

## *Congregation Ministry*

### **Contemporary Issues Classes Coming Up:**

**November 17:** What is white privilege? Understanding what it means.

**November 24:** What is systemic racism? Use a timeline to show how government policies and actions negatively impacted African Americans, Native Americans, and other groups.

**An FLC widow support group** has begun to share wisdom and comfort and support. Any widow who wants to join can meet Monday November 18 at 10:30 am in the parlor. Come with an open mind and open heart. Come to be supported; come to support. Let Pastor Emily know if you plan to attend.

### **3W – Women and the Word on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, November 20, 6 – 8 pm**

3W is 5W this month as we head to PF Changs to enjoy their Wine & (lettuce) Wraps special (or whatever you would like)! This group is for women of young adults, who are close to graduating from high school, are in college, or are young professionals. Please note, we made a reservation, so text Carol or email – [carol@firstlutheran.com](mailto:carol@firstlutheran.com) by Tuesday, November 19 if you would like to attend.

**Advent Chrismon Workshop:** The Advent Chrismon Workshop will be held December 15 at 10 am in the Community Center. This year we will make the “Omega on Cross”. This pattern is easier than the one we did last year. Anyone who would like to help with the workshop, please contact Margaret Alsobrooks at [walsobro@bellsouth.net](mailto:walsobro@bellsouth.net) or 336-282-6383.

**Advent is Coming:** Helpers are needed to decorate the Chrismon trees again this year. We will meet at 2 pm on Sunday, November 24 to decorate. If you are able to help, please contact Margaret Alsobrooks at [walsobro@bellsouth.net](mailto:walsobro@bellsouth.net) or 336-282-6383.

**Every year during Advent we host inter-generational Advent events** for the whole congregation during the Faith Formation hour. Because of the number of participants, we need help with Advent crafts (Dec. 8), Chrismon making (Dec. 15), and Breakfast in Bethlehem (Dec. 23). Please take a moment to see where you can help out so that everyone can enjoy our time together. If you are a 6-8 grader and would like to help, sign up here: <http://bit.ly/adventyouth2019>. Adult volunteers that would like to help, sign up here: <http://bit.ly/AdventVolunteers>. Questions? Contact Lisa Mullen at [lisa.mullen@firstlutheran.com](mailto:lisa.mullen@firstlutheran.com).

## *Children's Ministry*

**November WEB meeting, grades 3-5** – today from 2-4 pm, bowling at Triad Lanes, 21 Oak Branch Dr. Please send \$8 with your child and extra cash for snack money. Drop-off and pick-up at Triad Lanes.

## *Youth and Family Ministry*

**RAD Giving Tree Shopping Event (Gr 6-12) happens today – Noon – 3 pm** - For youth who are signed up – please meet immediately after 11 am worship in the Community Café for a Spaghetti Lunch. **Parents** – please check in with us and provide us with a contact number for the day. We will be traveling off site to Target, Highlands Blvd. to shop for gifts and will return by 3 pm.

**Last chance!!! BYG-er Retreat for GRADE 6-8** – All Youth, grades 6-8, are encouraged to join us at Camp Agape for the 2020 BYG-er (building middle school youth group), March 20-22. Space is very limited (only 3 boy and 2 girl spots remain). Extra spaces are being returned this month. A deposit holds their spot, so sign up now with a \$65 deposit. Cost of retreat is \$150. Sign up here - <http://bit.ly/March2020BYGer>.

### **LYO – Lutheran Youth Organization – Assembly, February 21-23, 2020**

Registration is now open!!! Grades 6-12 youth are encouraged to attend this NC Synod youth-led local event. The theme this year is “Together We Are One.” Cost for the event is \$150 Let us know you are interested by signing up here - <http://bit.ly/2020LYOinterest>.

## *Worship Ministry*

**Flowers in the traditional worship space are needed** for November 17 (one arrangement) and November 24 (two arrangements). We also need arrangements in December, there is only one signed up for. Check out the chart in the narthex and pick a date that works for you and sign your name and what you would like the bulletin to say.

## *Community Ministry*

**The Barnabas Network (BN)** needs twin XL, king size sheets, and bath, hand and face towels. If you can help with new or gently used items, drop them off in the Mission Depot, box marked BN. If there are any questions, please call or email Ruth Zeemer.

**NIGHTHAWKS RACE AGAINST HUNGER:** 5K & 1 Mile Fun Run / Walk community event, Saturday, November 16 at Northern Guilford High School, 7101 Spencer Dixon Rd. 5K race – 9 am, 1-mile fun run – 9:45 am. Proceeds benefit hunger in our community by providing Thanksgiving and Christmas meals for local families with excess food going to A Simple Gesture, supporting Backpack Beginnings and Operation Backpack programs. For more information contact Debbie Sivret, [mdkmjsivret@earthlink.net](mailto:mdkmjsivret@earthlink.net) or 336-908-0933 or register at <https://runsignup.com/Race/NC/Greensboro/NighthawksRaceAgainstHunger>.

**GIVING TREES WILL BE UP NOVEMBER 17!** Gifts for local children have been suggested through FaithAction International House and the Guilford County Health and Human Services Department. Please return your gift to one of the trees by Sunday, Dec. 1. Contact: Jean Young, [young.jean@att.net](mailto:young.jean@att.net).

## *School for Young Children*

**Sneak a peek in a one of our classes** on the following days, Wednesdays and Thursdays, November 14 & 15 and January 15 & 16 from 9:30 to 11:30 am.



**Registration opens for the 2020 - 2021 school year** on January 17 for church members, January 22 for current families and January 28 for new families. All the class lists and registration information is on the website. Next year is the School for Young Children's 50th anniversary.