev. Angela is an ELCA pastor residing in Minneapolis with her husband Benhi !Khabeb and their three children Khonami, Khenna and Khonni. She is an editor for a book called "Call to Allyship - Preparing Your Congregation For Leaders of Color." She is an active writer for *Living Lutheran*. She is a Bridges Scholar and Distinguished Alumna of the Lutheran School of Theology at Chicago where she received the 2018 Emerging Voice Award and the James Kenneth Echols Prize for Excellence in Preaching.

The Rev. Angela will hold a Lunch and Learn about her book after worship.



OSLC Property Post: Highlights from May 2024

David Scheie, OSLC Property Project Coordinator, 5/24/2024

Our campus redevelopment work moved forward on several fronts during May:

- With input from the OSLC space needs group, we refined the “essential elements” chart sorting potential construction design features into 3 tiers: Essential (Go/No Go), Need (Strong Desire), and Nice to Have. In the process of doing this, the space needs group also identified several property maintenance tasks deserving more urgent attention. They will meet soon with the church. Property Committee to plan how to address these.
- The OSLC/OSCS Joint Property Committee selected Andy Hughes of Mahoney Development Services as our development consultant for the next several months. He will provide financial analyses and help us prepare a strong application for Minnesota Housing funds next year.
- Allyson Green, Aneesa Parks, Pastor Esther, and Mike Huffman of OSCS met over dinner with 4 leaders of Minnesota Immigrant Movement to broaden our relationship and explore possible partnership scenarios consistent with our reparations and land back values.
- We began reaching out to Normandale House board members to learn more of their future priorities and how we might co-create a vision that they, OSCS and our congregation can all support enthusiastically.
- We met with Chris Dettling, vice-president of Project for Pride in Living, who told us PPL’s own development pipeline is full for the next two years at least. He suggested several other possible funding, program and development partners we can explore. Pastor Esther also had a friendly conversation with a senior officer at Beacon Interfaith Housing Collaborative.

Questions? Ideas? Feedback? Feel free to contact me at 612-232-2912
or dscheie@touchstone-center.com, or flag me down when you see me at church.

Read all about it at our Property Reimagining Blog: <https://oslcproperty.weebly.com> !

Calling all kids, youth and adults at OSLC -

Be part of Building Beloved Community camp this summer!

Pastor Martha

Our fun ecumenical day camp is back this summer at a new location - Diamond Lake Lutheran Church. Our dates this year are August 19 - 23. Registration is open! To register as a kid participant, youth leader, or adult volunteer, please visit the day camp website (www.smplsdaycamp.org) to sign up.

Looking forward to a fun and faith-forming summer with many of you!



**M on da y – F r iday,
August 19-23, 9a - 4p**

Hosted by
Diamond Lake Lutheran Church

Sponsored by more than a dozen
Minneapolis congregations
Programming for entering:

K-5th grade

6-8 grades

High School Leaders

BE NOT AFRAID



A progressive ecumenical day camp experience offering faith formation in a fun, safe, Christ centered and relational setting. Worship, crafts, music, and games make for a fun and meaningful week of beloved community.

We are committed to making camp accessible to everyone who wants to come and are grateful for the abundant generosity of this community that supports one another! Our registration fee is based on a sliding scale and any donations given by others is used to defray the cost so everyone can attend.

Register here:

(<https://www.smplsdaycamp.org/>)



Are you willing to volunteer for San Pablo/St Paul Lutheran Church children's summer camp?

Pastor Esther

This year, their summer camp will explore the question, "What is God like?" Drawing inspiration from Rachel Held Evans' and Matthew Paul Turner's bestselling book (aptly named What Is God Like?), they will reflect on God in Creation, Community, and our family and friends through group activities with community leaders and neighborhood partners.

They would love to have us volunteer during their summer camp and here is the link:

<https://www.sanpablostpaul.org/summercamp2024.html> click on the volunteer box.

The camp will run from 9 AM to 2:30 PM, June 17 to June 21, 2024, for kids ages 5-12. It's okay if you do not speak Spanish.

**I am looking for one more Thrivent member who will be willing to apply for the Thrivent Action Program to help with some of the costs that the church needs for the summer retreat? If you are willing to volunteer and/or be the one to write the grant, please reach out to me esther@oursavioursmpls.org

Thank you so much for your help!

