

April 4, 2021

CENTENNIAL NEWS

EASTER SUNDAY:
LOVE IS THE WAY



Easter Sunday April 4th: Online services for both Saint Anthony Park and Roseville— Share Easter Traditions & Faith Stories with Pastor Brian at 10:30 on Zoom at [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)

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**Join us for our
Sunday online services:**
Join Sunday worship for both campuses through our website, or our Youtube Channel. You can also join a live watch party for St. Anthony Park's worship with other members of the Centennial Community at 10:00am Sundays on our SAP Facebook page.

• TOP ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS •

Easter Offering: Make sure to check out the Easter offering and stimulus appeal announcement in the God at Work segment later in the Centennial News.

Connectivity Returns: Conversation on the Future of the United Methodist Church: Sunday April 11 | 10:30 am | Join us on Zoom with a presentation by Rev. Cindy Gregorson Annual Conference Director of Connectional Ministry on "Transitions in the United Methodist Church as a response to issues and action of the Annual and General United Methodist Conferences". Questions can be addressed to Kenruthrice@aol.com.

Special Church Conference on Zoom to approve Amanda Schultz for candidacy for ministry: Tuesday April 20 | 7:00 pm | All church members (both campuses of course) are invited to take part as we support Amanda Schultz in her journey! Watch this space for the Zoom link to come.

• CENTENNIAL COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS •

UMW Day Apart: Join via ZOOM on **Saturday, April 10, 11:00 – 11:45 am** as we honor the fourteen unique UMW members who died the past two years. Rev Kay Hacklander will share a time of meditation embracing our lives as well as memorialize these women as we share of their faith and time spent with us. Whether in body or spirit let our hearts come together for this Day Apart. Questions: Mim Heggerston | mheggerston@gmail.com | 763-528-3689 | ZOOM link to come.

Healing Circles: Ramsey County, in partnership with the City of St. Paul, is offering virtual and in-person community healing circles that are welcoming, safe and supportive spaces for participatory dialogue, building connections, and addressing trauma caused by the killing of George Floyd last summer, the civil unrest that followed in our neighborhoods and the ongoing trial. Ensuring the health and wellbeing of community is at the center of our response plan during these difficult times and we're working with several cultural healers who use their lived experiences, expertise and training to facilitate conversations that get at shared healing. [CLICK HERE](#) for the flyer, which includes a schedule of healing circles for the month of April. Additional information can be found on Ramsey County's healing spaces webpage. Please share these opportunities with your networks.

Opening Doors Gala: Plan to attend the amazing Virtual Gala Event for Emma Norton Services on Thursday, April. 29, 2021. The Event Goal is to raise \$100,000 to help support the women and families ENS serves. Register at www.emmanorton.org/engage/events/ Questions: Judy Phillips 651-484-9522

COVID VACCINE – IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Minnesota has expanded the availability of the Covid-19 vaccines and recently revised the criteria about who is currently eligible to receive a vaccine. If you seeking a vaccine and are over 65 years old and/or are now eligible for other reasons, you can schedule an appointment now at a variety of community vaccination sites (Walgreen's, Cub Foods, Walmart, etc.) or you can wait to be notified by your health care provider when they have vaccination appointments available. If you are having difficulties locating and scheduling a vaccination appointment at a community site, please contact Julia Nordling for assistance | 651-633-7644 | parishnurse@centennialumc.org

Preaching this week:

Roseville Campus: Pastor Brian Hacklander

St Anthony Park: Rev Amanda Lunemann

Trustees Move to Phase 2 Reopening: On Tuesday evening March 2nd, the Board of Trustees (both campuses) voted to move to Reopening Phase 2 for the church buildings. For details [\[CLICK HERE\]](#)

Caring for others? Connect with 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten for support. Are you or someone you know helping a spouse, parent, friend, or neighbor with memory loss and you're looking for support? Connect with 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten for help in navigating your caregiving journey. The 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten Caregiver Services team is available for telephone support, education, access to resources, support groups, caregiver coaching, an online group e-respite program for persons experiencing memory loss, and more. **Due to the pandemic, The Gathering (in-person group respite program) continues to be temporarily suspended.** Our congregation is partnered in ministry with Lyngblomsten, a senior services organization whose 2nd Half with Lyngblomsten life enrichment centers are connecting adults ages 50+ to community services, resources, and opportunities for enhancing their quality of life. For more information, visit www.lyngblomsten.org/caregiving or contact them at (651) 632-5320 or caregiving@lyngblomsten.org.

