



House of Prayer Lutheran Church

Richfield, MN

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House of Prayer is a gathering of God's people who value welcoming, relationships, compassionate community, and openness.

Welcoming

Relationships

Compassion

Openness

Community E-News

Here's an update about what is happening at House of Prayer!



Sunday Worship

The first two chapters of Acts both open up with scenes of God's power taking impressive forms: the Ascension of Jesus at the beginning of Acts 1 and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost in Acts 2. Nestled right between those grand stories sits our lesson for today, where two longtime followers of Jesus are considered to fill the space left achingly empty by Judas's betrayal and death. This moment in the life of the disciples doesn't necessarily impress us with God's grandeur, but rather with God's steady faithfulness in the in-between times, and with the disciples' trust in God and their courage in continuing to proclaim the gospel as so much shifts around them. Pastor Korla will be preaching this Sunday, so if you have questions, please contact her at 612-866-8471, ext. 5, or kmasters@hoplc.org.

JOIN US THIS SUNDAY FOR WORSHIP LIVESTREAM

9:30 am Liturgical Worship Service

11:00 am ReFuel Coffeehouse Worship

HOP's YouTube Channel

[House of Prayer Lutheran-Richfield](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWGuAMVXeYe5BuxQWhkVWDA)

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Recordings will also be posted later in the week on HOP website at <https://hoplc.org/recordings>

Click Here for This Week's
Bulletin

Liturgical Worship Service

Sunday, May 5, 2024

[Worship Bulletin-Click Here](#)

ReFuel Worship Service

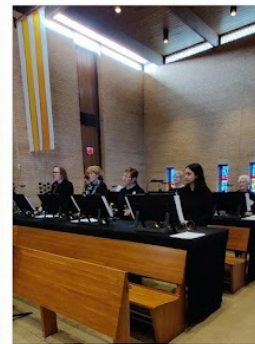
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Music Sunday: Nurturing the Gift of Music

“Praise God in the sanctuary ... with trumpets ... loud clashing cymbals ... Let everything that has breath praise the Lord! ~Psalm 150 excerpts

What a blessing to come together in worship with brass, bells, organ, and choir. With partners from Woodlake, the University of Minnesota, and Northern Winds joining our House of Prayer musicians we offered praise to God through the gift of music. If you missed worship this weekend, check out the recording on our YouTube channel (<https://www.youtube.com/@houseofprayerlutheran-rich9999>) – and of course, anyone can share the link with a friend. If you have any comments or questions about Music Sunday, please contact Roselyn Hanson Weber at 612-866-8471, ext. 7, or at rhansonweber@hoplc.org.





Pentecost/Confirmation/Bluegrass Festival Worship Sunday, May 19th, 10:00 am at Woodlake

On Sunday, May 19, Woodlake and House of Prayer will be celebrating Pentecost as well as our combined Confirmation ministry with a lively bluegrass service. **The service will begin at 10:00 am in the sanctuary at Woodlake Lutheran Church, and will be followed by a potluck in the Fellowship Hall.** Please bring a dish to share (being mindful that there are limited outlets available for crock pots) and enjoy a time of festive fellowship; dessert will be provided. Please contact Cara Wright if you can help set up / clean up the potluck. Dishes and utensils will also be provided, but you are welcome to bring your own disposal goods if you wish. **There will be no worship services at House of Prayer on May 19.** If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Eric at eluedtke@hoplc.org/612-866-8471, ext. 2.



Mobile WIC Clinic at HOP

HOP is welcoming the mobile WIC Clinic in our parking lot on the first and third Thursdays of the month. WIC provides education, and support for women with

infants and children up to age 5. If you know anybody that could benefit from this service, send them our way. If you have any questions, please contact Cara Wright at cwright@hoplc.org/612-866-8471, ext. 3.



Mobile clinic for the WIC Supplemental Nutrition Program

Dates and times:
First and third Thursdays in May, June, July, and August 2024, from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Location:
House of Prayer Church - parking lot
7625 Chicago Ave S.
Richfield, MN 55423

By appointment only.
Call 952-563-8993 for an appointment.

