

THE GROVE



NEW LENT SCHEDULE

Inside this edition of The Grove you will find a new Lent schedule for 2022. As we continue to navigate and consider safety protocols of the Covid-19 pandemic, we will not be able to enjoy Lenten meals like we have in past years. Instead, we have arranged Wednesday evenings to begin with Holden Evening Prayer worship, followed by a variety of faith formation activities. You have the option to "choose your own adventure" for the activity that interests you.

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this season of lent

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“Yet even now, says the Lord, return to me with all your heart, with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning; rend your hearts and not your clothing.” Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love” (Joel 2:12-13)

These verses are traditionally read on Ash Wednesday each year, as the church begins its observance of the season of Lent. Lent is meant to help us get ready for Easter, by drawing our attention to why we need Jesus to save us, and to how he is doing exactly that. We take time in Lent to name what’s broken in ourselves, our lives and in the world – things that we aren’t able to fix on our own. In any given year, this is quite a list. After two years of pandemic living, the list seems especially, painfully long. Part of our work this Lent is to name this list. We’ll bring our pain,

grief, loss and sin to God with all of our hearts, “with fasting, with weeping, and with mourning,” as the prophet Joel says.

Lent isn’t only about seeing what’s broken, though; it’s also about claiming the healing power of Jesus. Our theme for Lent this year is “Restored.” We’ll acknowledge the ways we long for restoration, we’ll look together at ways God has restored God’s people in the past, and we’ll watch for how God is working towards restoration right now. Along the way, we’ll try out some tangible methods of laying down our burdens and connecting with God and each other. As the prophet Joel reminds us, our God is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love. We trust that our God will be at work this Lent, to heal and restore each of us, and all of creation.

written by Pastor Kristen Eisele

restored

2022 lent schedule, begins March 9, 2022

6:00 pm

HOLDEN EVENING PRAYER WORSHIP SERVICE

6:30 pm

**INTERGENERATIONAL, FAMILY-FRIENDLY
ACTIVITY**

education wing large area

or

ADULT EDUCATION

education wing classroom 5

or

EIGHTH GRADE STUDENTS MEET WITH MENTORS

or

JOYFUL RINGERS HANDBELL CHOIR

choir room

7:15 pm

ADULT CHOIR

***Children's and Youth music will not meet during Lent

Upcoming Events



COMMUNION WORKSHOP

March 19, 10:00am-12:00pm

All ages who are interested in receiving communion for the first time, OR anyone who would like to learn more, OR who would like a refresher! Also available will be an adult ed class/training to share communion with others as part of our congregational care team.

April 9, 10:00am -12:00pm
open to current fifth graders



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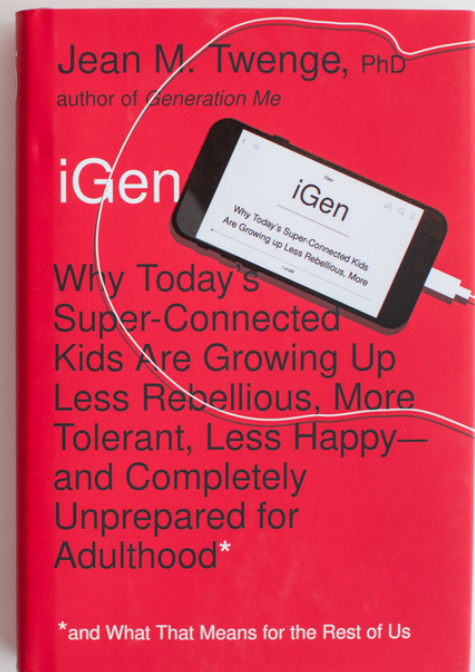
BOOK STUDY HOSTED BY JUST NEIGHBORS

Sundays starting March 13
6:30-8:00pm

With chapters focused on social media use, the new mental health crisis, youth losing their religion and spirituality, and LGBT, gender and race issues in the new age, it fits many of the important topics in our society.



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**BAPTISM ORIENTATION
SUNDAY, MARCH 13 AT 11:45 AM**

Just as Christ welcomes all people into his family, Farmington Lutheran Church welcomes all people to the life-giving waters of baptism, regardless of membership.

