

RELIGIOUS, SPIRITUAL, AND ETHICAL SERVICES AND EVENTS

We welcome ALL students of any/no religious or spiritual background. For more information about these or other local religious communities, or assistance with any religious accommodation needs, please contact Rev. Callista Isabelle, Director for [Religious, Spiritual & Ethical Life](#), at callista.isabelle@wustl.edu.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16

Jewish

Shabbat Services – WashU Hillel

- 5:15 PM
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Join us for your choice of services to usher in Shabbat at WashU! Please [RSVP](#) by Friday, August 9 for Reform and Conservative options, subject to interest.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Bear Beginnings Shabbat Dinner with Chancellor Andrew D. Martin – WashU Hillel

- 6:00 PM
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Celebrate your first college Shabbat with your family and meet new friends at a festive Hillel dinner! Chancellor Andrew D. Martin will join us for this popular gathering along with other WashU friends. Dinner is free for first-year students, and \$22 per additional family member. RSVPs are strongly encouraged. Please [RSVP](#) by Friday, August 9. Very limited walk-in space is available. Dinner will wrap up in time for students to attend their 8:00 PM residential floor meetings.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Pre-Shabbat Candle Lighting and Joyous Prayer

- 6:00 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Join the Chabad community to welcome Shabbat with a beautiful Kabbalat Shabbat. Experience Candle Lighting just before sunset, prayer in Hebrew, and joyous singing.
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Welcome Shabbat Dinner for Students & Families with Chancellor Andrew D. Martin – Chabad WashU

- 7:00 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Meet future friends, connect with Chabad staff, and parents can network with other WashU families. Chancellor Andrew D. Martin will join us for this special Shabbat Dinner, an example of our popular weekly gathering. Please [RSVP](#). **Students participating in Shabbat dinner should let their ResLife Resident Advisor (RA) or Residential Community Director (RCD) know they will attend Shabbat dinner and therefore will participate in the mandatory residential floor meeting on Saturday evening instead of Friday.**
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17

Jewish

Bear Beginnings Shabbos Morning Minyan and Lunch – WashU Hillel

- 9:30 AM & Noon
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Shabbos day at WashU is a special time for students to come together for davening, learning, and food. First-year students and families are invited to come for services or just kiddush and lunch, which are free for first-years and \$20 per additional family member. Please [RSVP](#) by Friday, August 9.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel and OU-JLIC.

Shabbat Morning Prayer – Chabad WashU

- 10:00 AM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Open House & Kiddush Lunch – Chabad WashU

- Noon – 2:30 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Join the Shabbat day community for a delicious lunch. We extend a special welcome to families who participate in Chabad activities in their home communities and students involved in CTeen, Friendship Circle, and JLI Teens. Please [RSVP](#).
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Afternoon Open House with Dr. Anna Gonzalez – WashU Hillel

- 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Take a break from move-in or stop by during an afternoon Shabbat walk to grab a cool treat and learn about Jewish Life on campus. Chat with Dr. Anna Gonzalez (Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs), meet other new students, and see our beautiful home. No reservations required.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Seudah Shlisheet with Rav Shlomo and Kyra Ashkanazy (OU-JLIC Directors) – WashU Hillel

- 7:15 PM
- OU-JLIC home (Address provided upon RSVP).
- Come together at the end of Shabbat at the OU-JLIC home. Food, singing, sharing of Torah, and overall good vibes. [RSVP](#) by Friday, August 9 (please include dietary restrictions).
- Hosted by WashU Hillel and OU-JLIC.

Maariv and Havdala – Chabad WashU

- 8:34 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Roman Catholic

Move-In Mass

- 4:00 PM
- Catholic Student Center (CSC), 6352 Forsyth Blvd.
- Saturday Vigil Mass for all new students and their families followed by refreshments.
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 18

Jewish

Subs and Schmooze – Chabad WashU

- 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Visit the Chabad House for an evening of friend-making and sandwich-making!
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Protestant Christian

Grace United Methodist Church Traditional Worship

- 10:30 AM
- Grace United Methodist Church, 6199 Waterman Blvd.
- Sundaes with Pastor Tina of LuMin St. Louis following worship.
- Hosted by Grace United Methodist Church.

