



**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who helped pack lunches for the homeless last Sunday. A big thank you to Dana and Brandon Underwood for coordinating the event and delivering the food.

**PLEASE JOIN US THIS SUNDAY, MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>**, for an Open Arms Update and Potluck after the service. This is our time to catch up on what is happening at Open Arms, consider opportunities to make a difference, and look at what our leaders are working on together. It is also a good time to enjoy some good food and reconnect with friends before the Summer Vacation time starts. The church will provide the chicken. Please bring side dishes and drinks to share.

**“MAKE WAVES”** is the theme for our Vacation Bible School July 31 to August 4. If you would like to volunteer or want more information, please contact Noel Granger at [noel.granger16@gmail.com](mailto:noel.granger16@gmail.com). Noel will give us an update on VBS at the meeting on Sunday.

**MAY IS VETERAN’S SUPPORT MONTH.** Open Arms continues to collect items and donations for patients at the VA hospital and nursing home through May 29<sup>th</sup>. Donations may be left in the tubs under the coat rack at the church. Patients would like:

- Candy, individually wrapped by manufacturer
- Sweatshirt and Sweatpants (medium, large and extra-large).
- Restaurant gift cards (Applebee’s, Subway or visa gift cards) for take-out Tuesdays.
- Socks/cozy footies

**THE CHURCH PROPERTY** needs some TLC. Will you help us clean up the church grounds on Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup>? The more helping hands, the sooner the job is done.

**DO YOU HAVE QUESTIONS** about the Christian Faith or Open Arms? Pastor Larry would like to talk with you. Check below for his contact information.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to a Memorial Event on Saturday, May 28<sup>th</sup>, at Christ Our King Lutheran Church, 3255 Saline Waterworks Road, Saline from 11:00 AM to 12:30 PM

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – NEXT STEPS:** The group will be taking the summer off (June, July & August). Sessions will re-start in September 2022 (date/time will be announced at a later date). I want to also "thank" those men who attended our sessions in 2021/22. It was certainly an excellent opportunity to join in some fellowship and become more familiar with several books of the New Testament. If you did not attend our sessions, I want to personally invite you to join us in September. The sessions are an opportunity to learn more about the New Testament, expand your faith, plus we have some fun along the way. If you have any questions, you may contact me at [ferber\\_david@yahoo.com](mailto:ferber_david@yahoo.com). Thank you, and I pray you and your families have a wonderful summer.

**STOP AND THINK** if you are asked to sign the petition for to place the “Reproductive Freedom for All” Michigan constitutional amendment on the ballot. This pro-abortion amendment would radically change protections for unborn children and medical professionals who conscientiously object to performing abortions. Our Christian faith believes that human life is a precious gift from God and should be protected at stages of life, starting with conception. For more information go to [www.supportmiwomenandchildren.org](http://www.supportmiwomenandchildren.org)

**EYE GLASS DONATIONS** to MOST ministries helps people in developing countries see better. You can drop off glasses you no longer need at Open Arms.

**THE LUTHERAN CHURCH IN TAYLOR** needs empty egg cartons for the food pantry in Taylor. They can also be dropped off at Open Arms.

**JUNE IS HOPE MONTH** at Open Arms. We will be building a Hope Wall to post stories of how God has given us hope, favorite songs or Bible verses that help renew our hope. We are also looking for a Anchor that we can display in the church as reminder that our hope is Anchored in Jesus Christ.

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