Thank You from CES

Maryellen Skan

CES President, Jamie Dalynchuk writes: 'Thank you for your support. We are deeply grateful for the \$2355 donation made on 4/9/2024. ... Your kindness and support during the March FoodShare campaign mean the world to CES. ... Because of your generosity, we were able to secure extra funds to help us buy more food for our neighbors who need it. This is really important because lately, we've been seeing more and more people needing healthy food. Your congregation's donation made a real difference in making sure everyone gets the meals they need. ... Our Saviour's Lutheran Church's support means a lot to us. It shows how much you care about the Phillips community and helping others. ... All your kindness is making a big difference in the lives of many people.'

Would you like to send Naomi Bardwell and Ezekiel Smith (Ziggy) a letter while they are at Luther Crest Bible Camp?

Naomi and Ziggy would be so happy to get letters from you while they are at Bible Camp from June 23 to 28. You can mail your letter to:

Their name

Luther Crest Bible Camp

8231 County Road 11 NE

Alexandria, MN 56308

June Mission of the Month: Bread for the World

Mike Troutman

Bread for the World invites us to join in the holy work of ending hunger in God's world. There is enough food to feed everyone in the world. What's needed is the collective will and action to get the right food to those who need it. Through mobilizing people of faith to use their collective voice, Bread works to change the policies of the U.S. government in ways that will improve the lives of poor and hungry people in both our country and across the globe. I invite you to join me in supporting Bread for the World's work in three ways:

1) Pray: Prayer is essential to ending hunger for prayers about ending hunger go to:

<https://www.bread.org/pray/>

2) Act: Send a message to your elected representatives by letter, email or phone. Currently Bread is focused on passing a Family-Friendly Farm Bill. Guidance for contacting your elected officials on this issue is at:

<https://go.bread.org/page/62477/action/1>

3) Give: Bread for the World is our Mission for the Month in June. Every dollar that Our Saviours will send to Bread for the World will be multiplied many times over in the effort to end hunger and deep poverty. As an advocacy organization, a dollar to Bread can lead to more than \$100 in food for hungry people.

Celebrating OSLC Graduates

Jeanne Heer

Join us in blessing our Graduates at Worship on Sunday, June 9th. There will be a celebration after worship with cake and beverages.

List of Graduates:

High School Graduates:

Pearl MacCallum - going to Creighton University to study Biology on a Pre-Physical Therapy track

Jonah Sitorus (Pastor Esther's son) - going to attend U of M. on a scholarship to study Computer Science

College Graduates:

Claire Lind - Graduating from Gustavus Adolphus with a Major in Political Science with a minor in Gender, Women, Sexuality Studies. She recently completed her internship with the St. Paul office of US Senator Tina Smith

Freya Hauer - Graduating from Augsburg with a BA in Social Work

Seminary Graduate:

Pastor Esther Sianipar - Graduation from Luther Seminary with Master of the Theology (ThM) with a concentration on Congregational Mission and Leadership



We the people who care about creation are called to take action on Xcel's leaky Monticello nuclear reactor!

Amy Blumenshine

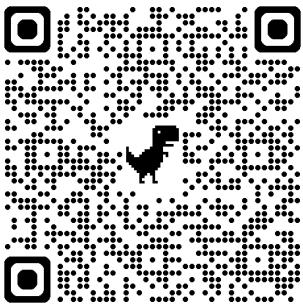
Please take a moment to send a message urging the NRC to reject Xcel's application for a license extension by June 10 (use the QR Code below).

Essentially this plant and its piping have been kept running long past it's capacity to operate safely. Parts are corroded, radioactive and leaking. Arguments that cost or climate require keeping Monticello running are misinformed.

Mining uranium will soon cost more energy than it produces. There is still no solution in sight for the waste produced—which must be kept from living beings (and water) for eons. Nobody can know whether their case of cancer was triggered by the waste released. Keeping Monticello running is like kicking a can of mounting catastrophe down the road for future generations.

As a congregation, we have committed ourselves to climate justice. I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity to have impact.

Read more here: <https://nukewatchinfo.org/monticello/>



Property Work Day - Saturday June 8th

Nancy Nygaard Johnson

The Property Committee invites you to join them in a Property Work Day on Saturday June 8th from 10 to Noon.

