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This Week at St. Paul's April 21st - April 26th

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SPRING CLEANUP AFTER CHURCH THIS COMING SUNDAY MAY 4TH! (RAIN DATE THE 10TH)....WEAR YOUR GRUNGY CLOTHES TO CHURCH AND GET READY TO RAKE, WEED, PICK UP STICKS AND DO ALL THE OTHER SORTS OF THINGS.....



EUCHARIST ON SUNDAY MAY 5th Red Dress Sunday

Will you bring a Red Dress to drape on the pews as a reminder of the Indigenous Women who have disappeared?

SHOWING OF SUGARCANE MAY 10th

Will you register and come to see the movie Sugarcane on May 10th at 1pm?



Red Dress Display



For Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women

The Episcopal Diocese of Northern Michigan is dedicating efforts toward education and advocacy about Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW). Native women, girls and two-spirits endure human trafficking, abuse and murder at a higher rate than any other group in America. As a UP wide diocese, it is our responsibility to establish and honor Tribal relationships, appropriately amplify Tribal organizations, understand and aid in prevention, and offer resources and services for search and rescue. This epidemic is represented through the hanging of red dresses. It represents the pain and loss felt by family members and communities for loved ones and survivors. Episcopal Diocese

Find more information at niwrc.org/mmiwr.



The Episcopal Diocese of Northern Michigan Located in K'chi Namebini-Ziibing (Marguette), the ancestral homelands of the Anishinaabeg, Three Fires Confederacy. upepiscopal.org





A letter from Steve Godfrey Concerning May and Indigenous Connections

Friends,

Happy Easter!

As a diocese, we are committed to building and deepening relationships with the Indigenous communities of the U.P., and supporting and amplifying their leadership in addressing the challenges that have resulted from colonial settlement that was encouraged by the church. A few opportunities are coming up in May for us all to participate in these efforts:

Sugarcane is an important new documentary film about the trauma individuals, families, and communities experience due to Indigenous/Native American residential/boarding schools. It will be shown in Marquette on Saturday, May 10 (1:00 pm at Marquette Cinemas), and in Sault Ste Marie on Monday, May 12 (5:30 pm at DreamMakers Theatre at Kewadin Casino). Please attend one of these showings if you can and spread the word among your congregations, families, and friends. Each showing will be free and followed by facilitated conversation to address the very challenging information presented. The topic is difficult and this film is rated R, so this is for adults and older youth with

support of parents or guardians. <u>Please register if you plan to attend the</u> <u>Marquette showing</u>, to help us make sure we have enough space (no preregistration is needed for the Sault Ste Marie showing). We are exploring possibilities for showings in other parts of the diocese in the months to come.

Red Dress Displays: The National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women is May 5. Native women, girls and two-spirits endure human trafficking, abuse and murder at a higher rate than any other group in America. For the month of May, Congregations are encouraged to collect and display loaned red dresses throughout the pews, on coatracks, etc., and hang older donated red dresses outdoors surrounding church perimeters. Please invite church and community to donate and/or loan dresses. The diocesan office is also collecting donations and loans that may be available. Contact our Director of Reparations and Justice (leora@upepiscopal.org) or me for more information. A flyer is attached that you can copy to have available. Please let us know if you would like copies sent in the mail and/or if you would like a yard sign if you are displaying red dresses outdoors.

The Walking Together: Finding Common Ground Traveling Exhibit will be on display at the Ishpeming Public Library May 6-31. This exhibit was developed by the Diocese in partnership with the Great Lakes Peace Center to uncover, acknowledge, and document the truth about Indigenous experiences in the Michigan Native American boarding schools. If you are near Ishpeming, please consider visiting and invite congregation members and friends to check it out.

Please watch our <u>web site</u> and <u>Facebook page</u> for updates and let us know if you have questions.

Steve

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COMMUNITY MEAL ON WEDNESDAY at 6pm

Come Come Come Come Come Come Come Come

Bring some food that will go well with Sloppy Joe's

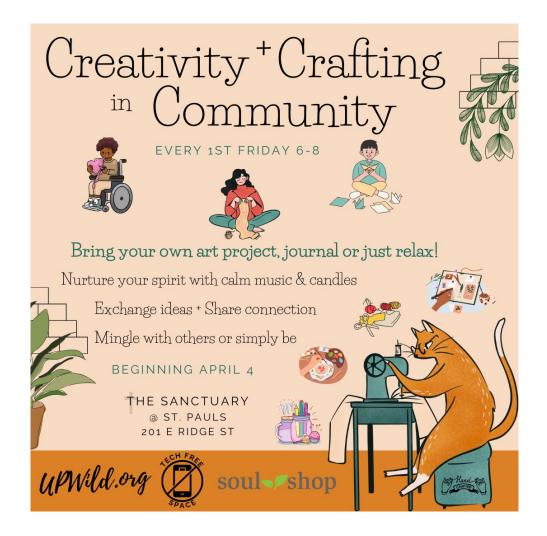
Do you have an announcement for This Week at St. Paul's? Please send it to Marna at marna@upepiscopal.org by Monday Morning

WHERE ARE THOSE SIGN UP SHEETS ANYWAY?????

Have you noticed when you walk in the door from the parking lot that the furniture is being re-arranged? Please keep your eyes out for more innovation as we make our space more welcoming for all.

But WHERE are those sign up sheets for many volunteer opportunities? They are on the table just below the computer monitor as you walk in the door. Is this the best place for them? Let us know.

We need some more food for Community meal on April 30th. As Pope Paul said "We pray for those who are hungry and then we feed them. That is how prayer works!"



LGBTQIA+ YA Queer Fiction Conversation Club Thank-You from Carrie Fiocchi and Equality Michigan:

"Thank you for the help and resources you have shared with me, Equality Michigan, the Lavender Youth Action Committee, and the community over the last 6 months.

The book club was a huge success and would not have been without Marna's help, Steve's participation, and Rayford's willingness and guidance. I intend to follow up and debrief, but saying "Thank you" now felt important...

...Your willingness to hold space for a vulnerable group shows a great strength in your church leadership.

I send you all my deepest gratitude and warmth,"

Carrie

CREATIVE AGING LUNCH AND LEARN FOR MAY "bring a friend and win a prize"

May 20th 12pm to 1pm

Happening This Week...

Monday 4/28: 9-5pm: Church Office Open

11:30-12:15 Contemplative Prayer and Noonday Prayer 2-5:30pm: Voice & Piano Lessons *Chapel*

Tuesday 4/29:

2-7pm: Voice & Piano *Chapel* 2-7pm: String Lessons *Church*

Wednesday 4/30: 9-5pm: Church Office Open

2-5pm: Voice & Piano Lessons Chapel
2-7pm: String Lessons Church
5-6:30pm: Tai Chi Chapel
6-7pm: Community Meal Great Room
7pm: Choir Practice Chapel

Thursday 5/1: 2-6:30pm: Voice & Piano *Chapel*

Friday 5/2:

9-5pm: Church Office Open 6-8pm: Crafting in Community Saturday 5/3

Sunday 5/4: 10am: Choir Practice Church 10:30am: Sunday Eucharist Church 7-9pm: ACA Library

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