

Week of  
02/10/2019



Join the  
**St. John's Lutheran  
Ministries Schools -Official**  
group for news, updates  
and daily encouragement!

## Welcome in the name of the Lord !

As God serves us today in Word and Sacrament, may we rejoice in His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation.

- 1) Please complete either a Guest (blue) or Member (white) card found in the hymnal rack of the pews. You may place this card in the offering plate as it is passed during the service.
- 2) To parents of small children, we love the sound of children in worship. Thank you for bringing your child to worship; they belong here! If your child is actively crying, we have a cry room with service audio and video near the restrooms.
- 3) Regarding the Lord's Supper today: If you are not a confirmed member of this congregation or a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, please speak to the pastor before communing. Pastor is readily available in the narthex before worship for this conversation. For those with medical need, the center section of the individual cup trays is filled with cups of grape juice (darker color). For those that have a gluten intolerance, gluten-free wafers are available. Share your need as you come forward to the altar.
- 4) Children are invited to come forward to the altar while the Lord's Supper is distributed; encourage them to bow their heads and fold their hands. While there, they will receive a Baptismal blessing from the Pastor.
- 5) We ask that if you have a mobile device, please silence it during the worship service.
- 6) Our elders, greeters, and ushers are here to help with any of your worship needs today.

Thanks for worshipping with us!

### THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (10)

- 8:00 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament  
9:00 a.m. Blood Pressure Screening, Nursery  
9:15 a.m. Christian Education and Coffee Hour, CLC  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School, School Cafeteria  
10:30 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament  
11:30 a.m. Sweetheart Brunch, School Cafeteria

### MONDAY (11)

- 10:00am Tivoli Monthly Worship  
5:30 p.m. Walkie Talkies, Divine Savior Hospital Tunnel

### TUESDAY (12)

- 6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, CLC  
9:15 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Class, CLC  
2:00 p.m. Columbia Healthcare Center Monthly Worship  
6:00 p.m. Executive Committee, CLC  
6:30 p.m. Sisters in Christ Bible Study, CDC Basement

### WEDNESDAY (13)

- 10:00 a.m. Chapel  
12:00 p.m. Weekly Announcements Due  
5:00 p.m. Handbell Choir, Balcony  
5:00 p.m. Youth Group, Gym and YG Room  
6:30 p.m. Adult Choir, Balcony  
6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class, CLC and APR

### THURSDAY (14)

- 8:00 a.m. Esther Bible Class, CLC  
9:30 a.m. Rachel Bible Class, CLC  
9:30 a.m. Walkie Talkies, Divine Savior Hospital  
5:30 p.m. Thirsty Souls Bible Study, CLC

### FRIDAY (15)

### SATURDAY (16)

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast Bible Study, Dino's  
5:30 p.m. Service of Word & Sacrament  
7:00 p.m. St. John's Valentine Dance, gym

### THE SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY (17)

- 8:00 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament  
9:15 a.m. Christian Education and Coffee Hour, CLC  
9:15 a.m. Sunday School, School Cafeteria  
10:30 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament

APR = All Purpose Room,  
CLC = Christian Life Center  
CDC = St. John's Child  
Development Center  
Also listed on  
[www.stjohnsportage.com](http://www.stjohnsportage.com)

Announcements to be  
printed must be in the church office no  
later than **NOON** on Wednesday. Send  
all correspondence to  
[churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com](mailto:churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com).

## Please Pray

Thanksgiving (birth, baptisms, weddings, recovery):

Birth of Grayson Carter  
(grandson of Ron and Elaine Hull)

Milestone (birthdays, anniversaries):

Medical:

Don Weideman, Stacy Ekdahl, Sue Schmidtil, Ron Mueller, and Mary Ann Bauer (sister of Barb Steinhaus)

Long-term Illness/Treatment

Bob Daly (father of Melissa Leeland)

Mourning:

The Bauman Family death of Eldean Einspahr

Other:

How Do I Get Someone on the Prayer List?

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a name added to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Prayer requests for Thanksgiving, Milestone, Medical, and Mourning will remain on the list for a 2-weeks. Prayer requests for Long-term Illness/Treatment will remain for 1 month unless the church office is notified with an update on the individual. Please be sure that you have the permission of the individual before contacting the church office to add them to the public prayer list.

