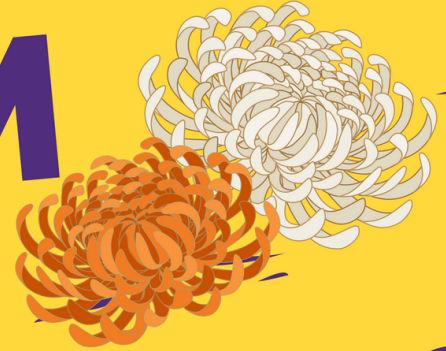


SAINTS ALIVE

FALL MUM SALE



Online store opens
August 7th!

See Page 4 for More Info!



PROCEEDS
BENEFIT ASLC
YOUTH!

Caregiver Support Group

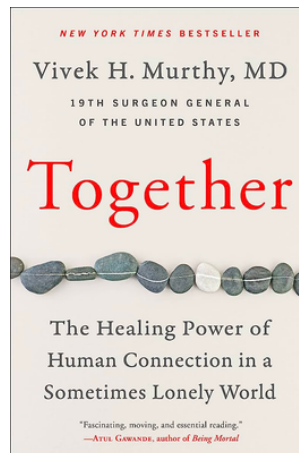
A welcoming space for caregivers to learn and reinforce positive self-care, give and receive encouragement, and enjoy support and understanding from others in similar situations. With professional staff facilitation, the groups explore issues such as:

- Balancing roles and responsibilities
- Maintaining personal balance
- Understanding and dealing with the realities of chronic illnesses
- Developing support systems
- Accessing community resources

Learn more & register with Jenny West at jwest@familymeans.org or 651-789-4015. *Second Thursday of each month starting September 14th, 12:30 - 1:45 pm. Cottage Grove Program Center, Monet Room (CE Library). 8400 E Point Douglas Road S*

August Book Recommendation

Spend some time in the sun reading this New York Times Bestseller by Dr. Vivek H Murthy, the 19th General Surgeon of the United States, appointed by President Barak Obama. Dr. Murthy launched the TurnTheTide campaign, catalyzing a movement among health professionals to address the nation's opioid crisis. He also issued the first Surgeon General's Report on Alcohol, Drugs, and Health, calling for expanded access to prevention and treatment and for recognizing addiction as a chronic illness, not a character flaw.



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays @ 9:00am
In-Person and Virtual on
Facebook Live & YouTube

Bible Study
Thursdays at 10 am. Onsite.

UPCOMING EVENTS
Senior Men's Lunch
Thursday, August 3rd @ 12pm

OWLS Lunch
Wednesday, August 16th
11:30 am at Gopher Bar and Grill- Meet at church to carpool.

Highway Cleanup
Sunday, August 27th 10:45am
following worship.

Directory Photos
September 6-9th @ your
reservation time.



Sheep Dog's Log

Pastor Jules

It's been a great summer here at ASLC!

We had over fifty kiddos at Vacation Bible School. We are incredibly grateful for Luther Crest Bible Camp Counselors and for all of our amazing volunteers. We collaborated with another ELCA church from Maplewood, Lutheran Church of Peace.

We have also elected a call committee for the Associate Pastor position. You can see their biographies on pages 9-11. The call committee is comprised of 6 voting members. We elected 9 and will have 3 alternates. The president of the council is not on the call committee, she serves as a liaison along with the senior pastor.

On August 20th Bishop Patricia Lull will be offering an orientation for the call committee and will be preaching on that day at 9 a.m.

Elevator speech: we just concluded at one year pilot position of office manager and children's ministry. Moving forward we will be parsing out the office manager position and moving Leah back to 0.75. Much of what we need help with can be done off-site by Ellie and Rayna. Please be patient with us as we sort out all the moving pieces of this position.

All of that being said, we need help with getting the news out that after 6 years we are creating a new directory for members and friends. Please sign up now. If for some reason you cannot make it to church for a photo, we will work with you to get a current photo in the directory.

The Holy Hootenanny had around 300 folks wander through the event, maybe more. Three food trucks, a dozen vendors, bouncy house, perfect weather and excellent music. This event was the brainstorm of Pastor Tanner and Dwayne Tannahill. As you know, Dwayne died recently but the show must go on! We filled the last slot, the one DT was going to play, with a variety of musicians as a way to thank Dwayne for the gift of Jazz. Thank you volunteers and staff for all your hard work.