Save the Date for VBS June 14-18. More info to come!

Fruit of the Vine Food Shelf: serving the East side of St. Paul has food available for pick up every Saturday morning from 9:30-11:30 am. The Food Shelf is located at First Covenant Church, 1280 Arcade St. in St. Paul.

Focus Supplemental Food Shelf: (www.focusmn.org) located at 550 Rice Street in St. Paul offers food staples to individuals and families on the second and fourth Saturday of each month from 10-11:30 am. Please bring an ID and proof of address.

Growing Through Loss Series: This 6-week series provides an opportunity for individuals to obtain information and support for a variety of loss and grief issues. Each session begins with an educational presentation by a professional from the community, followed by small groups facilitated by leaders who understand the grieving process. Although there is no cost, donations are welcome. Registration takes place each evening before the program. Church affiliation is not necessary. Each session is complete in itself; attend any or all sessions. We will be following Abiding Savior Lutheran Church's facility use policy during this pandemic. Child care will not be provided for safety reasons. You are required to wear a face mask. Call 763-755-5335 or visit www.growingthroughloss.org for more information. The next series will be held Tuesday evenings, April 6th through May 11th, from 6:45 to 9:00 pm at: Abiding Savior Lutheran Church 8211 Red Oak Dr. Mounds View, MN 55112. Contact Julia Nordling at parishnurse@centennialumc.org or 651.633.7644 if you would like a brochure sent to you.

Giving Remotely: We continue to value your gifts during this time, which allow staff and ministry to continue on in creative ways. There are multiple ways to give while you are away from the church building. Go to the website at <http://centennialumc.org/index.php/go-serve/giving>. And yes, we are happy to receive your contribution via the postal service. Our address is Centennial UMC, 1524 County Road C2 West, Roseville MN 55113. Thank you for helping us keep ministry strong.

• God At Work •

Easter Offering:

With food insecurity impacting the short and long term health of so many of our community members, the Church and Society Committee has identified three regional organizations as recipients of our 2021 Easter donations. **Every Meal**, formerly Sheridan, focuses on providing healthy, culturally appropriate meal bags for children and youth. Operating from a Roseville warehouse, they provide 30,000 meals per week through 300 schools. **Second Harvest Heartland** works with partners to provide meals that include fresh fruits and vegetables to support a



balanced diet. They have seen a 60% increase in numbers of people seeking service. **Meals on Wheels** delivers nutritious midday meals and a social connection to seniors who are unable to prepare their own meals. They have seen a 30% increase in needs. A video describing each organizations' outreach will be shown in church services on Palm Sunday. Donations may be sent to CUMC, Roseville campus. Please enter "Easter Donation" on the memo line to distinguish it from the local March food share contributions.

Stimulus Appeal:

As you saw in the announcement just before this one, our Easter offering has been designated by the Church & Society Committee to be given to three organizations that address food insecurity: Second Harvest, Every Meal, and Meals on Wheels. Our Church & Society Committee joins with the Finance Ministry Team in asking you to consider donating all or part of the proceeds of your stimulus check to Centennial's overall ministries. We know that not everyone is at the place where they can consider this, or there may be other priorities that you have, but we thank you for giving this your prayerful consideration. Your generosity is always appreciated. In this time of stimulus payments for many, and looking further ahead for Centennial, the Finance Ministry Team is projecting a possible \$200,000 shortfall for 2022. The Finance Team always seeks to be responsible with our church's finances and plan ahead. While 2021 continues to look positive, everything we can do now will help.