**\*Please notify the church office when one of our church family members is in the hospital, so that a pastoral visit may be made or arranged.**

## St. John's Info. Corner

Last Weekend's Attendance: 301  
Unified Received: \$15,852.79  
Other Contributions: \$1,350.00  
TOTAL: \$17,202.79  
Weekly Unified Needed: \$13,781.00



## Upcoming St. John's Events:

### Valentine's Day Babysitting

Let Youth Group watch your children on Valentine's Day!

We have an evening filled with movies, games, crafts, food and FUN!

**When:** February 14th, 2019 from 5:00pm to 9:00pm

**Where:** St. John's School gym

Suggested donation \$5/hour for each child.

Please RSVP to youth@stjohnsportage.com

### Grab your family and friends and don't forget your dancing shoes!

St. John's Parent Teacher Organization is hosting a Valentines Dance Party!

Music and games by DJ St. John's Youth Group, "heart" dogs, snacks, a photo booth, face painting, and games.

**When:** Saturday, February 16th from 6:30-8:30pm

**Where:** St. John's Lutheran School gym

This is a free event, however donations are welcome.

### Is Kindergarten on your mind?

We invite you to St. John's Lutheran School kindergarten open house on Thursday, February 21st from 5:00pm to 6:30pm. We are a Wisconsin Choice School, and financial aid is available. Please RSVP at 742-9000x108 or

### 4 Year Old Pre-K Open House

We invite you to St. John's Child Development Center's 4 Year Old Pre-K Open House Thursday, February 28th from 3:30pm to 5:30pm. For more information, please contact our center director, Debbie Drew at 742-9000 or cdcoffice@stjohnsportage.com

### Life Ministry Workshop

You're invited to an introduction to life ministry workshop at St. John's Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 2, 1:00-4:00 (registration starts at 12:30.) Church office has registration forms and more information.

Questions of any kind? Call Stephenie (920-264-8317 – leave message if she doesn't answer.)



### Financial Peace University (FPU)

Want to pay off all your DEBT, and save for emergencies? Want to have Financial Peace and improve your marriage or single life? Learn how to handle finances the biblical way and learn what God says about it. This class has something for you to learn no matter what age. Daycare provided if needed. Classes starting **Monday March 4, 2019 at 6:00pm** in the CLC.

Materials cost is \$120. The investment you can make! Material payment plans available if needed. Materials can be purchased in class or by contacting class leaders

Jim Atkinson

608-697-7052 [jim@atkinsonrealtor.com](mailto:jim@atkinsonrealtor.com) or

Amanda Bell

608-572-0731 [amandahbell@yahoo.com](mailto:amandahbell@yahoo.com)

### Follett Book Fair!

Coming soon to St. John's School, the Follett Book Fair!

**When:** March 4th—7th

**Where:** St. John's Lutheran School

Mrs. Hovland and Ms. Gerling are planning a few surprises and an event to celebrate reading/books! Look for more information in the next few weeks.



**Lenten Supper** signup available at the Welcome Center.

Supper is served at 5:30pm in the Christian Life Center during Lent.

March 6th:	6th-Grade	April 3rd:	Adult
March 10th:	OPEN		Choir
March 20th:	OPEN	April 10th:	OPEN
March 27th:	OPEN		

## Crusaders' Calendar

### St. John's Crusaders Girls Basketball

St. John's A/B Teams -vs- St. Mary's  
Monday, February 11th. The first game starts at 5:00pm.

St. John's A/B Teams @ St. Joseph's in Baraboo  
Tuesday, February 12th. The first game starts at 5:00pm.

Come out and support St. John's Crusaders!  
GO BLUE!

## We Are Hiring

### Before and after-school program teacher wanted

We are currently seeking a positive, energetic, and highly motivated individual for our Pardeeville before and after-school program. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact the Child Development Center office at cdcoffice@stjohnsportage.com for a complete job description and application.

## St. John's Ministries

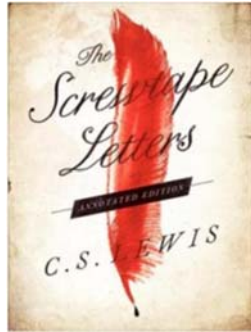
### **Sunday School**

Sundays, 9:15am to 10:15am  
Grades 3k to 5<sup>th</sup>  
St. John's Lutheran School -  
Cafeteria  
Join us for fun with the 10  
Commandments.



### **Youth Group**

Wednesdays, 5pm to 7:30pm  
Grades 6<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup>  
St. John's Lutheran School -  
Gym/Youth Group  
Join us as we continue to read and  
study The Screwtape Letters  
by C.S. Lewis.



