August 11 - 18, 2024

Scripture for August 11

Psalm 103 and Philippians 3:12-21

27th Annual Garage Sale

Wednesday, August 14

5:00 – 8:00 pm (Preview Night - \$3/admission)

Thursday & Friday, August 15 & 16

9:00 am - 7:00 pm

Saturday, August 17

9:00 am – 12:00 pm It's Everything ½ Price Day!

Week of Service - Thank You!

A special thank you to those who joined us for a fun week of service! Because of your time and generosity, we:

- Assembled 20 Birthday Bag kits for our Food & Clothing Shelf
- Painted many Kindness Rocks for our Food & Clothing Shelf
- Assembled 144 Blessing Bags for those in need in our community
- Volunteered in the Food & Clothing Shelf
- Helped to set up for the Garage Sale
- Helped with the Community Supper
- Served at Feed My Starving Children

• Enjoyed a day of fun at Smash Park! We learned that we don't need to travel far to be God's hands and feet. Thank you again to all those who joined us!

Blessing Bags

During our week of service, we packed 144 Blessing Bags. The bags are filled with basic hygiene items, a bottle of water, a granola bar, and a prayer. Please take one or more and hand them out to those in need. The bags can be found in the office and will also be given at the Food & Clothing Shelf.

27th Annual SPLC Garage Sale Drop Off!

Donations for the 27th Annual Garage Sale can be dropped off through this Sunday, August 11! For the last-minute schedule and for a list of items we can and cannot accept, visit [https://splcmn.org/2024-garage-sale]. Sunday is also the last day to donate snacks and beverages to fuel the many volunteers that make the garage sale happen! We welcome donations of cases of bottled water, cases of cans of pop, and sparkling water. Please bring your items to Room 6. Thank you!

Save the Date – Bishop Jen Installation

You are invited to the Festive Service of Holy Communion and the Installation of The Reverend Jen Nagel as Bishop of the Minneapolis Area Synod ELCA. It will take place on Saturday, September 21 at 10:30 am at Central Lutheran Church in Minneapolis. A light reception will follow. For more information, please visit [www.mpls-synod.org].

Backpacks for Back to School

Backpacks for middle and high school students at Fridley will be collected until Sunday, August 18. Our goal is to donate 50 to the schools. This year, we will be sending a check to the schools to purchase additional supplies rather than collecting items they may not use.

Tuesdays Together – Brief Hiatus

Due to the many activities and ministries taking place, Tuesdays Together will be taking a brief hiatus during the month of August and first week of September. We will resume meeting on Tuesday, September 10 in the Lounge at 1:00 pm and hope you will join us!

Grant Requests from Garage Sale

Requests for funding will be accepted through the month of August. Forms are in the church office, and completed forms may be left there. If you are requesting funds for church property, you must present a proposal to Property and Grounds for approval. Last year, we donated over \$30,000 from garage sale funds!

Temporary Closures/Cancellations During the Garage Sale

As in past years, due to space and convenience, the Community Supper and F&CS will be closed on certain days during the garage sale. The Community Supper will not be offered on Wednesday, August 7 and 14. The F&CS will be closed Wednesday, August 14 and Friday, August 16. Both ministries will resume regular hours and services beginning the week of August 18. Several of our other ministries and groups will also not be meeting during the garage sale so you will want to confirm with your group about meeting times.

Need – Paper Grocery Bags with Handles

We are collecting paper grocery bags *with* handles for the Garage Sale. You can drop off any you have to donate in Room 6. We need lots, so thank you for any you can donate to the cause!

Children Invited to the Pray Ground!

We invite the children who ordinarily use our Nursery, to join Rianna at the Pray Ground (front right of the Sanctuary) during the August 4 and 11 services. The Nursery will be used for the Garage Sale during this time and will be unavailable during Sunday worship.

Audio/Visual Technician Update

Our A/V Tech, Ryan Gorka, has submitted his resignation and his last day is Sunday, August 18. Ryan is preparing for his new adventure in college at UMD. We thank him for the knowledge and professionalism he brought to the position and wish him well in school. We are currently accepting applications for a new A/V Technician. If you are interested, or know someone who is, please contact Katie [katies@splcmn.org].