

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Spring CORE Classes



**More Than A Good Story:
Of Kings, Prophets, and the Wise**
with **Dr. Ronald Troxel**

**Wednesdays at 10 a.m. & 4 p.m.
April 4 - May 16, \$20 class fee**

The Sunday School lessons of our youth made Joshua a godly general and gave us the courageous David, an innocent youth who felled a giant with faith and a few stones. Our adult discoveries that Joshua sought to kill everyone in the "promised land" and that David was avaricious can reasonably kindle a sense of betrayal about what we were told of these stories. And even if the prophets' demands for justice seem boldly relevant today, those men seem given to bouts of madness and vitriol. How could the Spirit be interested in speaking to us through these flawed books?



**Gist: The Essence of Raising
Life-Ready Kids**
with **Rev. Danielle Jones**
Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m.

April 11 - May 9, \$20 class fee

Parenting is hard. Anyone who says it isn't, hasn't done it. Take time to read this parenting book with others and to discuss a parenting approach that is effective, efficient, and enjoyable—whether you are parenting a toddler child or a college-aged student. Gist is a powerful book that reviews and examines what the journey to adulthood entails. The book's focus on life-readiness offers parents a new lens through which to see their parenting interactions and translates to an approach that eliminates many of the power struggles and ineffective patterns that can rob families of much of their joy.



Interfaith Leadership, A Book Study
with **Rev. Kristen Jeide**
Wednesdays at 7:15 p.m.

April 4 - May 16, \$20 class fee

This book study will act as a guide for those seeking to foster interfaith dialogue and promote understanding across religious lines. In this book, interfaith leader Eboo Patel offers a clear, detailed, and practical guide to interfaith leadership, illustrated with compelling examples. Patel explores the core competencies and skills needed, before turning to the issues that interfaith leaders face and how they can prepare to solve them. Join us for this in-depth 7 week study discussion on how to be an interfaith leader.



Called2Care with Rev. S. Lindy Purdy
Thursdays at 6 p.m.

April 12 - May 17, \$20 class fee

We are always seeking ways to be better friends, better parents and more simply, we are seeking ways to be better humans. Our Called2Care class will help you gain the critical skills necessary to develop more empathic, more compassionate relationships with everyone you come into contact with.

Visit www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/AprilCORE for more information about these classes and to register.

ANNUAL MEETING

WCC Annual Meeting: Sunday, April 22, 2018

The 2018 Annual Meeting of Wayzata Community Church will be convened in the Sanctuary on April 22, 2018, immediately following the 9:00 a.m. worship service (approximately 10:00 a.m.). All WCC Members are encouraged to attend.

The purpose of the meeting includes the following:

- 1.) To elect Officers of the Church and to approve the Nominating Board's slate for Council and Deacons;
- 2.) To accept a 2018 operating budget for the church;
- 3.) To receive updates from our Finance Director, Moderator and Incoming Moderator;
- 4.) To enact any other business that may be properly brought before the Congregation at that time.

OPPORTUNITY INTERNATIONAL



A Bold Vision for Ending Extreme Poverty

**Join us on Saturday, April 21
from 6 - 9 p.m. at the Latitude
Purpose Space** for an evening celebrating Opportunity International's innovative work and our Minnesota community's vision for ending extreme

poverty in our lifetimes. For years, we in the Bold North have had a bold vision for global change. Together, we have supported Opportunity's Community Economic Development initiatives in Nicaragua—empowering farmers to increase their harvests, children to go to school, and entrepreneurs to build their businesses. We will hear from featured speakers including Opportunity's Global Board Chair Mark Thompson, Executive Director of Opportunity International Nicaragua David Kone, author and humanitarian Ward Brehm, and Opportunity CEO Atul Tandon. Enjoy food and drinks, live music, and an experiential silent auction featuring an Insight Trip!

Thanks to the generosity of the Minnesota Governors' Community, 100% of ticket sales will be donated to Opportunity International to support our work in Nicaragua, and all contributions will be matched dollar for dollar. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased at opportunity.org/boldnorth. Questions? Contact Carly McGuire at cmcguire@opportunity.org or 312-487-5030. —Friends of Nicaragua, Wayzata Community Church

UCC DELEGATES



Looking for a way to engage in the wider church? Wanting to better understand how our denomination, the United Church of Christ is organized and operated? Considering ways to get involved in the broader activities of the church for social justice, youth formation, or missions?

We are looking for 6 delegates to the United Church of Christ Minnesota Conference Annual Meeting, June 8-10, at the College of St. Benedict. Contact Mandi Lee in the church office at (952) 473-8877, ext. 231.

