

Greetings St. Paul Lutheran Church!

In the email section, you read everything that is happening through Sunday. Now this shares ministry events starting Monday.

Monday, if you are interested in seeing what our Justice Ministry SURE Nehemiah Action looks like, there is a Watch Party at the Unitarian Universalists Congregation ([3975 Fruitville Rd, Sarasota, FL 34232](https://www.uucongregation.com/)) at 6p. It's a great way to be with those who are pursuing justice in Sarasota and see what other Justice Ministry organizations have done in the past. There may be a zoom link for it coming later too.

Next Sunday, April 12, is Holy Humor Sunday. The theme is Christmas in Easter. Dress up in any Christmas-y or Easter-y or silly clothes as we sing Christmas carols with Easter lyrics. It's the way to celebrate God's greatest joke on evil, raising Jesus from the dead.



On Monday, April 13 from 6-7p is the Early Childhood Learning Center's Art Show in the Fellowship Hall. It's not only a great way to see the kids artwork but also financially support the school. There is a silent auction with many great items like trips, restaurant gift cards, tickets to area attractions, and even a hand painted picture of the school and its students. The bidding on the art work has started in the narthex. Here is a picture of the painting done by Esther Smith. Please plan to attend this event. It is fun!

Tuesday, April 14 starts a 7-week Bible study on the readings from Act that we will have in worship on most Sundays. The study is on Zoom and organized by our Florida-Bahamas synod staff. Here is the zoom meeting number and passcode. **Meeting ID:** 854 9042 0373 | **Passcode:** 819327 or go to <https://www.fbsassembly.org/bible-study.html> for the link.

From noon on Wednesday, April 15 through noon on Thursday the 16<sup>th</sup> is the Sarasota Day of Giving. Any donations given through the giving challenge website to St. Paul between \$25-\$100 will be matched dollar for dollar. It's another great way to give to our Early Childhood Learning Center. <https://www.givingchallenge.org/organizations/st-paul-lutheran-church-of-sarasota-florida-inc> There are also business cards with the link and QR code available in the narthex. You can also support other organizations like SURE, All Faiths Food Bank, Hope Seeds, Lutheran Services of Florida and Conversations Across the Aisle.

The Spanish and English class ministry is starting on April 23. We have about 20 signed up for each of the two sessions. It's a great start. We could use folks to help greet people when they arrive and help with setting up the meal and cleaning it up after. The commitment would be on one of the Thursdays, from 5:45-6:45. The meal will be at the beginning of our time together so clean up could be done during class time so you wouldn't need to stay the entire time. The class starts at 6 and we plan to have an opening prayer and eat together until around 6:25 and then start the learning. If you are available, please let me know or sign up in the narthex.

On Sunday, April 26, we'll hear about the upcoming SURE Nehemiah Action from SURE Lead Organizer Michelle Jewel during a temple talk and she will be available after worship during coffee hour for questions. Remember to sign up for the Action. It is Monday, April 27 at 6:30p at the First Congregation Church 1031 S Euclid Ave, Sarasota, FL 34237. We want 30 people from St. Paul to attend.

Lots going on during this Easter season. Hope you can participate.

Take care and God bless

*-PrAshley*