Student & Family Meet & Greet with Asian Christian Fellowship/InterVarsity Christian Fellowship

- 3:00 PM – 5:00 PM
- Memorial Presbyterian Church, 201 S. Skinker Blvd.
- We welcome students and families to meet InterVarsity Christian Fellowship & Asian Christian Fellowship staff over snacks! Learn more about our community, churches in the area, and explore Christianity at WashU. Students of all religious and ethnic backgrounds are welcome. Meet at South 40 Clocktower at 3:00 PM to walk together to the church. For more info, contact Jeremy Yu, Campus Staff Minister, at jeremy.yu@intervarsity.org or by calling (781) 570-6367.
- Hosted by WashU's Asian Christian Fellowship, a ministry of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship.

Worship @ The Cascades

- 4:00 PM – 6:00 PM
- Meet at the DUC South Entrance to walk over together to The Cascades in Forest Park (on Lagoon Drive).
- Come join us for a time of worship by the waterfalls. Let us get to know you as we walk over together from the DUC, and hang around after for some fun and games! For more info, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS).

Roman Catholic

Catholic Mass

- 11:00 AM
- Catholic Student Center (CSC), 6352 Forsyth Blvd.
- Sunday Mass, all are welcome! **Be sure to talk with your WUSA about getting a religious exemption from the morning's programming.**
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.

MONDAY, AUGUST 19

Protestant Christian

S'mores Welcome Fellowship with Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS)

- 9:00 PM – 11:00 PM
- South 40, Thomas Eliot Lawn.
- We would love to “sweetly” welcome you to WashU, and share a s'more around our fireless campfire. For more information, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS).

TUESDAY, AUGUST 20

Jewish

Bear Mitzvah: A Mixer for WashU Jews

- 9:00 PM – 11:00 PM
- Zetcher House, Risa Commons.
- Join new students to celebrate like it's your B-Mitzvah hosted by WashU Hillel in Risa Commons! Enjoy dessert, music, and more... you won't want to miss it!
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Protestant Christian

Board & Card Game Night with Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS)

- 9:30 PM – 11:00 PM
- Seigel Hall, Room 103.
- All are welcome to join us for some board and card game fun! Take a break from the heat and feel free to BYO Snack. For more information, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS).

Roman Catholic

Movie Night at the Catholic Student Center

- 9:00 PM
- Catholic Student Center (CS), 6352 Forsyth Blvd.
- Join other students for a chill night watching a movie with popcorn at the CSC.
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 21

Jewish

Meet Eden the Israel Fellow – Chabad WashU

- 5:00 PM – 6:30 PM
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.
- Introduce yourself to Eden Yair, who is beginning her third year as the JAFI Israel Fellow! Free dinner served. Discover opportunities to get involved. All are welcome, especially students with Israeli heritage or experience in the Holy Land. Please [RSVP](#).
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Protestant Christian

Frozen Custard at Ted Drewes with Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS)

- 9:30 PM – 11:00 PM
- Meet at the DUC South Entrance, and rides will be provided to Ted Drewes (6726 Chippewa Street).
- Enjoy a small frozen custard on us from this local St. Louis gem that has been open for over 90 years. Rides will be provided. For more information, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS).

THURSDAY, AUGUST 22

Roman Catholic

Catholic Mass on the Swamp

- 5:00 PM – 5:45 PM
- South 40, The Swamp (In case of inclement weather: Mudd Multipurpose Room).
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 23

Jewish

First-Year Shabbat Dinner – WashU Hillel

- 7:00 PM Dinner
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Take a break from the hustle of Bear Beginnings activities and enjoy a relaxing and delicious Shabbat dinner with new friends, returning student leaders, and the Hillel staff. Come as you are (casual attire welcome)! Walk over to Hillel directly, or meet up at the South 40 Clocktower at 6:45 PM to walk over for dinner. [RSVPs](#) are strongly encouraged, but walk-in space will be available.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Pre-Classes Shabbat Dinner – Chabad WashU

- 6:00 PM prayer & 7:00 PM dinner
- Chabad House, 7018 Forsyth Blvd.