Finally, stay tethered to our community through our website, FB, or Instagram sites. We'll kick off fall programming on Sunday, September 17. Worship at 9a.m. Confirmation and Sunday school will meet that day. Adult Ed will be announced in the September newsletter.

Stay tuned. Be in touch. If you need something, let us know.



Vicar's Victuals

BY VICAR ERICA



13 You made all the delicate, inner parts of my body and knit me together in my mother's womb. 14 Thank you for making me so wonderfully complex! Your workmanship is marvelous—how well I know it. 15 You watched me as I was being formed in utter seclusion, as I was woven together in the dark of the womb. 16 You saw me before I was born. Every day of my life was recorded in your book. Every moment was laid out before a single day had passed. (Psalm 139:13-16)

There's something about being around someone who knows you so well—Someone who knows your story, your likes and dislikes, your history, your little intricacies. You can be yourself around them, not having to hide anything, because they already know you as you. This psalm reminds us of that deep knowing relationship that God has with us. God knew us before our closest friends knew us, before our parents knew us, and even before we knew ourselves. And God has loved us from the very beginning.

This psalm passage has carried more weight with me recently, as I am becoming acutely aware of what it means for a person to be knit together in their mother's womb. Teddy and I are expecting a new little Bryerwell coming in December; a baby just before Christmas! We are incredibly excited. When I think about this psalm, especially verse 16, I'm struck deeply by what it means that God has known us since before we were born, and just how precious we are to God, that every day of our lives is recorded. When someone comes up for a blessing during communion time, this is what I remind them, and it's my reminder for you today: You are a beloved child of God, and God is with you every single day of your life.



COLUMBARIUM

When you begin your end-of-life planning, consider purchasing a niche from All Saints Lutheran Church. Please notice both beautiful granite columbariums located on our church campus.

We welcome All Saints members (\$1,000), family of our members (\$1,500), as well as community members (\$2,000) to purchase a niche at All Saints. Brochures are available from the office. Engraving is not included in the price of a niche.

Memorial pavers are currently not available as our supplier is out of stock. We will keep you posted on availability.

Talk to a committee member if you are interested. You can get more information and assistance from our committee members; Les Beaudoin, Pat Dahn, Diane Fredrickson or Paul Johnson. Niche applications can be done either on paper or electronically.

HOLIDAY FAIR CRAFTERS

Holiday Fair Crafters will not be meeting on August 8th, 2023. We will be meeting off-site on August 15th. Please contact Val if you have any questions. 651-768-7935.





Fall Mums Fundraiser

Proceeds go to All Saints Lutheran
Church Youth Group



STORE OPENS AUGUST 7TH! HOW TO ORDER:

1. Go to www.gertensfundraising.com
2. The store code is **291**
3. Decide on flowers.
4. Pick up your flowers after church on Sunday, September 17!

The store closes on Monday, August 28th at 10 pm. Please contact the office at office@allsaintscg.org with any questions or if you need help ordering.

Youth And Children Ministry

Leah Kaeppe

Our first joint Vacation Bible School was a huge success! How we went from having 8 children last year to 50 children this year is **amazing**. Many of these children are former students of mine or ones who have sought out academic support during the summer months from the sanctuary of ASLC.

This year we partnered with Luther Crest, Lutheran Church of Peace in Maplewood, and many amazing volunteers to pull off a week filled with songs, skits, bible talks, games and community building. Some of the comments overheard or shared were; "my children keep singing the camp songs everyday," "my preschooler is so excited for tomorrow," "when will camp be next year," and "I am looking forward to next year's camp already!" During the Holy Hootenanny, one of the preschoolers recognized her VBS teacher and was beaming. I overheard this little preschooler ask her mommy and daddy, "when is church again?" These reactions and others like it are the ultimate gratification of a job well done!

Vacation Bible School was not a one person operation. Thank you so much to all of the wonderful preschool teachers, kitchen help, service project leaders, special seed bomb teacher, and our wonderful confirmation crew who were junior counselors this summer. You are much appreciated by all.

In addition, on Wednesdays throughout the spring and summer, Anna, Evie, Katie, Josie, Georgia and myself planted, tended, and harvested our wonderful youth garden. If you have not taken a look, please take time to do so. This year was a year of bountiful hard work, perspiration, and trial and error in the garden. We are so proud of the goodness we grew and will continue to make improvements, such as installing a much needed drip irrigation system.

