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In-person Services

Sunday
8:00 am
10:30 am

Wednesday
7:30 pm

Drive up communion will take place after the 8am service.

We will continue to stream the 8am service each week on the St John Lutheran Church Facebook page.

Online giving is available!

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and click on Online Giving – Your Support Counts!

NEWS & EVENTS

The next Ruby's Pantry is scheduled for Saturday, January 9th at St. John. Parking lot opens at 7:30 am with distribution of food from 9:00 - 10:30am. To reserve a bundle of food, please register online at [Ruby's Pantry.org](http://Ruby'sPantry.org). If the time slot you have chosen is unavailable, feel free to try another time slot as they may be open. Interested in volunteering? Please email us at rbyluxvolunteer@gmail.com.



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St. John Lutheran Church cookbooks have been completed and are ready for sale!

It is a one-of-a-kind cookbook with our members favorite recipes. This mouthwatering cookbook contains 214 recipes – everything you need from appetizers to desserts. Each recipe includes the contributor's name, so it is easy to find recipes of family and friends.

Each cookbook is \$15.00.

You can purchase a cookbook at the 8:00 service in the office when SCRIP is sold.

For Wednesday services you can let Pastor know you are interested, and he can help you.

Also, you can reach out to the church office at 920-845-5250 to arrange a purchase when the secretaries are in the office. If you have any questions related to the cookbook feel free to reach out to any member of the Stewardship Committee.

The logo for Ruby's Pantry, featuring the word "Ruby's" in a dark brown, cursive-style font with a red heart above the letter 'y', and the word "PANTRY" in a bold, red, sans-serif font below it.

January 9, 2021

Parking lot opens at 7:30 am

Distribution at 9:00 am

Register online or in person.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Board of Elders Minutes

December 17, 2020

Elders Present: Kevin Lampe, Jeff Van den Berg, Paul Derenne, Pastor Carl Brewer, Victor Craig VanPay

Opened meeting with prayer

Transfer In/Transfer out: None

Old Business: None

New Business: Elder's on Ballot: Gus Schmoll, Matt Kinnard

Vicar Craig VanPay gave us an acceptance letter regarding the call.

North Wisconsin LCMS District President Dwayne Lueck and Phil Beukema will attend Craig's installation service on Sunday, January 24th at 4pm.

Next meeting: Thursday, January 28, 2021 at 6:00 pm

Closed with the Lord's prayer.

Submitted by Jeff VanDenBerg

Board of Trustee Minutes

December 14, 2020

Meeting called to order at 7:03 p.m. and opened with prayer. Members present: Dan DeGrave, Ken Batten and Lloyd Loberger.

Items discussed included:

- 1) Pastor Brewer reported that there is a problem with sound equipment in the sanctuary, (specifically there is a rattle in at least one of the speakers)." Northern Sound Contracting" will be contacted to see what can be done to correct the problem.
- 2) It was reported that the repair of the building heating equipment has begun.
- 3) It was reported that both the floor scrubber and the carpet cleaner are in need of repair.
- 4) The Trustees are progressing on the implementation of the "financial review" process. They are using the LCMS congregational treasurer's manual as a guide.
- 5) Volunteers to help with snow removal have been contacted and a list has been assembled. New members will be brought on board and orientated as the need arises.

Meeting adjourned and closed with prayer at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Lloyd Loberger

Stewardship Committee Minutes November 17, 2020

Members present: Carolyn Jorgenson, Carmine Nell, Ann Reckelberg, and Bev Zimmerman

Stewardship Job Description

The committee reviewed the latest version of the committee member's responsibilities. Ann will reach out to the Church office to see if there is an electronic version to make a few updates.

Nominations for 2021 Voter's Meeting

We were looking for two nominees for the upcoming voter's election in January. We have one member who is interested in joining the committee. There have been several inquiries made to others without much luck. Pastor will mention at the upcoming church services to see if anyone is interested.

Cookbook

Sales have been going good for the cookbook; almost half have been sold.

Blood Drive

There will be a blood drive on November 23rd American Red Cross will handle all coordination again.

Adopt a Family Inquiry

This was discussed and although we feel this is a good idea and would be a great partnership, the committee felt we would not be able to assist at this time. It would require more upfront planning, designing, and implementing and the committee members felt we would not have enough time to have a successful outcome.

SHAPES

This is currently on hold until we can determine what is the best approach to move forward during this time.

Next meeting is on January 12th at 6:30.

Submitted by: Carmine Nell

Board of Education Minutes December 14, 2020

*Members present: Jodi Reinhard, Loren Vandenberg, Heather Vande Vyver, Kathy Nelson, Shelly Piesler, Terri Batten, and Pastor Brewer

LIFE Hour

- The Board of Education will be sending out a survey to gain feedback about in-person Life Hour. The board will then discuss the results during our monthly meeting in January and devise a plan. More information to follow the January meeting.

Christmas Program

- Kevin is working on completing the virtual Christmas program which will be shown at the December 20 services (8:00 and 10:30).

**Janice Krueger and Stacey Fett have agreed to put their names on the ballot as candidates for the Board of Education elections to replace Shelly and Jodi.

Next meeting: January 11 at 6:00pm in person

Submitted by Shelly Piesler