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NARDIN PARK NEWS

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Kroger Grocery Give Away Surpasses Goal!

I am continually inspired by the extravagant generosity of this congregation! God's people here at Nardin Park respond so generously when you know of a need and we are all the better for it! In August, in a sermon on the words of John Wesley, I challenged our congregation to consider providing at least \$2,000 to our neighborhood Kroger so that the week before Thanksgiving they could give away free groceries to one person each day of that week. As is typical here at Nardin Park you have responded by exceeding this goal! We have received \$2,100! I am so excited to think about the impact that this is going to have on people in our neighborhood.



When I told one of the managers at Kroger what we would like to do, he was so amazed and excited and he responded by saying "I love our neighborhood"! Generosity multiplies God's love in ways we can't even imagine. It brings joy to everyone. Thank you Nardin Park for being extravagant in your generosity as we show love and do good with God.

Within the next week, you will receive, in the regular mail, your 2020 pledge card. Please pray over this card and consider the ways you can continue to multiply the impact of God's love through the work of Nardin Park. ❤️ **Please bring your pledge card to worship on Sunday October 27th when we will focus on Generosity as our worship theme** ❤️. You can, of course, also mail in your pledge card, or if you are not going to be in worship on October 27th, you can bring it the following Sunday, November 3rd.

Thank you in advance for your generosity and for helping God to impact so many lives through the ministries and mission of Nardin Park Church. Together with God we Do Good & Show Love.

Pastor Melanie

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Coming up in worship



Our worship theme for October through Thanksgiving is Multiplication as we focus on how we partner with God to multiply the impact of God's love through our congregation.

Look for the x's throughout the church, the times sign, as a reminder that God Loves Multiplication!

Sunday, October 13th

Pastor Melanie will be preaching about Love over Law, how Jesus focuses on loving people as the most important way to multiply and spread the gospel good news.

Liturgists: Pastor George and Judy West, AV Techs: Derrick Teal and Bob Davis,

Acolytes: Kara and Kyle Clinkscale, Austin Kain and Avishay Mamidi.

Musicians: Kyle Webber, Rachel Kain and Chancel Choir

Sunday, October 20th

Wes Brun will be preaching about what is possible with God.

Liturgists: Pastor Beth and Andy Wayne, AV Techs: Amy Dowell and Bob Davis,

Acolytes: Lucas Ahrens, Lily and Lizzie Babcock and Alyssa Brown. Musicians/Worship Arts: Kyle

Webber, Christine Scobel, Gracers Ignite Youth Choir, Bells of Grace Choir and

Dance Choir.

Sunday, October 27th-- Generosity Sunday!

Bring your 2020 Pledge Cards.

Pastor Melanie will be preaching about Extravagant Generosity as we all help multiply God's impact through the ministries and mission of this church.

Liturgists: Pastor George and Susanne Carey.

Acolytes: Emma and Zach Latimer, Arihianna Stokes and Julia Wilke. AV Techs: Andrew Moro and Bob Davis,

Musicians: Kyle Webber, Rachel Leftwich, Chancel Choir, Wesley Choir and Cherub Choir

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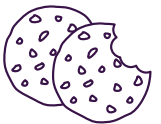


It was a pleasure to participate in Nardin Park's first Memorial reception held in our Memorial Garden. It is such a beautiful area to go to think of a loved one, clear your mind or talk to your Lord. Our ministers are happy to inter the cremains of a family member if this is the choice that is made. A fee is paid to perpetually keep the garden looking as beautiful as possible. The only restriction is that no flowers, statuary or ornamentation can be put in the garden. If you haven't looked at the garden recently, take the time to go out and enjoy the serenity.

-Judy Blaney
Co-Chair Memorials Committee

Evening Star Cookie Night

Evening Star (an inter-generational womens group) invites all ladies of the church to our October 28th meeting. We will meet in the church kitchen at 7PM to bake and decorate cookies. Cookie dough will be provided, but if you have a favorite recipe, please feel free to bring some cookie dough with you!! Sampling will be allowed! Cookies can be taken to neighbors, home-bound members or someone who could use a little sweetness in their life. We will be packaging cookies for our ministers and care team to take on their visits that week. Come and join the fun and fellowship of baking together for a good cause.



Due to Thanksgiving, Evening Star's November meeting will be on November 18.

BAND MEMBERS NEEDED!

It's time to start forming the band for our new worship service set to launch on March 1, 2020. We're looking for vocalists, guitar players, bass players and drummers. Band rehearsals will be on Thursday nights from 6-7:15 beginning in January 2020. Auditions will be held in early January with the goal of starting rehearsals in late January. If you are interested or know someone who would be interested, please contact Kyle Webber, Director of Music (kwebber@nardinpark.org).



FilmGoers

Our next meeting is on Oct. 27th at 7:00pm.

We will be discussing "The Goldfinch" & "Once Upon a Time...in Hollywood" & "Judy".

