

The SJLC

Minute

NEWSLETTER OF ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

APRIL—MAY 2024

B.E.E.R. in April

We had such a nice turnout last month, and now it's time to look forward to our next gathering. B.E.E.R. (Brothers Engaged in Enriching Relationships) will meet on Tuesday, April 30 at 6:00 at Barrelhouse for some friendly conversation.

Barrelhouse also serves non-alcoholic drinks and some pretty tasty food. If you've been on the fence about hopping in, we encourage you to do so! Free first pint to any newcomers!

Contact Garry Menendez menendez@utk.edu or Matt Whitehead mattwhitehead@gmail.com if you have any questions.



SAM (Senior Adult Ministry)

Wednesday, May 1 | 11:30 am

Lunch: Catered by Salsarita's Fresh Cantina

Your Cost: \$5

RSVP: Mary Cole at memecole@comcast.net or 865-370-3132

Birthday Celebration: We will have cupcakes and sing Happy Birthday, honoring everyone's birthday throughout the year.

Blessing Basket: Please bring paper towels and/or toilet paper.

Program: Mary Sophia Hawks, Parish Nurse from Messiah Lutheran Church, will share Five Suggestions for Healthy Living for Seniors. I have asked her to sing a few songs accompanied by Pastor John. Mary Sophia has a beautiful voice, and I know you will enjoy her music.



Congregational Potluck Sunday, May 5 at 12:00 Noon Sparks Fellowship Hall

Cole's incredible BBQ is our entrée!

By last name, please bring:

A - H Salads or fruit

J - P Vegetables or Sides

Q - Z Dessert

Please join us for this delicious gathering!

CHURCH EVENTS

- April 30** B.E.E.R. Meeting *
- May 1** SAM's Meeting
- May 2** Highways and ByWays Feeding Ministry
- May 4** Via de Cristo
- May 5** **6th Sunday of Easter**
Guatemala Sunday
Nursery
Children ... Music, Lesson, Snack, Craft
Youth ... Games and Spiritual Gains
Parents ... Coffee and Conversation
Adults ... Galatians Bible Study
Reception of New Members
Stephen Ministry
Congregational Potluck
- May 6** Staff Meeting
A Place at the Table
Feeding Ministry
- May 7** Executive Council
Yoga Class



The St. John's family will welcome New Members this Sunday at both services!

OPEN STREETS KNOXVILLE 2024

SUNDAY, MAY 19TH

2 - 6 PM

NORTH CENTRAL ST & EMORY PL
PRESENTED BY BIKE WALK KNOXVILLE



DANCE! BIKE! PLAY! ...IN THE STREET!

Sunday, May 19 from 2:00 to 6:00 PM

Open Streets Knoxville detours motor vehicles from urban streets to connect community members with local businesses and organizations, creating space for people of all ages and abilities to walk, bike, dance, and much more! Distinct from a street festival, Open Streets Knoxville gives residents an opportunity to explore their neighborhood and access local businesses in a safe, fun, and family-friendly way. Participants can enjoy being physically active and visiting local businesses on foot or by bike. The event encourages the use of active transportation and healthy living, and has a goal of giving residents an opportunity to reimagine our streets as public spaces.

The goal of Open Streets is to have at least one mile of Knoxville streets closed to motorized traffic. Our events bring thousands of people into the street!

St. John's is featured prominently as Emory Place will be the site for lots of fun, and **WE NEED YOU** to be a part of it all, including:

- *Face painting
- *Sidewalk chalk art
- *Cornhole
- *Ice-cold drinks
- *Tours of the sanctuary
- *Spectacular SJLC hospitality

Circle the date on your family calendar, and think of how you'd like to join the fun. Leaders from the church will be reaching over the next two weeks!

Save the Dates

Sunday, May 12 Youth Celebration for the Women of SJLC in Sparks Fellowship Hall at 10:10 AM

Sunday, May 19 Pentecost Sunday
Senior Graduation Celebration in the Welcome Center at 10:10 AM

Open Streets on Emory Place at 2:00 PM



Day of Pentecost

Sunday, May 19

Remember to Wear Red!



He is risen, indeed! As a reminder of the Resurrection, we invite you to participate in the Savior Search which will go through the Easter Season.

That's right, there are 100 risen Jesuses hidden all throughout SJLC!



SJLC Mission Statement

"Growing God's Servants, Serving God's People."

SJLC VISION STATEMENT

To foster a grace-filled relationship with God and neighbor, we love inclusively, grow spiritually