



Welcome to Mt. Carmel!

Announcements: Week of Sept. 6, 2020

RALLY DAY WORSHIP: SEPT. 13, 10 A.M.

Mt. Carmel will be worship together on Rally Day, Sept. 13 at 10 a.m. We will gather in person at the triangle and also stream worship on Facebook Live for those unable or uncomfortable with attending. **The building will be closed so bathrooms will not be available and you must bring your own chairs. Masks are required.** In the case of rain, there will not be an in-person gathering, rather worship will be held via Facebook Live.

A full list of protocols will be posted on our website, at mountcarmelmpls.org/outdoor-worship-sept-13. Contact Paul Lathrop for more information

PRAYER CHAIN

To lift up a prayer concern for the prayer chain, please contact Leona Olson at 612-859-7075.

REFLECT ON BREAK

There will be no Reflect meeting today.

GOOD FRUITS BIBLE STUDY

This past week, the Good Fruits group returned to Silverwood Park. We have begun a study of the book of Exodus. **For Tuesdays in September, we hope to continue meeting at Silverwood, weather permitting.** If weather does not cooperate, then we'll return to meeting by Zoom. You are always welcome to join us at any time. We meet each Tuesday at 2:30 p.m. for an hour, there is no long-term commitment, no book to purchase and no limit if you want to attend just once, or only when your schedule allows. If you have questions or would like more information, call Leona Olson at 651-528-7459.

FAITH & WORLD

Housing affordability: Challenges and opportunities

Join us for Faith & World, a free online educational series on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. on Zoom.

In a two-part series, Katie Topinka will kick off our new Wednesday evening series with a presentation on our calling as Christians to pursue socio-economic justice on behalf of our neighbors. Specifically, she will be speaking on issues of affordable housing.

Housing costs, especially for renters, are rising more quickly than incomes. Unsheltered homelessness has increased across the country, including in the Twin Cities in recent years, and racial inequities persist in housing. Topinka will share the history behind these challenges, including policies and disinvestment that have led us to where we are today. She will also explore ways we can make positive change, both as individuals and as a society, including an overview of policies the City of Minneapolis is pursuing.

Katie Topinka is a member of Mt. Carmel and currently works for the City of Minneapolis on affordable housing policy. She previously worked for the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and Senator Al Franken. **This event is free and open to the public so please share it far and wide. Register online at bit.ly/MtC_FaithWorld.**

HOMEBOUND AND LONG-TERM CARE

Ethel Antonson, Marlene Black, Ray and Lorraine Carlson, Annette Dahl, Patty Griffith, Marion Harris, Gerry Johnson, Carol Kwiecien, Jennie Porter, Virginia Schaal, and Dorothy Warhol



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FOOD/PERSONAL HYGIENE DRIVE

There is a real need for packaged/canned food items and personal hygiene items. We are collecting these items to be distributed by Gethsemane Lutheran in North Minneapolis. The drop off dates and times at Mt Carmel:

- Saturday, Sept. 12, 9 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Sunday, Sept. 13, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

The drop off spot will be located on Ulysses St right outside Mt. Carmel. Please tell your neighbors and friends to donate as well. If you are not able to drop off any items, consider dropping off a check written out to Mt. Carmel and write "food drive" on the memo line. We will combine with other monetary gifts and forward to Gethsemane Lutheran so food items can be purchased to fill in what hasn't been donated.

Note the Sunday food collection begins right after worship in the triangle park. It's okay to drop off before or after worship.

MT. CARMEL SOFTBALL

Upcoming Mt. Carmelites games:

Sept. 8, 6 p.m. at Freedom: **Fan Appreciation Day with water and snacks.**

Sept. 15, 8:30 p.m. at Freedom

Fans are welcome. Players, umpires and spectators should maintain 6 feet physical distancing on and off the field. New Brighton suggests that spectators bring their own chairs. Players, umpires and spectators are encouraged to wear a mask or other face covering. Please contact Diane Langer at 612-718-4229 with questions.

Freedom Park: From the intersection of 694 and Silver Lake Road, go north on Silver Lake Road, turn right on 14th St. NW. Park on right (14th St and Silver Lake).

NORTHSIDE JUSTICE FELLOWSHIP

Food distribution team needed on Fridays!

Gethsemane Lutheran Church, our partner congregation through Northside Justice Fellowship, is seeking help in the distribution of food in their neighborhood on Fridays this fall. As many of you know, we have provided a Thursday team over the summer for this purpose, but the distribution on Thursdays has been reduced significantly and our help is no longer needed on Thursdays. Who would like to volunteer on Fridays to join our friends at Gethsemane in North Minneapolis? There are two shifts available: 9 a.m.-noon for packaging food, and noon-3 p.m. for distribution to neighbors. If you have questions, contact Pastor John at 763-218-1707, or at pastorjohn@mountcarmelmpls.org.

SHERIDAN STORY NEEDS OUR HELP.

There is a great need for packing at the Sheridan Story distribution center in Roseville. Mt. Carmel has supported the Sheridan Story both financially and through our volunteer packing events at Waite Park Elementary School for over six years.

Please join Matti Gurney on Sept. 10, 1-4 p.m. for bag packing at the Sheridan Story Distribution Site, 2723 Patton Road, Roseville. Matti has created a group registration with Sheridan Story at bit.ly/31xYJai. If you have questions, email (Matti.Gurney@gmail.com) or call (651-269-2167). If you'd rather make a donation to the Sheridan Story, please do so through the church.

"NEW JIM CROW" BOOK STUDY

The book study group on "The New Jim Crow" will continue meeting at **5:45 p.m. on Thursdays** in the triangle park next to Mt. Carmel until otherwise noted. Contact Barb Hollister at bjhollister@comcast.net or Pastor John at pastorjohn@mountcarmelmpls.org if you have questions.



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THOSE WE ARE PRAYING FOR

- Kathy Smith recovering from a stroke (MaryJo Wigger's friend)
- Glenn with cancer (Brian Wirth's brother)
- Peggy struggling with anxiety and depression (Jodi Wirth's friend)
- Luke Johnson recovering from a severe hand injury (Dave & Gerry Johnson's grandson)
- Christine Pudney
- The family of Charles Kirk who died Aug 5.
- Virginia Schall on the death of her daughter Janice in Arizona from complications from a lung transplant two years ago. Prayers also for Janice's husband, Craig Lindquist, and their son.

To include your prayers in this list please contact the church office. If you would like Pastor John to be aware of your prayer concerns but do not want them named publicly, please be sure to note that. Let the office know of any updates or changes.

REMEMBERING TO GIVE

Please continue to support our congregation with your faithful financial contributions to Mt. Carmel as you are able. There are several ways to give:

- Online by credit card or bank account. Visit mountcarmelimpls.org/give for online giving opportunities.
- Mail your check to the church or drop off in the secure mailbox.

Your generous support for Mt. Carmel and our ministry is truly appreciated.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Sept. 7—MaryJo Kiely, Dylan McMahan
Sept. 9—Tessa Gurney, Elena Parlin
Sept. 12—Sarah Zajac
Sept. 14—Megan Shackle
Sept. 17—Val Hendrickson
Sept. 22—Bev Lerold
Sept. 24—Linda Lee
Sept. 26—Bev Obright



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