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**Rev. Rustin Comer preaching at 8 a.m. Chapel, 9 a.m. Celebrations,
and 10:45 a.m. Traditions**
Louis Robards, Parables dad, preaching at 10:30 a.m. Parables



Unique Family Ministry Blended & Blessed Event April 21, 2018 in the WCC Chapel

Blended & Blessed is a one-day (8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.) live event for stepfamily couples, single parents, dating couples with kids, and those who care about blended families. Join hundreds of sites around the globe as we unpack the keys that are crucial to healthy stepfamily living. With some of today's most trusted and respected stepfamily experts, Blended & Blessed will challenge, inspire, and encourage you! The \$20 fee includes a continental

breakfast and lunch. Please register each adult individually, online at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/blended

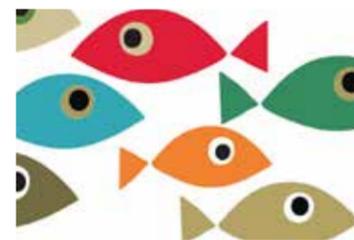


Band of Brothers Breakfast with Brian Jones Friday, April 20, 7:30 a.m. in Mithun Hall

Join us to hear Brian Jones from Innové Studios. Innové empowers churches to coach, resource, and launch social innovation ideas in their own communities, and empowers churchgoers to connect their Monday work with their Sunday faith. There is a great potential for churches to build powerful congregation-driven engines that intentionally launch and scale fresh ideas and solutions that empower young social entrepreneurs.

Brian began his career with the FBI only to have that lead him to seminary. Until recently, he served as the Minister of Mission at Colonial Church in Edina, MN. He now serves as the Executive Director of Innové Studios, a start-up non-profit with a mission to empower churches around the nation to launch and scale new social innovation ideas.

Doors open at 7:15 a.m. with a hot breakfast starting at 7:30 a.m. in Mithun Hall. Our program starts at 7:45 a.m. Cost: \$20. Register online at www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/bandofbrothers



"Faces of Parables" Photo Gallery Event

You are invited to join the Parables community for the "Faces of Parables" Photo Gallery Collection, "Meet & Greet" on Sunday, April 29 in the Colonnade between services from 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Delicious food and beverages will be served at each event.

People with disabilities are often known by labels. Come get to know us by name. This is a wonderful opportunity to see inspiring photography and the opportunity to meet the inspiring people being photographed. This photo collection, was inspired by the Parables Summer Camp experience where twenty campers of various ages came together for one week of faith, formation, fellowship, and fun. Come and view a very special photo gallery highlighting the inspiring people of Parables Summer Camp. The Parables Community is so excited to share their unique beauty and talents in a way that enables them to introduce themselves to you.

Inspire the world with the inclusive love of Jesus

April 15-21, 2018

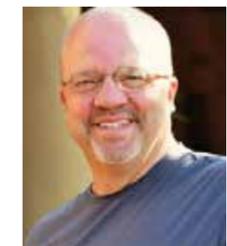
Welcome Visitors! Please take this issue of *Inspire Weekly* home with you today.

Pastoral Care

Wayzata Community Church is fully committed to living out its call to care for one another. The church has a pastoral team, including clergy, staff leadership and lay ministry programs to support people in times of special need. If you or someone you know is in need of a pastoral call or visit, we encourage you to contact Katie Kraus, Pastoral Coordinator, at 952-473-8877, ext. 228.

Author Event

Rev. Dr. Allen Hilton
**"A House United:
How the Church Can Save the World"**
**Monday, April 16, 6:30 p.m. in the
Chapel, followed by a reception**



By entering the culture wars, churchgoers in the United States have ushered the Left and the Right to even greater extremes. Battles over moral issues like abortion rights

and homosexuality have now widened to include taxation and size of government, so that specific church affiliation has become an accurate predictor of political party affiliation. The extremists in American politics rely on Christians to be the engine that pushes the culture farther right or left. Allen Hilton promotes a Christianity that brings people together with their differences. Through God's transforming work, he writes, we can create a house united that will help our nation come back together.

SUNDAY EDUCATION

This Morning

Ages birth-4: before the 9 a.m. worship service, check your children into the rooms below, and pick them up in the same room following the service.

- Birth-1 year: check children into the DANDELION ROOM.
- Age 2: check children into the SUNSHINE ROOM.
- Age 3: check children into the TREEHOUSE ROOM.
- Age 4: check children into the GARDEN ROOM.

At 10:45 a.m., Birth-PreK, please check your child into the GARDEN ROOM.

- Kindergarten-5th Grade: at the 9 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. worship service, K-5th grade students begin with their families in worship. Children will be called out by Jodie Nyberg toward the beginning of the service. Pick up children in the Gym directly following worship.
- Middle School: 9:00 & 10:45 a.m. worship services, students begin with their families in worship. Middle Schoolers will be called out by Christa Workmon towards the beginning of the service and will walk down together and meet in The Corner.
- High School: Programs meet from 10:15-11:45 a.m. in The Loft.

