The TWIG

TWIG submission deadline is the 15th of the month. Thanks to those who have contributed information for this edition of the Twig! We welcome your feedback!!

Come, you thankful people, come; raise the song of harvest home. All is safely gathered in ere the winter storms begin. God, our maker, does provide for our wants to be supplied. Come to God’s own temple, come, raise the song of harvest home. God is good! Once again we are preparing for Thanksgiving and in the above words (LBW #407) are reminded of all the blessings that God gives us. Enjoy your Thanksgiving, thank God for his many blessings and pray for those who are less fortunate than we are. We are blessed to live in this free country so remember your civic duty and go out and vote on November 6th.

Chancel Choir’s Annual Christmas Concert:

Mark your calendars for Sunday December 9th. This year will be a presentation of "All Year Long". You will enjoy songs of the season and a wonderful story of a family sharing their Christmas with you. Children will participate by singing and exultation dancers will be in the aisles to help tell the story. Two presentations will be offered: 1:30 and 4 PM. Invite friends and family to join you at this wonderful event. The Christmas dinner also will be served after the close of the second service. So come, enjoy a wonderful meal (bring a dish to share) and a wonderful program.

Grace Dinner received a wonderful surprise. Four members of the Brooklyn Center Prayer Breakfast Committee came into our kitchen and presented us with a check for $400 for the Grace Dinner Program. They said they are blessing us because we are a blessing to the community. Praise the Lord!!

Thanks to all of you who participated in the Annual Craft and Bake sale sponsored by Worship and Music Ministry. Proceeds are used to defray the costs of Chancel Choir’s annual Christmas musical; after expenses are covered, the remainder goes into the General Fund.

FINANCIAL REPORT
AS OF THE SEPTEMBER COUNCIL MEETING

YTD Revenue...........................................$488,000
Less Cap. Campaign & Designated Giving...........33,000
Less YTD Fixed Expenses............................397,000
Less Normal Principal Payment.............22,000
YTD Net Revenue Over Expenses..............$36,000
Calendar of Events

Nov 4 All Saints Sunday—Temple Talk on new program
Nov 5 Stewardship Town Hall meetings @ 1 PM and 7 PM
Nov 8 Stewardship Town Hall meetings @ 1 PM and 7 PM
Nov 17 LINK Youth Conference at LCM
Nov 18 8:30 AM Traditional service
       10:30 AM Youth service
       5-8 PM Youth Concert presented at LCM
Nov 20 1 PM, LILLIES for women 55+ gather for
dessert, fellowship and special speaker
       Tameya Robinson. Bring a friend.
Nov 21 5 PM Grace Dinner—7 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service
Nov 22 Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed

LINK Youth Conference at LCM on November 17th
10 AM Volunteers & speaker Breakfast, Prayer & worship
12 PM Youth start with lunch & breakout discussion Topics:
   1-Who Am I?
   2-I Just Don’t Fit In
   3-The Foundation of My Walk with Christ
   4- I Just Want to do Music
Game time
6:30 PM Concert message by Wayne from TIMBER BAY

FUNERALS
We pray for comfort for the families of:
   Paul Mattson
   Dennis Tollefson

Carpet project phase 2 is complete!
By Pati Baumann

The carpet project in the main church building is now complete! It has been a journey, but beautifying God’s house is well worth it. On a daily basis, LCM’s head custodian Larry Rossi, works diligently to keep things beautiful. In addition to his regular job responsibilities, Larry was a tremendous help with the carpet project. From the early morning phone calls, to helping unload the delivery trucks, to moving materials and furniture from one room to another, the list goes on and on. THANK YOU Larry for your help on the project, and for all that you do for LCM!

November Twig-Outreach
On September 29th Outreach went to Stepping Stone Emergency Housing in Anoka. Together with the residents we roasted hotdogs over a fire. We provided the hotdogs, all the fixings, chips and smores. Some items were donated. Jason Christianson brought his guitar and provided “campfire music”. A few people enjoyed some “yard games”. We had a great time hanging out and sharing a meal with the residents. We were able for pray for and with some of the people we met.
We plan to return to Stepping Stone in November to provide a holiday type meal to the residents. Watch the bulletin for details.

Volunteer Opportunities for November:
Shoe Away Hunger is always looking for volunteers to sort shoes at the warehouse in Brooklyn Park. Go to their website to sign up. http://goodinthehood.org/volunteer/ And bring some cash because you will probably find a great pair of shoes to buy.
Starting Tuesday, November 20th you can volunteer in the Operation Christmas Child Warehouse. This is a fun and rewarding experience. This year the warehouse is located in Lakeville and registration is open now. Go to https://www.occvolunteersignup.com/ to sign up.

The organization FB4K (free bikes for kids) has their distribution warehouse in Brooklyn Center (next to Slumberland) for the 2018 Fall distribution. They give away 1000’s of bikes for free. They are in need of people to clean bikes and replace tire tubes. Go to their website to sign up. http://fb4k.org/pedaling-news/2018-collection-day/

In February we had the organization Days For Girls here at LCM. For those of you who would like to volunteer with that organization again they will be meeting at the Maple Grove Library in November. They are in need of volunteers to sew and serge (you must bring your own machine), cut (bring sharp shears or a 28mm rotary cutter with mat), and Iron Techs, Snap Machine techs, kit assemblers, & runners

Saturday, November 17, 2018……DAYS FOR GIRLS SEWING & CUTTING EVENT
When: Saturday, November 17, 11:30 AM to 4:30 PM
       (Library closes at 5 PM)
Where: Maple Grove Library, Main Street Meeting Room
       8001 Main St, Maple Grove, MN 5536
       The meeting room entrance is beneath a wall clock
RSVP: by November 14, 2018 to Barbara Cameron at barbaracameron444@yahoo.com or 612.387.6996

The nominations for the 2019 Council will begin soon. A committee is being formed. If you are interested in serving on the committee or to be considered for nomination, please contact Diane Erickson (Chair) or Bonnie Grill (Co-Chair) or leave your name with the church office.