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Disaster Relief

Here are some opportunities to support, serve, and show compassion to our city:

1. We are currently collecting dollars to assist with disaster relief here in Omaha, as many of our sister congregational members were affected by the recent tornados that hit Elkhorn, Bennington and surrounding communities.
2. Donations are needed for the emergency shelter set up at the Common Ground Community Center, 1701 Veterans Dr. in Elkhorn. Donation needs include: toiletries, non-perishable foods, wipes, diapers, towels, washcloths, pillows, phone chargers, power straps, etc.
3. Serve hot meals with Hot Meals USA at Bethany Church 4200 N 204th St, Elkhorn. Meals are provided at 7am, 11:30am, and 5pm.
4. Volunteer with Heartland Hope Mission's Crisis Response Center, 15555 Industrial. Volunteers are needed to help distribute food, hygiene items, clothing, pet food, and toys during these time frames: Monday-Friday 9am-3pm, Saturdays 10am-12pm.
5. Salvation Army's donation site at 156th and Blondo needs volunteers.
6. Lutheran Church of the Master has a donation/distribution site: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1376817086321098>
7. About 48 trained volunteers from 8 States are staying at Divine Shepherd and deploying to the locations impacted by the tornados. They have breakfast 7 am and an evening meal 6:30 pm for volunteers. Anyone is welcome to sign up and bring food: <https://divineshepherd.churchcenter.com/registrations/events/2295551>
8. COPE is focused on providing long term assistance to people affected by the storms through their food pantry, clothing rack, emergency assistance and other services. COPE is located at 20601 Elkhorn Dr., Elkhorn, NE. Help is needed to help manage supplies as they arrive.

For those who are able to help, THANK YOU! Tragedy presents an opportunity for us as church to be a blessing and to share the love of Jesus with those who have lost so very much.

Blessings,
Pastor Bryan

Church Events

SUNDAY, MAY 12

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
- 9:00 am Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 9:15 am Sunday School
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
- 9:30 am Choir Rehearsal
- 10:30 am Eucharistic Worship with Bell Choir
- 11:30 am Worship & Music Committee (Rm 115)
CYF Board Meeting (Narthex)
- 6:00 pm NO ZOOM BIBLE STUDY

TUESDAY, MAY 14

- 11:30 am Lunch Bunch (Acker Hall)
- 7:00 pm Pray, Knit & Crochet Group (Narthex)
Board of Directors Meeting (Acker Hall)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 15

- 9:30 am Devotional (Zoom)
- 12:30 pm First Ladies AA Meeting (Rm 114)
- 6:00 pm Youth Confirmation Class
- 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study (Narthex)

THURSDAY, MAY 16

- 6:30 pm Tai Chi (Acker Hall)
- 7:00 pm Board of Trustees Meeting (Rm 114)

FRIDAY, MAY 17

- 6:30 pm Youth Group (Aulner's House)

SUNDAY, MAY 19

- 8:00 am Eucharistic Worship
- 9:15 am Choir Rehearsal
Sunday School
Education Hour with Pastor Bryan
- 10:30 am Eucharistic Worship with Choir
- 11:45 pm Bell Choir Rehearsal
- 6:00 pm Adult Bible Study (Zoom)

SUNDAY SCHOOL CELEBRATION

Join us Sunday, May 19 between services (9:15am) in Acker Hall as we celebrate another great Sunday School year. We will be having a breakfast potluck, so we ask everyone to bring a breakfast item to share. We will also be playing Bible BINGO. This event is for all ages. We hope to see you there!



MAY LUNCH BUNCH

Lunch Bunch on May 14th will be a catered meal at church with a wonderful presentation called, "Thirteen Steps to the Gallows." It is the story about LCMS Chaplain Henry Gerecke who was assigned to the Nuremberg War Criminals. A wonderful story of forgiveness and grace unfolds during this one-man dramatic production. There is no cost for attending the performance. A free-will offering, however, will be taken. Please sign up in the Narthex if you plan to attend.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We meet Wednesday at 6:30pm in the Narthex! All welcome! Currently studying Galatians. We are using the ESV version, please come and join us in our study. All welcome.

ADULT CONFIRMATION CLASSES



New Adult Confirmation Classes will begin Monday, June 3, 2024 at 7:00 pm in Room 115. Please indicate your desire to participate with Pastor directly or with Kim or Jen in the church office. Classes meet for 6-sessions and leads to membership at Pacific Hills. New

Member Sunday will be July 21, 2024 at the 10:30 AM service. This will include transfers as well as adult confirmands.

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

May 12 – Ascension (Observed) and Mother's Day. What a wonderful time to worship together as family. Make sure to purchase a flower for mom from EPS.

May 19 -- Pentecost Sunday.

May 22 -- Confirmation Faith Sharing Night at 7:00 PM in Acker Hall.

May 25 -- Confirmation Rehearsal at 10:00 AM in the Sanctuary.

May 26 -- Confirmation and Trinity Sunday.

BIBLE VERSE of the Week

"You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you; and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."

(Acts 1:8)

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES

PHLC website: www.pacifichillslutheran.org

BIBLE STUDY VIA ZOOM

There will be no Zoom Bible Class THIS Sunday, May 12. Dr. Bob Vandervort and a bible study group will begin a study on the Book of Ruth via ZOOM every Sunday evening from 6:00 — 6:45 pm beginning May 19. Please email him at rsvod@cox.net or 402-350-0872 for more information.

MOTHER'S DAY ROSES FROM EPS

Essential Pregnancy Services (EPS) will have roses for purchase after services on Mother's Day with a donation of just \$5.00. Your donation will help to support EPS and give women, who are facing unexpected or unplanned pregnancy, loving care, support, and education about life affirming options. Please see Jeff Pirricello between services.

FREE ULTRASOUNDS AT EPS

To help Essential Pregnancy Services' new staff complete their onboarding training, you can get a free ultrasound, including pictures, during an upcoming model scan day in May:

May 18 | 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

EPS Maple Village Testing Center
3029 North 93rd Street, Omaha, NE 68134

Participants should have established prenatal care with a physician and a due date between Nov. 1 and Dec. 25.

If you or someone you know is interested in getting a free ultrasound, call or text 402-554-1000 to schedule.

TABLE GRACE THE MUSICAL

Table Grace Cafe is proud to announce that Table Grace the Musical is coming to a theatre near you:

June 21-22: Scottish Rite Center, 7pm

June 27-29: Benson Theatre, 7pm

August 8-9: Lofte Theare, Manly, NE, 7pm

Visit <https://tablegracethemusical.com> for more info and to buy tickets!