

## NPACC Disciples of Christ

Grade 1 through grade 8

For more information, call 952.758.5131

### Grades 7-8 (DAH, DOC, Summer DOC)

This week is your child's reconciliation service. Catechists will pick them up at 6:30 from the PAC to go up to church. They will begin with some reflection time and an opportunity for an examination of conscience. We will then have a prayer service before they meet with Father Kevin.

**Summer and Home study** children can either go directly up to church, or come into the PAC at 6:15 for Gathering Time.

### Discipleship/Gathering time for this week.

One of our Senior Youth Alive groups will be re-enacting the Last Supper and Jesus washing the feet of His apostles. Children will gather in the PAC at 6:15 to witness this sacred tradition. Any parents wishing to join us are more than welcome to do so.



### Disciples of Christ *Summer Plus*

Many of our summer classes are close to being full. We accept 15 children per grade level. **If** we reach 20 registrations, we can add another section. **IF** we can get catechists in place. We are still looking for certified teachers to teach at the first and seventh grade level. If you know of anyone who is qualified and willing to teach at any grade level, please have them contact me. This is a stipend position. Thanks!



### No Class Next Week - Blessed Holy Week!

Due to it being Holy Week next week and a shortened school week, we will not be having class next Wednesday, March 28. Join us for Holy Week Services.

**Holy Thursday** service; 7 p.m. SW

**Good Friday service;** with Passion Pantomime ~ 3 p.m. and 7 p.m. SW

**Holy Saturday - Easter Sunday Vigil** ~ 7 p.m. SW

**Easter Sunday!** 8 am, SS, 8:30 am, SW, 10 am SJ, 10:30 am SW

## Summer S-t-r-e-t-c-h

*Summer will be here before you know it! Where will you go this summer?*

Join us for Summer Stretch. Summer Stretch is a program for those entering 6-7-8 grades in the fall of 2018. We spend 1/2 the day in service and 1/2 the day connecting with our peers having F\*U\*N! For example this year, our first outing, June 28th, will be to Second Stork.

Founded in 2009, Second Stork is a Minnesota non-profit that fulfills a real, immediate need by providing critical items free of charge - with no strings attached - to needy families with newborns. Like 2nd Harvest Heartland (which we will go to in July), we will "pack" at Second Stork - but instead of food, we will be packing layettes (newborn gear) and diapers. In addition, we will be having a collection drive - how fun to pack our own donations too!

The fun part of Summer Stretch may include Cascade Bay, Whirlybird, Valley Fair, et cetera. Contact Pamela at [pamela.sherlock@npcatholic.org](mailto:pamela.sherlock@npcatholic.org) for more information and registration.



## Second Stork

Helping new parents in need

Thank you for your interest in donating baby items!  
Your donations will be provided to Minnesota hospitals for  
distribution to families in need with a newborn.

**COLLECTION DRIVE!**

Second Stork layettes (clothing, blanket and hat or socks) are packed by volunteers and given to hospital birth centers to distribute to parents lacking these essentials to dress their newborn as they leave the hospital with their newborn. We appreciate your support and want to be sure that your generosity is right on the mark to help in operations. For questions regarding donating an item(s) other than as described below, please contact us at [collectiondrives@secondstork.org](mailto:collectiondrives@secondstork.org)



**Receiving blankets and one-piece sleep 'n' plays!**

- ✓ ONLY in sizes for a newborn – use to dress infant to leave the hospital
- ✓ Newborn sizes include Preemie (P), Newborn (N), and "0-3 months"
- ✓ Please, no larger sizes (including "3 months" or larger) as they not able to be used by birth centers, therefore are not used in Second Stork's operations
- ✓ Blankets must be lightweight such as flannel or cotton
- ✓ NO crocheted, knitted, fleece or quilted blankets
- ✓ All items must be NEW; no used items can be distributed by hospitals

**Cash donations also help!**

- ✓ \$60 helps Second Stork buys a Graco pack-n-play with a bassinet attachment for families with no safe sleep option for their newborn
- ✓ \$25 helps Second Stork buy enough wholesale diapers for three newborns to be diapered for their first 2 weeks
- ✓ \$10 helps Second Stork buy two pack-n-play sheets

**Palm Sunday** Reminder of the Easter Egg Hunt for our toddler through age 8 children. 8:30-9:30 in the SW church basement this Sunday. **Bring Your Own Basket.**

Also, your children will be invited up front for better viewing of the Passion Pantomime. Kids truly get drawn into the dramatization. Feel free to join them on the floor up front if you think they may be afraid. Father invites the children to walk in procession at the beginning of the Mass carrying palm branches. Discuss this with your child to see if they want to be part of the procession (hope so) Thanks!