Please see the movies on your own and then join us for a lively discussion. Any questions, please contact Wes Brun. wesbrun@gmail.com



Extra!
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Upcoming Cares & Prayers Events

Prayer class

Tuesday nights:

Nov. 19 & 26, Dec. 3 & 10
6-7pm

Led by Wes Brun and
Melanie Allbery

The purpose of the Cares & Prayers ministry is to foster the prayer life of Nardin Park. We have a general prayer focus for people and the church.

The Prayer Focus for this week is: God has given to us and we can give to those in need. With whom are you sharing your resources?

Job Posting

Children's Ministries

Nardin Park seeks a part time (20 hours per week) Minister/Director of Children's Ministries. Position includes providing comprehensive spiritual guidance and programming for nursery through 5th graders in a growing and diverse congregation. Main responsibilities include children's education programming on Tuesday evenings and Sunday mornings, as well as Tuesday staff meeting and special events throughout the year (Easter Egg Hunt) Experience with Children's education preferred. See complete job description here www.nardinpark.org/employment-opportunities

Anticipated start date January 1, 2020. Interested candidates may apply with resume and cover letter to: Nardin@nardinpark.org
Applications will be received through October 24th, 2019.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

Starting October 20 following worship. Interested in becoming a member of the Nardin Park family? Classes from 11:30 until 1:00 with snacks and childcare available. Please contact Pastor Lynn Hasley at LHasley@nardinpark.org or Pastor Melanie at MCAREY@nardingpark.org.



Nardin Park
Church

Grow. Serve. Connect.



5-8PM



Loose Coin Schedule



October – Redford Aldersgate Food Pantry – Redford Aldersgate United Methodist Church serves the community through their Food 4 U program. They collect and provide food to people in need. They will also be receiving our Harvest Altar Sunday donations on Nov. 17th.

JOY (Just Older Youth)

will meet on Wednesday, October 23, 2019 at 11am in Fellowship Hall. Greg Hicok will lead our devotions and Beverly Haskins Reyner, the author of "Memoirs of a Country Schoolteacher", will have our program. We welcome any newcomers to join us for a time of reflection, fellowship, and food. A catered lunch will be served at noon. Call the church office or Mary Glenn for reservations. The group meets once a month on the second Wednesday. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Glenn (248) 380-9837.



Children's Spiritual Guidance Sunday 10:00 a.m.

Kindergarten through 5th Graders BEGIN IN WORSHIP
~10:10 a.m. they are guided to their 'Godly Play' rooms:
K - 1st Grade; 2nd - 3rd Grade and 4th - 5th Grade

Pre-schoolers go directly to their "Godly Play" room at 10 a.m.

All Rooms are on the second floor.



October Theme:

Community Foundations

October memory verse:
"I'll be with you." (Exodus 3:12)

October 13

"The Exodus"

Exodus 11:1 - 15:21

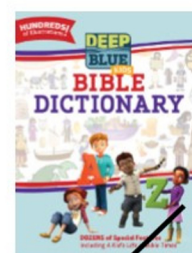
How do you keep your trust in God when times are difficult?

October 20

"Community in the Wilderness"

Exodus 15:22-17:7

God was in the wilderness with the people. When we feel as if we are roaming in the wilderness and God is far away, we need to remember the story of the Israelites in the Bible.

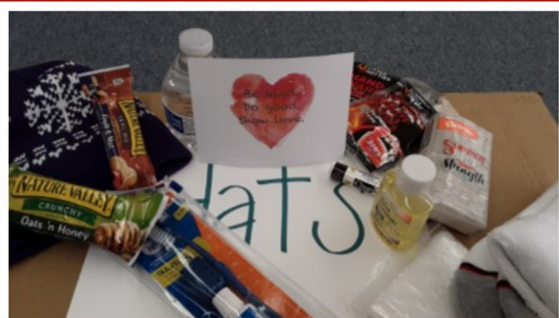


Check out these pages
in your new Deep Blue
Bible Dictionary !

Moses - p. 180
Pharaoh - p. 204



Israelites
journey to the
promised land -
p. 212



KIDS IN MISSION

- **Tuesday, October 22 Night @ the Park kids will prepare materials for assembly.**

Sunday Morning - October 27

"Blessing Bags" will be assembled by the children during "Godly Play".

The Bags will be shared Sunday eve. October 27 at "Trunk or Treat" to give to those in need. And with the congregation on Sunday, November 3rd.

Mission: Friday, October 25, 7:00 p.m. in the Nardin Park kitchen - P,B, and J Sandwich making!



At HOME with GOD

ALL HANDS ON DECK
OCTOBER 2019

This Month: We build Community Foundations.

This month we will be hearing stories about Moses and the Israelites. Moses is called by God to deliver the Israelites out of slavery and onto the promised land. Moses confronts Pharaoh and the people are set free! God's mighty act of parting the Reed Sea allows the Israelites a safe passage out of Egypt into the desert. Then God provides the people with food and water each day as they wander through

the desert towards the promised land. To help the people live well together, God then provides the Ten Commandments. The first three help the people have a good relationship with God and the remaining seven help the people have good relationships with each other. These stories are foundational to our faith community.

