# The Crossroads Express

## The Intersection of Where We have Been and Where We are Going

#### **Church Life**

- ♦ Yoga Ministry 4-year anniversary in February and hit the \$20,000 mark for mission partners.
- Another well attended and fun-filled February Square Dance.
- ◆ 10 new Crossroads members connected with hosts— 30 new members this program year!

## Worship

- Attendance: Easter Sunday 542 (73 visitors), Easter Sunrise 75, Good Friday 96 (21 visitors), Maundy Thursday 80 (3 visitors), Palm Sunday 265 (24 visitors).
- Musical highlights from February and March included the return of our Chancel Ringers, a Good Friday Tenebrae Cantata ensemble, and the Easter Festival Choir & Orchestra with the Hallelujah Chorus.

#### **Adult Education**

- Discovering Aging: It's a Family Affair—over 100 attendees to Gov. Schreiber's kickoff event!
- Sunday morning classes explored discernment and the loneliness epidemic.
- Wednesday classes were on Simon Peter and Sermon on the Mount.

## **Children and Family**

- Parent Pep Talks (end of life planning, worshiping with children in the pews, and the birds & the bees).
- Miss Kim's Amazing Animals were at Wednesday
  Night Kids Club on February 21. It was a blast!
- Milestone Ministries: 4K Bibles, Lord's Prayer, and 4th Grade worship.

#### Mission

- Trip to Cancun supporting Ministerio de Vida. Mission partner His House made their first trip providing incremental support.
- Launched Crossroads Kitchen, a ministry preparing meals at Crossroads and delivering to Cathedral Center. Six meals prepared by 18 people.
- Fully staffed meals one week a month for Family Promise.

#### **Operations**

- Said farewell and thank you to Katie Kurer, administrative assistant, on April 11.
- March 2024 Fiscal YTD giving up 3.1% over last year, projecting a \$30K operating deficit for the fiscal year ending June 30 rather than a budgeted \$80K deficit.

#### **Preschool**

- ♦ 3K raised \$137 for Heaven's Gait Ranch, a therapeutic riding center for veterans/disabled people by doing chores at home.
- All 28 students received a Children's Bible as a gift from the preschool.
- We celebrated Dr. Seuss's birthday with costumes and reading Dr. Seuss books!

#### Youth

- Fundraiser brought in over \$6,700 for youth trips.
- Middle and High School Winter Retreats were held.
- Tanya started her Certificate in Youth Ministry & Theology at Princeton Seminary's Institute for Youth Ministry.

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## Calendar of Special Events

## **Church Life**

#### May

- ♦ Yoga Renewal Retreat for Moms, May 11, 9:15-10:45 am.
- ♦ Pentecost Brunch, May 19 immediately following worship.

#### **Ongoing through Summer**

Sweet treats after Wednesday night worship services.

## Worship

#### May

 May 5-Confirmation, May 12-Children's Musical, May 19-Pentecost with potluck (wear red).

#### June

- Opening of Crossroads Gallery Immanuel on Sun, June 16, 10:30 am.
- ♦ June 9-Festival Choir and Orchestra.

#### **Ongoing through Summer**

♦ Outdoor Worship 7 pm, Wednesdays June19-July 24

## **Adult Education**

#### May

- ♦ Zoom meeting on May 1 regarding the March 2025 Holy Land Trip.
- ♦ Black Holocaust Museum outing on May 18 at 10 am.

#### **Ongoing through Summer**

♦ Wired Word classes on Sunday mornings, June 9, July 14, August 12.

## **Children and Family**

#### May

 Livin' Inside Out In an Upside Down World, the Children's Spring Musical, May 12.

#### June

Swim over to Vacation Bible School (VBS) June 10-14, Scuba themed!

#### **Ongoing through Summer**

 Look out for a Children's Summer Reading Challenge, where kids will be encouraged to use our Children's Library and read some great books this summer.

## Mission

#### **Ongoing**

◆ There are many opportunities to serve each month! Please see the Let's Go Serve calendar in the weekly news or website.

## **Operations**

#### May

- Building and Grounds Spring Clean up on May 4, 8am-1pm (rain date May 11)
- Pastor Anna preaches the last time in her residency, which concludes May 31. Let's fill her mailbox with cards!
- ♦ Pastor Susan's birthday is May 19. Let's fill her mailbox with cards!

#### **Preschool**

## April

April 22 is 2K Mommy and Me Day!

#### May

♦ May 22 is 2K & 3K End of the Year Celebrations!

#### Youth

#### May

- Confirmation of six students in worship on May 5.
- ♦ High School Senior Recognition in worship on May 19.

#### June

♦ High School Mission Trip to Nashville, June 22-29.

Dates, times and locations may change. Please check the website calendar for up to date information.