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God's work. Our hands.

## Spotlight on Benevolence

### Unity's Mission Support

We support the Mission & Programs of  
Metropolitan Chicago Synod and  
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America  
through the 10% tithe of our Offerings

## March Spotlight –

### Faith Practices of Holy Baptism

The Faith Practices Initiative of the ELCA urges members of this church to "put their faith into practice" by living out the promises contained in the liturgy for the Affirmation of Baptism. Faith practices are both inward and outward. We receive God's grace and are sent to the world joyfully to share the love of God made known in Christ. Take time for a [personal inventory](#) as you reflect on how God is calling you to put your faith into practice.

## April Spotlight –

### Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities Ministries

People with intellectual and developmental disabilities have faith needs and desires similar to anyone else. They have Spirit-given gifts to offer, and they are individuals who want to worship God and use their gifts to build up the body of Christ. Like all Christians, they want to be included in the kingdom of God.

The ELCA ministers with and among people with intellectual and developmental disabilities through its affiliation with organizations like [Lutheran Services in America-Disability Network](#).

## Growing Our Faith

### Holy Week & Easter Schedule

**Palm Sunday**, March 25, 10:15am *receive an Eco-Palm to save for next year's ashes*

**Stations of the Cross**, Wednesday March 28, 7-8pm, Dinner 6:15 at Immanuel Lutheran Church, sponsored by the ECT Youth

#### *The Great Three Days*

**Maundy Thursday**, March 29, 7:30pm

**Good Friday**, March 30, 7:30pm

**The Great Easter Vigil**, March 31, 7:30pm

*Fire, Word, Baptism, First Easter Gospel & Holy Communion, followed by Vigil feast!*



**Easter Morning**, April 1<sup>st</sup> 10:15am

*Holy communion and brass quartet accompaniment*

### Book Discussion

Sunday April 15, 11:45am

Reading, "The Journey of August King" by John Ehle.

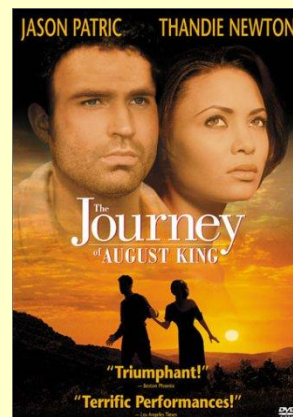
Discovering Analees Williamsburg, a 15-year-old runaway slave in 1810, August King faces a moral dilemma: turn the girl in for a reward or risk his life to help her. Join the discussion!

### Prayer Breakfast

**Saturdays March 3 & April 7, 10:00am**

NOW MOVING TO the first Saturday of the month! We begin with brunch and conversation, and offer prayers for the church, the world, and people in need. All welcome to join in this ministry and gathering of the church.

Unity is a [Reconciling In Christ](#) congregation. People of all sexual orientations and gender identities are welcome within the gathering and membership of this congregation and encouraged to share in its sacramental and community life.



# Our Faith In Action



## Membership Council Meeting

Thursday, March 8, 2018, 6:30-8:00pm  
North Shore Baptist Church,  
5244 N. Lakewood Avenue

It should be an exciting meeting as we will be welcoming in new individuals that we've met through neighborhood canvassing and we'll be focusing on planning the upcoming Convention.

## Convention

Sunday, May 6, 2018, 2pm, American Islamic College, 624 W Irving Park Rd.

Convention only comes around once every two years, and is a high energy public meeting highlighting ONE Northside's accomplishments, and holding our elected leaders accountable.

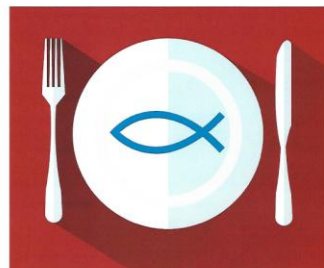
## Food for the Soul

Wednesday  
March 21 & April 18  
7:00 – 9:00pm

### March Theme

“How can we turn against hopelessness and toward fulfillment?”

Nourishment for mind, body and soul!



**Food for the Soul**  
SOCIAL. SPIRITUAL. SATISFYING.

**WELCOME!**

\$5 Suggested Donation – Thank You!



## The Gallery at Unity

### Gone But Not Forgotten

“Gone But Not Forgotten” is about community safety and transformative justice, which started as a collaborative quilting project. It remembers the family and friends lost at the hands of CPD.

Over the course of a year, a series of peace circles/quilting circles was organized across the city where participants could read the victims' stories aloud, while creating a hand embroidered quilt in their memory.

The result encourages us to engage in radical empathy, and the belief that we are all better than our worst acts; that no one is disposable; and that everyone is capable of change.



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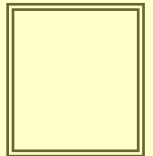
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**Unity's vision**

*is to be an urban green space  
welcoming everyone into a holy encounter  
where we are changed  
that all may be fed as Jesus feeds us*

**Core Values:**

- +Welcoming Everyone
- +Caring Community
- +Gospel of Jesus
- +Engaging Our Neighbor
- +Weekly Worship
- +Children & Youth
- +Experiencing God
- +Putting our Faith into Action Courageously



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## 2018 Spring Schedule



**Saturday · March 17**  
7:30pm

### **Sounds of the Oboe**

*Katie Adams and friends perform music featuring the beautiful oboe.*

**Saturday · April 21**  
7:30pm

### **Gillespie Quartet**

*An evening of original music for flute, clarinet, saxophone, and cello.*

**Saturday · May 19**  
7:30pm

### **Vocal Graces**

*Karen Nussbaum and friends will perform a special vocal program that tells an entire story.*

**Saturday · June 16**  
7:30pm

### **Chamber Music Party**

*Come celebrate another year of Concerts at Unity, with assorted chamber music and special refreshments!*

*Suggested Donation \$10*

### **Unity Lutheran Church and Community Center**

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