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The Gathering Place

August 12, 15 & 24 • 4:45-6:30PM Help serve and clean up an evening meal at the Gathering Place!

► Location: 1449 "E" Street Sign up at Southwood Central or online at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.IVOLUNTEER.COM



Southwood Rural Food Distribution

Saturday, August 17 • 11 AM-1 PM in Palmyra Help distribute food at the Palmyra Activity Center to people in the surrounding rural communities. Sign up at Southwood Central or online at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.IVOLUNTEER.COM

Mourning Hope

Two serving opportunities:

Provide a part of the meal (a main dish, salad OR a dessert)

to people attending a support group for survivors of suicide, on Monday, August 19.

- All items need to be at Southwood by 1PM on Monday.
- Provide snacks (wraps/pinwheels, fruit or veggie trays, popcorn mix, etc.) for their Family Grief Support Group through December.

• Snacks need to be at Southwood by 12:30PM on Sundays. Sign up at southwoodlutheran.ivolunteer.com

Matt Talbot

Tuesday, August 27 & 30 • 4PM Volunteers are needed to:

- Serve the evening meal at Matt Talbot (2121 N. 27th Street)
- Provide cookies or cleaned, wrapped potatoes for the meal Sign up at Southwood Central or online at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN. IVOLUNTEER.COM

Go and Do Likewise

We all know the parable of the Good Samaritan as told in Luke 10:30-37. There are two, among many, lessons to learn from this story. First, the Samaritan man comes to the immediate aid of the injured man by providing care and shelter. Secondly, he provides for the man's future needs as well. Both of these acts are examples of care of our "neighbor". Now most of us will never experience a situation in which there is such an immediacy of need as happening upon an injured person. But many of us can help to provide for future needs of those who are injured or hurting in other ways.

For years Southwood has maintained a Good Samaritan Fund that is used to supply people with financial support in times of need. Recipients of these funds are generally people from the Lincoln area who have financial difficulty due to medical hardship, loss of job or other unexpected life events. Many of the recipients are Southwood members.

When Southwood staff receive a request for assistance they follow a process to determine the extent and reason for the financial support. They then provide an anonymous synopsis of the information to a Good Samaritan Fund committee. This committee then makes the determination of the amount and type of support it is able to provide. Decisions can be difficult. The situations variable. But need is still need.

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Presently our Good Samaritan Fund has a lower balance than it has had in some time. The needs have been great in our community and as a church we should be grateful to be able to support those in need, especially those people who worship alongside us. If you would like to support the Good Samaritan Fund as a way to support those who may need financial assistance now or in the future, please consider making a donation.

Good Samaritan Fund Committee

Donate to the Good Samaritan Fund

- Write a check to Southwood and put Good Samaritan Fund in the memo line
- Give online at: www.southwoodlutheran.org/give



Fall Small Groups—Love Does

Starting September 8

Start a Small Group...its easy! Just invite two or more people you already know to commit to a weekly gathering (you choose the time & place) for five weeks. We'll provide videos and discussion questions.

Let Michelle know who's in your group at MSMITH@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG OR

Join an onsite Small Group! Thursdays starting September 12

- Noon lunch break (bring sack lunch) OR
- 6:30-7:45PM—snacks & childcare provided
- Sunday Morning, September 8—Kickoff Event—Fun & Festivities!

Sunday School and DELVE Registration

Now Open: SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG

Registration exists to help keep class sizes small and learning enjoyable. To be as fair as possible, registration is on a first-come, first-served basis at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG.

- **Sunday School** Registration *is* required.
- 3 years old through 5th Grade: Classes begin Sunday, September 8 Class times are at 8:30, 9:45 or 11AM

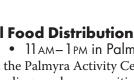
DELVE (Confirmation) Registration is required.

• 6th & 7th Grade: Classes begin Sunday, September 22

Class times are at 8:30, 9:45 or 11AM

• 8th Grade: Class begins Wednesday, September 11 6:15–6:45PM supper and 6:45–7:45PM class time









Contact: Deb Raatz • draatz@southwoodlutheran.org

Is God Calling You to Serve?

