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Inquiry, and Community



The Weekly Expression

Newsletter May 13, 2010

Upcoming Services:

May 16: *Youth ROOTS Ninth Grade Graduation Service*



May 23: *“Kite Sunday”*

May 30: *Memorial Day Sunday*

CALLING ALL MEN

All the men of the Church are invited to sing the NAVY hymn on Sunday, May 30, at our beautiful Memorial Day service at ASCC.. This service is a very moving tribute to all the men and women who have given their most precious gift, their lives, to their country. It is a service not to be missed. Simply come to the sanctuary at 10:30 am for a brief practice, and then we will sing the song at an appointed time during the liturgy. All men are invited, and feel free to bring your sons as well. We hope to see you there

Please also visit the website at www.allsoulscommunity.org and specifically the new calendar at <http://www.allsoulscommunity.org/Calendar/Calendar.htm> for this weekend's as well as important upcoming events. *We also have a page on Face Book. Check it out!*

New Member Sunday

We will be recognizing new members during the worship service on **June 6th**. If you joined All Souls (or would like to) during 2010 please contact Barb Lafler (wblafler@yahoo.com or 616-902-3288) or stop by the Welcome Table. To our longer standing members, please join us on this day in welcoming our new members.

Good News!

Cindy Coleman, Programs Council

Barb and Wayne Lafler, long-time, hard-working church volunteers and members, have agreed to step into the vacant chairmanship of the Community Life Board! They are looking for other members to be on the board, and at-large members, too. Please contact them at wblafler@yahoo.com to inform them of your interest, and find out what you can do to contribute ideas and energy. Many thanks to Barb and Wayne for past contributions to Newcomers Board, etc. and future contributions to All Souls COMMUNITY Church!

Speaking of Community Life, please plan to attend the congregational picnic at Manhattan Park on June 6 after the Worship service. (Brent and Pat have confirmed their attendance, so it's another opportunity to celebrate their contributions while they are still with us!) More information about this kid-friendly, annual potluck event to come.



Senior Sermons, May 2, 2010



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY JUNE 19TH AT IN THE IMAGE

On the third Saturday of every month, 12 volunteers are needed at In The Image to hand out food that is provided by the food pantry. The volunteers take the food out of the truck, place it on a table, and people pick out what they want. No food package weighs more than 10# (like a sack of potatoes). The time frame is 8:30 a.m. to 10:00 a.m. Contact person is Mary Blackwell, 616/334-8811 or mblackwell1938@mac.com. The location is 1823 South Division. See you there!

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All Souls Community Church is a church dedicated to religion, but not to a creed. It is a liberal religious community of free individuals of all ages walking together in relationship to one another, to our larger community and to the transcending mystery of the universe. Our community is based on open communication, democratic process and a belief in the capacity for goodness in all people. Our spiritual health and our growth as a church community are intimately connected with the spiritual growth and development of our children. We pledge to develop our church community with this always in mind. This church aims at celebrating and cultivating community, a sense of inquiry, moral character and insight, religious freedom, and helpfulness to humanity. That is, it aims at liberating and cultivating the human spirit.

Upcoming Events

(ALL EVENTS HELD AT AHAVAS ISRAEL AT 2727 MICHIGAN AVE. NE, UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED)

May 2010- Calendar

Sunday, May 9 - Mother's Day 9:45 am: Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am: Teens and Tweens Knitting, Ahavas Classroom 11 am: Worship (Intergenerational) - Flower Communion - Dr. Smith 12:15 pm: Newcomers Board Meeting, Ahavas Classroom 6:00 - 7:30 pm: ASCC Softball Team Practice, Manhattan Park

Tuesday, May 11 5:30 - 7:30 pm: Covenant Board Meeting 7 pm Branch X at Andy Truax and Annie Logan's home.

Thursday, May 13 7 pm: BOT Executive Meeting, Coleman's home 7 - 9 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Ahavas

Sunday, May 16 9:45 am: Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am: Teens and Tweens Knitting, Ahavas Classroom 11 am: Worship and Children's RE - Youth Roots Graduation - Dr. Smith 12:05 pm: 9th Grade Reception 12:15 pm: Music Board Meeting, Ahavas 6:00 pm: Elgin's Birthday Bash, Ahavas Social Hall 6:00 - 8:30 pm: ASCC Softball Team Practice, Manhattan Park

Wednesday, May 19 6:30 - 7:30 pm: B2?! @ Kids Food Basket, 1203 Butterworth SW - Contact Jackie Vines for further information

Thursday, May 20 7 - 9 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Ahavas 7 pm: BOT Meeting, Ahavas Meeting Room

Saturday, May 22 3:30 pm: Program Council meeting/retreat, Coleman "Conference Center"

Sunday, May 23 9:45 am: Children's Choir Rehearsal 9:45 am: Teens and Tweens Knitting, Ahavas Classroom 6 11 am: Worship (Intergenerational) - Kite Sunday - Dr. Smith 12:15 pm: Congregational Meeting 6:00 - 7:30 pm: ASCC Softball Team Practice, Manhattan Park

Thursday, May 27 7 - 9 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Ahavas

Sunday, May 30 11 am: Worship - Memorial Sunday - Dr. Smith 11:00 am:

Monday, May 31 - Memorial Day

Wednesday, June 2 6:15 pm: ASCC Softball Team Game, Manhattan Park

Thursday, June 3 7 - 9 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Ahavas

Sunday, June 6 11:00 am: Worship - The Resurrection of All Souls - Dr. Smith 11:00 am: New Member Sunday 12:30 pm: Congregational Picnic, Manhattan Park

Tuesday, June 8 5:30 Covenant Board Meeting

Wednesday, June 9 6:15 pm: ASCC Softball Team Game, Wealthy School

Thursday, June 10 7 pm: BOT Executive Meeting, Coleman home 7 - 9 pm: Adult Choir Rehearsal, Ahavas

