

## *Neighborhood Cookout May 22 after 11 a.m. Worship*

On **Sunday, May 22**, we will gather with friends and neighbors for a **cookout and block party after our 11:00 a.m. worship**. This is for our church family and the whole neighborhood, so **please help spread the word and plan to join the fun** -- rain or shine! We will close off and cover 11th Street in front of the church, and have a canopy in the side yard at the parsonage to keep us dry (or out of the sun!). Hot dogs, burgers, condiments, and drinks will be provided. You are invited to bring a side dish, chips, dessert, or other item to share. Sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or contact the church office at 586-3131 or [nluc@ak.net](mailto:nluc@ak.net). This will be our last 11 a.m. Sunday worship until September. Summer schedule begins the next week.

## *Summer Schedule begins May 29 – Worship at 10, breakfast/brunch follows*

Each summer, NLUC moves its worship time an hour earlier to allow worshippers to make use of our long summer days. This year's shift is a bit earlier than recent years; on **May 29 (Memorial Day weekend) worship will be at 10 a.m. and remain at 10 through Labor Day Sunday** to be followed by breakfast/brunch prepared by members and friends of the church and enjoyed by one and all! The nursery will be open during worship, but Sunday School classes will be on break until September. We will remain on summer worship schedule through Labor Day Sunday, September 6.

Cooks and servers for breakfast/brunch are sought for each Summer Sunday. To sign up, add your name on the breakfast/brunch schedule on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall or call/email the church office, 586-3131, [nluc@ak.net](mailto:nluc@ak.net). Some have cooked and served for years and know the drill. Others may be interested, but in need of additional info before committing. In order to better understand how this all works, see the Q & A article on p. 4.

## *May Worship Highlights*

**May 15, 11 a.m. – Pentecost.** Join us for this great celebration on the church calendar when the Spirit comes and makes all things new! You are invited to wear red on Pentecost – the color of the spirit!

**May 22, 11 a.m. Sunday School Recognition.** During worship, we will give thanks for teachers and students. This will be the last Sunday for 10 a.m. Sunday School classes until the fall. Stay after worship and greet your neighbors at the church's neighborhood cookout on 11<sup>th</sup> St. (11<sup>th</sup> St. will be closed to vehicle traffic in front of the church). You are invited to bring a side dish to share.

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## Youth News

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CONGREGATIONS!  
THANK YOU FOR THE  
SUPPORT!

This year's theme certainly nurtured a very diverse youth group: Unity & Harmony Across Differences. From the Paris Agreement on Climate Change to intentionality to uniqueness to caroling at the Pioneers' Home and putting on an amazing Haunted Circus, the young people have delved into the depths of discussion, asked questions, played hard, and learned some spiritual-forming techniques like writing a "first draft" letter to someone they are upset with and tearing it up (or keeping it) afterward. I just want to say thank you to the young people and their families and guardians for showing up and being a part of the Cooperative Youth Group!

I also would like to announce that the mission team is fully funded now and that is thanks to our beloved congregations! Thank you for the support! We are now in a state of abundance and have the pleasure of asking Strong Missions, "What do you [and the community] need right now?" and we have the chance to give from our abundance. Please continue to pray for the youth mission team as they prepare for the experience, as they embark on the journey, and as they return and process their experiences. Thank you!

Congrats to those young people who are graduating and being promoted to the next phase in life!

### **Graduating seniors:**

Richard Doogan (JDHS)	Chris Talley (JDHS)
Jared Vance (JDHS)	Magen Boegli (TMHS)
Maxwell Suzuki (TMHS)	Jonathan Funk (TMHS)
Zeke Spencer (TMHS)	Liz Kell (TMHS)
Lacey Davis (TMHS)	

### **8<sup>th</sup> graders promoted to high school:**

Nicole Funk (Floyd Dryden)	Teja Tolbert (Floyd Dryden)
Son'a Mulgrew-Truitt (Floyd Dryden)	Chloe McAdams (Dzantik'i Heeni)

