

April 21, 2013
Fourth Sunday of Easter
10:45 a.m.

Please enter the sanctuary and prepare for worship in silence.

*My cup overflows.
Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life,
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD my whole life long.*

GATHERING TOGETHER

Prelude

Welcome and Life Together

Please sign the red attendance pad at the end of the pew and pass it along the row.

*Choral Introit *"The Light of the World"* Don Besig

*Call to Worship

We join the ancient song again, of Christ resurrected.

Alleluia! Now we cry to our King immortal.

From the frost and gloom of death, light and life have risen.

All the winter of our sins, long and dark, is flying;

Welcome now the light of Christ, give him praise undying!

*Hymn 247 *"Come, You Faithful, Raise the Strain"* AVE VIRGO VIRGINUM
St. John of Damascus, 696-754

*Invocation

WORD AND SPIRIT

Time With Children

Children through fifth grade are dismissed for classes.

Hebrew Scripture—Psalm 23

Read

Sung (insert) *"Shepherd Me, O God"* Marty Haugen

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Holy Scripture

Gospel John 10:22-30 (p. 873)

Revelation of John Revelation 7:9-17 (p. 999)

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God!

Choral Anthem

"We Are Not Alone"

Pepper Choplin

Proclamation

The Simple, Drawing Truth

Peter Hawkinson

RESPONSE

Choral Response

"The Lord Is My Shepherd"

Allen Pote

Prayers of the Church and The Lord's Prayer (sins)

WINNETKA COVENANT CHURCH

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Welcome!

Please join us in the narthex immediately following worship for coffee and conversation.

TODAY IN OUR CHURCH

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. For children, Rotation Sunday School: *The Covenant: The Early Church as the Body of Christ*. For adults, *Exploring Covenant Affirmations* will be led by Kurt Peterson in the Upper Room and *The Story* will meet in Room 203
- 10:45 a.m. Worship.
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 5:30 p.m. High League-North Side Youth Collision

MONDAY—APRIL 22

All articles for the May issue of Network are due in the church office.

TUESDAY—APRIL 23

- 9:30 a.m. Women's Bible Study
- 9:45 a.m. Playgroup. All are welcome. Contact: Kira Johnson.
- 7:00 p.m. Mens Basketball
- 7:00 p.m. Our church in partnership with the Winnetka Interfaith Council will host a community forum: "**Bullying: The 3 B's, the Bully, the Bullied, the Bystander.**" Presenters are Dr. Linda Yonke, superintendent of New Trier School District and Dr. Mark Smaller, an adult/child psychoanalyst practicing in the area. These experts will offer advice on strategies and prevention in schools as well as on the internet. A time for discussion will follow. This event is open to the community including children and guests. Please consider joining us as we together address this growing problem.

WEDNESDAY—APRIL 24

- 5:00 p.m. Children's Music—for children age 4 through third grade
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Night Dinner: Tacos. All are welcome. Cost: \$3.50/adult; \$2.50/child or \$10/family.
- 6:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir rehearsal
- 6:15 p.m. Singing, Skits and Scripture in the Upper Room. All are welcome.
- 6:45 p.m. Programs for all ages, ending at 7:45 p.m. Explorers (ages 2-3); Voyagers (ages 4-kindergarten); Pathfinders (grades 1-2); Trailblazers (grades 3-5); Junior High
- 6:45 p.m. Life and Faith Conversations
- 6:45 p.m. The Story in Room 203
- 6:45 p.m. Adult Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY—APRIL 25

- 12 noon Womens Sharing Group will meet at Bakers Square. All women are invited to attend. Contact: Marian Eckhardt.
- 1:00 p.m. Womens Bible Study—We are studying "*Discerning the Voice of God*", by Priscilla Shirer. All are welcome. Contact: Claire Macfarland.

FRIDAY—APRIL 26

- 6:30 p.m. The Marriage Course

SATURDAY, APRIL 27

- 5:00 p.m. A Concert to Benefit the Down Syndrome Research and Treatment Foundation. Outstanding students coached by Donna Kuhel (Music Institute of Chicago) and Mischa Zupko (Academy, Steans Institute, Ravinia) will perform. All are invited to attend.

SUNDAY—APRIL 28

- 9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages. Rotation Sunday School: *Kingdom Parables*. For adults, *Exploring Covenant Affirmations* will be led by Kurt Peterson in the Upper Room and *The Story* will meet in Room 203
- 10:45 a.m. Worship
- 12 noon WCC Quarterly Business meeting
- 6:00 p.m. Confirmation
- 7:00 p.m. High League

ADVANCE CALENDAR

Saturday, May 4, 8 p.m. The **Stanley C. Golder Interfaith Lecture Series**—Ronina Malik in “Unveiled” at Temple Jeremiah (937 Happ Rd., Northfield). Racism. Hate crimes. Love. Islam.

Culture. Language. Life. Five Muslim women in a post-9/11 world serve tea and uncover what lies beneath the veil in this compelling one-woman show starring playwright and actress Rohina Malik. Directed by Ann Filmer and featuring musicians Kim Fleuchaus and Alex Wing. The mission of the Stanley Golder Interfaith Lecture Series is to promote understanding among every faith and embrace the unifying spirituality of all religions. The event is free and open to the public.

Sunday, May 5, 12:45-2 p.m. **A Just Harvest Community Kitchen 30th Anniversary Celebration WCC Brunch**. This will be held at The Community Kitchen (7649 N. Paulina St, Chicago). All are welcome and there is no cost to attend. Please sign up online, call the church office or contact Kelly Quackenbush.

Saturday, May 11, 1:30-4:30 p.m. **Chicago Food Depository**. Volunteer to support the North Park Friendship Center food bank. This is a fun opportunity for adults and teens to serve. Long pants and close-toed shoes required. Age 13 and up. Sign up online (www.winnetkacovenant.org) or on the bulletin board outside of the church kitchen.

July 13-20, 2013. **Intergenerational Mission Trip** to Covenant Mountain Mission in Jonesville, Virginia. Registration deadline: May 1. Questions, contact Jeff Johnson.

NOTICES

With joy we announce the birth of ...

Filippa Sweetpea McGregor, born Saturday, April 13 to Holly and Andy McGregor. Filippa weighed 9 pounds 15 ounces at birth and joins her sister, Tekla, at home. Grandmothers are Marcia McGregor and Beth Rolander.

Owen Mack Johnson, born Sunday, April 14 to Tim and Sarah Johnson in Denver, Colorado. Owen weighed 7 1/2 pounds and was 22 inches in length. Joan Johnson is the proud grandmother.

Larger print copies of the morning hymns are available on the table in the back of the church near the sound booth. Children's bulletins are also available in the narthex. Please help yourself as needed.

A Caring Companion. Wonderful anytime. Essential sometimes. Need a companion, someone to talk to, to listen, to pray with, to be supportive, to just be with? Consider a Stephen Minister. Ours is a loving and strictly confidential ministry designed to provide companionship in difficult times. Contact one of our pastors who can answer questions and/or direct you to a Stephen Ministry leader.

The Story: A journey together into the story of God's love, continues Wednesdays, 6:45 p.m., and Sundays, 9:30 a.m. *The Story* is scripture condensed into 31 accessible chapters, allowing the stories, poems and teachings of the Bible to read like a novel. Materials will be provided. All are welcome.

Texts for next week: Acts 11:1-18; Psalm 148; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35.