

St. Paul's Lutheran Pioneers - March 2019 Newsletter

Follow-up from our February meeting: We continued our theme of Food and Nutrition by making main dishes to be eaten as our meal of the day. The Pioneers got to make meatballs, including rolling them into balls and frying them. They got to try them with a mushroom sauce. We then fried hamburger for tacos and cut up tomatoes, lettuce and grated cheese. All Pioneers enjoyed taco salad or sampled a hard or soft shelled taco. It was delicious. Many hands helped this day go well.

Boy Pioneer Activity and Movie Night: This fun evening is scheduled for Friday night, March 8th from 5 to 9 p.m. All boys of the congregation are encouraged to come and invite a friend. Please sign up by Sunday, March 3rd so that we can plan for the night. Pizza will be ordered for supper and a movie will be shown. Boys can bring sleeping bags and pillows to watch the movie. Other fun activities are being planned by Allie Kiecker, who will be the chaperone for this event. She would appreciate additional hands to help with this event. *Parents are welcome and encouraged to stay and join their sons for the evening!*

Swim and Gym Day at Lake Crystal: The District Girl Pioneers will be hosting a family event at Lake Crystal's Rec. Center on March 17th. *All families of the congregation are invited to join us that afternoon for swimming and fun in the gym, starting at 1:00 p.m.* The Rec. Center is open from 1:00 to 5:00, but swimming is done at 4:00. Cost is \$3.50/person. Be sure to tell the Rec. Center that you are part of the Lutheran Pioneer Group to qualify for the discount rate. This covers use of the gym, pool and walking track. *There is an additional charge of \$1.50 to use the water slide. Our caravan will pay this cost for our Pioneer members. Each family is asked to bring a snack to share for our 4 pm snack buffet!* Beverages, plates and napkins will be provided. There will be a carpool leaving from the church parking lot by 12:15 pm. Please sign up on the sheet in the narthex. Parents, let us know if you can drive that day!

LGP Spa Night/Sleep-over: This event will be on Friday evening, March 29th! We will be making our own mini pizzas with the help of our very own chef, Kathy Hoffman. The girls can start arriving at 5:45 p.m. We are planning many fun spa, relaxation and craft activities. Friends are welcome to come, but we need to know how many will be joining us. Everyone who plans to come must sign up by Sunday, March 24th so we can prepare for the evening. *The girls should wear comfortable clothing and bring warm socks along with a sleeping bag, pillow and small snack to share.* We need Moms, Grandmas and others to help with crafts and spa activities in the evening and at least one Mom who can stay overnight to help with supervision. ☺ Girls younger than 2nd grade must have a Mom stay overnight with them. Those girls staying overnight will need to be picked up by 8 a.m. on Saturday morning.

April Meeting: Our April meeting is scheduled for Sunday, April 7th, with a meal provided by the Malmgren and ? families at 11:30 a.m. We will finish our Food and Nutrition theme for this year by making desserts.

Serving Lenten Meal-April 10th, 2019: The Pioneers will not have a hot dog stand this year: Instead, we will serve the Lenten meal between church services on Wednesday, April 10th. We are making final decisions on our meal to serve that evening. We need help to make bars, set the tables, serve and clean up.

Chicken Fry-May 4th: Our Pioneers work for the St. James American Legion's Chicken Fry on May 4th. Workers need to be at the Legion by 4:15 p.m. and are done around 8:30 p.m. We need 6-7 Pioneers and 4-5 adults to help this evening. 10 workers eat free, and our groups earn \$250! Please sign up at our April meeting. Thank you for helping!

We will serve pie and ice cream donated by ladies of the congregation. The money earned from these sales will go towards the Kids CARE project.