We continue to have children's sermons on Sundays too, and a few highlights include letting Jesus ascend to heaven using balloons (we cleaned up our stretch of road after this sermon to give back for letting the balloons go), carrying and sharing our heavy loads with one another, and taking a trip to our garden to see how our seeds have become bountiful and delicious.

In addition, I was honored to cheer on our youth this summer and witness their God given talents in action. Between the musical "School of Rock," lacrosse, girls softball and boys baseball, and everything in between, it was a busy summer. My favorite Saturday was the day I began watching sports at 9:00 am in Woodbury and ended in Cottage Grove at 6:30 pm. I was able to see 11 different youth in a variety of activities. What a blessing!

Holy Hootenanny was a hit! Somehow with a tiny committee of myself, Jules, and Ellie, we were able to pull off a creative, community centered, POSITIVE, and joy filled event. Thank you to all of the people that showed up in the afternoon, stayed late to help clean-up, or asked, "what can I do to help?"

I have been able to help a little boy throughout the summer who was unable to attend daycare due to medical issues. I called him the junior office manager and am proud of the sanctuary, safety, and support our congregation is able to provide for different needs of families and children. I was able to provide daycare for one family who needed help, while also being able to assist several students who needed academic support. Although this is not a traditional Family and Children's minister role, I am so happy our community can count on us here at ASLC for a wide range of needs.

I am excited to start our Seeds of Faith again this Fall. Seeds of Faith is available for children ages 3 years through the 5th grade, with additional programming for our confirmation and high school kiddos. Please don't forget to sign-up for Seeds of Faith and encourage others to join our community. If you bring a friend, Ms. Leah has a prize for you!

I will be planning and preparing for our awesome programming during the month of August. Please visit our webpage @ allsaintscg.org or send me an email at childrensmin@allsaintscg.org to learn more and sign up. Our programming will begin on Sunday, September 17th and will take place right after worship. Please welcome Peg Sommers this Fall, who will be helping us with music for preschoolers-second grade. We are in major need of volunteers this year to help with a variety of tasks and events - teaching, photography, trunk-or-treat, haunted hallway, Bethlehem garage sale, the Christmas program, and preparing art projects for our youth. Many of these are one-time commitments or can be done from the comfort of your home. Please reach out to me if you are able to help in any way.

Please mark your calendars:

Trunk-or-treat ~ *October 29th at 2:00-4:00*

Bethlehem Garage Sale (Dress rehearsal and Christmas Shopping for parents)
~ *December 9th 10:00-2:00*

Christmas Program ~ *December 10th at 9:00 am*

Christmas wrapping, caroling and card making for Norris Square~*December 13th*

Special Thanks to ASLC Community:

ALL SAINTS, THANK YOU FOR ALL THE LOVE AND CARE THAT YOU HAVE EXTENDED TO US OVER THE TIME OF EV'S ILLNESS. HIS FINGERPRINTS ARE ALL OVER THIS BUILDING AND PLACE OF GRACE. EV WILL ALWAYS BE WITH US, IN OUR HEARTS AND IN THE SERVANT SPIRIT THAT HE HAS PASSED DOWN THROUGH HIS WORDS AND DEEDS. PEACE BE TO EV AND ALL WHO LOVED HIM. WELL DONE, WELL DONE, MY GOOD AND FAITHFUL ONE!

ON BEHALF OF EVERETTE WRIGHT FAMILY

THANKS TO EVERYONE THAT HAS BEEN SO SUPPORTIVE DURING OUR TIME WE SPENT AT THE HOSPITAL AND NOW THROUGH THE LOSS OF OUR ONE AND ONLY DWAYNE. IF YOU MADE A MEAL, SENT A CARD, SAID A PRAYER, CALLED, OR THOUGHT OF US IN ANY WAY I THANK YOU. MY FAMILY AND I FEEL VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE THE SUPPORT OF THE ALL SAINTS FAMILY.

BOBBI TANNAHILL



VBS

Week

A big thank you to the Luther Crest Staff, all of our All Saints volunteers, and Mrs. Leah for all of the hard work that was put in to give all these kids a fun-filled week!



The Women of All Saints
present:

ALEXIS BAILEY WINERY GATHERING



August 27th, 2023

Gather at All Saints Lutheran Church at
12:30pm for carpooling.

