

SUNDAY MORNING

BETHANY

Today 10:30 am, *Hearth Room*
Bethany welcomes Sara Wilhelm, a masters of divinity student at Bethel College and highly recommended by Greg Meland. Sara's presentation will be "The Inheritance of Job's Daughters."

ISAIAH IN DEPTH

Sunday 10:45 am, *Fireside Room*
Trace James teaches through Isaiah from now through May. An on-line version of the class is available; register by sending an email to adulted@colonialchurch.org.

ADULTS

MONDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

Mondays 10-11:30 am, Gathering Rooms II/III
Meets tomorrow continuing the study, "Christian Views of Death and the Afterlife." Come anytime. Gary Klingsporn leads.

A YEAR IN THE BIBLE PREVIEW

Monday April 16, 7 pm, *Gathering Rooms II/III*
A Year in the Bible will be offered for the last time this fall. Those interested are invited to attend this informative preview session.

THE CAMEO SERIES

A new series offering an opportunity to get to know Colonial people.

JOHN PLUME IN CONVERSATION WITH BOB SHULZE

Wednesday April 18, 6:45-8 pm, *Hearth Room*
Come, hear the story! John's family escaped from occupied Latvia, stayed in a refugee camp, and sponsored by the National Lutheran Council, emigrated to the U.S. in 1949.

ANGIE YUHAS IN CONVERSATION WITH JEFF LINDSAY

Wednesday April 25 6:45-8 pm, *Hearth Room*
Angie Yuhas, married with two children, lost her son, Alex, who died at one week of age. Despite her very full life, Angie devotes time to assist parents who have experienced the loss of a child.

Others to be featured in coming weeks include Phil & Mary Krafft, Linda Rich-Meland and Greg Meland, Joan Metcalfe, and Seth Jones.

CENTERING PRAYER

Thursdays, 6:45-7 pm, *Hospitality*; 7-8 pm, *Centering Prayer, Center for Spiritual Formation*
Join us for praying the scripture, centering prayer, and reflection. Share time and friendship with others who have found this a meaningful respite from the busyness of our days. Questions? Call Dick and Carolyn Young, 952.893.0673.

CHILDREN & FAMILIES

Preschool children can be dropped off and picked up in the Nursery/preschool Hallway. Elementary kids can be dropped off in the Gym and picked up in their shepherd home rooms as noted on the divider outside the Youth Office.

Nursery

Sundays during the 9 am and 10:45 am services. Babies/toddlers (Birth-2 year olds)

Stepping Stones

Sundays during the 9 am and 10:45 am services. Preschool kids (2-5 year olds)

FaithTrek Sundays

Sundays during the 9 am and 10:45 am services. Elementary kids (K-5)

HEY 2ND GRADERS!

Wednesday April 18, 6:30-8PM, Gathering Room IV

Trekker Dude needs to know...Can you come? The parent-child workshop is in preparation for receiving your Bibles on Children's Sunday. Please RSVP to Kristin Johnson, 952.224.9542.

C CUBED

Friday April 20, 6:00-8:30 PM, *Great Hall*
Construction Crew for Christ is back! Hang out with friends, eat pizza, construct cool props and paint staging for the choir's musical – "Oh, Jonah!" For 4th & 5th graders and their friends. RSVP to Kristin Johnson, 952.224.9542.

NEW! SUMMER REGISTRATION SUNDAYS!

Register for Avalanche Ranch, SportsLife Camp and Camp Pyro, Sundays, April 22 & 29

Registration for summer camps will open for Colonial members and regular attendees between services the next two Sundays. Registration forms for all others available online or for pick up starting April 30.

AVALANCHE RANCH

Monday–Thursday, June 11-14, 9:30-11:30 AM
VBS for ages 3-entering kindergarten. Come for a wild ride through God's Word! Cost \$25. Registration forms available on Summer Registration Sunday.

SPORTSLIFE CAMP

Monday–Thursday, July 9-12, 5:30-8:30 PM
VBS for kids entering grades 1-6. An amazing week of sports, arts, and outrageous fun!! Cost \$49. Registration forms available on Summer Registration Sunday.