### **Bread of Life Ministry**

Bread of Life Ministry is looking for volunteers to assist with bread delivery once every 7 weeks in the Portage area. This would require visiting and delivering bread to visitors. There are no meetings to attend. If interested, please contact Robin 608-697-2209 or Jan 608-742-6776.

## Boards and Committees

### **The Board of Stewards Needs You!**

The Board of Stewards is looking for new members. The purpose of the Stewards is to help the congregation use the gifts that they have been blessed with to spread His glory. Our gifts include our talents, time, careers, knowledge, and money.

#### **What does the Board of Stewards do?**

We do things like host the new members dinner, organize pledge week, and promote Financial Peace University, among others.

#### **When do we meet?**

Our meetings are at 5:00pm the first Monday of each month in the CLC.

If you are interested or have questions, please contact Amanda Bell at 608-572-0731.

## Did you know?

### **We have a library!**

Have you ever wondered where our church library is and how to check out books? Visit the church library located at the Welcome Center.

If you find a book that piques your interest, take it home, read it, and return it. It is just that simple!

No paperwork – no hassle!

## St. John's Lutheran School

### **Enroll your student at St. John's Lutheran School.**

St. John's Lutheran Ministries offers quality Christian education and childcare in a safe, family-friendly environment, as preparation for a rich, full, and successful life.

Children at St. John's are taught and cared for by dedicated, certified, Christian teachers who understand the importance of caring for the whole child. We are a Wisconsin Choice School. Enrollment for the choice program ends on April 30, 2019.

Contact us today for more information, (608) 742-9000, or visit our website: [www.stjohnsportage.com](http://www.stjohnsportage.com).

## Radio Broadcast

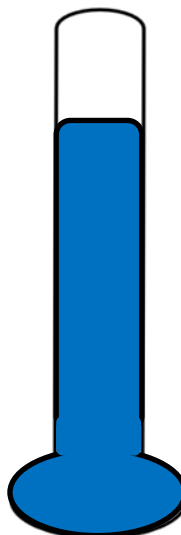
### **Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast**

Our Sunday morning broadcast of the previous Sunday service continues at 10:00am on WPDR 1350 AM. Broadcasts (\$50) as well as the order of service booklets (\$30) may be sponsored in honor or in memory of a special person or occasion.

## Reminder

Pastor Hovland's cell number is (608) 571-3360. Program it into your phone before you need it. Text him your prayer requests. Call him in times of spiritual distress or needed pastoral care. The only way your pastor knows that you want or need help is when you ask. Remember: hospitals CANNOT give your information to pastor by HIPAA regulation. You or a family member needs to do it. Please reserve evening and nighttime calls/texts for emergency situations that are occurring at that moment. (Note: text messages received after 8pm are reviewed the next morning. Call in an emergency.)

## New Property Loan



### **New Property Loan**

We are continuing to work on the New Property Loan. Once we pay back the loan of **\$75,000.00**, we can move to phase two of our new property goals. If you wish to donate to the New Property Loan, please contact the church office: 742-9000. Thank you to all who have donated.

Remaining Balance  
**\$16,894.28**

# Bible Study

## Are you able to host Coffee Hour?

We encourage groups to host coffee hour on Sunday mornings so that individuals aren't overwhelmed. If you are involved in a Bible study, board, or group that would like to host, please contact the church office to sign up!

February 10:	Girls Basketball
February 17:	Davenport Family
February 24:	OPEN
March 03:	OPEN
March 10:	OPEN

This week's readings schedule comes from the Daily Lectionary found in the Lutheran Service Book page 303.

2/10– Job 6:14-30 John 3:22-4:6	2/14– Job 10:1-22 John 5:1-18
2/11– Job 7:1-21 John 4:7-26	2/15– Job 11:1-20 John 5:19-29
2/12– Job 8:1-22 John 4:27-45	2/16– Job 12:1-6, 12-25 John 5:30-47
2/13– Job 9:1-35 John 4:45-54	

## SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS at 9:15am

Pastor Hovland will lead Sunday Morning Bible Study with us in the Christian Life Center. We hope to see you there for coffee, fellowship, and study!

## STUDY OF THE BOOK OF ISAIAH Sunday mornings at 9:15am, APR

This class is led by Dave Tamminga.

## MEN'S BIBLE STUDY Tuesday mornings at 6:30am, CLC

Contact Ken Manthey at 742-5216.

## TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS Tuesday mornings at 9:15am, CLC

This class is led by Pastor Hovland. Come a few minutes early for treats and coffee.