### **Senior Reflections:**

"YOUTH GROUP HAS HELPED ME MAKE CONNECTIONS AND LOVING RELATIONSHIPS WITH THE PEOPLE OF MY COMMUNITY. I HAVE LEARNED TO BE A BETTER PERSON SPIRITUALLY, MENTALLY, AND EMOTIONALLY." -MAXWELL SUZUKI

"YOUTH GROUP HAS BEEN AN AMAZING EXPERIENCE FOR ME IN THE PAST FOUR YEARS THAT HAS TAUGHT ME ABOUT HEALTHY RELATIONSHIPS, SPIRITUALITY, AND HAS GOTTEN ME INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY." -MAGEN BOEGLI

"AS THE END OF THE YEAR APPROACHES, IT IS HARD TO BELIEVE THAT I AM GRADUATING THIS YEAR. I LOOK FORWARD TO ATTENDING SOUTHERN OREGON UNIVERSITY. I WILL MISS ALL THE FUN TIMES THAT I HAD WITH THE YOUTH GROUP AND WILL BE EXCITED TO VENTURE TO COSTA RICA ON A SPIRITUAL MISSION SERVING GOD AND OTHERS." -JONATHAN FUNK

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## *Youth News continued*

### Upcoming Schedule

**May 1** - Northern Light United Church

4:15 Mission Trip Meeting

5:15-7:15 Youth Group – Yoga with Latoya

**May 8** - Northern Light United Church

4:15 Mission Trip Meeting

5:15-7:15 Youth Group

**May 15** - Douglas Community United Methodist Church

5:15-7:15 Youth Group

**May 22**

4:45 PM Mission Trip Meeting at Aldersgate UMC

6-9 PM End of Year Picnic at Skater's Cabin!

### **Youth Mission Team**

Tues. May 31, 6 PM - NLUC-Commissioning Service to Bless and Send Forth & Reception

June 5-16, 2016 Mission Team to San Jose, Costa Rica for Summer Mission Experience!

## *Safe Sanctuary Training Slated for May 16, 5:30-7:30*

As a church, we are committed to providing a healthy and safe environment for everyone and especially for children, youth and vulnerable adults. To that end, we have adopted “safe sanctuary” policies and procedures. This entails matters such as always providing adequate supervision, meeting in open and observable settings, following the “rule of three” (not being alone with a child or youth), transportation safety for outings, recognizing and reporting abuse and

more. We provide **training in our Safe Sanctuary policy and procedures**, and you are invited to attend! **Over pizza and salad, on Monday, May 16, 5:30-7:30**, we will explore together how we commit to keeping our sanctuary safe for children, youth, vulnerable adults, and all members and visitors of our congregation. If you volunteer for the summer lunch program, **teach Sunday School, volunteer with youth, serve lunch and/or interact with children in the**

**summer lunch program**, now or in the future work with children, youth, or vulnerable adults, or just want to know more about the “why” and the “how” of our congregation’s Safe Sanctuary commitment, this session is for you! Led by Kristy Germain (thanks, Kristy!) and the Staff Parish Relations Committee, Safe Sanctuary helps create a safe and hospitable place for all. Questions? Call Joy Lyon, 321-5887.

## Summer Breakfast/Brunch Questions and Answers

### ***What are the rules?***

You make the rules. You can ask a group of people to help you and you decide the breakfast or lunch menu. If you want donuts and coffee, we'll eat donuts and coffee. If you want chicken noodle soup, we'll eat chicken noodle soup.

### ***What specific tasks are involved?***

Decide the menu. Prepare the food at home or in the church kitchen. Count on feeding 80. Tables and chairs need to be set up in the hall. (You choose the configuration and number of seats.) The brunch needs to be ready after church. After brunch the dishes and kitchen need to be cleaned. Tables need to be wiped and most tables and chairs need to be put away.

### ***What do I need to know about dishes and food prep?***

Dishes and silverware are in the kitchen in clearly labeled drawers. Most of the utensils and cookware what you need should be available in the kitchen, and sometimes there is leftover food that is still usable (milk, cereal, flour, pancake mix, etc. It is a good idea to check supplies during the week before you are serving.