Registration is required and the fee
is \$7.00 to participate in this event.
Bring your own lawn chair, too.

Please stop at the table in the narthex
before and after church or call the
church office and drop off the fee. Cash
is preferred.

Zombie Apocalypse Chase Run and Get it DONE!

Woodbury and Cottage Grove Parks and Recreation Department team up to bring you an experience like no other! Your mission, should you choose to accept, is to find and safely return the plutonium rocks hidden around the park area. Participant beware: the park area is home to many mad scientists who will try to prevent you and your friends from finding the plutonium! Prepare for a thrilling chase with challenges along the way. If you desire, come dressed in your best zombie attire, but please make sure physical movement like running and climbing is possible.

Ages 6-12	Carver Lake Park	\$22
Thursday, Aug. 10	8-9 p.m.*	#550911-03

*Participants will gather and instructions will be provided at 8 p.m. Chase rounds will begin after instructions, run for 15 minutes, water breaks for 5 minutes and return to chase rounds. Event will consist of three chase rounds and end at 9 p.m.



Ms. Laura Update

As a reminder, Ms. Laura is taking a break. She plans to be back teaching on her regular schedule on October 11th. There will be no classes November 22 & 23, Dec 27 & 28 & Jan 3 & 4th.

Noteworthy Music

BY KAREN PIPER, MUSIC DIRECTOR



Our worship band has been working faithfully over the summer. I look forward to playing with them every week. Thanks to guitarists Mike Lavold and Karl Strom; percussionists Jason West and Esther Keyah, trumpeter Greg Ohrt; recordist Rebecca Thurman, violinist Catherine Powers, and various guests for accompanying our Sunday services with vitality and joy.

I'm just in the early stages of planning for our Fall rehearsals. The schedule will continue to be the same as before for the time being:

- Wednesday, 5:30 pm I meet with the preacher of the week
- Wednesday, 5:40 pm band
- Wednesday, 6:30 pm bell choir
- Wednesday, 7:30-8:15 pm Sanctuary Choir

Rehearsals will begin either on 9/13 or 9/20, depending on the feedback I get from the musicians.

Enjoy the rest of your summer!
God bless,
Karen Pieper,

Call Committee Nominations



Deborah Webber Werle

I first visited All Saints Lutheran Church in 1981 with my dear friend. I was a periodic guest for many years. Then I moved out of state and would often visit All Saints in the summer or over the holidays when I was back in MN. Still, my participation was as a visitor/guest.

Now I'm here and I'm a member :)

I am interested in the Call Committee because I care about our worship community and see the critical role that pastors provide to the church.



Kristy Odlund

My name is Kristy. I live in St Paul with my husband Wally and our two "senior" pets, Rudy the wonder weiner dog, and Jasmine the black cat (aka, the nuisance).

In January 2019, I was invited to and attended a Brene Brown workshop led by Pastor Jules. From the moment I walked into the building, it just felt right. I came to church the next Sunday morning and the rest is history.

I've assisted with a few things since: reading, a bit in the kitchen, etc. I have been blessed to serve on the internship committees for our past three interns/vicars. Growing up, my parents were always very active in our church, helping and serving in anyway they could. Not only do I love to help and serve in any way, I also do it to honor my parents, as I know this is what they would do.

Whether I am selected for the call committee or not, I am here and will continue to serve in any way I can.



Ted Fredrickson

Member of All Saints since 1980.

Spent almost four decades in higher education at Waldorf College, Bishop's University (Quebec), University of St. Thomas and Capital University. Twenty six years as professor and administrator at the University of St. Thomas, the last fifteen as Associate Dean then Dean of the School of Business. Spent last five years of my career as President of Capital University in Columbus, Ohio (one of our ELCA colleges).

BA - Winona State University
MA & Ph.D - University of Northern Colorado

I'm interested in serving on the Call Committee because my past experiences have prepared me well for evaluating applicants for positions of leadership. Served on the last Call Committee that resulted in the appointment of Pastor Tanner Howard as our Associate Pastor.