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**BREWED THEOLOGY
THURSDAY, MARCH 24
7:00-8:30PM**

This month's theme is "Mental Health: It's Not Just You"
Arrive early if you plan to order dinner.
Email Pastor Ben if you plan to be there.

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**PARENTS TIME OUT
SUNDAYS BETWEEN SERVICES**

Coffee, simple introductions, parenting highs & lows, and hear about what you/parents would like to get out of that time.

YOUTH UPDATES

8th grade mentor meetings

- 8th graders and their mentors are to meet four times during Lent (March 2 - April 17), with an optional 5th meeting.
- Farmington Lutheran will have space to meet 1-on-1 on Wednesdays during Lent, at 6:30pm.
 - If you would like to connect otherwise, you may arrange that.
 - Mentor Meetings should be in public places, or at least in view of at least one other adult.
 - This includes rides and transportation, all per FLC's "Safeguarding of Children" policy

8th grade retreat update!

Saturday, May 14

Dates have changed for the 8th grade retreat this year. The trip is for the day (not overnight, but all day). Exact departure and return times will be shared soon.

To avoid expensive bus rentals, we'll be asking for drivers. Stay tuned.

Cost is \$35/person. This covers two meals and use of facilities.



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SERVICE HOURS FOR PROJECTS AT FLC

If you're a confirmation student looking for service hours, reach out to any FLC staff member and we will get you connected!

CONFIRMATION

Confirmation students are encouraged to attend Holden Evening Prayer during Lent.

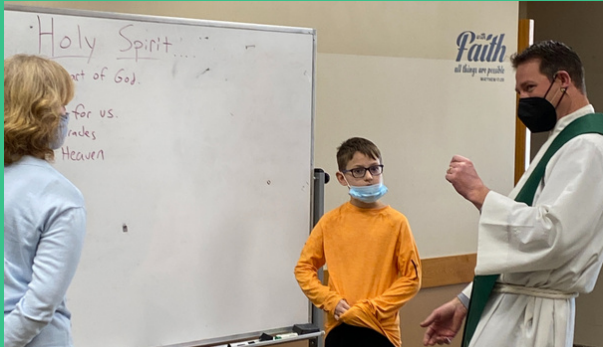
MARCH 9 - APRIL 6
6:00PM

Confirmation will resume on
Wednesday, April 27



APOSTLE'S CREED MILESTONE EVENT

The Apostles' Creed event and milestone was held in February. Fourth graders and their parents got together to learn more about the creed and worked together to come up with their own group creed. The creed was put up for all to read in worship the weekend of February 27.



4th graders (2021-2022) CREED

We believe in God who created us and all things: people, creatures and land. God watches over us and loves us as a parent - so much that God gave us Jesus. We believe God is powerful, loving, and forgiving.

We believe in Jesus, who is both the Son of God and part of God. Jesus was a teacher, a healer and a caring, compassionate miracle worker. His life is a faithful, powerful example for us, and by dying and rising to new life he saved us. In Jesus we are forgiven and loved.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, who is part of God and who is a gift for us. The Holy Spirit gives us hope and faith, helping us to trust and believe in God. We believe that the Spirit's work is mysterious and miraculous. The Holy Spirit draws us together, and is God's love for us.

Summer at FLC

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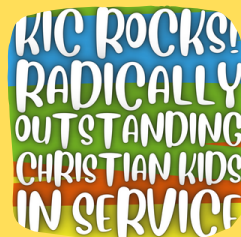
CAMP EMMAUS

Dates: May 20 & 21
Grades: Current 2nd and 3rd
Graders
Time: 7pm - 10pm & 9am - 2pm
Location: FLC



VBS: FOOD TRUCK PARTY

Dates: July 18-21, 2022 *No programming Friday
Grades: Pre-K* - entering 4th
*Pre-K class - 3 years old and toilet trained
Time: 9 am - 12 pm
Location: FLC



KIC ROCKS!

KIC ROCKS
Dates: July 18-21, 2022 *No programming Friday
Grades: Entering 5th and 6th
Time: 9 am - 12 pm
Location: FLC (other locations TBD)

SEEDS WEEKEND

Dates: June 24-26, 2022
Grades: completed grades 1-3
Parents will need to transport to and from Camp Wapo
Check-in: 3:00 to 4:30 pm on Friday.
Check-out: After closing worship, which is held at 12pm on Sunday. Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend closing worship
*\$100 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit is due at registration.