FAMILY MINISTRY: EARLY CHILDHOOD



Sundays: Drop-off and pick-up from the child's age-appropriate room before and after the service.

- Dandelion Room: 0- under 2
- Sunshine Room: 2 year olds
- Treehouse Room: 3 year olds
- Garden Room: 4 year olds

Early Childhood on Wednesdays

Childcare is offered from 4:15 to 7:15 p.m. every Wednesday in the Garden Room. Childcare is provided by a trained, experienced group of adults and students of the church. The safety and security of the youngest children of our church is a priority. For children ages Birth to 5 years. Children are invited to participate in Cherub Choir (4:30-5:00 p.m. in Community Room) directed by Hannah Cruzen.

FAMILY MINISTRY: CHILDREN'S



Sunday GraceLand (9 a.m. & 10:45 a.m.)

K-5th graders begin in the Sanctuary for the first 15 minutes, then head down with Jodie to the GraceLand classrooms for learning and fun! Pick up is in the GraceLand Gym at the end of the service.

Wednesday Classes

(Register for these classes online at

www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/childrensclasses)

Bible, Books and Games • Through May 16, 2018

- K-5th grade (Graceland Care of You Room), 7:15-8:30 p.m.

Moment for Mission • Through May 16, 2018

- K-2nd grade: 5:00-5:35p.m. (Graceland Care of You, Art Room)
- 3rd-5th grade: 5:35-6:05 p.m. (Graceland Care of You, Art Room)

FAMILY MINISTRY: MIDDLE SCHOOL



Summer Mission Trip and Summer Stretch 2018

Register today! www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/mssummer

For this year's Mission Trip, we will be traveling to Moorhead/Fargo and Fergus Falls to explore our state and learn more from our neighbors from Sunday, July 22-Friday, July 27. Cost is \$350 for Middle Schoolers (current 6th-8th graders) and there is no cost for Adult Leaders.

Summer Stretch is for current 5th, 6th, 7th & 8th graders and an opportunity for Middle School Students to come and stretch their faith each day with a service event in the morning and fun event in the afternoon. Dates are Wednesday, June 27 (8:30am-4:30pm), Wednesday, July 11 (8:30am-4:30pm) and Wednesday, August 8 (8:30am-4:30pm).

Middle School Volunteer Opportunities

We have the pleasure of doing ministry with a lot of awesome Middle Schoolers at Wayzata Community Church and we need YOU to help make this another successful year! Please sign up to help provide snacks, donuts, fruit or juice or volunteer to be a part of our time together on Sunday to learn a little about Jesus' miracles and get to know our awesome kids! No prep work is necessary! Thank you!!! If you have a question, please don't hesitate to email Christa at cworkmon@wayzatacommunitychurch.org.

FAMILY MINISTRY: HIGH SCHOOL



Pathways meets today for all high school students with a special invitation to parents participating in the 9th and 10th Grade Milestone. Please meet in the High School Loft at 10:15 a.m. The Milestone for 11th and 12th grade students and parents will be Sunday, April 22nd.

Spring Retreat

Save the Date for the Spring Retreat, May 4th-6th! Please make special note of the Celebration Ceremony on Saturday, May 5th at 6 p.m. All family and friends are invited to join us on the retreat at Camp Friendship in Annandale, MN to help celebrate the high school students.

Wednesday Programs

Wednesdays in High School Ministry students are involved in choirs, dinner in Mithun Hall, and the Worship on Wednesday service. Following the service, for 9th-12th grade students we have Acts, from 7:15-8:30 p.m. in The Loft. Acts takes all the elements that we know you love: MUSIC, time together with the high school community, a chance to DO FAITH, time to talk, words that INSPIRE and a chance to SHARE your own thoughts about Bible and faith with each other.

SUMMER CAMP



Summer Camp 2018

We are eager to help every potential camper join us at Camp 2018!

Right now, we have availability in the following sessions:

- CC #1 – Saturday, June 23 through Tuesday, June 26
- CC #2 – Wednesday, July 11 through Saturday, July 14
- MS #1 – Sunday, June 17 through Friday, June 22
- MS #2 – Thursday, July 5 through Tuesday, July 10
- HS #2 – Wednesday, June 27 through Tuesday, July 3
- HS #3 – Saturday, July 21 through Friday, July 27

Are you on a wait list for a full session?

Campers currently on wait lists (for either HS #1 or MS #3) need to move ASAP into open sessions. The Board of Camp Ministry has decided to dissolve wait lists on May 1st in order to firmly encourage everyone to find an open session to attend.

Have a friend on a wait list?