**Washing:** Turn the dishwasher to "On" when you

arrive in the kitchen. It takes a while to reach temperature (164%). The big stainless sinks plug by means of a rod under the sink; lift it. After washing and rinsing the dishes, run them through the dishwasher to sterilize them. It is really, really fast. Hand washing is done only in the small sink to the left of the kitchen door (if you are in the kitchen). Use the sink to the left of the refrigerator for food preparation. If washing the dishes is not an option, paper products may be used, but as an expression of our congregation's commitment to Earth Care, we try to limit use of disposables when possible.

### ***I'd like to do this, but cannot afford to purchase supplies. How do I seek funds before I go shopping or how do I ask for reimbursement?***

**Advance:** If you need funds in advance, communicate with the NLUC office and let Church Administrator Christina Maddox know you have signed up to cook breakfast and give her a signed note requesting shopping money. She will make the arrangements advance up to \$100.00 to you (please communicate with her more than a week ahead of your cooking/serving date so that she can have a

check prepared). Save your receipts for Christina and return any unused funds.

**Reimbursement:** If you are comfortable waiting for reimbursement, either give your shopping receipts to Christina and she will write you a check or repay yourself from the money donated for Sunday breakfast.

**Donation:** If you would rather donate the breakfast, just turn the donated funds into the people counting the Sunday morning offering and they will deposit the funds in the church's hospitality fund.

### ***What are the benefits?***

Providing the after church brunch allows you to participate in the church's ministry of radial hospitality. As you feed the flock, we all meet new friends and create an opportunity for fellowship for others.

### ***Who do I ask if I have more questions?***

With general questions call Jean Ann Alter 206-498-9989 or 586-9798 or Myra Munson 206-795-2972 or 586-4737; Marion Gotschall 586-3132 and Carol Barril 586-1002 have good ideas for recipes. Or, just ask the people sitting by you at the next Sunday brunch.

## *Financial Help for Campers*

Financial assistance is available for Northern Light children and youth who want to go camping this summer.

Northern Light wants every child or youth to have a fun and rewarding camping experience that can deepen faith and establish lasting, positive relationships. Money should not be an obstacle to such an experience. Thus, Northern Light will cover costs beyond what the camper's family can afford for a child or youth connected to Northern

Light to go camping at Eagle River United Methodist Camp out the road in Juneau., or Rainbow Glacier Camp in Haines, an independent camp with historic ties to the Presbyterian Church. Info about camping opportunities is found below.

**Campers needing financial assistance for camp registration and/or transportation must submit an Application for Assistance (available at the church) at least 10 days before the session they**

**wish to attend starts.**

The assistance application should be submitted to either Pastor Phil or Christina at the church office (400 West 11<sup>th</sup> Street).

**Completion of an Application for Assistance does not eliminate the need to also complete an application to attend a particular camping session.**

**Scholarship forms and camp registration applications are available in the church office.**

## *Eagle River United Methodist Camp*

Discovery Camp: July 17-21, For campers entering 3rd grade – completed 8th grade

Cost: \$165

Counselor-In-Training (CIT) Program For teens entering 9th grade – completed 12th grade (under 18 years). Staff training: July 16-17; assist with Discovery Camp, July 17-21; wrap-up on July 22.

Cost: \$100

More information and registration details at [www.methodistcamp.org](http://www.methodistcamp.org).

## *Rainbow Glacier Camp, Haines, AK*

Braveheart Camp (2 nights) (grades 2-5)

June 16, 1pm - June 18, 11am

Cost: \$120

Wildwood Camp (grades 6-8)

June 27, 1pm - July 1, 11am

cost: \$255

Wildheart Camp (4 nights) (grades 3-5)

July 5, 1pm - July 9, 11am

cost: \$235

Tamarack Camp (grades 9-12)

June 20, 3pm - June 24, 4pm

cost: \$275

For more information, or to register online, visit [www.rainbowglaciercamp.com](http://www.rainbowglaciercamp.com).