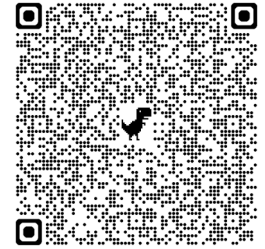
We'll be working outside to fix our front signage, pick up garbage, weed the flower beds, do some trimming, and other jobs as needed.

Many hands make light Work!



Cooking Class at OSLC!

Michelle Shaw *Minneapolis Edible Boulevards* Coordinator



Happy almost summer, everyone! I'm excited to share our upcoming cooking classes with you for the summer (see poster below), and we have some amazing instructors and co-hosts for our Celebrating Our Roots 2024 series.

This is Minneapolis Edible Boulevards' 5th anniversary, and we're kicking it off in a big way with Chef Lachelle Cunningham. We'll be learning how to make Smoked Mushroom Flatbread, and believe me, you don't want to miss it!

Thank you to Our Savior's Lutheran Church for being our co-host. The cooking class will be inside, and afterwards, Rico Morales will give us a tour at one of the church's community gardens a couple houses away. The cooking class goes until noon, but please plan some extra time for sampling the delicious entree, being in community and exploring the garden.

Every summer we partner with different community gardens. If you know of one whose neighbors/participants are interested in participating in 2025, please have them reach out.

Please register by clicking on the QR Code above so we know how many to plan for (both in-person and on Zoom). The more, the merrier so all are invited. We can't wait to cook with you!



June 1: Cooking Class with **Lachelle Cunningham**
Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
2315 Chicago Ave. Minneapolis, MN 55404



July 13 : Instructor TBA
Old Highland Peace Garden, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1803 Emerson Ave N., Minneapolis, MN 55411



August 1: Cooking Class with **Indigenous Food Lab**
Four Sisters Market , 12:30-1:30 p.m.
2839 17th Ave. S., Minneapolis, MN 55407



September 7: Cooking Class with **Kelly Shay**
McKinley Community, 11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
3300 Lyndale Ave. N., Minneapolis, MN 55412

Go to our Facebook page to get the most up-to-date information as it becomes available. Zoom will also be available. Go to minneapolisedibleboulevards.org for past recipes and classes.

Save the date



Join us for these two special events as we send Mary Preus off with gratitude, blessing, and much singing!

A Concert and Community Sing Celebrating Mary Preus

Saturday, September 21 at 6:30 pm

A musical event for all ages, featuring Bread for the Journey on their "We're not stale yet!" reunion tour and the beloved OSLC choir. A dessert reception will follow the singing.

A Service of Thanksgiving and Farewell

Sunday, September 29 at 10:30 am

We will bless and send Mary with gratitude and joy in worship, followed by sharing in a lunch and program celebrating her 30+ years of serving as the worship and music director at OSLC.

Robbinsdale City Band Concerts to kick off your summer!

Nancy Nygaard Johnson

Kick off your summer by attending an outdoor concert by the Robbinsdale City Band. Check them out at Lake Harriet Band Shell on Monday June 10th at 7:30pm or at Como Park Pavilion on Thursday June 27th at 7pm. Bring a chair or use the seating at either location. I am a member of the clarinet section.

Communion Bread Baking – Sat June 29th at 9am

Nancy Nygaard Johnson

It's time to bake some communion bread! All ages are welcome to help – though young children should come with a parent. No experience necessary.

We should be done by 11am or so.



Summer cleaning in our kitchen

Pastor Esther

Please be mindful not to leave extra condiments such as mayonnaise, dressing, sauces, milk or dairy products in the refrigerator because they are not being used and most of them are expired!

Thank you for keeping our kitchen efficient and healthy.



Lutheran Night at Target Field –

Mon August 12th

Nancy Johnson

Join Lutherans from around the state for Lutheran Night at Target Field, Monday Aug 12th. The Twins are playing the Kansas City Royals at 6:40pm. Our seats are in section 221, rows 1-3.

Tickets are \$32. Sign up will start in mid-June and tickets must be ordered by July 21st.

Questions, contact Nancy Johnson at n2j2@comcast.net.