The Women, Infants & Children (WIC) program provides nutrition education, breast/chestfeeding counseling and support, and food benefits for eligible people who are pregnant, postpartum or have children up to five years of age.

Services will be provided in the Bloomington Public Health Mobile Health Hub - look for our colorful trailer in the House of Prayer parking lot!



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CITY OF BLOOMINGTON PUBLIC HEALTH DIVISION
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MINNESOTA WIC Women, Infants & Children Nutrition Program

The City of Bloomington does not discriminate against or deny the benefits of its services, programs, or activities to a qualified person because of a disability. To make a request for a reasonable accommodation, ask for more information, or to file a complaint, contact the Community Outreach and Engagement Division, City of Bloomington, 1800 West Old Shakopee Road, Bloomington, MN 55431-3027, 952-563-8733, MN Relay 711.

Email/Text Scammers

Once again, we are receiving scam emails that appear to be from Pastor Korla, Pastor Eric, and LMT members. Please be aware that NO ONE from the church would EVER email a church member asking for secretive "favors," or to buy gift cards (other than the Walmart or Holiday gift cards to be specifically dropped off for the Friendship Fund). If you receive an email like this, please delete it immediately, and, if you question the validity of an email, contact the church for clarification, either at 612-866-8471, or office@hoplc.org. If you can, it's also helpful to report the email as a phishing scam to your email provider.



Pastor's Bible Study - May 14th

Join us on Tuesdays at 9:30 am for Bible study with Pastor Eric. The following are the verses for next week:

- Ezekiel 37:1-14
- Acts 2: 1-21



We will meet via Zoom

at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81815908947>

Meeting ID: 818 1590 8947 Or, you may come to Pastor Eric's office.

Contact Pastor Eric with any comments, insights, or questions at 612-866-8471, ext. 2, or eluedtke@hoplc.org.



Friendship Fund-Day

Our House of Prayer Friendship Fund continues to provide gift cards to those in need for Holiday Gas Stations and WalMart (as these are the two retailers closest to us). But the need is far greater than our budgeted amount can provide. In 2023, the state of MN recorded 7.5 million food shelf visits, a more than 30% increase from 2022. 2023 also recorded an average of 447,000 residents a month enrolled in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) the highest number since 2013. We know we can't solve

this problem alone, but are hoping to show greater compassion to our neighbors and are asking your help. In addition to donations of gift cards, we will be using the loose offerings collected in worship on the 2nd Sunday of the month to buy additional gift cards through the Friendship Fund. Loose offerings are all amounts not in a giving envelope or otherwise designated. Whether you put \$1, \$100, \$1,000 into the offering plate, those loose offerings will be turned into gift cards that we can share with our neighbors who stop by asking for assistance. If you have questions, connect with Pastor Eric eluedtke@hoplc.org or 612.866.8471 ext 2.

LSS Benefit for Youth

House of Prayer had a table at the Lutheran Social Service Benefit for Youth. The Theme this year was Reaching Further. The event was held Tuesday, May 7, at Quincy Hall. We enjoyed awesome food and fellowship and learned more about how LSS is serving youth and families throughout Minnesota. LSS serves more than 5,500 individuals and families every year. We celebrated ways that together, we can reach further to support youth and families with the resources they need to live full and abundant lives. For more information about serving LSS, contact Jean Robbins at jean7340@gmail.com.



Richfield Gardener's Club Plant Sale

It's almost time to plant! Come check out the Plant Sale sponsored by Richfield Gardener's Club. Stop by 7027 & 7033 Park Ave. in Richfield, Friday-Sunday, May 17-19. Contact Elayne Gilhousen at gilem3@msn.com with any questions.



2024 Richfield Garden Club Plant and Gardener's Garage Sale



FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2024
SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024
SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024

3 PM – 7 PM
9AM – 3PM
10AM – 3PM

Sale location is 7027 and 7033 Park Ave S, Richfield

Featuring Annuals, Vegetables, Herbs, Hanging Baskets, Perennials, and Native Plants

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Check this out! **Gardener's Garage Sale!** *Great deals!*

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Sunday School

Come to Sunday school this Sunday and wear clothes for being outside. This week we'll focus on talking about love and how we show our love to others, especially the women we honor on Mother's Day (moms, grandmothers, aunts, other special adults). We'll plan for some time on the playground if the weather is good!