## ***Summer Lunch Program to begin May 31***

### ***- Paid workers and Volunteers Sought***

This summer we will again partner with Douglas Community United Methodist Church to provide lunch for children at the Geneva Woods and Cedar Park housing complexes on Douglas Island. This provides essential food not otherwise available since the school lunch program does not run during the summer school break. Beginning May 31, we will serve Monday

through Friday until August 12. This is a significant undertaking by **paid staff** and volunteers.

Part-time (approx. 20 hrs/wk) **Site Coordinators** and **Food Transporters/Kitchen Cleaners** will be hired for each site (4 jobs in all). To apply, contact Sharon Lowe, [Slowe58616@aol.com](mailto:Slowe58616@aol.com), 321-1089. Job descriptions are posted on the bulletin board in our Fellowship Hall; they can

also be obtained via email from the church office, [nluc@ak.net](mailto:nluc@ak.net).

**Volunteers** help cook, serve, and lead activities. Meal preparation occurs in our church kitchen in the morning and lunch and activities are from 11:30 –1 at Geneva Woods and Cedar Park. Meals can also be cooked at church ahead of time and frozen. To help or find out more, contact the church office, 586-3131, [nluc@ak.net](mailto:nluc@ak.net).

### ***Days for Girls***

The “Days for Girls” project is gearing up again to make hygiene kits for girls in Guatemala. Last year a group of women in CCW made 100 sanitary holders which were part of kits including cotton panties, etc. They were then distributed at an event in Guatemala by team members who volunteered for work projects. They will be returning to Guatemala in July 2017 with more kits and other health supplies including glasses, tooth brushes, shoes that grow with a child, etc. All of these items are helpful to people with few resources. Typically girls miss as much as two months of school or work because they lack proper supplies. Many women stop attending school after third grade and feel the loss of education the rest of their lives. It is important to educate women as they raise the next generation and work to support families and the community. Volunteers also help with assembling wheel chairs and distributing cook stoves, solar lights and improved housing. Lions, Intl; also contributes resources.

If you have basic sewing skills and would like to sew some of the items for the kits, or if you would like to donate money for fabric and other items, please contact Marion Gotschall at 586 3132 or [gotschall@gci.net](mailto:gotschall@gci.net). This is a great hands-on project and changes the lives of girls in third-world countries. We’ve heard of projects going to Africa and India as well. About 200 kits are the goal but there are women in Anchorage and elsewhere in Alaska working on them also. Thanks for your help.



## ***OFFICAL CALL - Congregational Meeting Sunday, May 15, 2016 following 11 a.m. Worship Service***

The Church Council calls a meeting of the congregation on May 15 after worship for the purpose of filling elective vacancies. The Nominating Committee is proposing

Jane Ginter to fill an unexpired term as United Methodist Lay Leader (our congregation’s representative to the Alaska United Methodist Conference), and John Norman

to fill an unexpired term on the Committee on Property Management. All are welcome to attend the meeting, and all members of Northern Light United Church are eligible to vote.

### ***April’s Operational Giving Report***

Congregational giving for day-to-day, Northern Light operations was under budget during April. This was the first time in 2016 that a month’s operational giving was under budget. The shortfall was about \$2400. (Major components of the operational budget are staff and building/physical plant expenses.)

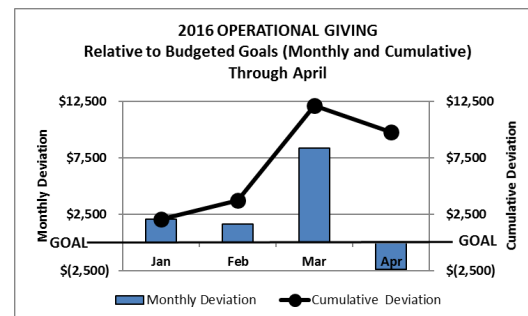
Thanks to above-budget giving during January, February, and March, at the start of April the cumulative, operational giving totaled more than \$12,000 above what it was budgeted to be at that point. With April’s under-budget giving, at the end of April the cumulative

giving was just under \$10,000 above budget. This is still an excellent position for Northern Light’s finances to be after the first third of the 2016 budget year. THANK YOU all for your “over-the-top” support of our outreach and programs.