## SISTERS IN CHRIST BIBLE STUDY Tuesday nights at 6:30pm, CDC lower level

All women are welcome.  
Contact Elaine Hull at 742-2034.

## ESTHER BIBLE STUDY Thursday mornings at 8:00am, CLC

Contact Mary Loomans at 742-3972.

## RACHEL BIBLE STUDY Thursday mornings at 9:30am, CLC

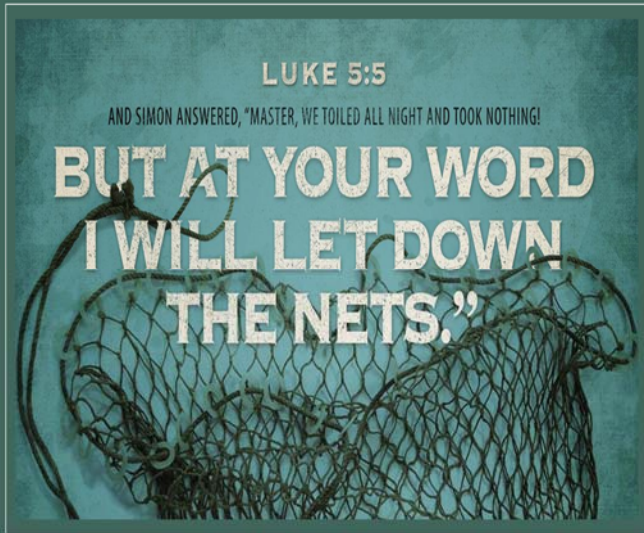
If you have questions, contact Gladys Chance at 566-1123.

## THIRSTY SOULS BIBLE STUDY Thursday nights at 5:30pm, CLC

If you have questions, contact Marilyn Jahn at 617-7787.

## SATURDAY MORNING MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY Saturday mornings at 7:00am, Dino's in Portage

The group is working through Corinthians. Contact Dave Tamminga at 742-3164.



## STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

### THE FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Peter's words show both exasperation and trust. He's tired. He tried his best and failed. But he still is ready to trust the Lord's word – and act on it. Our stewardship is also a matter of trusting the Lord's word...and acting on it.

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**St. John's Elder Directory**

The elders listed below are available to talk and pray with you. Feel free to contact us wherever you are, with whatever you may be going through. We CARE and are here for you:

Ken Chvojicek 697-2102  
Robert Griepentrog 566-9810  
Gene Thompson 697-4786  
Don Wakershauser 617-6171  
Mark Witt 697-0224  
Bob Fairfield 296-4012  
Ron Mueller 369-1845, Chair

*St. John's* Lutheran Ministries  
see - believe - receive - serve



## 5:30 and 8:00 Worship

<b>Sharing of the Peace and Ringing of the Bell</b>	
<b>Hymn</b>	
<i>"God Himself Is Present"</i>	LSB 907
<b>Invocation</b>	
<b>Exhortation</b>	LSB 151
<b>Confession of Sins and Absolution</b>	LSB 151
<b>Kyrie</b>	LSB 152
<b>This Is the Feast</b>	LSB 155
<b>Salutation and Collect of the Day</b>	
<b>The Old Testament</b>	Isaiah 6:1-13
<b>The Epistle</b>	1 Corinthians 14:12b-20
<b>Alleluia</b>	LSB 156
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>	Luke 5:1-11
<b>Hymn of the Day</b>	
<i>"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"</i>	LSB 398
<b>Sermon</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	LSB back cover
<b>Prayer of the Church</b>	
<b>Preface</b>	LSB 160
<b>Proper Preface</b>	
<b>Sanctus</b>	LSB 161
<b>Prayer of Thanksgiving</b>	LSB 161
<b>Lord's Prayer</b>	LSB 162
<b>The Words of Our Lord</b>	
<b>Pax Domini / Agnus Dei</b>	LSB 163
<b>Distribution Hymns</b>	
<i>"Jesus Sinners Doth Receive"</i>	LSB 974
<i>"Hark, the Voice of Jesus Calling"</i>	LSB 827
<b>Thank the Lord</b>	LSB 164
<b>Post-Communion Collect</b>	
<b>Benediction</b>	LSB 166
<b>Hymn</b>	
<i>"Holy, Holy, Holy"</i>	LSB 507 sts. 1-4

