



# INCARNATION LUTHERAN CHURCH

**SEPTEMBER 20, 2015. Welcome to Incarnation!** You are invited to be a part of any ministry opportunity. All events will be held at Incarnation unless otherwise noted. For more complete information about these listings visit [incarnationmn.org](http://incarnationmn.org) and use the search function on the homepage. The website contains information on additional ministry offerings. If you are a guest who would like your child to experience SPARK Sunday School, visit the Children's Resource Center.

## Worship & Prayer

**Prayer Concerns:** Fran Mason; Linda Brynjulfson; Judy Nelson; Heather Hoecke's father; Larry and Viviane Valberg's grandson; Sterling and Geri Rule's grandson; Stephanie Wielenberg's friend, Scott; Lynda Thompson's friend, Leighton.

## Connect & Grow

### Kairos Adult Education

Kairos this week: *"Moving Beyond Millennial Anxiety, Taking a Theological Turn in Ministry to Young People"* Many are nervous about losing young people in our congregations. It is time to take a deep breath and relax. Dr. Andrew Root, Luther Seminary professor, will help us understand that taking a turn in theology means moving to the "theological;" God acting meaningfully in the lives and experiences of young people.

When: September 20, 8:45 a.m. & 10:05 a.m.,  
Fireside Room.

Kairos next week: *"The Real Promise of Interfaith Dialogue"*. The Interfaith Amigos, a Rabbi, an Imam and our presenter, The Rev. Don Mackenzie, work to overcome barriers that have separated the Abraham traditions under the misguided heading of "irreconcilable differences." Through video and conversation learn how they have brought wisdom, humor and hope to audiences throughout the world.

When: September 27, 8:45 a.m. & 10:05 a.m.,  
Fireside Room.

### Growing Through Loss

Have you experienced the death of a loved one, a broken relationship, a pregnancy or infant loss, a job loss or change, or any other loss that has left you grieving? Check out Growing Through Loss, a grief support series sponsored by the North Suburban Grief Support Coalition, which includes Incarnation. Held at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in New Brighton.

When: Mondays, September 21 - October 26,  
6:45 - 9:00 p.m.

### Primetimers

Primetimers is a time of fellowship and learning for singles and couples ages 63 and older. This month, LeAnn Linder-Scholer will present ways of reflecting on our life story and seeing God's grace through all the stages of our life. Cost: \$4, includes lunch. Sign up in the Incarnation Office by Monday, September 21.

When: Thursday, September 24, 10:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

### Helping Parents of Adult Children

Dr. Jack Stoltzfus will give practical tools for parenting their adult children with unconditional love, forgiveness, integrity, and detachment. These sessions build on the summer course, but new people are welcome if you commit to watching the teaching videos from summer. Cost: \$15. Register in the Incarnation Office by September 29.

When: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, October - December,  
7:15 - 8:45 p.m.

### Philippians Bible Study

Philippians is a much loved book of the Bible. Come and find out what makes this letter so special. Sign up for the evening study in the Incarnation Office by October 5.

When: Tuesdays, October 6, 13, 20, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

### Reflection on My Life Story

Each of us has a story worth telling. Part of our faith journey is recognizing God's grace and redemptive work in our lives. Facilitated by spiritual director LeAnn Linder-Scholer, this course will incorporate prayer, reflection, and sharing stories. Cost: \$25. Register in the Incarnation Office by October 8.

When: Mondays, October 12 - November 9,  
10 - 11:30 a.m.

### 2016 Tanzania Mission Trip Information Session

Adults are invited to Bethany Lounge to learn about a potential 2016 Tanzania Mission Trip. Explore the possibility of seeing Tanzania the way tourists never do.

When: Thursday, October 8, 7 - 8:00 p.m.

### Spiritual Spa for Women

The theme for the October Spiritual Spa is Wholehearted Living. Under the guidance of guest presenter Rev. Sarah Ciavarrri, pastor and certified Daring Way facilitator, participants will delve deeper into the work of Dr. Brene Brown. Cost: \$20, includes dinner. Register online or in the Incarnation Office by Monday, October 5.

When: Friday, October 9, 6 - 9:30 p.m.

### Small Group: Prayer

Watch and talk about short videos on prayer (by Philip Yancey) in a small group. Explore common questions on prayer, experience a variety of ways to pray, and grow deeper in prayer. Suggested contribution: \$5. Register: [dfloe@incarnationmn.org](mailto:dfloe@incarnationmn.org).

When: Once/week on Tuesdays, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.,  
September - November.

### Small Group: Saturday Soups for Women

Enjoy connecting in this small group, while you prepare a fresh soup together. Share lunch together, along with conversations and devotions (by the leader). Cost: \$20/person. Register: [dfloe@incarnationmn.org](mailto:dfloe@incarnationmn.org).

When: Once/month, Saturdays, 10:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.,  
September - April.

