

Greetings St. Paul Lutheran Church!



Happy St. Patrick's Day! I am part Irish (yes, every day, not just on 3/17) but I am also part Finnish. We have our own day called St. Urho's Day. It's the day before St. Patrick's Day. It is the fictional day created and elaborated by Finnish Americans in the 1950s in the area I grew up. The legend of St. Urho says he chased the grasshoppers out of ancient



Finland, thus saving the grape crop and the jobs of Finnish vineyard workers. He did this by uttering the phrase: "*Heinäsiirikka, heinäsiirikka, mene täältä hiiteen*" (roughly translated: "Grasshopper, grasshopper, go to Hell!"). His feast is celebrated by wearing the colors Royal Purple and Nile Green.

I said at worship on Wednesday night, I would put a link to the movie clip with The Prayer song in it. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=o3KKQc5EqiM> The movie is Quest for Camelot.

I also found a longer version (4 minutes) of the song sung by other people that kind of shows the whole movie. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z042BdVEyJ4>

We have a great start to the silent auction Italian, Chocolate, and Cash baskets for the Art Show Fundraiser. The person who is creating them has extended the deadline until 24th of March (next Friday). If you are still interested in supplying items, we could use items for the Italian basket like a corkscrew, fancy crackers, cocktail napkins, non-refrigerator cheese, or even non-refrigerated salami or beef sticks. For the Chocolate basket items like a corkscrew, Ghirardelli cake or brownie mix, pretty rectangular napkins, hors d'oeuvre plates, Milano cookies, chocolate cookbook, hot chocolate packets, hot chocolate mugs, s'mores ingredients, muffin liners, chocolate sauce or liquors, or even Nutella. Thank you to all who have already donated for the baskets or other items. My office is getting full. 😊



Remember tomorrow is the Chili Cook-Off at 6p. Even if you didn't sign up to attend and you want to, please come by. It's a fun fellowship event. Thank you to all of our chili and salsa makers. I hear there will be desserts too.

A week from Saturday is Adopt-a-Road starting at 8am at the Fountain.



A week from Sunday is the discussion on the movie "Jesus Revolution." I've heard good reviews on it from those who have seen it already. The Sunday School time after worship will be discussing it. I hope many will join in.

Take care and God bless

-Pr Ashley

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