Jodi Carter



I am a life-long Lutheran, involved most of my 61 years in service and connection. My last call committee service was in about 1976 as I served as a youth representative as we sought a youth pastor in Thief River Falls. Nature speaks most loudly to my spirit, but I do love good music and relevant sermons, both of which are truly present here at All Saints. I also love worshipping with my extended family. In my professional life, I am a semi-retired elementary teacher. I am a person of service. Currently, I am a part of a small group who sponsored a Ukrainian Family (Mom, Dad, 9 year old boy, and 9 year old pup) who arrived in Minnesota in April. I can also be found cooking for and serving the hungry outside of the Dorothy Day Center many Sundays at noon. I have also begun advocacy with the Gun-Sense group Moms Demand Action. So much to do. So little time. Show up. Do good. Be Kind. I would be honored to serve on the Call Committee at ASLC.

Peggy Nelson

How long you have been engaged at ASLC:
I think I have been a member for 4 years

Three or four sentences about yourself:
I am 75 years old, I like to walk outdoors, hike when possible. I am passionate my art, and I read a lot. I enjoy people and spending time with all peoples, children, young people, of course people my age. I do enjoy card games, play regularly every Friday.



Chad Griffith



How long you have been engaged at ASLC: 1 year
I am a native Minnesotan and live in Woodbury with my wife and daughter. We enjoying traveling, hiking, and spending a lot of time with family and friends. We are newer members to ASLC and have really enjoyed the welcoming nature of the congregation. The membership of ASLC has a very rich diversity of ideologies and backgrounds, which is a beautiful thing. Unfortunately, in our current society, tolerance of differing ideologies and respectful communication is not common enough. I believe that it is of the utmost importance for the new associate pastor to impart God, love, tolerance, respect, and understanding as the guiding principles. I am interested in being a part of this team to lend my experience and perspective regarding the future direction of the congregation. - Chad

Jo(Ann) Senn



My name is Jo (Ann) Senn. I have been a member of All Saints Lutheran Church since 2017. The opportunities available at All Saints have been a blessing. My participation in book studies as well as the Immigration Task Force have given me the opportunity to work and learn with wonderful people.

I am a seeker, a listener, a learner, and I care deeply about people. My work life includes teaching, school counseling, and I am a Certified Life Coach. Spirituality, family, and friends are the rocks that support me. I love gardening, reading, and having fun.

My interest in the call committee is to work with others to define the needs of the congregation and community as we move forward. Many of these things have already begun. Recognizing the changes in our culture and lives is a vital ingredient, as we move with some of these changes to meet the needs of families and our future. Our church is strong. Finding a person who wants to look to the future and grow with us, bringing their ideas, and listening to those of the staff and congregation will be a great blessing. I want to be a part of the discovery.

Brenda Korth

Member of All Saints since 2004 My family includes myself, husband Jason, twin daughters Lauren & Megan who just graduated from high school, and 13 year old Sam. I work as an oncology nurse navigator for lung cancer at Allina. I have been a nurse for 26 years now, mainly in oncology. I have previously served on Vicar John's internship committee. I am interested in the search for a new associate pastor with focus on families and the youth program at ASLC.



Kristen Haapoja



I've been a member for around a year and love to serve with my husband Mike and daughter Ava. I was an EMT and now run the kitchen. I dig this church and want to lend a hand.

Directory

PHOTOS!

1

VISIT

UCDIR.COM/SCHEDULE/LOGIN.PHP

2

SIGN IN

Username: mn347 Password: photos

3

SCHEDULE

ON SEPTEMBER 6,7,8, OR 9TH

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS AND FRIENDS



Make a Difference in the Life of a Child... Contribute Scholarship Money for our Kipaduka Students



We are entering our 19th year of partnering with our sister parish in Kipaduka, Tanzania, and it is time for our annual scholarship drive for students who are seeking an education. Our partner parish is deeply appreciative of our many years of financial support! Synod-wide in these past 19 years, scholarships have benefitted approximately 1100 students in Tanzania!! We are part of something amazing!

One year of education can cost up to \$600 when it includes room and board for our rural students who live miles away from the nearest schools. With average monthly incomes of less than \$300, parents are able to contribute little to nothing to help pay for schooling for their children.

Our past scholarship fund raising has been very successful thanks to the incredible generosity of our All Saints community. Our fund raising goal is \$5000. More and more children in the village would like the opportunity to attend school, so scholarships are given to as many children as possible. If there are funds remaining after all tuitions are paid, the money is given to the Iringa Diocese to share with students who wish to pursue post-secondary education.