CAMP PYRO

Sunday–Thursday, August 19-24
A sleep-away camp for kids entering 4th through 6th grade. Camp Pyro is an amazing adventure for kids to have fun and grow in faith. Cost \$325. Registration forms were mailed in March. Additional forms available on Summer Registration Sunday or online starting April 30.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

Sunday, April 29

The Spire (9:00am) will highlight FaithTrek kids (K to grade 5) leading worship, 2nd graders receiving their Bibles and a preview of the musical "Oh, Jonah!". FaithTrek kids should sit with their families in the Meetinghouse. Stepping Stones (age 0 to pre-K) will meet as usual.

The Bridge (10:45am) will highlight Stepping Stones. Kids age 2 to pre-K will perform early in the service and should sit with their families in the Meetinghouse. The Celebration Choir will also perform "Oh, Jonah!". Nursery open for age 0-2. FaithTrek will not meet.

YOUTH

MEXICO MISSION HOUSE

Have you been outside the youth offices lately? Across from the offices is a model of the type of home we will be building in Mexico this summer. It shows the basic framework, what the roof looks like, the type of wire we put on the house and a photo of a completed home is displayed. The Mexico Mission Team is asking for your prayers and support for the July 7-14 trip. Visit the Mexico House and pull off a tab to purchase materials to help build the home. Slips can be placed in the envelopes that are provided and returned to the Youth Offices. You can participate in the mission trip even if you can't attend!

SUNDAY MORNING GATHERING

Today 9 am, Pond Room
SMG is back in action! Join us this morning to connect, make new friends, and learn more about the Bible.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Tonight 6:30 pm, Pond Room
After a few weeks off for spring break and Easter we are back this week! All 9th-12th graders are invited for a brand new series! Come get reconnected, hang out, and learn more about what it means to follow Jesus.

JUNIOR HIGH YOUTH GROUP

Tonight 6:30 pm, Gym
All 6-8th graders are invited to youth group this week to play some games, hear a great talk and have time to chat about what is going on!

PYRO AND PYRO 2 COUNSELORS

It is about that time again! All high school and college students are invited to counsel this summer at camp. Check out the church website to get more information and download an application.

COFFEE SALES ARE WRAPPING UP!

It's not too late to buy some great coffee and support the youth mission trips to Mexico and Montana! 12oz. bags cost \$11 and over \$5 goes to support the youth. Check out the table in the Common and stock up or email Katie Mooty, kmooty@colonialchurch.org.

SINGLES

ART IN BLOOM

Saturday April 28, 10 am, Mpls Institute of Art
Come see the art of more than 100 floral artists at the 24th annual exhibit. Meet inside the Institute's lobby near the ticket area. Enjoy lunch with others at a convenient restaurant following the exhibit. Free admission. Call Betty Hartnett, 952.239.6824.

HEY 20-SOMETHINGS!

FIRST FRUITS

Monthly, 1st and 3rd Thursday, 6:30 am, Leisure Lane Caribou
Get in the Word before work and give your day a spiritual jump start (as well as a caffeinated one!). For information contact Katie Mooty at kmooty@colonialchurch.org.

WOMEN

MONDAY MORNING WOMEN'S STUDY

Mondays 9:30-11 am, Gathering Room IV
This warm, welcoming group continues with a study of the message of I Timothy and Titus. Women of all ages welcome.

WOMEN'S RENEWAL GROUP

Thursday April 19, 7:30 am, Dottie Thomson, 6701 Cahill Road, Edina.

WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB

Tuesday May 16, 7 pm, Library
May book selection is *The Painted Veil* by Somerset Maughn.

JUST IN TME FOR MOTHER'S DAY! GIFT CERTIFICATES FOR THE 2ND ANNUAL WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

Friday evening through Sunday noon, October 5-6, 2007
Watch for details but save the dates now! By popular demand of last year's retreatants, the Women's Committee is now selling retreat gift certificates in any amount. So parents, husbands, brothers, and offspring, stop by the Women's table in the Common for a much appreciated Mother's Day gift for the woman you love!

OUTREACH

NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE!

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY TOUR
Saturday April 21, 9:45-11:45 am
Meet at Colonial Church at 9:00 AM
Join City Council member Don Samuels on a two-hour bus tour through North Minneapolis. Gain a deeper understanding of the social dynamics leading to violence, the challenges facing the community, and opportunities for transformation. RSVP to naidagn@gmail.com or call Sherry Parr, 952.224.9518.

