

TODAY AT FAITH DES PERES

Feeding the Flock food collection for Circle of Concern will take place **today** during worship. Remember that you may donate at any time by leaving food items in the Gathering Space. *Current critical needs include: jelly, cereal, canned meats (chili, canned stew, canned chicken, canned ham, etc.), canned fish, bar soap.* Thank you for helping others in need!

Due to the weather, the **ADG Book Study** discussion of the book, *Zealot: The Life and Times of Jesus of Nazareth*, by Reza Aslan has been **RESCHEDULED** to begin January 12th, then continue on the 19th and the 26th. It is not too late to sign up for the study. Let Marie in the church office know (adminasst@faithdesperes.org) that you'll be joining and whether or not you want to purchase a lunch. She can send you a reading guide and weekly questions. Lunch will begin at noon, the one-hour study will begin at 12:30. The book can be purchased at local bookstores or you can purchase a Kindle version. Extra reading guides are available in the Gathering Space by the registration sheet.

Up for a challenge? Sign up to “**Read the Bible in One Year**” with us. It’s challenging, but doable . . . and more fun with a group of people. It takes about 20 minutes a day. If this is something you’d like to try, e-mail Annie at pastor@faithdesperes.org. Reading schedules will be provided, and monthly get-togethers to touch base are optional (time to be decided by participants). Together, we can do this!

JOIN US FOR THESE UPCOMING EVENTS!

January 10, 2014

The next TNT (**20s and 30s something**) dinner will be on Friday, January 10th at 7:00 pm. Childcare will be available at the church beginning at 6:30pm. Place to be determined – look for an e-mail or upcoming blogs for a location announcement.

January 25, 2014

Food pack volunteer opportunity - Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 25, 2014, from 8:00 – 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to support Food Outreach to pack freshly cooked nutritious meals. Food Outreach’s mission is to provide nutritional support and enhance the quality of life of men, women, and children living with HIV/AIDS or Cancer. Food Outreach now serves over 2,000 individuals in MO and IL. Friends and children who are middle school age and up are welcome to sign up. (A sheet is in the Gathering Space or email Marie in the church office at adminasst@faithdesperes.org). Food Outreach is located at 3117 Olive Street, 63103. We will meet at City Diner at the Fox (541 N. Grand Avenue, 63103) afterwards. The more, the better! See Sako O’Rourke if you have questions.

IN THE COMMUNITY

January 12, 2014

High Times and Thin Places: Singing Glory to God through the Liturgical Year. Join the choirs of Faith Des Peres, Second, and Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Churches on Sunday, January 12th at 4:00pm at Ladue Chapel Presbyterian Church (9450 Clayton Road, 63124) as they present, "A Hymn Festival celebrating Glory to God, the new Presbyterian Hymnal." This event will be led by Mary Louise Bringle, Chair of the Presbyterian Committee on Congregational Song. Contact Gay Spears with any questions.

January 18-19, 2014

The Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy will host a **Martin Luther King, Jr. Commemoration Weekend** at First Presbyterian Church of Saint Louis (7200 Delmar Blvd.), taking place on Saturday, January 18th and Sunday, January 19th, at various times. The theme will be, "Voting Rights Revisited: What are the new hurdles?" Please look on the Gathering Space bulletin board for specific speakers, times, etc.

March 26, 2014

Tour Churches of Souldard with the History Team and find out why St. Louis was once called the "Rome of the West." Visit Trinity Lutheran, St. John Nepomuk, St. Vincent De Paul, St. Mary of Victories and St. Raymond's. Have a Lebanese feast for lunch (at your expense) and see the "Who's Who" of St. Louis. Cost is \$49. Make reservations with Betsy Stoll (stolldickandbetsy@att.net) or call 314-821-0533.

January 7, February 4, March 11, April 1

All are invited to the immensely popular **Kirkwood Franciscan Sisters' Free Eco-Film Series!** Come enjoy complimentary organic hot apple cider and freshly popped organic popcorn! The films are on Tuesday evenings and begin promptly at 7:00 PM. To attend you must RSVP to ffesignup@fsolph.org or by calling the Sisters' offices at 314-965-3700.

Showings:

January 7	<i>"A Fierce Green Fire"</i>
February 4	<i>"Biophilic Design"</i>
March 11	<i>"Heart of Sky, Heart of Earth"</i>
April 1	<i>"The New Green Giants"</i>

*You can watch a trailer for each of these films at www.bullfrogfilms.com