So many wonderful opportunities in Sunday School:

- **LARGE GROUP LEADERS** help tell Bible stories through puppets, drama and music.
- **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS** work with a small group of students to apply Bible stories to their daily lives.

Teaching teams and prep work simplify your time, so all we need is your serving heart and talent!

Please faithfully consider! contact: Deb or Tina at 402-423-5511 or email DRAATZ@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG or TBOYSEN@ SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG.

Parent/Child Summer Workshops

Attend an age-specific workshop with your child this summer to keep faith alive. Childcare provided for siblings. Grandparents welcome!



Parents	Baptism	today at 11AM
3 Year Olds	Tour of the church	August 18 at 9:45AM

Register online at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG/EVENTS or at the Southwood Central Kiosks.



Contact: Drew Jagadich • DJAGADICH@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG

Youth Group Small Groups

We are introducing High School small groups this fall and we want YOU to join us!

- Are you a high school student interested in joining a small group Bible study?
- Are you an adult leader willing to help lead the group?

• Are you a parent or other adult willing to help host the group? If you answered yes to any of these questions, let Drew or Morgan know at MTRANMER@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG. Contact: Mary Senne • MSENNE@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG

Renewed Hope

Sunday, August 18 • 11 AM

Remembering our loved ones and rebuilding our lives are essential parts of grieving. Please join us as we share ways to address these important steps in healing.

Fall Classes beginning September 12 DivorceCare (8 weeks)

Are you separated or going through a divorce? Does it feel like no one understands? Find help and healing through the support of others going through a similar situation.

- Changing Places: Caring for Aging Parents (5 weeks) Are you facing the challenging task of caring for an aging parent? Learn new ways to navigate this journey, with resources from community experts as well as emotional support.
- Register online at SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG/EVENTS or at the Southwood Central Kiosks.

Ongoing Care Ministries

Held in the Group Room next to the Nursery

- Prayer Shawl Ministry— August 21 & September 4 6:30PM | Setpember 12 • 10AM
- Renewed Hope—August 18 11AM



Adjusting to Change Sending Kids off to College

Whether your child is going off to college for the first time or they are a fifth—year senior, there are ways you can support them through this time of transition.

- Expect the unexpected and embrace it. They think and do things differently than you. Resist the temptation to try to fix things for them.
- Always be there to listen, support and encourage. Only give advice when they ask for it, and ask them how you can pray for them.
- Encourage them to get involved. They can join a new activity, cultivate new friendships, and seek support from other adults.

Source: Ten Ways to Support Your College Freshman from Psychology Today. http://bit.ly/IIHq1ry Visited on August 6, 2019



Contact: Jo Sheets • JSHEETS@SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG

Sing & Serve Music Ministry Kick-off Event

Wednesday, August 21 • 6–8pm • Fellowship Hall Come celebrate how music connects us to our mission to be Christ in



the world! We will gather to sing songs about feeding the hungry and then pack food for Chapter 25—a ministry that shares food with the hungry around the world. We will close with a time of fellowship. Families, including children of all ages, are welcome! Register at southwoodlutheran.org/events Contact: Denise • DMAKINSON@ SOUTHWOODLUTHERAN.ORG.

MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) Childcare Volunteers

Give moms the gift of time by providing childcare during their meetings. Serve 1–2 times/ month or you can choose a month for a shorter commitment.



 1st & 3rd Wednesdays starting September 4 from 9:00-11:15AM

Contact: Jessica at 402-560-4741 or JLYNN2885@ GMAIL.COM.

MOMSnext Monthly Gatherings

for Moms of School-Age Kids

Share life and Christian friendship with other moms who have elementary to high-school-age kids.

 9:15–11:00AM on the 1ST Wednesday of each month starting September 4

Contact Jen McHargue at 402-890-8161 or JENNIFERMCHARGUE@ GMAIL.COM.