PEACE ACROSS THE NORTHSIDE

Saturday May 19, 6-8 pm
From remote villages in Africa and Peru to right here in our own city, Colonial members go and serve and offer their presence to further the Kingdom of God. The Peace Foundation, one of our partner ministries, needs our support! Save the date and plan to go to PEACE Across the Northside to promote justice issues on the Northside of Minneapolis and join in a ministry of presence as we stand together for peace and justice.

PERU MISSION TRIP 2007

July 14-24, 2007
Come along side the Quiquijana World Vision staff and help with the life-transforming work in this remote corner of the world. Expect lots of painting, playing and sightseeing as well as a trip to Machu Picchu, the lost city of the Incas. Contact Sherry Parr, 952.224.9518 or sparr@colonialchurch.org.

MUSIC & ARTS

MOTHER'S DAY

Sunday May 13, 7 pm, Meetinghouse
Minnesota Orchestra musicians bring their insights and skills to one of the crowning pieces of chamber music, Schubert's Octet.

SAVE THE DATE!!

Sunday May 20, 4 pm, Meetinghouse
Colonial will host a concert of sacred choral and instrumental music by W.A. Mozart and Craig Courtney with The Colonial Chorale and Christ Presbyterian Church Sanctuary Choir, featuring instrumentalists Charles Forsberg and Jane Nienaber, piano and organ; Ellen Dinwiddie Smith, horn; Kris Henderson, flute; Heidi Sawyer, violin; and Charlotte Palmiter, clarinet.

SPRING SALES

VOLUNTEER AT THE SPRING SALE!

May 16-18
If you like treasure hunts, you'll love helping! Sign ups for volunteers is underway and we need your help to sort and price before the sale. We'll take donations through Sunday, May 13. Items for the sale can be dropped off in the hall behind the kitchen. Questions? Contact Jennifer Jensen, 952.925.2711.

SPRING PLANT SALE!!

Orders taken now through April 28
Pre-order your spring plants during the Annual Plant Sale. Look for pink order forms in the Common between services. Plants are only available pre-ordered and pre-paid.

COLONIAL'S USED BOOK SALE

May 16-18
Okay, book lovers! Clean off those shelves and unload them here! Bring books you wish to donate to the reception area for the annual spring book sale sponsored by the Adult Education Committee. Please! No encyclopedias or Reader's Digest Condensed Books.

SUPPORT

CODA CO-DEPENDENCY

ANONYMOUS GROUP FOR WOMEN
Wednesdays 12 noon-1:30 pm, Fireside Room
12-Step Group.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministers are available to assist adults of any age who are experiencing life's difficult circumstances. If you would like a Stephen Minister, call Dick Young, 952.893.1188.

JOB TRANSITION SUPPORT GROUP

Mondays 7-9 pm, Great Hall
This group is for those going through job loss. No pre-registration.

WEDNESDAY AA GROUP

Wednesdays 7:30-9:30 pm, Fireside Room
12-Step Group.

THE EDINA COALITION FOR GRIEF SUPPORT

Thursdays 4:30-6:00 pm, April 12-June 28, Normandale Lutheran Church
6100 Normandale Road, Edina
Call Terry Naugle, 952.937.5933.

FRIDAY AA GROUP

Fridays 7:30-8:45 pm, Gathering Room II
Open speaker meeting.

ALANON ACA GROUP

Saturdays 9:00-10:30 am, Library
12-Step Group.

REGULATING ANGER AND RESENTMENT SIX-WEEK WORKSHOP

Mondays April 16, 23, 30; May 7, 12, 19, 6:30-8 pm, Gathering Room IV
Led by Mark Patrick, M. Div., and Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist, this workshop helps participants understand causes and dynamics of anger; identify core hurts beneath anger; regulate intense emotions; and find compassion for yourself and others. Pre-registration required. Contact Sherry Parr, 952.224.9518.

A WORD OF THANKS

Dear Members of Colonial Church:

There are not enough words to express our gratitude for the outpouring of kindness and love that you extended to our family and friends during our time of loss. The celebration of Herb's life brought all of us comfort and left us with memories we will cherish. The wonderful reception allowed us an opportunity to share a laugh, a hug, and even a tear; but mostly it allowed us a time to remember. We loved Herb, will miss him, and are so proud of him.

From the Herb Carneal Family
Terri & Matt Doll, and Joan Metcalfe