# Ministry Opportunities, cont.

## Small Group: Women's Writing

Write and meet other women interested in writing in this small group. There will be time for in-group writing and (optional) opportunities to share your writing. Register: [dfloe@incarnationmn.org](mailto:dfloe@incarnationmn.org).

When: Once/month on Mondays, 9:30 - 11:00 a.m.,  
October - April.

## Small Group: NOOMA

Watch short NOOMA films (by Rob Bell) on how the Christian faith speaks to life today and talk about the films in a small group. Open to everyone and a great opportunity for those new to Incarnation. Register: [dfloe@incarnationmn.org](mailto:dfloe@incarnationmn.org).

When: Once/month on Mondays, 7 - 8:30 p.m.,  
October - May.

## Small Group: A Simpler Season

Experience a simpler and more meaningful Advent and Christmas season. This small group will prepare for the season, following practices that encourage being more present to the Christ-child and other people. The group is based on *The Advent Conspiracy* ([adventconspiracy.org](http://adventconspiracy.org)). Suggested contribution: \$5. Register: [dfloe@incarnationmn.org](mailto:dfloe@incarnationmn.org)

When: Five Tuesdays, 7 - 8:30 p.m., October - January

## FLAME Youth Group

Wednesdays during the school year 9th - 12th grade students gather in the Youth Room for a time of fellowship, games, worship, Bible Study and prayer. This is a great way to stay connected to Incarnation after Confirmation, meet new people, ask questions and grow in your faith.

When: September 30, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

## Baptism Stepping Stone

For new parents or parents new to a Lutheran community, this class is an expectation for those who desire to have their child(ren) Baptized. Learn about the promises of Baptism and the practice of blessing your child. Register by Wednesday, September 30 by contacting the Incarnation Office.

When: Sunday, October 4, 4 - 5:30 p.m.

## Family Helping Hands: Prayer Kits for Mission Trip Participants

Incarnation is sending out many mission trip participants this year. There are two groups traveling to Haiti, one adult trip and one youth trip, a group going to Tanzania, and a middle school group traveling to Duluth. Stop by Grace Hall to make a prayer kit that will be gifted to all mission trip participants.

When: Wednesday, October 7, 5 - 6:00 p.m.

## Children, Youth & Family

### Third Grade Bible Stepping Stone

Third graders and their parents are invited to be a part of a three-week Bible class that will complete with the children receiving Bibles during worship on October 11. Parents and students will attend class together in lieu of SPARK Sunday classes: 10:40 a.m. and Wednesday SPARK families are also invited to these classes. No pre-registration required.

When: Today, September 27, and October 4, 8:40 a.m.  
and 10:00 a.m.

### Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat Auditions

Join the Children, Youth and Family Team as we put on this musical about Joseph, who teaches us much about perseverance through adversity. The musical will be held the week and weekend of November 19 and 21. If you are in 4th - 12th grade, auditions will be Wednesday, September 23 in the Youth Room from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. Please prepare a song to sing. Rehearsals will take place the following Wednesdays from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. until the show. (With the exception of October 14)

### Calling All Musicians

Incarnation is looking for musicians to play in the "pit band" for Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat. The performances will be November 19 and 21. Incarnation is looking for band instrumentalists, guitarists, piano/keyboard and more. Please contact Pastor Kyle Jackson to schedule an audition.

### Entry into High School Stepping Stone

Students and families face many changes as kids enter into high school. At the Entry into High School Stepping Stone, 9th grade students and their parents will learn about managing commitments from a faith perspective and will get a preview of opportunities for high school students at Incarnation.

When: September 27, 11:45 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

## Volunteer

### Solid Ground Winter Coat Drive

There are 50 families including 130 children who are in great need of winter coats, boots, hats, gloves, and scarves. Please consider donating new or gently-used items in the coat drive collection box during the month of September. Although all sizes and items are needed, K-12 children's boots and XL through XXXL coats are always in short supply.

When: Donations accepted September 1 - 30.

### Tutors Needed at Solid Ground

Make a special connection with a child at Solid Ground. Children in Kindergarten through 8th grade need one-on-one help with math and reading skills. No teaching experience necessary. Contact Liz Meyers at (651) 846-9024 or [volunteer@solidgroundmn.org](mailto:volunteer@solidgroundmn.org)

When: Mid-September - December.

### Worship Assistant Recharge

Interested in serving as a worship assistant during Sanctuary worship? Come to a Worship Assistant Recharge to learn more about the ministry, receive resources, tips and guidance, as well as connect with other worship assistants, both seasoned and new to the ministry. RSVP by contacting Becky Benson at [bbenson@incarnationmn.org](mailto:bbenson@incarnationmn.org).

When: Sunday, October 11, 11:15 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

## Congregational Business

### Incarnation Photo Directory Distribution

The new photo directory will be available for distribution to those whose pictures are in the directory. Stop by the photo directory table in the Atrium or the Gathering Space after the Sunday morning services to get a copy.

When: Today.