



**Mt Pleasant Lutheran Church**  
**Weekly Announcements**  
**July 27 & 28, 2019**

*A warm welcome to all! We're glad you are here. Visitors, please see the visitor information card in the pew rack, or feel free to complete a connection card and drop it in the offering plate.*

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**Blessed to Welcome, Worship and Serve**

**Regular Worship Times**  
**with Holy Communion**

**Saturday: 5 p.m.**

**Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:15 a.m.**

*In the Narthex Today...*

**SCRIP is Open! Stop by for your favorite gift cards and Make Mission Happen!**

- **Sign up for...** Nametag replacement
- Visit the Open Table bulletin board to see how to get involved!
- **Online Sign Ups...** July Open Table, Discover MPLC, Animal Crackers Concert

**Church Office Hours**

Church office hours are: **Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Friday 9 a.m. to NOON.** Appointments can always be made for other times by calling the office or the pastors.

**Summer Worship Schedule**

Please note our summer worship schedule:

Saturday worship remains the same—at 5 p.m.

Sunday worship times are 8:30 a.m. and **10:15 a.m.**



**Altar Flowers**

The flowers on the altar are given to the glory of God by John Berge in celebration of his 89<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 29.



Our sympathies and prayers go to Marilyn Rossman, Gary & Julie Rossman, Ben, Peter & Matthew, on the death of husband, father and grandfather, Wayne Rossman on July 22.

**Coffee Fellowship Time**

**Sundays at 9:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall**



All are welcome to join us on Sunday mornings for coffee, treats and fellowship immediately following the 8:30 a.m. worship service. **TODAY's ROAST is: Columbia Medellin Excelso E.P.** Walnut, sweet, peach notes, cocoa, soft cranberry acidity, medium body, balanced.

Fellowship Hall is located down two ramp levels from the sanctuary—just follow the crowd and join us!

**NOTE:** When enjoying coffee and fellowship, please be mindful of the 10:15 a.m. worship start time, and keep voices down. Thank you!

**MPLC Celebrates Five Years with Pastor Krista!**

August 1 will mark five years since Pastor Krista Zimmerman began her associate pastor call at MPLC. She has preached the Gospel, taught the catechism, baptized our children, buried our dead, and shared the love of Jesus wherever she's served. Please join us for a special reception (and cake!) to celebrate her ministry with us on Sunday, August 4, at 9:30 a.m.

**IN YOUR MAILBOX TODAY...**



- \* Second quarter statements are in your narthex mailbox. Please pick yours up today and help us save postage costs!
- \* For those who receive a paper copy of our monthly newsletter, they are in your mailbox today.

## Open Table July 28!

**Please visit our OPEN TABLE bulletin board area in the narthex**—it's on the same pillar as the sign up area. Here, you'll find all you need to know about our next meal, and how you can get involved! (Including directions for Sign up Genius).

We have an ongoing need for basic supplies for our Open Table Pantry. Did you know we have an **Amazon WISH LIST** where you can order and ship the exact items we need, directly to church?

**Links to the Open Table Amazon wish list and the Open Table July sign ups** can be found on our website (<https://spaceshipchurch.org>) under the "Helpful Links" section. Thank you!



**It was another great rummage sale at MPLC!** The July 19 & 20 sale raised a total of **\$6693.93**, to be divided amongst four local charities: Royal Family Kids; ARC of Racine; Faith, Hope & Love; and MPLC Safety & Security. In addition, we were able to help by donating clothing to the Hospitality Center, household items to Feather and Nest, winter coats for Dr. Jones Elementary, and some items for the Birthday Box for Open Table. A BIG thank you to all our wonderful rummage sale volunteers who helped make these donations possible! We would also like to thank Thrivent Financial for Lutherans for the 2 grants for \$250 each and Modern Woodmen Fraternal Financial for their \$500 donation to the rummage sale.

### Joseph's Granary at MPLC

Here's how it works: Look for the Joseph's Granary table in the narthex—it's right behind the curved Welcome Desk. Leave any extra garden produce there. MPLC members and guests are welcome to take produce in exchange for a donation to the food bank. Any leftover produce after the weekend will be donated to the food bank. It's a win-win!



## MPLC Summer Connections...

### Animal Crackers at the Racine Zoo Wednesday, August 21

One more chance for fellowship with MPLC members this summer! Find your friends at the last Animal Crackers concert at the Racine Zoo. Buy your tickets from the Zoo website (<https://www.racinezoo.org/product/animal-crackers-nick-colionne>), then add your name on our Signup Genius list to help us find each other: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a094cafa829a4fc1-mplc3>. Tickets are \$25 in advance and \$30 at the door. Doors open at 5:30; concert at 7:00 PM. Join us for jazz and friends!

### School & Health Kit Collection



Once again, MPLC will be collecting supplies for Lutheran World Relief to make school and health kits for those in need across the globe. Below is a list of items needed. Look for the donation box in the narthex, or entryway, near the spiral staircase.

Monetary donations to purchase supplies are also welcome. There are special envelopes available at the long table in the narthex, near the sign up table, which may be dropped in the offering plate. Our goal is to send 125 school kits and 125 health kits. Please consider helping us!

