

Announcements for Sunday, May 28, 2017

May is Mental Health Month Every 14.6 minutes someone in the United States dies by suicide. That is more than 36,000 people every year. Many people suffer from mental illness in silence; but they shouldn't have to experience it alone. You can learn to recognize the warning signs and discover how you can care and support those who are afflicted. Check out the literature on the Information Desk in the Welcome Center or go to mentalhealthministries.net.

Prayer Partners with Graterford Inmates' prayer requests have arrived and are in the basket on the Information Desk in the Welcome Center. Please take a prayer request and be a part of this important ministry.

TODAY

The office will be closed tomorrow in observance of Memorial Day.

CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Open Forum – today, 8:45 a.m. in room 33
GRACE Rehearsal – today, noon in the sanctuary
Boy Scouts – Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. in room 14
Staff – Wednesday, 10:00 a.m. in room 29
Catechism – Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. in room 33
Addiction 12-Step – Wednesday, 6:00 p.m. in room 32
Sanctuary Choir – Wednesday, 7:00 p.m. in room 15
Mid-week Study – Thursday, 9:30 a.m. in room 33
Picnic Grove Meeting – Thursday, 6:00 p.m. at the Picnic Grove
God on Tap – Thursday, 7:00 p.m. at the Congo Hotel
Continental District Scout – Thursday, 7:00 p.m. in room 14
Confirmation Set-Up – Saturday, 9:00 a.m. in room 1

EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Open Forum Transition Discussion today, 8:45 – 9:30 a.m., room 33.

Mid-week Study This Thursday is the last class 9:30 – 11:00 a.m. in room 33. June 8th is the year-end breakfast at Brookside Family Restaurant, 8:30 a.m. Please let Carol know if you will be attending.

God on Tap, an informal gathering of adults, 7:00 p.m. the first Thursday of the month at Union Jack's Olde Congo Hotel (373 Hoffmansville Road, Barto). For more information, join the Facebook group, "God on Tap-NHELC" or contact Monique Becker.

NHELC Book Club will meet Friday, June 2nd, 7:30 at All Star Café for food, fellowship, and to discuss the book *An Invisible Thread*, a true story written by Laura Schroff and Alex Tresniowski about an 11-year-old panhandler, a busy sales executive, and an unlikely meeting with destiny. All are welcome (even if you haven't read the book). RSVP to Donna Kehs if you plan to attend.

Reminder to Ninth Grade Confirmation Students Next Sunday a group photograph at 8:45 a.m. in the sanctuary. A reception in your honor will be held following the 10:15 service.

Sunday School Intergenerational Gathering next Sunday will be the last Sunday School session for the program year. All are invited. Activities include a thank you Sunday School Staff, a Pentecost celebration, and spring Jesus and Jammies. **Help needed:** non-Sunday School staff to bring a simple goodie to share is most appreciated.

Games at the Grove June 4th, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. Hosted by the Fellowship Committee, games begin at 4:00, hamburgers and hot dogs will be ready around 5:00, a fire with s'mores and more games after dinner. Bring a salad, side dish, or dessert to share. Hope to see you there.

Graduation Sunday, June 11th, Graduates contact church office at (610) 326-1335 with your name, date of graduation, school, diploma/degree, program, awards, honors or any other special recognition and future plans. Information needed by Sunday, June 4th.

Summer Musicians Needed If you can sing or play an instrument, now is the time to sign up to provide music for our summer services. The sign-up sheet is posted on the choir room door. Need music? Please see Priscilla Landis.

Bear Creek Camp programs centered on spiritual growth, outdoor living and small group development available this summer. Download forms and register online at bearcreekcamp.org.

FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Bookkeeper needed If interested in this position, contact Steve Weidner.

Volunteer needed to help with publicity for the Living Gifts Fair to be held November 11-12, 2017. For more information or if you can help, contact Deacon Carol Detweiler.

VBS is June 19th – 23rd. Our theme is "Hero Central." Deadline to determine if we have enough staff will soon be here. If you can serve, contact Deacon Carol Detweiler or Barbara Repa. We have a **priority need** for Games Center Leaders. Also needed are Center Assistants and Crew (small group) Leaders. Interested or need more information, contact Deacon Carol Detweiler, DCE, as soon as possible. Children's registration forms are available on the Information Desk in the Welcome Center. **Please return registration forms by June 1st.**

Life Line Screening at New Hanover Evangelical Lutheran Church on July 7th. Register by calling 1-888-653-6441.