

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR SUNDAY, JULY 30, 2017

OUR NEW SUNDAY SHEPHERD Clara Welch is with us this morning. Clara is a deacon in full connection with the N. Ga Conference and a friend and colleague of Pastor Ellen. Clara's primary work as a Deacon is in writing literature and curriculum for the United Methodist Publishing House and she has a great deal of training and experience in Christian Education, Children's ministry and church music. Clara's work will begin officially with us August 13th. Please make her welcome to St. Paul!

LECTURE AT PEACHTREE ROAD UMC Join the participants of the School of Congregational Development August 17th from 7:30-9:00 pm to hear best-selling author Nadia Bolz-Weber address the topic of "500 Years of Reformation - So, What Now?" NADIA BOLZ-WEBER is the author of two New York Times bestselling memoirs: *Pastrix; The Cranky, Beautiful Faith of a Sinner & Saint* (2013) and *Accidental Saints; Finding God in All the Wrong People* (2015). She is an ordained Lutheran pastor (ELCA) and still works as the founding pastor of House for All Sinners and Saints in Denver, Colorado. Nadia travels domestically and internationally as a speaker and has been featured on *NPR's Morning Edition*, *On Being with Krista Tippett*, *Fresh Air*, *CNN* and in the *Washington Post*, *Bitch* magazine, *The Daily Beast*, *More* magazine and *The Atlantic*. International media coverage includes *BBC World Service* and *The Guardian* and magazine features in Germany, Poland, and Switzerland. Nadia lives in Denver with her family and her Great Dane, Zacchaeus. Tickets are \$10 each. Register at <https://www.event.com/c/express/8b36bcab-00fd-45c4-83eb-7e53f9420f04>. Please bring a printed copy of your confirmation letter for admission. Doors open at 7 pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO THE NEW DISTRICT OFFICE for an Open House/Ice Cream Social this afternoon from 3:00 to 5:00 pm. Have a scoop of ice cream, visit with our new District Superintendent, Dr. Quincy Brown, and see the new office. The address is 927 North Main Street NW, Conyers, GA 30012. The phone number remains the same-- 770-879-9016. The District Office email has also changed to adox@ngumc.net.

COME HOME TO ST PAUL! Homecoming 2017 is October 29th. Committee chairs for various areas are: Set-up/ Decorations- Bill Erickson, Dinner - Angela Russell, History and Storycorps - Rachel Quarterone, Children's choir - Laura Magistro Wells, Coffee and Welcome - Nancy Erwin, Music - Kevin Hill, worship - Tally Wells, PR and communications - Rebecca Wallace. Please let Leslie (kansasheart@gmail.com) and Candace (nanista@aol.com) know how you would like to help! Spread the word, look for some old photos and share ideas. Most of all, prayer for our committee, our pastor and our congregation, as we prepare to celebrate 110 years of St. Paul!

THE SUNDAY SHEPHERD needs volunteers who will take children ages 4 years old to 2nd grade up to the 3rd floor Sunday School room after children's time during the 11AM service. One volunteer each week will help our new Shepherd educate and entertain the children. Please use the link below to sign up. <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0e4caba62ea2fd0-sunday>.

YOUTH GROUP will go to **SIX FLAGS WHITEWATER** this afternoon. Lunch after church and then head to the park for summer fun before school starts! Let Treah (catladyfemme@gmail.com) know if you are going. **YOUTH GROUP** is accepting donations of furniture for the renovated (in process) youth room. Of particular interest are couches. Please contact Treah Caldwell (catladyfemme@gmail.com) to verify that your donations are suitable.

CANDLELIGHT TOUR OF HOMES 2017 is December 9-10. The tour needs a director and an organizing committee. If you feel led to serve, please contact Pastor Ellen (ellen@stpaulgrantpark.org) as soon as possible.