If you can help, truly ANY amount is appreciated. Please be clear in designating the money to “Tanzania Scholarship”. You can write a check, contribute through a minimum distribution from your IRA account (Kathy Miller will need to be alerted as to your wishes), or use the “sustained giving” option through our online giving platform. (We lose 5% if you use the “one time giving” option.) If your gift is not clearly labeled, it may be deposited into the wrong account and not find its way to scholarships. Money is due by Oct. 1st.

The Mission and Outreach team offers our profound thanks to you for your prayers and monetary gifts on behalf of our partners in Kipaduka. If you have any questions, please call Les Beaudoin (651-346-1088) or the church office.

Dear Pastor Tanner,

Thank you for partnering with Every Meal and supporting our Weekend Meal Program this school year! All Saints Lutheran Cottage Grove's generosity, through funding and volunteering at Nuevas Fronteras Spanish Immersion, has made a significant impact. Over 12,000 Minnesota children have received the nourishment they need to learn and grow, all thanks to you. We are truly grateful for your on going support and look forward to future opportunities to ensure that every child has every meal!

Gratefully,

Brooke, Maddy, and Jan



**Lutheran
Social Service**
of Minnesota

"God's work. Our hands." Sunday



2023 LSS PROJECTS

Lutheran Social Service of Minnesota (LSS) will be offering a range of projects for "God's Work. Our Hands." on September 10, 2023 and throughout the fall season of service!

Service projects can be completed at your congregation and delivered to LSS sites or by volunteering at LSS sites.

See a full list of opportunities on the next page or visit our website at lssmn.org/GWOH.

CONTACT US:

Malyn Kuntz,
Volunteer Services Specialist
malyn.kuntz@lssmn.org
651.969.2259

To learn more, visit us at
lssmn.org/GWOH

STATEWIDE PROJECT LIST

See lssmn.org/GWOH or call 651.969.2259 for more details.

LSS Meals Blizzard Boxes

- Create shelf-stable meals for older adults. LSS Meals and LSS Meals on Wheels partners with your community to provide nutritious meals and social contact for individuals 60 or older.

Contact: **Sarah Anderson, sarah.anderson@lssmn.org or 507.822.9395**

LSS Meals Delivery Driving

- Deliver meals to people in need with LSS Meals.

Contact: **Sarah Anderson, sarah.anderson@lssmn.org or 507.822.9395**

Camp Noah Birthday Cards

- Create birthday cards for children participating in Camp Noah, a day camp program that serves children in communities impacted by disaster.

Contact: **campnoah@lssmn.org or 800.987.0061**

Camp Noah Tie Blankets

- Create tie blankets for children served by Camp Noah.

Contact: **campnoah@lssmn.org or 800.987.0061**

Camp Noah Kids' Activity Kits

- Create activity kits for children served by Camp Noah.

Contact: **campnoah@lssmn.org or 800.987.0061**



2023 LSS PROJECTS

REGIONAL PROJECT LIST

See lssmn.org/GWOH or call 651.969.2259 for more details.

Metro Kinship Family Support Services Donations

- Kinship caregivers care for the child(ren) of relatives or friends when the child(ren)'s parent is unable to do so. This support is frequently provided outside of the foster care system, which can present financial challenges for caregivers as they strive to meet their family's basic needs. Help assemble small comfort packages that include a gift card to assist kinship caregivers with household expenses.

Contact: Janet Salo, janet.salo@lssmn.org or **612.879.5379**

Metro Safe House Donations

- Donate select supplies needed at Safe House, an emergency shelter for youth ages 16-20 years old.

Contact: Katie Nichol, katie.nichol@lssmn.org or **651.776.9805**

NW MN Therapeutic Foster Care Welcome Bags

- Create welcome bags for youth in Therapeutic Foster Care, a highly supportive, professional service designed to support foster children and foster families.

Contact: Sam Rex, sam.rex@chlss.org or **651.255.2212**

Mankato Crisis Nursery Donations

- Donate select items needed by families served by the LSS Crisis Nursery, a short-term, emergency childcare provider for young children.

Contact: Kate Hengy-Gretz, kate.hengy-gretz@lssmn.org or **507.995.9259**

Mankato Foster Care Donations

- Create welcome bags for youth in Therapeutic Foster Care, a highly supportive, professional service designed to support foster children and foster families.

Contact: Candy Picka, candy.picka@lssmn.org or **507.225.0590**