*The following are items needed for School Kits:*

- 23—Blunt scissors
- 92—30 centimeter rulers
- 50—Boxes of 16 or 24 crayons
- 97—Spiral notebooks (70 pages each)
- 101—Pencil sharpeners
- 166—Ball point Pens – **No gel ink pens please**
- 48—Erasers

*The following are the items needed for Health Kits:*

- 27—Bath Towels (52" x 27"), *lightweight material, dark colors preferred*
- 47—Combs, wide tooth - remove packaging
- 27—Bath size (4-5 oz.) bars of soap in original packaging

## Racine ELCA Cluster Community Meal at Living Faith Lutheran Church—Next Meal is August 11

**2019 Meal Dates: August 11, November 10**

YOUR HELP is needed to volunteer to donate food, and/or to prepare food for community meals at Living Faith Church. We are responsible for the meal dates shown above. **Our NEXT MEAL is AUGUST 11.** Living Faith Lutheran serves a meal each Sunday evening, with a different area church helping out each week. Donations of food can be left in our church kitchen by 2:30 p.m. (please make sure you mark them for Living Faith), or hot dishes can be dropped off at Living Faith (2915 Wright Avenue.), at 4:00 p.m. Servers should arrive at 4:00 p.m. Please sign up on Sign up genius! Thank you!

*If you'd like to find out a little bit more of how you can share the light and love of Jesus through service to others in this mission, shoot me (Chip Lutz) an email at [chip@unconventionalleader.com](mailto:chip@unconventionalleader.com) or give me a call at 262-960-2034.*

### **RUNNERS/WALKERS WANTED!**

#### **MPLC TEAM FOR GREAT PUMPKIN RUN 5K**

The Spaceship Church Team for the Great Pumpkin Run already has 14 members of all ages! Join our team for this 5K race at Swan's Pumpkin Farm in Franksville, Saturday, September 28 at 9:00 AM. Registration is \$40 through September 7, and includes race entry, lightweight tech hoodie, finisher's medal, race bib with chip timing, cup of apple cider at finish line, small pumpkin to take home, and entry to the farm all day. Grab a running buddy, and start hitting the trail! Sign up at <https://runsignup.com/Race/WI/Franksville/TheGreatPumpkinRun>



### **Summer "Special" Music Invitation**

We are grateful for the gifts of our bell choir and our senior choir! With these volunteers taking a much-deserved summer "off", we have plenty of opportunities for soloists or groups to share their talents in worship. All ages and abilities are welcome. Michael Becker (and Sue Cawley at 5 p.m. on Saturdays) are available to accompany you (and help you pick out music, if you like). Be creative! Have fun! Contact Michael ([michael@mplc.us](mailto:michael@mplc.us)) if you have questions, or to reserve a date.



## **MPLC SCRIP... MAKE MISSION HAPPEN!**

### **SCRIP—for SUMMER!**

Choose from a large selection of cards we have on hand. OR, if we don't have it, order any of the cards from the huge list, for pick up the following week.

If you're not a SCRIP customer yet, what are you waiting for? It's easy! Just purchase gift cards for places you shop at or eat at every day—like grocery stores, gas stations, restaurants, Kohls, Target, etc. The retailer gives MPLC a rebate, for each card purchased.

**SCRIP Table Hours are Sundays from 9:30—10:15 a.m.**

**We're located at the curved Welcome Desk in the entryway.**

### **Food Bank Needs**

For next two weeks, the food pantry at Holy Communion Lutheran Church is asking for the following items:

**August 4** - spaghetti, spaghetti sauce

**August 11** - tuna, pork & beans


### **THRIVENT MEMBER? A CHANCE TO GIVE!**

If you are a Thrivent member, you may not know of a benefit you could use to further our mission at MPLC. Each Thrivent member can apply online for two grants annually of \$250 towards a "Thrivent Action Team" project, an activity of service, fellowship, or outreach. Many of our MPLC ministries qualify for such a grant, like special meals, service projects, fundraising, and the like. If you are a Thrivent member and would be willing to apply for a grant to support an MPLC project, please let us know! We will call upon you when we have a project in mind, and help walk you through the online application process. Thank you in advance!

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 Congratulations to Dr. Eduardo Garcia-Novelli and the Carthage College Choir! They took first place at the Spittal International Choir competition in Austria, held in early July. The competition accepts just one choir per country. The Carthage Choir competed with choirs all over the world, taking first place honors in two separate categories, earning them first place overall! Wow! Congratulations again!

## Church Directory Photo Opportunities

**August 11 & September 14, 15**



MPLC's recent upgrade to the Realm data management system means the development of our own online directory, accessible only to members. (Printed directories will also be made available later in the year upon request.) Members may have their individual/family photograph taken between worship services at church on Sunday, August 11; Sunday, September 15; or on Saturday, September 14, before worship starting at 4 p.m. Members who log in to Realm via an email sent in late August can also upload their own family or individual photos, if preferred. Say "cheese" so we can all get to know our siblings in Christ at MPLC!

## Save the Date!

MPLC's God's Work, Our Hands day will be Sunday, October 6. Please read more about it in the August newsletter!



**LOST &** Our lost and found area is behind the curved  
**FOUND** Welcome Desk in the entry way. Check it out!

**For questions about the MPLC Endowment Fund, please visit:**  
<https://spaceshipchurch.org/endowment-fund-giving-options>

## What's Happening the Week of July 28...

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| <b>Sunday</b>    | <b>8:30 a.m.</b>  | <b>Holy Communion</b>                  |
|                  | 9:30 a.m.         | Coffee Fellowship                      |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | <b>10:15 a.m.</b> | <b>Holy Communion in the labyrinth</b> |
|                  | 4:00 p.m.         | Open Table                             |
|                  | 5:30 p.m.         | Charity Education Dinner               |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | <b>5:00 p.m.</b>  | <b>Holy Communion</b>                  |

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