CAMP WAPO WEEK LONG

Dates: June 26- July 1, 2022
Grades: Completed 4th-8th
Cost: \$545*
Parents will need transport to and from Camp Wapo
Check-in: 3:00 to 4:30pm Sunday
Check-out: after closing worship, which is held at 12pm on Friday. Family and friends are welcome and encouraged to attend closing worship.
*\$100 non-refundable/non-transferable deposit is due at registration.

BUTTER BRAIDS

Get your butter braids! Money raised goes to our youth heading to weeklong Camp Wapo this summer! The fundraiser will be running through 03/23/2022.

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KIC EVENT MARCH MADNESS

Sunday, March 20
3:00-5:00pm

4th, 5th, and 6th graders! You're invited to an afternoon of March Madness games and activities!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED THIS SUMMER

Do you or an older youth want to help make these camps a success? Contact Dawn@farmingtonlutheran.com or stop in and see her.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Wednesday FLC TIME will not meet during LENT, March 2 - April 13 please join us for Holden Evening Prayer!

No Sunday FLC TIME the week of March 27-April 3

FARMINGTON LUTHERAN CHURCH: TIME AND TALENTS

Tear out this page, or pick up a copy from the welcome booth to fill out. We want to help you find new ways to connect. You can return them to the office, or in the offering basket during worship.

As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. (1 Peter 4:10)

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____ **EMAIL** _____

ARTS

- _____ Direct plays
- _____ Make videos
- _____ Build drama sets
- _____ Acting
- _____ Sewing
- _____ Make banners
- _____ Woodworking
- _____ Photography
- _____ Knitting/crocheting
- _____ Quilting

SERVE IN WORSHIP

- _____ Run Screens
- _____ Livestream Worship
- _____ Run Soundboard
- _____ Greeting
- _____ Ushering
- _____ Reader
- _____ Communion Assistant
- _____ Altar Guild
- _____ Baptism Coordinator
- _____ Kitchen/Hospitality

OFFICE

- _____ Bulletin Help
- _____ Monthly Mailings
- _____ Sheet Music Assistant
- _____ Bulletin boards
- _____ Special Event Planning

MUSIC

- _____ Sanctuary Choir
- _____ Praise Band
- _____ Play an instrument
- _____ Bells (Joyful Ringers)
- _____ Teach music
- _____ Children's Choirs

HELPING OTHERS

- _____ Make hospital visits
- _____ Supply meals
- _____ Write letters or notes
- _____ Visit homebound members
- _____ Food Shelf Volunteers
- _____ Compassion Thursday
- _____ Outreach Opportunities

GET INVOLVED

- _____ Sunday Morning Bible Study
- _____ Evening Bible Study
- _____ Movie Nights
- _____ Online Bible Study
- _____ OWLS: Older Wiser Lutheran's
- _____ Good Morning God: Women's Bible Study
- _____ Women's Ministry
- _____ Fishers of Men
- _____ Book Club
- _____ Young Adults

EDUCATION MINISTRY

- _____ Teaching
- _____ Elementary
- _____ Youth
- _____ Adult
- _____ Substitute Teaching
- _____ Food/Snack Prep
- _____ Vacation Bible School

CAMPUS CARE

- _____ Gardening or landscaping
- _____ Painting
- _____ General repairs
- _____ Flooring
- _____ Dry wall
- _____ Electrical
- _____ Plumbing
- _____ Seasonal Décor
- _____ Librarian

ANY OTHER IDEAS YOU HAVE:



*You're invited to
join FLC's
prayer team*

The prayer team is made up of a group of people who have committed to saying a prayer each time they get an email with a prayer request. It's a powerful ministry that requires minimal time. Being able to tell someone in need that a team of people is ready to pray for them is a gift, and a tangible way to share God's love. Plus, supporting each other in prayer is a wonderful way to live out our calling as Jesus followers.

If you're interested in signing up, please let Pastor Kristen know, kristen@farmingtonlutheran.com.

WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES

Sunday Morning Worship
8:30 am and 10:30 am
Livestreaming at 10:30 am



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