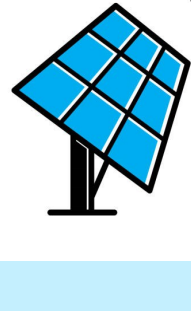


## Community of Joy's Weekly Newsletter

May 13, 2024

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### COJ News and Events



#### Solar Update- May 19<sup>th</sup>

We are moving forward with our Solar plans and will be providing an update to congregation during the announcements on the May 19th.

Join us as **Bill Kostel** shares the latest news and welcomes your questions and feedback.

#### Sunday, May 19<sup>th</sup>—Wrap-up Party for Sunday School

Following worship on Sunday, there will be a wrap-up party for Sunday School students, parents and teachers. Lunch will be provided. **Please bring a change of clothes and towels for the kids as there will be a water balloon fight!**



#### Beer Buddies

We will be meeting on **Thursday, May 16<sup>th</sup> at 6pm** at **Casa Vieja Brewery**, 4541 Corrales Rd. Corrales. The Laguna Burger food truck will be available.

This is a men's only event for beer/beverage, eats and fellowship. Bring a friend, all men are welcome.



#### Women's Bible Study "Mad Mary"

Wednesdays 2PM at COJ

Contact **Elaine Gauden** for details

#### Meal Train for the Leeper Family

Help us support the Leeper family during the first two weeks in June as they welcome their new baby!

Please visit this website to sign up to take the Leeper family a meal (toddler friendly): <https://mealtrain.com/wlm510>



#### Community of Joy 2024 Vacation Bible School

June 17—21, 2024

This summer, come be a part of **Rainbow Trail Lutheran Camp's** Vacation Bible School as we explore **Created To Be!**

**When?** June 17—21, 2024

**What Time?** 9am—2pm Mon.—Thurs.  
9am—12pm on Friday

**Grades?** Elementary through Middle School

Registration forms are on the table outside the Sanctuary, or online at [communityofjoy.com](http://communityofjoy.com)

#### We Need Your Help in a Number of Ways:

1. Housing camp staff : We are hosting 4-5 staff members coming to help us run VBS this summer. We will have two male and two female staff. We need a (or more then one) home for the week.

2. Feeding camp staff (lunch & Dinner)

3. Providing and leading daily snack time for campers

4. Leading daily craft time for campers

5. Helping with registration desk

Do you have room to house 2 or 4 staff this summer for one week? They will arrive on Sunday, June 16 from camp in Colorado and will return back after camp on Friday June 21. All host families must be fully vaccinated and provide proof in accordance with RTLC policy. You will need to provide a place to sleep and breakfast. Lunch and dinner will be provided by other congregation members. Staff will have their own transportation.

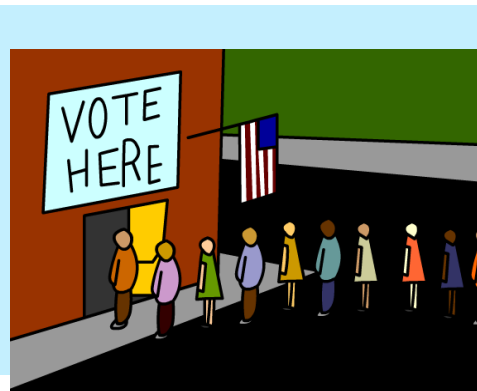
**There are sign-up sheets on the table outside of the Sanctuary. Let Pr. Paul or Earlene know if you can help.**

#### COJ is a Polling Site for the Regular Local Election

We have agreed to be a polling site for the Primary Election on **June 4**. Our premises will be used by the County Clerks office for early voting. Please note these dates when voting will be done on premises: **May 18—June 1**.

We have designated the Pinon room (the room adjacent to the kitchen) as the voting site. The church will be open for voting from 10am until 6pm.

The normal business of our church will continue to go on during this time. Our office hours are 8am—4pm. We are pleased that there will be a honorarium given to the church for use of our facility.



#### AED Training Sign Up

In the near future we are scheduling an AED training session. If you would like to be included, please contact the office and let us know.

### Prayers of the Community

#### This week we pray for ...

Donna Doles  
Dick & Peg Tool  
Joan Bouty, Louise Scott  
Warren Sullivan  
Jackie & Paul Anderson  
Nance Crow  
Cliff Walker  
Steve Gamrath  
Paul Blott

Barbara Rousselle (4/14)  
Anneka Parisi (4/14)  
Sandy Candelaria (4/21)  
Sandy Rubio (4/21)  
Peggy Reed (4/21)  
Kevin Kinney (4/21)  
Mary Kay Crown (4/24)  
Anthony Cosiquita (4/28)  
Brenda & Mike Hoepfer (4/28)  
Rachel Sanchez (4/28)  
Austin Eckelbarger (4/28)  
Dawn Flynn (5/5)

Lynn & Sam Sampson (5/7)  
Gayle Phillips (5/12)  
Geneva Ellis (5/12)  
Eric & Jacy Brown (5/12)  
Sharon Christensen (5/12)  
Family of Bernie Macmillan (5/12)

If you know of a person or a situation that you would like included in our prayer list, please email them to Earlene ([earlene@communityofjoy.com](mailto:earlene@communityofjoy.com)).

### Joyful Hearts Women's Ministry

#### Joyful Hearts collects toiletries for Albuquerque HealthCare for the Homeless

Joyful Hearts collects toiletries for **Albuquerque HealthCare for the Homeless** year round. We have a Collection Bin in the Fellowship Room for your donations.

The homeless population is growing and there is always a great need for these items. If you travel, save the hotel \*travel size toiletries. They can also be purchased at any store that has a \*travel size section in their pharmacy area. Below is a list of needed items. You can go to <https://www.abqhch.org> to learn more about this worthwhile organization. Thank you for your anticipated generosity.



**Shaving supplies**  
**Deodorants (male and female)**  
**Lip balm**  
**Sunscreen**  
**Travel size tissues**  
**Toothbrushes/toothpaste**  
**Band-Aids**

\*We package these items into hygiene kits and the small size is needed to fit into the gallon Ziplock bag. **No mouthwash please.**

### Service Ministry



**Storehouse West** is a food pantry and children's clothes closet that serves individuals and families who are residents of Sandoval County, New Mexico and meet the federal income guidelines for low-moderate-income households. **Storehouse West** can supply registered households with an emergency food package once a month and can assist with water and Waste Management bills once per year

**FOOD PANTRY NEEDS**

**Storehouse West** distributed more than 5,000 food packages in 2022, equaling almost 210,000 pounds of food. Community donations are an important part of our supply chain. This month the pantry has a short, but essential list that we need for our monthly food distributions.

**Greatest NEED**  
**Pasta— all shapes and sizes, but spaghetti is a favorite!**  
**Canned Fruit**  
**Canned Vegetables**  
**Breakfast Cereal**

**PANTRYWISH LIST**  
**PEANUT BUTTER**  
**RAMEN NOODLES**  
**DRIED BEANS—red, black or white**

Monetary donations for on-going needs can also be made by check to **Storehouse West** and mailed to: **Storehouse West, 1030 F. Veranda Dr. SE, Rio Rancho, NM 87124**