

weekly connections

February 9 – February 15, 2020

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Reaching our neighbors with Christ's love so all lives are changed.



Join us for worship next Sunday, February 16th for the 2nd week of our “As It Is In Heaven” sermon series. We’ll explore the hope that heaven brings for what is to come and how that changes how we live on earth.



audiofetch

Having trouble hearing the sermons and music on Sunday? Download the Audio Fetch app and you will be able

to hear everything in your earbuds at a comfortable volume.

Directions are available at the Info Center or from an usher.

Have a baby or toddler? The nursery is available year-round for children under 3 years of age at each service.

Need a different type of worship space?

The Zone (located adjacent to the main space) is our alternative location for those who need or prefer it and is an extension of our Worship Space.

Don't forget to check in to Joy on:



facebook.com/groups/joylutheran/

AtF Pizza Fundraiser—Pizzas for sale before and after worship in the Youth kitchen. Cheese, sausage and pepperoni pizzas are \$7 and specialty pizzas are \$9. All proceeds will help offset the price of this summer's mission trip!

starting TODAY through May 10 from 6 to 7:30 pm. Visit www.griefshare.org for more details about the program. Cost is \$20 for a participant workbook. Sign up on the Joy! website. Contact Laura at laura.kline@joylutheran.org with any questions.

A WAY TO HELP OUR COMMUNITY

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Sunday School

Kids' Adventure Klub (KAK)


September to May—Classes meet during both Sunday morning services for children 3 yrs. old through 5th grade. Questions? Contact Cheryl at cheryl.oneill@joylutheran.org.

Youth Groups—September to May

Crossroads—For 6th, 7th & 8th graders on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 8:30 pm; **ATF**—For high school students on Sunday nights from 7 to 9 pm. Questions? Contact Colin at colin.cranmer@joylutheran.org.

Starting Point New Member Class

— Mondays 2/10, 2/17 & 2/24 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm in the Connections Café with a light supper served. All three classes are a requirement for membership at Joy!, BUT are available to any, who want a new start or to simply learn more & get connected. Please sign up on the Joy! website or at the Info Center. For more information, please contact Jenelle at jenelle.ancona@joylutheran.org

 **GriefShare** is a 13 week study and support group for those who are grieving the loss of a family member or friend. You'll learn helpful, practical information to ease the pain of grief and loss while processing your loss with a group of caring people going through a similar experience. GriefShare will be offered Sundays,

Monthly Opportunities to Donate

Place your donations in the labeled ministry baskets by the restrooms.

COOL: The item for February is breakfast items (cereal, pancake mix, etc). **Love INC:** The item for February is paper napkins (100-300 count).



PADS 2019-20 Season—1st & 3rd Mondays through April—We have many needs for food and supply donations, as well as open spots to serve. Please stop by the PADS table in the Ministry Hall with any questions or to sign up for donated items or to volunteer. Contact Mike at mmorse7777777@yahoo.com if you have questions or wish to assist.

Scholarship Fund

Would you be willing to help increase the balance on our Scholarship Account used to help people offset the cost of retreats and mission trips? You can donate directly on Tithely or simply write a check and put Scholarship Fund on the memo.



NOBODY SITS ALONE

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LGBTQIA+ Intentional Inclusivity

Vision Team—We'd like to follow up on the survey results with "Listening Sessions" in February so that we can hear your further comments on the survey results and any other input, support or concerns you might have for our team. We plan to hold listening sessions on Saturday 2/22 10:00-11:30 am in Connections Café, Sunday 2/23 10:15-11:30 am in the Conference Room and 11:45am-1:00pm in Room 4, and Tuesday 2/25 7:00-8:30pm in Connections Café. Please sign up online to help us know how many people plan to attend each session. For those unable to attend one of these sessions or preferring a different forum, please contact Mark (markfroseth@outlook.com) or Rose (rosevansand@comcast.net) Froseth to get a 1 on 1 meeting scheduled with a member of our team.



Join us for Joy's Supper Club!

Eating and making new or deeper friendship is what this is about! Whether you are single, married with kids or retired, we want you at the table! You will be put with other folks and eat dinner once a month in February, March, April & May. You may host one of the dinners, have people bring a dish to share or simply make a reservation at a restaurant for all to meet at. Sign up available online to be a part of this Supper Club and is due TODAY.

Joy! Jam – Musicians (vocalists & instrumentalists) age 13 and older are invited to join the Joy! Worship Band on Sunday, March 15th at 11:45am, for a pizza lunch and fun jam session. Sign up online or at the Info Center. If you can't attend this jam but are interested in future events, send your e-mail and we'll add you to our mailing list. Please contact Laura Kline at laura.kline@joylutheran.org for more information.




Register now on the Joy! website
March 6-8, 2020
Faithful Journey Adult Retreat
University of St. Mary of the Lake
\$220 per person
(scholarships available)

Blood Pressure Screenings: On Feb. 23rd at 10am (between worship services), our Joy! Medical Group will be conducting free blood pressure screenings in the Connections Café. Keeping track of your blood pressure is important for your general health so stop by their table that day. Questions? Contact Laura at laura.kline@joylutheran.org.

Council Nominations—There are three Council openings for the 20/21 fiscal year. Please prayerfully nominate someone, or yourself, for this important ministry of Joy! Nominations are due TODAY and can be found on the Joy! website or at the information center. Please turn them into the church office or Holly Rossmann.




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 **Joy!fully Single Small Group**—New study opportunity! This group is a collection of God-focused men and women who have either never married, are widowed, or are divorced that gather to study His Word and support each other in fellowship. The new study is based on the book “Boundaries” by Cloud and Townsend and will include a short DVD session. The group meets from 7-8:30 pm every other Monday night starting Feb 17. Interested? Join us by signing up at Info Center or online. Questions? contact Becky at beckygum@aol.com or 847-672-9676.

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Retirement & Financial Planning Workshops—presented by Thrivent Financial All workshops will be held in the Joy! Connections Café—include hors d'oeuvres & refreshments. Sign up on the Joy! website.

- 8000 Days of Retirement: Tuesday, March 10th from 6:30 - 8pm
- Building Your Retirement Foundation: Thursday, April 23rd from 6:30 - 8pm
- Give Now, Give Later, Give and Receive: Tuesday, May 12th from 6:30 -8pm

Year to Date - 12/31/19 *	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	Ahead/(Behind) Budget	
Total Offerings **	\$ 393,292	\$ 408,412	\$ (15,120)	
Total Expenses	\$ 397,823	\$ 405,419	\$ (7,596)	
Offering Less Expense =	\$ (4,531)	\$ 2,993	\$ (7,525)	
Mortgage Balance	\$1,716,022			
Thrivent Choice Receipts		\$154		
smile.amazon.com receipts		\$153		

*Fiscal Year 7/1/19—6/30/20
 **Total Income includes all receipts of gifts, facility usage, program fees, etc.

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