

Lyall COMMUNITY CHURCH

ANNOUNCEMENTS 5\18\2025 The Fifth Sunday of Easter

- May 18 Spring Community Choir
 Concert, 7:00 pm
- May 22 Lyall Lunch, 11:30 am
- May 29 Last Lyall Lunch for the
 season, 11:30 am
- May 31 Concert with Bard Trio, 3:00

**We look forward to seeing you all at the
Spring Community Choir Concert this
Evening at 7:00**

Prayer Requests

Pastor Thom receives prayer requests from members of our church family, our community, the country, and world. Please pray for the family and friends of Louise Miller, Trish Adams, Corey Phillips, Margaret Gorwara, Charlene Gay, Guy Lavalley, and Anne VanVlack, and Vincent Pizzimenti, and Charles Drew, and Sharon Topp. We also pray for the healing of David Buckley, Rebecca Lyczkowski D'Alessio, Fran Barndt, Colleen Kleinganz, Bernadette Lancevich, Jeremy and Teresa Gould, Joe Credle, Dorothy Myler, Donna Cervoni, Jean Armstrong, Marion Bennett, Jack Auerbach, and John Drew. We pray for Rebecca Lyczkowski D'Alessio, who is undergoing testing.

100th Anniversary

We are in the process of creating a formal 100th Anniversary Steering Committee. There is a sign-up board at the back of the sanctuary. Lynn Grainger will provide us with further information.

Special Events Fund

We have received from a member a generous gift to help us fund Special Events here at the church. If you are interested in adding to that sum, we would certainly welcome it!

Food for Folks:

For the Month of May, we are requesting donations of personal hygiene products (toothpaste, dental floss, deodorant, body wash, shampoo, etc.)

Diane Moretti, (845) 242-6508.

Collectibles!

A professional collectibles dealer is offering consultations on your collectibles – coins, sports memorabilia, cards (Pokemon, sports, etc). He will be available in our Social Room on May 15th from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm. If you have any collectibles, and would like to find out exactly what you have, and perhaps its worth, gather your treasures and come over. The consultations are offered by Diane Moretti's son.

Celebration Bags for Food Pantries: The congregation continues to be generous to the children of our area by providing birthday bags that include cake mix, frosting, and sprinkles. A friend of Lynn's is providing a birthday card for each child. Our intent is to continue this as a year-round effort.

Meals on Wheels:

Meals on Wheels is seeking kitchen volunteers and drivers to help deliver meals. If you would like to know more, please contact John Hummel: (845) 677- 4235.
mealsonwheels@lyallcommunitychurch.org.

Lyall Lunch

Lyall Lunch is being held every Thursday at 11:30. **We will hold our last Lyall Lunch of the season on Thursday, May 29.**

Exercise Class, CARs:

Wednesdays at 2:30 pm, in the Gathering Room (new wing).

Chair Yoga: NEW TIME – 10:30 AM

Classes are held at 10:30 am Tuesdays in the Library at Lyall.

Anti-Racist Study Group

The Anti-Racist Study Group is turning our attention toward immigration. We decided to read a 2025 book by Jonathan Blitzer called *Everyone Who Is Gone Is Here: The United States, Central America, and the Making of a Crisis*. This is a history of the humanitarian crisis at the US southern border. *New Yorker* staff writer Jonathan Blitzer tells this story through the lives of migrants who risk everything they have and policymakers who determine their destiny. *Everyone Who Is Gone Is Here* is a journey of struggle and resilience. In reporting this epic story about the migrants whose lives flow back and forth across the border, he delves into the nature of American life itself. This compelling story has shaped our nation's contentious politics and culture in innumerable ways and will undoubtedly determine its future. If you'd like to join us, please contact Pastor Thom or Cat Greenstreet (catgreenstreet@gmail.com).

Candles

The light is carried into the worship service as a symbol of Jesus coming into the presence of the worshipping community. Many congregations use two candles on the altar to point out that Jesus was both a human being and God. At the end of the service the light is carried out into the world to show that Jesus Christ is for all people everywhere. The acolyte leaves the worship service carrying out the candle lighter. This symbolizes the light of Jesus Christ going out into the world where believers are to serve.

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