Weekly Calendar

**Today!** Stay after worship for Congregational Fellowship Hour. Enjoy coffee, Bogart's Doughnuts, and great conversation!

Monday, May 26 Memorial Day; Facility Closed New Creations Closed

**Tuesday, May 27** 10 am Quilting; Staff Meeting

Wednesday, May 28 10 am–12 pm TRUST, Inc. Storytelling Workshop

## Friday, May 30

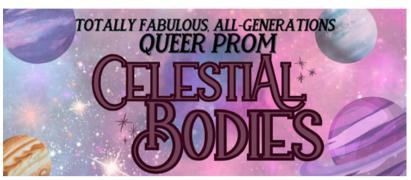
9 am–4 pm Religious Support for TransLives (United Theological Seminary)7 pm All-Generations Queer Prom(SpringHouse Ministry Center)

## Saturday, May 31

9 am–5 pm Introduction to Trans-InclusiveTheology and Community Practices(St. Luke Presbyterian)10 am Alcoholics Anonymous

# Announcements May 25, 2025

Visit our website for service opportunities and more activities. Find the latest issue of The Ripple (our monthly magazine) in the Narthex just outside the Sanctuary or in the Commons gathering area. Please take one home.



All-Generations Queer Prom Friday, May 30, 7 pm SpringHouse Ministry Center 610 W. 28th Street in Minneapolis (between Lyndale and Garfield Avenues)



This free, intergenerational event is where you can fully be yourself in a fun, affirming space. Come dressed in what makes you feel amazing and celebrate with your queer and trans family. Childcare is available for young kids, and Sequeerity—a queer, POC-led de-escalation team—will help ensure a safe, welcoming environment. To register to attend, please fill out the Google form linked here: http://bit.ly/44p0zLt or scan the QR code above

#### New Senior Storytelling Workshop Begins Wednesday, May 28

TRUST Inc. invites older adults to be part of "My Summer Vacation," a storytelling workshop series designed to preserve personal narratives and foster community connection. Led by teaching artist Graydon Royce, this program offers participants the chance to learn the art of storytelling, write and refine their own stories, connect with new people, and perform their work for an audience.

The workshops will take place on **Wednesdays from 10 am–12 pm, on May 28, June 4, 11, and 18.** All workshops are hosted at Diamond Lake Lutheran except June 18 (location TBA). The series will culminate in a Senior Story Slam, a celebratory public performance on Sunday, June 22, from 3–5 pm, where participants will share their stories in front of a live audience as part of Sunday Supper. **Space is limited in the workshops so early registration is encouraged.** Call 612-827-6159 or email trust@trustinc.org.





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Keeping in Prayer Jane and Alva Pingel Janis and Ralph Mayer Lynnette Brent

## This Week's Birthdays

May 25 Caia Blashack May 26 Stella Hobbs; Crow Johnson May 28 Victoria Johnson May 30 Indie Schmidt

#### **Contribute Music for Summer Worship**

We're looking for soloists or groups, vocalists, or instrumentalists to perform during any Sunday service between May 25 and August 31. All services begin at 9:30 am, and an accompanist can be arranged upon request. Please email Kathy Gustafson if you have any questions at msgus50@msn.com. Sign up on the form in the Commons Area or via the link in the weekly email.

## **Empowering Religious Support for Trans Lives** Friday, May 30, 9 am-4 pm

**United Theological Seminary of the Twin Cities** 767 Eustis St., Suite 140, Saint Paul, MN 55114

Join other people of faith at United to learn how to lift your voice effectively in ways that are authentic to your beliefs and tradition. We will remember what our traditions teach about affirming diverse genders and learn practical ways to take action at the legislature, in public forums, and with our faith communities. Includes plenty of opportunities for networking. To register to attend, please fill out the Google form linked here: http://bit.ly/44p0zLt or scan the QR code attached to the Queer Prom article on the other side of this page.

#### An Introduction to Trans-Inclusive Theology and Community Practices Saturday, May 31, 9 am-5 pm St. Luke Presbyterian Church, 3121 Groveland School Road, **Minnetonka**



St. Luke is hosting Dr. Miche van Essen from Transmission Ministry Collective for a full-day program focused on building affirming, justice-rooted communities. Participants will explore gender-expansive, intersectional theology; examine the Church's history of anti-trans teachings; and gain practical tools for creating welcoming policies and practices. Through deep reflection and guided learning, attendees will be equipped to move beyond apologetics and into genuine solidarity with trans and gender-expansive people in their faith communities. Register by scanning the QR code above.

## **Seeking Volunteers for New Creations** Food Ministry on June 2 and June 9 (and All Summer Long!)

With Kirk Gallup away, we need extra help at New Creations, especially during the second shift (5-7 pm) on June 2 and 9. New Creations offers two volunteer shifts every Monday:

- 3–5 pm: Sort and pack food
- 5–7 pm: Distribute food, assist guests, and help create a welcoming space

Volunteers (grades 6 and up, including adults) are always welcome—come when you can! Spanish-speaking volunteers are especially appreciated. New Creations is just 1.5 miles from Diamond Lake Lutheran.

To sign up, scan the QR code or contact John Pedersen, Director of Community Outreach.





DEADLINE TO REGISTER FOR SOUTH **MINNEAPOLIS DAY CAMP IS JUNE I!** June 16-20 (Friday is an optional fun day) For kids entering: K-5 grades, 6-8 grades

High School leaders receive training and stipend

The week of faith formation is fun, safe, and Christcentered with worship, crafts, music, and games intended to build beloved community. Day Camp is for children entering kindergarten through high school, with a separate middle school track and opportunities for high school leadership with the younger kids. The registration fee is on a sliding scale, allowing you to choose an amount that works best for your family.

## Register here: https://www.smplsdaycamp.org

All are invited to volunteer for this fun week, even if you don't have campers! Please indicate what days you are available using the same registration form.

## Looking Ahead

June | South Minneapolis Day Camp Registration Due; Sacred Sites Tour June 3 Chair Yoga; All-Committee Night June 4 Storytelling Workshop; 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation Meeting June 5 Journey Toward Justice Team Meeting June 10 Chair Yoga; Congregational Council June II Storytelling Workshop June 12 Memorial for Dale Erickson June 16-20 South Minneapolis Day Camp June 18 Storytelling Workshop (OFFSITE) June 19 Book Club June 19-22 Luther Park High School Leadership Training June 22 Sunday Supper June 22–28 Luther Park Week