**Lectionary Text for
Home Devotions**

June 2

Deuteronomy 5:12-15
Psalm 81:1-10
2 Corinthians 4:5-12
Mark 2:23—3:6

June 9

Genesis 3:8-15
Psalm 130
2 Corinthians 4:13—5:1
Mark 3:20-35

June 16

Ezekiel 17:22-24
Psalm 92:1-4, 12-15
2 Corinthians 5:6-10 [11-13] 14-17
Mark 4:26-34

June 23

Job 38:1-11
Psalm 107:1-3, 23-32
2 Corinthians 6:1-13
Mark 4:35-41

June 30

Lamentations 3:22-33
Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 (alternate)
Psalm 30
2 Corinthians 8:7-15
Mark 5:21-43

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PRAYER LIST

- Pastor Martha Schwehn Bardwell for a well rested sabbatical
- Jacentia and Luke, Karen Winan's grandchildren for safety and healing
- Dave Pena, father of Jacentia and Luke, healing from a broken knee
- Flow Golad, Cindy Daveraux's friend who just lost her husband as she grieves
- Diana St. Denis and family at the recent loss of her sister, Dawn
- Marilyn Preus, for strength and healing
- Joel, Mary Preus' brother, undergoing cancer treatment
- Reginald Page, dealing with major health issues
- Hawah Borbor, undergoing physical therapy for her foot
- Anton Moore, undergoing physical therapy
- Noah, Bruce Pederson's son, undergoing treatment for prostate cancer
- Deanna Thompson, Linnea's mother, who has a recurrence of breast cancer
- Brian, Dave Comstock's friend, recovering from a heart attack
- Annette Langford, recovering from a fall and Bob Langford for accurate diagnosis
- Mulki, daughter of our quilting neighbor Kadrah, dealing with a genetic skin condition
- Will, Elaine Johnson's brother, recovering from surgery
- Kay Knutson, healing and strength
- The family and friends of Douglas Shepard, former co-worker of Suzanne Burke's, grieving his death
- Jerry Stout, Sophia's father, recovering after hip replacement surgery
- Mary Thurow, for accurate diagnosis
- Shayne Knutson, waiting for a call for a job
- Jim Unglaube for recovery from hand/elbow surgery, which took place on 28th
- Those who are in need of jobs, transportation, food and security
- Peace in Gaza, Ukraine and in the world

We love to pray for you and your loved ones. Please reach out to Pastor Esther at esther@oursavioursmpls.org or call her at the office or her mobile phone for prayer requests, or fill out the prayer request form in the pew and place it on the offering plate during our Sunday worship together.

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Deadline for the July 2024 Sentinel is Tuesday, June 25

June 2024 at Our Saviour's

Sunday, June 2	10:00am	Hospitality
	10:30am	Worship in the Sanctuary and Online (Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs)
Tuesday, June 4	12:45pm-2:00pm	Staff Meeting
Wednesday, June 5	10:15am-12:00pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
Thursday, June 6	9:00am-12:00pm	Gardening in our Community Garden
Friday, June 7	7:00am	Men's Breakfast @ Butter BakeryCafe
Saturday, June 8	10:00am-12:00pm	Property Work Day
Sunday, June 9	10:00am	Hospitality
	10:30am	Worship in the Sanctuary and Online followed by the celebration of our graduates
Tuesday, June 11	12:45pm-2:00pm	Staff Meeting (CR)
Wednesday, June 12	10:15am-12:00pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
Thursday, June 13	9:00am-12:00pm	Gardening in our Community Garden
Sunday, June 16	10:00am	Hospitality
	10:30am	Worship in the Backyard and Online (Pastor John Rohde Schwehn) followed by Potluck
Tuesday, June 18	12:45pm-2:00pm	Staff Meeting (CR)
Wednesday, June 19	OFFICE CLOSED	No Bible Study
Thursday, June 20	9:00am-12:00pm	Gardening in our Community Garden
Sunday, June 23	10:00am	Hospitality
	10:30am	Worship in the Sanctuary and Online (Rev. Angela T. !Khabeb)
	12:00pm	Lunch and Learn 'Call to Allyship' - Rev. Angela T. !Khabeb
Tuesday, June 25	12:45pm-2:00pm	Staff Meeting (CR)
		Sentinel Deadline
Wednesday, June 26	10:15am-12:00pm	Bible Study in Person and on Zoom
Thursday, June 27	9:00am-12:00pm	Gardening in our Community Garden
Saturday, June 29	9:00am-11:00am	Bread Baking (Kitchen)
Sunday, June 30	10:00am	Hospitality
	10:30am	Pride Worship in the Sanctuary and Online



