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April 2024 Newsletter



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Dear Colleagues,

Happy Easter!

This past month has really flown by for me. I think one thing that makes Lent go by so quickly is all of the "high season" music going on around the area. Between weekly noon-time recitals at Redeemer Sarasota and Christ Church Bradenton, Cirque du Voix, and the Sarasota Orchestra, my spirit was riding high. Perhaps I should give up music for Lent next year!

Our next and final event of the program year coming up is our Annual Meeting Brunch. Sub-Dean David Patrick has made a deal with Sarasota Catering Company for a delicious brunch at Christ Lutheran Church of Englewood. You will need to sign up by filling out this form and sending payment to Glen Olsen no later than May 7. Do it

sooner than later so that we can get a final count to give to the caterer. You must RSVP for the brunch as we won't be ordering extra food for walk-ins. Sign up and menu can be found below.

I'm really looking forward to trying out this alternate time for our Annual Meeting as well as hearing the brand new organ at Christ Lutheran.

Thank you to Dr. James Walton for his willingness to be the chair of the Nominating Committee. Watch your email over the next week for the slate of nominations to be voted-in at the meeting. In the mean time, I'll be rehearsing my meeting decorum and gavel-swinging.

Blessings to all of you and yours.

-Sam Nelson, Dean

Annual Meeting and Brunch

When: Saturday, May 18, 2024 @ 10:30 am

Where: Christ Lutheran Church of Englewood, 701 N Indiana Ave, Englewood, FL 34223



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Menu:

- Savory Breakfast Egg and Sausage Casserole
- Bacon
- Home Fries
- Toast with assorted Jams and Jellies
- Seasonal Fruit Salad
- Apple Bran Muffins
- Lemon Poppy Seed Muffins
- Cinnamon Coffee Cake
- Hot Coffee
- Iced Tea
- Mimosas (orange juice and Prosecco)

The cost is \$20 per person

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Dear Colleagues,

Did you expect to hear from me again so soon?

After the announcement of our Annual Meeting Brunch menu, I heard some feedback that folks were disappointed there were no vegetarian options. Rest assured, as someone who is married to a vegetarian, it is something of which I am extremely conscious which is why on the signup form there is a section to indicate if you are vegetarian. But clearly I should have indicated that in the original email, so I am sending this now to do just that and I apologize for any anguish and affliction I may have caused. Both the meat and vegetarian casseroles will be available to choose from at the brunch. This will not affect the cost per person of the brunch.

Looking forward to seeing you all next month!

-Sam Nelson, Dean

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