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Mid Week Update ~ September 14, 2022

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And the winner is...



Our Sunday School will be called The Hole Story!  
Thank you to everyone who submitted excellent  
name ideas and voted!

We'll see you every second and fourth Sunday at  
9:30am for stories and donuts!

The Hole Story is for EVERYONE and all ages. We will be working on building cross-generational relationships, which is as easy as reading stories and playing together!

These 20-minute gatherings before church will have time for meeting each other and singing a song, story time from the story bible, and a game we can all play together.

The Fall Schedule is on the second & fourth Sundays:

September 11 & 25

October 9 & 23

November 13 & 27

December 11

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Thank you to everyone who participated in God's Work, Our Hands Sunday! It was amazing to see our community come together to help the greater community! THANK YOU!!!

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Our Prayground is now open! This is a play space for ages 0-4 yrs old to use during worship in the back of the Chapel. Parents will still be able to hear and participate in worship while their child plays! We are still in need of a few soft/quiet toys for our toy shelf. Please let Greta know if you would like to donate some gently used toys for our prayground!

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We will have a Baptism Celebration and Bible Presentation on Sunday, October 16 at 9 AM for any families with children who have been Baptized in the last 5 years. There will be an opportunity to decorate the Faith Chest you received when your child was Baptized and receive a Story Bible!

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The prayer Shawl team make hand-crafted blankets with God's healing and peace prayed over each one. These are available to all who have need of God's comfort!

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**Wednesday, September 14**  
**High School Youth Group**  
**7:30 - 8:30 PM in the Youth Room**







Confirmation Sunday is September 18 at 10 AM. Blessings on Theo Hedican, Bryce Peterson, & Hallie Tonniges.

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We are going to produce our own pictorial directory available just in time for Reformation Celebration! What we need from you:

**UPDATED PHOTO OF YOUR FAMILY**

- ~ Selfies
- ~ Professional Photos
- ~ Whatever You Choose

## UPDATED CONTACT INFO

- ~ Address
- ~ Phone
- ~ Email
- ~ Preferred Method of Contact

Contact Susie if you have any questions. If we don't receive a photo we will use the last one on file.

***Bring or email your photo and information (or click the link below) to the Church Office by October 16!***

[Submit Info Here](#)

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The Lydia Circle meets on Tuesday, September 27 at 2 PM. The Sarah Circle meets on Thursday, September 22 at 12:30 PM. All are invited to join!

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## EVENSONG 2022 & CHILI COOKOFF

### ***Omaha Campus Ministries Evensong 2022 & Chili Cookoff***

Sunday, October 16, 2022

Lord of Love Lutheran Church

5:00 PM Chili Cookoff and Silent Auction

6:30 PM Holden Evening Prayer Worship Service

A fundraiser for Nebraska Lutheran Campus Ministry in Omaha. Festivities include a chili cookoff with cinnamon rolls, silent auction, Holden Evening Prayer worship, and awards presentation. For more info, contact Jon Fredricks at [j.fredricks@nelcm.com](mailto:j.fredricks@nelcm.com).

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Transportation is a necessity for refugees to obtain a job. Our bus system strives to provide timely routes. Being able to afford personal transportation is a challenge for most refugees. We have contact with three families who could benefit from a vehicle. If you or anyone you know is in a position to donate a road worthy vehicle, it would be a blessing to these families. We can help you obtain the paper work to get a tax benefit from the vehicle donation. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this matter.

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***September***

September 4

Kim & Karen Hawkins

Kim & Karen Hawkins

Gloria Miller

September 11	Tim & Dawn Karnish	James & Shaila Clark	Gloria Miller
September 18	Francy Van Meter	Francy Van Meter	Gloria Miller
September 25	Jan Zarestky	Jan Zarestky	Jan Zarestky

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**Attention Coffee & Donut Lovers**

Volunteers are needed to help set-up and clean up so we can continue enjoying our fellowship coffee on Sunday mornings. Sign up in the Gathering Space or contact the Church Office to offer your help. Thank you!

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*Church Council*  
**HIGHLIGHTS**

- The Church Council celebrated a successful youth trip to the Minneapolis area.
  - The Church Council's annual retreat is scheduled for Saturday, September 24 at Camp Carol Joy Holling.
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## Suicide Awareness and Prevention

### Omaha Area Out of the Darkness Walk

The walk is a journey of remembrance, hope, and support uniting communities and acknowledging the ways in which suicide and mental health conditions have affected our lives.

