



**WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS
and UPCOMING EVENTS
for the week of
May 2, 2021**

**We are a Christ-centered community that
lives, shares and celebrates God's grace with
all people!**

ST. THOMAS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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May 2 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Virtual worship service is livestreamed at 8:30 a.m. on our YouTube channel. You may use this link to access the service:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/StThomasLutheranChurchBloomington>

Family Fun—all Ages!

Folks of all ages are invited to join us at the Olcott Park playground on Sunday, May 2 from 2-4pm for time to play and be together!

Confirmation class on Sunday, May 2 from 12:15-2pm will be meeting outside at the church.

Small Group Communion Gatherings: Please RSVP on our website. For more information, please see the May Newsletter.

Thursday, May 6, 11am at STLC patio

Sunday, May 9, 4pm at STLC with ECHO plant sale

Monday, May 10, 7pm at STLC with ECHO plant sale

Saturday, May 15, 10am, Hike and Communion, location to be announced

Wednesday, May 19, 11 am at STLC patio

Sunday, May 23, 2-4pm at Family Fun Afternoon, Park Ridge East Park

ECHO Plant Sale

We'd love to have starts and extras of perennials, annuals, herbs, vegetables, bulbs, saplings, and houseplants (native plants are especially encouraged—let's make garden choices that help our pollinators). Or maybe there's a bare spot in your garden that could be filled with plants from the sale. All proceeds go to support ECHO (Educational Concerns for Hunger Organization) and its mission of combating world hunger through agricultural innovation and education. Sale is Sunday, May 9 at 4 pm and Monday May 10 at 7pm.

We can also use volunteers to help with setting up and running the sale. If interested, please email Vicki Polansky at

vwilliam@indiana.edu.

May 16 – Annual Program Meeting of the Congregation, 1:00 pm

May 30 – Tentative re-start of worship in-person, 8:30 inside and 10:15 outside.

2021 Time and Talent

We are so grateful for the gifts our members offer to us. As we begin a slow return to our usual schedule and activities and as we add new ministries, such as our video ministry, we would benefit greatly in knowing both your comfort in serving in various capacities and the ministries that excite and interest you the most. We have prepared an online Time and Talent Survey for [adults](#) and [children and youth](#). These surveys should take about 5-10 minutes to complete. Please have each member of your family complete a survey. We will survey you again in 2022, when we are hopefully completely out from the shadow of COVID, so please consider your commitment as it relates to the pandemic. Again, the link for adults is [here](#) and the link for children and youth is [here](#).

Altar flowers: You may sign-up for altar flowers by contacting the church office.

Virtual Choir check-ins take place Thursdays at 7:00 pm. Contact Katie Gardiner kegardin@iu.edu or Mike Powell powellam@iu.edu with your interest or questions.

Prayers for those with health and safety concerns: Arnie Pierson, Kathy Zellers, Erik Engebretson, Maren Larsen, Margaret Harter, Shane Clements, Jan Ellis, Anne Smith, Carole Kirsch, Tim Kirsch, Roger Sasse, Paula Ionescu, Audrey Alpers, JoAnne Namy, Deborah O'Brien, Nina Ost, Susan Hiller, and Casey-Marie.



Want to join our St. Thomas email prayer chain?

Do you have prayer requests? Contact Susan Colston skcolston@aol.com for further information.

New Hope for Families

When families with children are experiencing homelessness, one of the ways New Hope for Families welcomes them into their shelter is by supplying them with items they need to make this place feel comfortable, peaceful, and safe. Thank you for your generosity!

Immediate Needs

- Double/triple stroller or wagon with seats or seat buckles
- Pack and Play sheets
- Pack and Play/ travel bassinet
- Crib sized sheets
- Pair of curtain panels sized to fit a small window with the dimensions of approximately 31" x 37"
- Amazon or other gift cards to be used for children's bedding
- Diapers (sizes 4 and up) and/or Pull-ups (any size)
- Baby wipes (unscented, hypoallergenic)
- Egg skillets
- Saucepans
- Stockpots
- Laundry detergent, dryer sheets
- Dish soap
- Shampoo & conditioner
- Paper towels
- Toilet paper
- Disinfecting wipes
- Kroger gift cards
- Shower curtain/rings