If you want to join us, be here at 10:30 am! Bring a friend if you want! And if you have any questions about Sunday School, contact Kristi Liu at kline010@umn.edu, or Andry Jurcich at andryj@invisik.com.

SHOW LOVE.

Be genuine.

Listen. Care.

Speak kindly to others.

Lend a hand.

Open the door for people.

GIVE HUGS.

Say I love you.

Think of others' feelings.

Be polite. Use your manners.

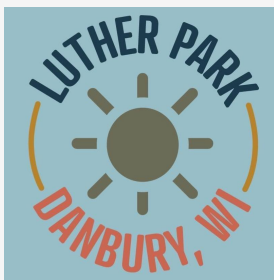
Encourage. Praise. Respect.

 www.inspirationintheheart.com

House of Prayer Preschool

Hello from HoPP! A Big Thank-You to Nancy for making Mother's Day card with the children this week! She planned the cutest card, brought the supplies, and worked with the children. The moms are going to love them! For questions regarding HoPP, please contact Nicole Olson at nolson@hoplc.org.





Summer Registration at Luther Park

It may seem early, but summer is already on our mind. This summer RALY is again teaming up with Luther Park Bible Camp (Danbury, WI) for a summer of fun! Luther Park is an amazing place in God's creation where youth spend a week playing games, singing songs, and experiencing God in creation!

RALY is targeting June 23-28 for our week at camp this summer, as there are slots available for all ages! The cost to attend Luther Park is on a sliding scale, but upon

registration RALY provides all youth a 50% scholarship to attend if you use the promo code "HOP Camper." If that still isn't enough, email me and we can work to provide you a full scholarship!

This year, we're asking RALY families to fill out a short registration form to help us communicate with you before/after your week at camp! [*Please register here today!*](#) If you have any questions, please contact Pr. Neal Cannon (ncannon@woodlakechurch.org).



Time to Register for VBS!

RALY VBS is happening again this summer and we are excited to invite you and your kiddos to join us for another week of games, crafts, Bible stories, songs, and more! The Luther Park staff and adult volunteers will again be joining us for an amazing week of activities. You can register here and we hope you consider inviting a friend this summer!

Who: All kids currently in PreK-5th grade

- Youth in grades 6 and up are invited to apply as a VBS youth leader! Youth leaders may fill out this form to apply to be a leader!
- All young children must be potty-trained to attend VBS

When: July 8-11th

- 5:00-5:30pm - Family Meal
- 5:30-7:30pm - Programming

Where: House of Prayer Lutheran Church (7625 Chicago Ave, Minneapolis, MN 55423)

How Much: Free!

How to Register: Fill out the [form in this link](#) to register!

Contact: Pr. Neal Cannon (ncannon@woodlakechurch.org)

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to ask! God bless, and hope to see you this summer! If you have any questions, please contact Pr. Neal Cannon (ncannon@woodlakechurch.org).

2024 Summer Stretch

Summer Stretch is an afternoon program focused on fun and fellowship! This program is for students entering 6th grade to 9th grade. It will run the same week as VBS, from July 8th to 11th. Tentative activities include bowling, mystery day, escape room, and vertical endeavors. For questions, please contact Pastor Neal Cannon at ncannon@woodlakechurch.org.

[Register Here Now!](#)



Academy for Faith, Ethics, and Science

Do you know a **high school student eager to be a change-maker in their world**? Perhaps someone who is captivated by the wonders of science and curious about the potential synergy between faith and STEM disciplines? We have an exciting opportunity that's tailor-made for them!

The Gustavus Academy for Faith, Science, and Ethics is a unique experience crafted to empower and inspire the young minds in your congregation. This summer, we're calling on students who have completed 9th through 12th grade by the summer of 2024 to embark on a week-long transformative journey alongside top scientists and theologians.

