

Lyall Memorial Federated Church

Announcements: Sunday, April 18, 2021



Prayers: Please keep these people in your prayers: Center; Kim Giglio, the daughter of Ray Raymond's close friend; Anne Van Vlack, and Marianne Milo who are recovering at home; and please pray for the family and friends of Irene Colen.

Anti-Racism Book Study: We live in a time of reckoning. The pandemic has exposed the effects of racism in our country causing vast income disparity, health and mental healthcare, and access to education, housing, and safety. Questions face us: will we continue to be a racist society, discriminating against Black, Indigenous, and People of Color; or will we folks who identify as White search within and reflect on our privileges simply because of the color of our skin? What are we spared that others have to endure on a daily basis because of the color of their skin? What must we do as we continue to live our lives in this society, in this world, at this time? How can we act in a truly anti-racist way? On Monday, April 19th from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. we will continue with our six-week series reading *Two Trains Running*, a play by August Wilson, a Pulitzer-Prize winning American playwright, best known for a series of ten plays, collectively called The Pittsburgh Cycle, which chronicles the experiences and heritage of the African-American community for each decade of the 20th century. *Two Trains Running*, set in the mid-1960s, is one of those plays. You may have seen movies made of his plays, e.g. *Ma Rainey's Black Bottom* and *Fences*. If you might be interested in participating in this series please speak with Cat Greenstreet, as soon as possible.

Society of Friends: The Nine Partners Quaker Meeting will be held on Sundays, at 9 AM in the Library, at Lyall through Memorial Day.

Welcome to all our visitors this morning!
We are happy to see you and blessed to have you here!

Please Note these dates:

- April 19, *The Lyall 50*, Study series, 11 AM, sanctuary
- April 19, Anti-Racism Book Study, 1 PM, on Zoom
- April 26, *The Lyall 50*, Study series, 11 AM, sanctuary
- April 26, Anti-Racism Book Study, 1 PM, on Zoom
- April 27, Board of Trustees, 7 PM
- May 2, Building & Grounds meeting, 9 AM
- May 3, *The Lyall 50*, Study series, 11 AM, sanctuary
- May 3, Anti-Racism Book Study, 1 PM, on Zoom
- May 4, Board of Spiritual Life meeting, 7 PM

'The Lyall 50' Easter Study series:

We will continue our exploration of the **50 most important stories found in the bible**, something we are calling "The Lyall 50", with our second class is THIS MONDAY, April 19, at 11.00 a.m. in the sanctuary. We also will be live-streaming and archiving the class, if you wish to follow from home. We have hard copies here at church (in my box at my office), digital copies are available on Lyall's website and are happy to email you an electronic copy too! Any questions, just give me a call: (845) 264-0205. Pastor Thom.

Lyall Chess Club: If you might be interested in playing chess please speak with Pastor Thom.

Prayer requests: Please share your prayer request(s) with Pastor Thom.

The Daily Bread: The large print edition of The Daily Bread, April – June, is available at the back of the sanctuary. Please take one.

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Meals on Wheels: Please consider making a donation or volunteering, your assistance will be appreciated. To find out more reach out to John Hummel: 845-677- 4235; mealsonwheels@lyallmemorial.org

Food for Folks: Diane has been helping 30 or so families. Diane and her families welcome whatever you can give. You may contact Diane Moretti, at 845-242-6508.

The Donate Button on Our Web Page:

You may select the 'PayPal' option or choose to make your donation with a credit card. It is secure and a receipt of your transaction goes to Lyall Treasurer, Kristen Reid.

St. Pauly Box Giving: Reusable clothing may be donated to the St. Pauly box, in the parking lot. Lyall benefits from all donations.

Please Stay in Touch: We encourage you to keep in touch with those who have moved or who are in nursing homes. If you would like contact information or if you have updated contact information to provide, call 677-3485 ; or communications@lyallmemorial.org

Missions Committee: Your prayers for our Missionaries and their families are much appreciated. Any donation you are able to make is gratefully appreciated.

Protocols for Worship in the Sanctuary:

For those who would like to worship in the sanctuary, here are the protocols we would like followed in order to have a safe and orderly experience...

1. Please come a bit early and assemble outside in the parking lot with all wearing masks; ushers will check your temperature prior to entering the building. Also, please remember the Department of Health requires us all to sign in, *first name and phone* are sufficient. This is essential for their contact tracing work.
 2. Sit in demarcated seating in the pews (we have marked out places to sit that are 6-8 feet apart). Yes, couples may sit together.
 3. Greeters will escort each person/couple into the sanctuary, keeping social distancing; greeters will perform the same function as the congregation exits.
 4. Each person will wear a mask (yes, we have a few to pass out if someone forgets).
 5. We will hum the hymns, not sing them.
 6. We will keep social distancing at all times.
 7. The offering plate will be at the back of the sanctuary; you may place your offering there prior or after the service.
 8. Bulletins will be found on each "free seat", they will NOT be passed out at the door.
- Thanks ever so much in advance for your understanding and cooperation. Pastor Thom.