When: **September 17<sup>th</sup>**

Where: **Stinson Park**

Register: **11:30 am**

Start: **1:00 pm**

<http://afsp.org/omaha>

#### **From your Faith Partner's Team:**

We share the following article with you in order that you may know the help that is available to

you when you, a family member or a friend has challenges to their mental health.



July 16th was the first day "988" was activated as the new three-digit mental health program hotline. In 2020 the FCC designated "988" as the new help number and Congress funded it. Anyone who needs help with their mental health, particularly people in crisis or those struggling with mental health issues, should call this number. Operators speak both English & Spanish and have access to interpreters with over 150 languages.

When people call, text, or chat 988, they will be connected to trained counselors that are part of the existing National Suicide Prevention Lifeline network. These trained counselors will listen, understand how their problems are affecting them, provide support, and connect them to resources if necessary.

The current Lifeline phone number (800-273-8255) will always remain available to people in emotional distress or suicidal crisis, even after 988 is launched nationally.

[SuicidePreventionLifeline.org](https://SuicidePreventionLifeline.org)



Faith Partners will have training available Saturday, September 24 at 9 AM here at Morning Star. See Pastor Glenn if you would like to help in this ministry.

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# OFFICE HOURS

The Church Office is open Monday-Friday 8-12, 1-4:30. The Church Office is closed on Tuesdays from 9:30-10:30 for staff meeting.

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Check out the newly repaired  
***Little Free Library***  
located on the parking island  
next to 85<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

Take a book or leave one. As  
always, all books are free!





Drink From The Well is a program of spiritual formation for adults, offering teaching and prayer practices to help open them to receiving the fullness of life in Christ and the richness of God's mercy – right here, right now! This program is available to all adults wherever they may live. Developed by certified spiritual directors associated with Seeking the Spirit Within, the program will run from October 2022 to May 2023. Each month there will be a recorded online webinar to provide instruction and a small group meeting with a spiritual director. Information about the program and the process of registration can be found at [www.NebraskaSynod.org](http://www.NebraskaSynod.org) and search for Drink from the Well. You may also contact Pat or Emily at [dftwnesynod@gmail.com](mailto:dftwnesynod@gmail.com). Registration is open until September 14.

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View Morning Star's online calendar by clicking below!





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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### ***Wednesday, September 14***

10<sup>AM</sup> Bible Study (Conference Room)

12<sup>PM</sup> AI Anon Meeting (Chapel)

7:30<sup>PM</sup> Senior High Youth Group (Youth Room)

### ***Thursday, September 15***

4:45<sup>PM</sup> Faith Partner's Training (Carol Joy Holling)

7<sup>PM</sup> DBSA Meeting (Conference Room)

***Friday, September 16***

***Saturday, September 17***

5:30 <sup>PM</sup> Worship (Chapel)

***Sunday, September 18 ~ Confirmation Sunday***

10 <sup>AM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary)

***Monday, September 19***

5:45 <sup>PM</sup> Stewardship Meeting (Conference Room)

***Tuesday, September 20***

9:30 <sup>AM</sup> Staff Meeting (Conference Room)

5:30 <sup>PM</sup> AA Meeting Group 1 (Gathering Space)

8 <sup>PM</sup> AA Meeting Group 2 (Gathering Space)

***Wednesday, September 21***

10 <sup>AM</sup> Bible Study (Conference Room)

12 <sup>PM</sup> Al Anon Meeting (Chapel)

6 <sup>PM</sup> Acolyte Training

6:30 <sup>PM</sup> Confirmation (Youth Room)

***Thursday, September 22***

11:30 <sup>AM</sup> Scatter Joy Board Meeting (Conference Room)

12:30 <sup>PM</sup> Sarah Circle (Chapel)

7 <sup>PM</sup> DBSA Meeting (Conference Room)

***Friday, September 23***

***Saturday, September 24***

9 <sup>AM</sup> Council Retreat (Carol Joy Holling)

9 <sup>AM</sup> Faith Partner's Training (Conference Room)

5:30 <sup>PM</sup> Worship (Chapel)

**Sunday, September 25**

10<sup>AM</sup> Worship (Sanctuary)

2<sup>PM</sup> Coffee with Greta (Scooter's)

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**You are invited to join us IN PERSON for Bible Study every Wednesday at 10 AM! We will continue to broadcast on [Facebook LIVE](#) for those who are unable to attend. This week's study texts are:**

First Reading [Amos 6:1a, 4-7](#)

Psalm [Psalm 146](#)

Second Reading [1 Timothy 6:6-19](#)

Gospel [Luke 16:19-31](#)



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