

May 26, 2024

The Weekly



Starting June 12: Grow Your Faith with Group Spiritual Direction

Have you heard of spiritual direction? Spiritual direction is often a one-on-one relationship with a spiritual director that involves intentionally listening to God's voice and presence amid daily life. However, spiritual direction can also be done in a group setting.

You are invited to explore spirituality with Pastor Rich and a few other Lutheran Church of the Resurrection members. Spiritual direction is not a bible study, a fellowship group, or adult class. It is an intentional period of spiritual focus that will include a pattern of silence-sharing-silence-response-silence.

[Sign-up for one of two-time slots available for this experimental time of spiritual discernment.](#) Participants are asked to prayerfully consider intentionally committing to be present at all sessions for the most fruitful experience. *Each time slot is limited to six participants.*

Wednesdays in June (starting June 12)
10:30 am - Noon or 6:00 - 7:30 pm | Pastor's Office

Sample Schedule

- 15 min - Gather and Remain in Silence
- 15 min - Sharing By One Person
- 5 min - Holy Silence
- 15 min - Group Responses
- 5 min - Silence
- 5 min - Liturgy of Prayer
- 30 min - Reflection on Time



Help Lead Our Coffee Hour Team

The Fellowship Team will be taking a much-needed break this summer from providing Coffee Hour between services beginning June 2 and restarting September 8. This is similar to the break some of our ministries, such as Sunday School, take over the Summer to rest and recharge. There will be a special Father's Day Coffee Hour.

We have also made the decision to split the Fellowship Team Lead between two positions:

- Events (Cristi Minard will continue leading) and
- Coffee Hour (a position we are recruiting to fill)

If you want to get involved, have ideas to enhance the coffee hour experience, and want to be part of ministry leadership please reach out to [Andy Minard](#).

CALENDAR

MAY 26
New Member Reception

Traditional Worship
8:30 am | Sanctuary

Fellowship Hour
9:30 - 10:45 am | Gathering Room

Adult Faith Formation:
Jesus and His Jewish Influences
9:45 - 10:45 am | Conference Room

Contemporary Worship
11:00 am | Sanctuary

MAY 27
Memorial Day
Church Office Closed

JUNE 3-6
Vacation Bible School

JUNE 12
Group Spiritual Direction
10:30 am & 6 pm | Pastor's Office

JUNE 30
One Blended Worship Service
10:00 am

JULY 27
Bible Trivia Night



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Some people prefer their faith to be neatly organized and comfortable. Others prefer their faith to be messy and challenging. There is a space for both in vibrant faith communities. As Lutherans, much of our faith is paradoxical: saint/sinner, law/gospel, theology of the cross/theology of glory.

Join Pastor Rich and others from LCR to dive into the messy part of faith, where we will live and thrive in the question and paradox rather than in concrete answers. All participants should expect to be uncomfortable, messy, and open in a setting where all are welcomed and honored for their perspectives.

A date for the class will be announced soon. Email [Pastor Rich](#) if you are interested.

OUTREACH UPDATES

New Laptops Empower Students in Guatemala

Charles Demosthenes

LCR was able to obtain 15 new laptops at nominal cost for donation to the Milagro school in Guatemala. It was our desire to be able to provide each girl with their own computer so they wouldn't need to share and take turns. Additionally, we wanted them to be able to take the computer back home when they completed their studies.

The Guatemala support team approved the purchase, and Charles Demosthenes worked with Micro Center who allowed us to buy more than the 1 per customer limit. John Mellott carried them down when he made a trip there this spring, and after Pastor Karen established some rules on how and when the computers should and should not be used, they were presented to each girl. Much of their schooling is now computer based, so this has greatly increased their ability to learn.



Monthly MUST Lunch

What a great day it was to prepare and serve 127 guests at the Must Hope House. Thank you so much to Lance and Kirk for preparing and serving and to Marc and David for serving.



Help Us Fill The Wagon

Look for the red wagon in the hallway across from the Gathering Room doors every Sunday to drop off needed non-perishable food items (cereal, pasta, pasta sauce, 1 or 2 pound bags of rice, ramen noodles, and peanut butter) for MUST Ministries.



CHILDREN AND FAMILIES

Vacation Bible School June 3 - 6

Join us for our Vacation Bible School adventure for 2024, Campfire Light: a summer camp adventure with God.

June 3 - 6
9:00am - noon

Ages 3
through
rising
5th graders



[Register now!](#)

Sunday School Summer Break

Sunday School for kids is taking a break for the summer. Thank you to all who made this past year possible!

During the summer we will continue to explore how God is present and at work in our everyday lives through the "God Box" moment in worship.

Church Office Refresh

A refresh of the church office is planned for the week of July 15. We will be replacing carpet and painting. We are looking for volunteers to help move small items such as pictures, books and boxes out of the way, as well as patching, priming and painting of some walls. Contact [David Price](#) or [Charles Demosthenes](#) if you are willing to help.

Share Care Requests

To ensure our community is well cared for, if you or someone you know is **in need of care**, please fill out [this form on our website](#) to let Pastor Rich know and he will be in touch.

If you want to **schedule some time to meet with Pastor Rich** in-person or virtually, [click here](#).



Get Updates from LCR

Stay connected to the life of our the LCR community and get weekly updates and occasional reminders about upcoming events by scanning the QR code or [clicking here](#).



Congrats Graduates

It was a joy to celebrate with some of our graduates this past weekend in worship. Best of luck and God bless you in your new endeavors.