We are extending a \$25.00 incentive for any camper moving to an open session. This applies to campers on a wait list OR campers who move to an open session with a friend who is not currently registered.

Bring a friend to Camp!

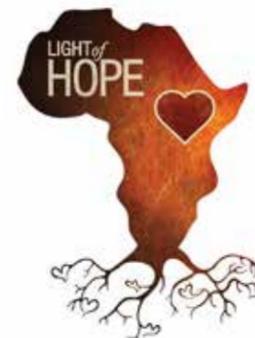
There are still 8 weeks until the summer sessions begin! It is a great time to invite a friend, and help bring the ministry of Camp to others who would benefit from encountering God in this setting! If you invite a friend who decides to register, both of you will receive \$25.00 credit to your fees (or to the camp store if your balance is paid).

Questions? Want to register?

Contact kmiller@wayzatacommunitychurch.org

Visit www.wayzatacommunitychurch.org/summercamp for details!

MISSION



Shine a Light of Hope Gala

Saturday, April 21, 2018 at Minneapolis Marriott South West

Join us for our 16th Annual Shine a Light of Hope Gala, to help support Light of Hope Kenya Home and School for Girls in Naivasha, Kenya. Check out their website at LightofHopeKenya.org to learn more about our mission partner and the good work that is being done to support the vulnerable girls in Kenya. Enjoy Dinner and Program from 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. and the AFTER - PARTY

from 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m. Tickets are \$100/person, and \$1000/table. Register at www.501Auctions.com/LightofHopeMinneapolis

THIS WEEK AT WCC

MONDAY, APRIL 16

Archives, 9:30 a.m., Archives Room

Women's AA, 10 a.m., Places in the Heart (Geo Lab)

Rummage Committee, 4 p.m., Onan Room

Soul Sisters Steering Committee, 6 p.m., Holmes Room

Allen Hilton Author Event, 6:30 p.m., Chapel — followed by

a Reception in the Colonnade

WCC Moms Podcast Group, 7:30 p.m., Care of You

Al Anon, 7:30 p.m., Piper Library

TUESDAY, APRIL 17

Community Group Disability Meeting, 9:30 a.m., Holmes Room

WCCNS Sing Along, 10:30 a.m., Great Hall (Gym)

New Council Member Dinner, 5:30 p.m., Mithun Hall

Council Meeting, 7 p.m., Holmes Room

Unique Family Ministry Committee, 7 p.m., Piper Library

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WEDNESDAY, APRIL 18

Women's AA, 10 a.m., Places in the Heart (Geo Lab)

CORE Class with Dr. Ron Troxel, 10 a.m., Chapel

WCCNS Sing Along, 10:30 a.m., Great Hall (Gym)

Soup, Salad, and Song Lunch, 12 noon, Mithun Hall

Middle School InnerChange, 4 p.m., The Corner

CORE Class with Dr. Ron Troxel, 4 p.m., Chapel

Children's Choirs and Classes, 4:30 p.m.

Child Care, 4:15 to 7:15 p.m., Garden Room

2nd Grade Milestone, 5 p.m., Planet Hollywood

Parables Young Adult Book Study, 5 p.m., Room 301

Moment for Mission (K-2), 5 p.m., True Value Heartware (Art Lab)

Moment for Mission (3-5), 5:30 p.m., True Value Heartware (Art Lab)

Suppers, Etc., 5 p.m., Mithun Hall

WORSHIP ON WEDNESDAY, 6:15 p.m., Sanctuary

CORE Class with Rev. Danielle Jones, 7:15 p.m., Chapel

CORE Class with Rev. Kristen Jeide, 7:15 p.m., Piper Library

Bible Books and Games, 7:15 p.m., True Value Heartware (Art Lab)

Middle School Crossroads, 7:15 p.m., The Corner

High School Acts, 7:15 p.m., The Loft

Chancel Choir, 7:15 p.m., Choir Room

Celebration Singers, 7:15 p.m., Grace Notes

Al Anon, 7:45 p.m., Onan Room

THURSDAY, APRIL 19

Women's AA, 10 a.m., Places in the Heart (Geo Lab)

Interfaith Task Group, 11 a.m., Parlor

Third Thursday Readers, 1 p.m., Piper Library

CORE Called2Care Class with Rev. Lindy Purdy, 6 p.m., Colonnade

Music Board, 7 p.m., Parlor

FRIDAY, APRIL 20

Band of Brothers Breakfast, 7:30 a.m., Mithun Hall

Kids' Night Out, 6 p.m., Great Hall (Gym)

SATURDAY, APRIL 21

Blended & Blessed Event, 8:30 a.m., Chapel

Old Timers Basketball, 8 a.m., Great Hall (Gym)

Saturday Seekers, 8 a.m., Holmes Room

AA, 10 a.m., Onan Room