Week

1 Bible Story:
Call to Freedom
(Exodus 2:11-3:22; 5:2-13:9)

Bible Story Focus:
Moses is called to lead the Israelites to freedom because God longs for all people to be free from injustice.

Wonder Together:
Have you ever been asked to do something hard?

Week

2 Bible Story:
The Exodus
(Exodus 13:17-14:31; 15:1-21)

Bible Story Focus:
God's mighty acts frees the Israelites from Egypt.

Wonder Together:
What do you think makes a great leader?

Week

3 Bible Story:
Community in the Wilderness
(Exodus 15:22-17:7)

Bible Story Focus:
God provides for the Israelites after they are set free.

Wonder Together:
How does God provide for you each day?

Week

4 Bible Story:
Ten Commandments
(Exodus 19:1-20:21)

Bible Story Focus:
God gives the Israelites the Ten Commandments to help them have loving relationships with each other and God.

Wonder Together:
What rules keep you safe?

Memory Verse

I'll be with you. (Exodus 3:12)

Pray Together

Dear God, thank you for the stories of Moses and the Israelites. They teach us about your mighty acts and your desire for us all to be free from injustice. Amen.

Youth Connection

**TRUNK
OR TREAT!
OCTOBER 27TH
DECORATE CARS 5:30PM
TRUNK OR TREAT 6PM
CONTACT BTITUS@NARDINPARK.ORG**

THIS YEAR WE WILL "BOO" SOME GOOD AND CANDY WILL ALSO BE COLLECTED FOR BLESSING BAGS FOR THOSE IN NEED.
KIDS WILL STILL TAKE (TOO MUCH) CANDY HOME TOO!

**Election Day Activity
November 5th.
Lunch & A Movie**

FOOOD!!!



If Seniors Had Regular Visitors, There'd be Fewer "Grumpy Old Men."



In my role as Pastor of Congregational Care at Nardin Park, it is my privilege to visit members in a variety of nursing care settings. I give thanks for the dedicated Congregational Care team of this church, who work tirelessly to provide prayer, support, and encouragement to our members who find themselves cut off from their church home due to health and life situations. I am aware of the value and importance of this ministry of presence. And while I have witnessed the compassionate and caring presence of rehab and nursing care staff, I am also aware they are greatly overworked, underpaid, and underappreciated. I have heard the horror stories about "some places" and witnessed others. I am keenly aware that those who are regularly visited receive somewhat better care than those who are not.

According to the latest national data (2015), there are 1.3 million people living in long term care facilities. In Michigan there are 434 nursing homes with 46,356 beds. We are currently at 87% capacity. On any given day, it is estimated that at least half of these residents receive no regular visitation.

One is reminded of the Parable of the Good Samaritan as we leave unattended the needs of our neighbors to walk to the bedside of a fellow parishioner. So what then are we to do? Last month I attended a workshop on ways to establish a one-on-one visitation ministry with our neighbors in our nearby nursing homes and care facilities. This would be a ministry of presence and caring beyond our membership, to strangers, yes strangers who rarely receive visitors.

Would you be interested in being a part of the creation of such a ministry here at Nardin Park. Let's reach out with the love of Christ to those left unattended and alone. Please contact Carolyn Bough (robertbough@gmail.com) or me (GCovintree@nardinpark.org) this month. There are folks out there, neighbors, waiting, who'd really enjoy a visit.

Let's get the ball rolling! Let's make it so!

-Pastor George Covintree



Night @ The Park Menu

October 15

Dinner Rolls
Salad
Swedish Meatballs
Mashed Potatoes
Peas and Carrots
Dessert

October 22

Salad
Dinner Rolls
Chili
Chicken Chili
Dessert

October 29

Tacos
Mexican Rice
Fiesta Corn
Dessert

November 12

Salad
Dinner Rolls
Baked Chicken
Rice Pilaf
Mixed Veggies
Dessert

November 19

Salad
Dinner Rolls
Ham
Turkey
Green Bean Casserole
Mashed Potatoes
Dessert



FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE CONCERTS

A once-a-month concert series. Enjoy an evening of live music in the intimate setting of the Farmington Civic Theater's upstairs theater.

The focus is on talented singer-songwriters. Performers and audience members appreciate the up-close feeling and ideal acoustics. If you haven't been to Friday Night Live, we encourage you to give it a try. Fall season, September-November. Winter season, January-April.



The Farmington Farmers & Artisans Market is an outdoor seasonal weekly market operated by the City of Farmington for the enjoyment of the citizens of Farmington and surrounding communities. The market is located in downtown Farmington at the Walter E. Sundquist Pavilion in Riley Park and operates Saturdays, 9:00 am - 2:00 pm, May through October. Please feel welcome to discover and enjoy the many treasures of the Farmington community.