## 10:30 Worship

<b>Sharing of the Peace and Ringing of the Bell</b>	
<b>Song</b>	
<i>"Here I am to Worship"</i>	
<b>Invocation</b>	<i>Matthew 28:19b</i>
<b>Exhortation</b>	<i>1 John 1:8-9</i>
<b>Confession of Sins</b>	<i>Romans 3:23</i>
<b>Absolution</b>	<i>John 20:19-23</i>
<b>Salutation and Prayer of the Day</b>	<i>2 Timothy 4:22</i>
<b>The Old Testament</b>	<i>Isaiah 6:1-13</i>
<b>The Epistle</b>	<i>1 Corinthians 14:12b-20</i>
<b>The Holy Gospel</b>	<i>Luke 5:1-11</i>
<b>Nicene Creed</b>	<i>1 Timothy 6:12</i>
<b>Song</b>	
<i>"Holy is the Lord"</i>	
<b>Sermon</b>	
<b>Offering</b>	
<i>"Father, I Adore You"</i>	
<b>Prayer of the Church</b>	<i>1 Timothy 2:1-4</i>
<b>Lord's Prayer</b>	<i>Matthew 6:9-13</i>
<b>Proper Preface</b>	<i>Psalms 136</i>
<b>Pax Domini</b>	<i>John 20:19</i>
<b>Distribution Songs</b>	
<i>"Revelation Song"</i>	
<i>"Sanctuary"</i>	
<b>The Common Dismissal</b>	
<b>Post-Communion Collect</b>	
<b>Benediction</b>	<i>Numbers 6:24-26</i>
<b>Closing Song</b>	
<i>"How Can I Keep From Singing"</i>	

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Divine Service, Setting one from Lutheran Service Book  
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### February 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> The Fifth Sunday After the Epiphany



A Congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Serving the Worshipping Community Today:

**Organist:** Sara Jakeman

**Lectors:** Elaine Hull (5:30); Norm Hurd (8:00);  
Claudia Fairfield (10:30)

**Worship Team:** Led by Lisa Tessmann and Kara Rietmann

## The Old Testament

Isaiah 6:1-13

In the year that King Uzziah died I saw the Lord sitting upon a throne, high and lifted up; and the train of his robe filled the temple. Above him stood the seraphim. Each had six wings: with two he covered his face, and with two he covered his feet, and with two he flew. And one called to another and said:

“Holy, holy, holy is the LORD of hosts;  
the whole earth is full of his glory!”

And the foundations of the thresholds shook at the voice of him who called, and the house was filled with smoke. And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!”

Then one of the seraphim flew to me, having in his hand a burning coal that he had taken with tongs from the altar. And he touched my mouth and said: “Behold, this has touched your lips; your guilt is taken away, and your sin atoned for.”

And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, “Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?” Then I said, “Here am I! Send me.” And he said, “Go, and say to this people:

“Keep on hearing, but do not understand;  
keep on seeing, but do not perceive.’

Make the heart of this people dull,  
and their ears heavy,  
and blind their eyes;

lest they see with their eyes,  
and hear with their ears,  
and understand with their hearts,  
and turn and be healed.”

Then I said, “How long, O Lord?”

And he said:

“Until cities lie waste  
without inhabitant,  
and houses without people,  
and the land is a desolate waste,  
and the LORD removes people far away,  
and the forsaken places are many in the  
midst of the land.

And though a tenth remain in it,

it will be burned again,  
like a terebinth or an oak,  
whose stump remains  
when it is felled.”

The holy seed is its stump.

## The Epistle

1 Corinthians 14:12b-20

Since you are eager for manifestations of the Spirit, strive to excel in building up the church.

Therefore, one who speaks in a tongue should pray for the power to interpret. For if I pray in a tongue, my spirit prays but my mind is unfruitful. What am I to do? I will pray with my spirit, but I will pray with my mind also; I will sing praise with my spirit, but I will sing with my mind also. Otherwise, if you give thanks with your spirit, how can anyone in the position of an outsider say “Amen” to your thanksgiving when he does not know what you are saying? For you may be giving thanks well enough, but the other person is not being built up. I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. Nevertheless, in church I would rather speak five words with my mind in order to instruct others, than ten thousand words in a tongue.

Brothers, do not be children in your thinking. Be infants in evil, but in your thinking be mature.

## The Holy Gospel

Luke 5:1-11

On one occasion, while the crowd was pressing in on [Jesus] to hear the word of God, he was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, and he saw two boats by the lake, but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had finished speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” And when they had done this, they enclosed a large number of fish, and their nets were breaking. They signaled to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” For he and all who were with him were astonished at the catch of fish that they had taken, and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.