As was the pattern last year, 2016’s designated giving by the congregation for various specific causes has also been above budget. To date almost \$16,000 has been given for designated purposes. This is about 150% more than what our budget anticipated for this point in time. “Thanks” also for your

generous support of specific needs and appeals.

Almost half of the designated giving, to date, has been for the youth group and their planned mission trip to Costa Rica this summer. The fiscal support not only has been from Northern Lighters but also from members of the five other congregations whose youth participate in the Cooperative Youth Group. Other significant amounts have been given in support of One Great Hour of Sharing (world-wide disaster relief though our affiliated denominations), FASD programs, and the Glory Hole.



## *Birthdays*



2	Percy Hope	10	Judy Wygant	21	Logan Shaul-Jensen
	Ernest Joseph		Nancy Decherney	23	Reggie Marvin
3	Carol Barril	11	Paul Spangler		Junetta Peterson
4	James Duncan	15	Alan Akiyama	25	George Partlow
	Nick Miller		Monica Yost		Taylor Lehnhart
	Marc Wheeler	17	Anne Standerwick	26	Phil Montgomery
6	Jeremiah Blankenship		Ariel Childers	27	Vincenzo Veliz

## *Thank yous*

Many people and groups are involved in making sure things happen at NLUC. Each month we would like to recognize some of those individuals and groups for their special services. Special thanks to:

\*those who served as Liturgists: Tom Perkins, Peggy Metcalf, Betsy Brenneman, Bob Coghill

\*those who served as Greeters/ushers: Kelly Henriksen, Peggy and KJ Metcalf, George Partlow and Linda McCargar, Katherine Hope

\*Tom Perkins and Don and Jan Kussart who assembled the April newsletter

\*Those who were refreshment hosts: Myra Munson, Jean Ann Alter, Carol Barril, Judy Knight, Esther Millea, Jan and Don Kussart

\*Those who provided flowers: Linda Miller, Esther Millea, George Partlow and Linda McCargar, Jan and Don Kussart

\* Judy Knight for sprucing up the flower bed in front of the church, it looks beautiful.

*If you have a suggestion for a thank you, call Christina at the church office, 586-3131 or e-mail her at [nluc@ak.net](mailto:nluc@ak.net).*

## *Treasurer Sought*

After years of faithful service, Jim Alter is ready to turn over treasurer duties to a new volunteer! If you are interested in this opportunity, either as sole treasurer or sharing duties with another, or would like more information, please contact Pastor Phil, [nlucpastor@ak.net](mailto:nlucpastor@ak.net), or Jim Alter, [jimjeanalter@hotmail.com](mailto:jimjeanalter@hotmail.com).

## *Building Access*

A lockbox has been installed near the A Street entrance that contains a church entrance key. Those who need to access the building after hours may contact the church office to ask about the lockbox code.



# MAY 2016

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<b>1 10 Christian Education</b> <b>11 Worship</b> <b>4:15 Youth Group</b>	2 11 Lifering 3:30 Cub Scouts 5:15 JPPJ 6:30 ANS Camp 70	3 3 Violin Lessons 5:30 Climate Change 5 Pre-school open house	4 12 ACOA 5 PEO <b>5:30 Chancel Choir</b> <b>6:30 Book Study</b>	<b>5 9:30 Lectionary Study</b> <b>10 Weekend Food Bags</b> 5 ERUMC Board	<b>6 7 Men's Breakfast</b> 12 ACOA 3 Violin Lessons 4 Heartstrings	7 9 Bartlett Dads 1 Piano Rehearsal
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**Neighborhood Cookout May 22**

after 11 am Worship

**Summer Schedule begins May 29 -**

*Worship at 10 am*

*No matter who you are,*

*no matter where you are on life's journey,*

*you are welcome here.*