The Gustavus Academy isn't your average summer program – we're a dynamic community of change-makers-in-the-making that is dedicated to collaboratively exploring the intersection of faith and science. Here's why your students won't want to miss out:

- **Exciting Hands-On Learning:** From talks from experienced experts to in-person lab experiences this opportunity offers thrilling hands-on learning
- **Unleash Curiosity and Creativity:** We're all about fostering a culture of wonder and curiosity. Your students will have the space to ask questions, explore new ideas, and unleash their creative potential.
- **Building a More Beautiful Future:** Beyond learning, our program is about growing in thought. Students will discover firsthand how faith and science can collaborate to shape our understanding of the world.

And, we also love fun!

[Click Here to Register](#)



VEAP 50th Anniversary Summer Celebration

Summer Celebration registration open! Join us for a fun evening outdoors! VEAP's 50th Anniversary Summer Celebration is happening the evening of Thursday, June 11th, behind our building in the parking lot.

This event is free and open to all, featuring food trucks, music, craft beer, wine, and family-friendly activities and games. Come celebrate with us!

While not required, RSVPs will help us plan a fantastic event!

[Reserve your Spot!](#)



Enthusiasm measures our being alive and there is plenty of that here at Mount Olivet Adult Day Services.

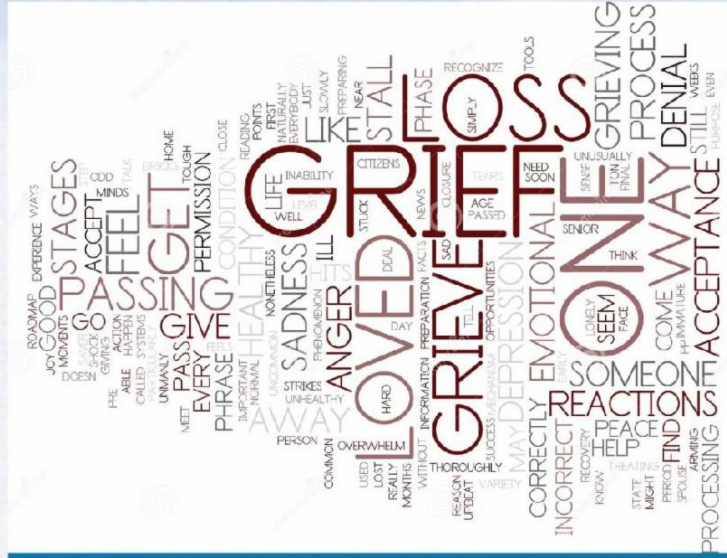
Programming includes opportunities to hear a poem, sing a song, hug a friend, dance, and play a game; all in one glorious morning or afternoon!

Mount Olivet Day Services serves as a wonderful reprieve for caregivers and is the best place for someone you love, as it has been for 28 years!

Deep down, we all want to be acknowledged, loved and accepted as cheered on and encouraged. To take a chance at making art, reminisce to your favorite music with friends, and enjoy a meal together.

There is a space here for your loved one. For more details contact **Marcus Dahl, Director of Admissions and Marketing, at 612-413-7500.**

BLOOMINGTON-RICHFIELD GRIEF SUPPORT COALITION



**Support Sessions start on Thursday
April 4 at Oak Grove Church
7045 Lyndale Ave. in Richfield
-4:30-6:00pm-**

Call 612-869-4917 with questions

**Sessions continue on Thursday nights through
May 16--Topics include: Growing Through Grief
and Multiple Loss; How Families Grieve, Sibling
Loss, Mindfulness as a Tool for Working Through
Grief, Myths of Grief, Navigating Life After Loss**

~Refreshments Provided~

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- or use the QR code: Use your phone camera to scan the QR code below. Click the pop up to go to HOP Online Giving to self-enroll or manage your account.
- or print a paper enrollment form here: [2023 HOP Online Giving](#), or request one from our financial administrator Patti at pbenson@hoplc.org, 612-682-3158 ext 4.

To ensure your full donation goes to HOP, we suggest using an automatic bank transfer (ACH) which incurs no fee to you or HOP. Or if using a credit card, please consider covering the processing fees. All our gifts come from God and we are called to give back to the church and our world. Your gifts to House of Prayer contribute to our ministry and mission and are always greatly appreciated.

For Help Enrolling: Contact Patti Benson at pbenson@hoplc.org



Get In Touch With LMT

Feel free to get in touch with anyone on the Leadership Ministry Team for questions or conversation:

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