

WOODLANDS' CHIPS

*Weekly news brought to you by the ministries and staff at Woodlands Lutheran Church
May 15, 2019*

UPCOMING EVENTS

WOODLANDS VOTERS ASSEMBLY (CONGREGATION) MEETING:

The meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday, May 21st beginning at 6:30 p.m. You are asked to attend only two meetings each year (May and November) to show your interest in and offer your input concerning the Lord's work through our Woodlands family... please make our Lord's work a priority on May 21st.

MEMORIAL DAY TRIBUTE SERVICE:

Wednesday May 22 at 7:00 p.m. in our sanctuary, we will have a service to remember our fallen veterans. Refreshments will follow the service.

"HELPING HANDS" EVENT:

The next New Beginnings sponsored event for "Helping Hands" is Saturday May 25th beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the church or 10 a.m. at the Winn Dixie Parking Lot in Clermont. Woodlands will be participating at this event. Volunteers are needed to assist. For more information contact Stephanie Horvath 407-489-1578.

ASCENSION SERVICE:

Ascension Day is perhaps the most forgotten day of the church year. Coming forty days after Easter, Ascension commemorates the fulfillment of Jesus' word that He would return to the Father and signals the beginning of His presence among us through His Word and Sacraments. He pledges neither to forget nor abandon us and sends His Spirit to counsel, guide, and bring understanding to His Church. This service will be on Thursday, May 30th at 7 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL:

We are now taking reservations for VBS. We will be meeting in the Sanctuary June 3rd to 7th from 6 – 8 p.m. Open for ages to 2PK-5th grade. Our topic is ROAR! Life is Wild 🐾 God is Good. Register online at www.woodlandschuch.com/events/ or call the church office.

WOODLANDS' MISSIONS GOLF TOURNAMENT:

The 4th Annual Woodlands Missions Golf Tournament – in an effort to raise funds for our annual mission trip, we will be hosting our fourth annual golf tournament at Sanctuary Ridge Golf Club on Saturday, June 8, 2019. It will be an 8 a.m. A shotgun start, followed by a lunch with the presentation of prizes and an award celebration. The entry donation is \$75 a player. If you are interested in being a

player or sponsor, please contact any Honduras Mission Team member or Craig Watkins at 352-406-3521 or craig@cewsales.com. Thank you for your continued prayers and support of our mission teams. The Honduras Mission Team – *Joe Imler, Nate Imler, Mike Imler, Lee Scott, Kaitlyn Stevenson, and Karen Stevenson.*

GENERAL INFORMATION

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE:

The Call Committee recently met to determine the questions that will be asked of each pastor selected to be interviewed. The next step is to pour through the personal information of each candidate on our list to determine which candidates will be interviewed. This will take some time as each candidate is given appropriate consideration. Please keep the members of the committee and the process in your prayers as we seek God's will.

SPONSOR A CHILD FOR VBS!

It costs approximately \$20.00 per child to offer this summer's VBS program. Our church has never charged a fee for children attending VBS, and we want to continue our outreach with the congregation's help. If you are moved to sponsor one (or more) children, please place your donation in an envelope marked "VBS" (or use your VBS offering envelope) and either place it in the offering plate or send it to the church office. Thank you for your support!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

Volunteers are needed to share in the ministries of ushers, meal preparation, **help with Sunday Fellowship Hour** (*help is especially needed in this area as our volunteers are dwindling*), Altar Guild, and participation in the adult choir, with many other volunteer opportunities. Please call Heather Olsen, 352-602-6696 for more information and/or to volunteer. We all need to be about our Father's business!

STEPHEN MINISTRY:

We need several people to become Stephen Ministers. Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of this much needed ministry at Woodlands. Please call church office for information.

SHEPHERDS NEEDED FOR FEEDING OF THE LAMBS:

The Feeding of the Lambs ministry is looking for adults to serve once a month. You will lead the younger children in devotion and activity during the sermon. Training and resources are provided. Please contact Tracey Rice at 407-883-6619 for more information. This ministry is especially needed during the 11 a.m. service.

NURSERY ROLL:

Woodlands is in need of someone to routinely send out information to our infant baptized members until the child reaches Sunday School age. All mailing times are printed for you on the Nursey Roll envelope. You just have to keep track of it. If you are interested in helping to fulfill this position please

contact the church office. A huge Thank You to Sandra Mohr for taking care of this important task for over 20 years.

BULLETIN HELP NEEDED:

We have a volunteer position for a person or persons who would like to learn how to use our Risograph to run off the bulletins for the services. The Risograph is very easy to learn and use (really!) and you would also learn how to use the Auto-folder. (the Auto-folder is also very easy to use.) You would be sharing the duties with Sylvia Ericsson which would require a volunteer time of 1 – 1½ hours each week or maybe once or twice per month depending on how many volunteers we receive. If you are interested, please call the church office at 407-469-2525 or email at office@woodlandschurch.com. Thank you for your consideration!

Next Sunday's Scripture Readings, May 19, 2019:

First Reading – Acts 11:1-18

New Testament – Revelation 21:1-7

Gospel Lesson – John 16:12-22

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