- Prepare to kick off your semester with a Classic Shabbat Dinner at Chabad. Dive into the heart of Jewish traditions. Savor delicious food, experience the warmth of community, and start your semester with a memorable evening of celebration and connection. Please [RSVP](#).
- Hosted by Chabad WashU – Rohr Center for Jewish Life.

Muslim

Jummah Prayer

- 1:10 PM
- Lopata House Basement, Prayer Room.
- Friday (or Jummah) prayer is a weekly prayer for Muslims. Please join us! For more information, email a.minnatallah@wustl.edu or b.khan@wustl.edu.
- Hosted by the Muslim Students Association.

Protestant Christian

9-Square on the Swamp with Association of Christian Truth Seekers (ACTS)

- 9:00 PM – 11:00 PM
- All levels of experience are welcome to join us for 9-Square (like 4-Square rules, but overheat)! For more information, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth Seekers.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 25

Jewish

Bagel Brunch – WashU Hillel

- Noon – 2:00 PM
- WashU Hillel, 6300 Forsyth Blvd.
- Walk with student leaders from the Clock Tower to Hillel to join together for our first Bagel Brunch of the year! Enjoy a bagel, schmear and lox, hang out and meet new friends! Gluten-free and vegan options available.
- Hosted by WashU Hillel.

Protestant Christian

Sunday Divine Worship Services - Village Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

- 8:15 AM & 10:45 AM Worship
- Village Lutheran Church, 9237 Clayton Rd.
- Christ Centered and Cross Focused Confessional Lutheran Worship. For more information, contact Deaconess Patti Miller, at deaconess@villagelutheranchurch.org.
- Hosted by Village Lutheran Church.

Prayer Time Fellowship with Association of Christian Truth-Seekers

- 4:00 PM – 5:30 PM
- Zetcher House, Private Dining Room (Off of Bear's Den).

- We would love for you to join us for a time of prayer: for YOU, for the coming school year, and for the world. If you can't make it but have a prayer request, feel free to send it to us and we will pray for you. For more information, contact Katie Holloway, Campus Ministry Director, at acts.stl.ministry@gmail.com.
- Hosted by Association of Christian Truth-Seekers (ACTS).

Storyline Church Service

- 4:30 PM – 6:00 PM
- 6401 Scanlan Ave.
- Baptist Church Service with students from around the city welcome. Rides available on Instagram bio link.
- Hosted by Storyline Church (Southern Baptist).

Worship and Dinner with Rockwell House Episcopal Campus Ministry

- 5:30 – 7:30 PM
- Rockwell House, 7023 Forsyth Blvd.
- Join us for our first Sunday worship service of the school year, followed by a family-style dinner. We can accommodate all dietary needs and allergies. Interactive worship, crafted especially for college students. We worship in the tradition of the Episcopal Church, but all backgrounds and denominations are welcome. We're an LGBTQIA+ affirming community ready to welcome you!
- Hosted by Rockwell House Episcopal Campus Ministry.

LuMin St. Louis Dinner & Jesus (ELCA & United Methodist)

- 6:00 PM Kickoff BBQ & 7:30 PM Worship of Word & Sacrament
- LuMin St. Louis House, 7019 Forsyth Blvd.
- Hosted by LuMin St. Louis (ELCA & United Methodist).

Roman Catholic

Catholic Mass

- 11:00 AM
- Catholic Student Center, 6352 Forsyth Blvd.
- Sunday Mass, all are welcome!
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.

Catholic Mass- Student Welcome Mass

- 4:30 PM
- Catholic Student Center (CSC), 6352 Forsyth Blvd.
- All students join us for our welcome back Mass, BBQ and Festival with free food, bounce houses, a dunk tank (dunk the priest!), musical performances, games and more!
- Hosted by the Catholic Student Center.