

5:30 & 8:00 WORSHIP

8:00 Special Music *Adult Choir*

Announcements *(if any)*

The Peace of The Lord

Hymn

"'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here" LSB 414

Confession and Absolution LSB 151

Kyrie LSB 152

Hymn of Praise "This Is the Feast" LSB 155

Collect of the Day

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Epistle Hebrews 3:1-6

5:30 Alleluia and Verse LSB 156

8:00 Special Music *Adult Choir*

Holy Gospel Luke 9:28-36

Hymn of the Day

"O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair" LSB 413

Sermon

Apostles' Creed LSB back cover

Prayers

Offering / Offertory LSB 159

Preface / Sanctus LSB 160

Lord's Prayer LSB 162

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei LSB 163

Distribution Hymns

"Beautiful Savior" LSB 537

"Guide Me, O Thou Great Redeemer" LSB 918

Post-Communion Canticle LSB 164

Post-Communion Prayer

Benediction

Hymn

"Alleluia, Song of Gladness" LSB 417

10:30 CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP

Announcements *(if any)*

The Peace of The Lord

Songs

"Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus"

"God of Wonders"

Confession and Absolution

Opening Prayer

Old Testament Reading Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Epistle Hebrews 3:1-6

Holy Gospel Luke 9:28-36

Apostles' Creed

Song

"How Great Is Our God"

Sermon

Offering Song

"Shine, Jesus, Shine"

Prayer of the Church

Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Distribution

"Holy Spirit"

Closing Prayer

Benediction

Closing Song

"Our God" Come on up kiddos!

Serving the Worshipping Community Today

Organist: Mary Loomans

Lectors: Ron Mueller (5:30); Al Volpentesta (8:00);

Kris Winkelmann (10:30)

8:00 Special Music: Adult Choir dir. by Kathy Gerstenkorn

"Come to the Mountain"

"Jesus, Take Us to the Mountain"

Worship Team: Led by Lisa Tessmann and Kara Rietmann

Old Testament Reading

Deuteronomy 34:1-12

Then Moses went up from the plains of Moab to Mount Nebo, to the top of Pisgah, which is opposite Jericho. And the LORD showed him all the land, Gilead as far as Dan, all Naphtali, the land of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the western sea, the Negeb, and the Plain, that is, the Valley of Jericho the city of palm trees, as far as Zoar. And the LORD said to him, "This is the land of which I swore to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, 'I will give it to your offspring.' I have let you see it with your eyes, but you shall not go over there." So Moses the servant of the LORD died there in the land of Moab, according to the word of the LORD, and he buried him in the valley in the land of Moab opposite Beth-peor; but no one knows the place of his burial to this day. Moses was 120 years old when he died. His eye was undimmed, and his vigor unabated. And the people of Israel wept for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days. Then the days of weeping and mourning for Moses were ended.

And Joshua the son of Nun was full of the spirit of wisdom, for Moses had laid his hands on him. So the people of Israel obeyed him and did as the LORD had commanded Moses. And there has not arisen a prophet since in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, none like him for all the signs and the wonders that the LORD sent him to do in the land of Egypt, to Pharaoh and to all his servants and to all his land, and for all the mighty power and all the great deeds of terror that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

Epistle

Hebrews 3:1-6

Therefore, holy brothers, you who share in a heavenly calling, consider Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, who was faithful to him who appointed him, just as Moses also was faithful in all God's house. For Jesus has been counted worthy of more glory than Moses—as much more glory as the builder of a house has more honor than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God.) Now Moses was faithful in all God's house as a servant, to testify to the things that were to be spoken later, but Christ is faithful over God's house as a son. And we are his house if indeed we hold fast our confidence and our boasting in our hope.

Holy Gospel

Luke 9:28-36

Now about eight days after these sayings [Jesus] took with him Peter and John and James and went up on the mountain to pray. And as he was praying, the appearance of his face was altered, and his clothing became dazzling white. And behold, two men were talking with him, Moses and Elijah, who appeared in glory and spoke of his departure, which he was about to accomplish at Jerusalem. Now Peter and those who were with him were heavy with sleep, but when they became fully awake they saw his glory and the two men who stood with him. And as the men were parting from him, Peter said to Jesus, "Master, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah"—not knowing what he said. As he was saying these things, a cloud came and overshadowed them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. And a voice came out of the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, my Chosen One; listen to him!" And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found alone. And they kept silent and told no one in those days anything of what they had seen.

Holy Communion

Saint John's

celebrates The Lord's Supper, knowing that "it is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and drink." In this meal, we receive the forgiveness of sins. It strengthens our union with Christ and one another. Our Lord invites to his table those baptized and instructed Christians who trust his words, repent of all sin, and forgive and love others as He forgives and loves us. Holy Communion is also a public testimony of our unity of faith. Please speak to the pastor before communing if you intend to receive the sacrament, but you are not yet instructed in Luther's Small Catechism, in doubt, or hold a different teaching from this congregation and The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm, all individuals who commune should first spiritually examine and prepare themselves before communing. A self-examination includes the following questions:

- Do I believe I am a sinner?
- Do I, by the power of the Holy Spirit, believe in Jesus Christ as my Savior?
- Do I believe Jesus' own words that I receive His true body and true blood in this meal?
- Do I, by the Holy Spirit, intend to change my sinful ways (repent)?

If you cannot say "yes" to these questions, please speak with the pastor privately before attending the Lord's Supper.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Week of February 7, 2016



Find us on
Facebook

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

SUNDAY (07) THE TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

- 8:00 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament
- 11:30 a.m. Youth Group, CDC

MONDAY (08)

- 10:00 a.m. Worship @ Tivoli
- 5:30 p.m. Walkie Talkies, Tivoli
- 6:30 p.m. Health & Wellness, APR

TUESDAY (09)

- 6:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study, CLC
- 9:15 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Class, CLC
- 2:30 p.m. Worship @ Wyocena
- 5:30 p.m. Thirsty Souls Bible Study, Two Rivers Signs
- 6:30 p.m. Executive Committee, CLC (Rescheduled)
- 6:30 p.m. Sisters In Christ Bible Study, CDC

WEDNESDAY (10) ASH WEDNESDAY

- 10:00 a.m. Ash Wednesday Service & Sacrament
- 5:00 p.m. Handbells, Balcony
- 5:30 p.m. WEBS, School Lunchroom
- 5:30 p.m. Lent Supper, CLC
- 6:30 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service & Sacrament
- 6:30 p.m. Public School Confirmation
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir, Balcony

THURSDAY (11)

- 8:00 a.m. Esther Bible Class, CLC
- 9:30 a.m. Rachel Bible Class, CLC
- 10:00 a.m. Walkie Talkies, Tivoli (DSH)

FRIDAY (12)

NO ACTIVITIES SCHEDULED

SATURDAY (13) FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

- 5:30 p.m. Service of Word & Sacrament

SUNDAY (14) FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

- 8:00 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament
- 9:15 a.m. Christian Education Hour
- 10:30 a.m. Service of Word & Sacrament
- 11:30 a.m. Youth Group, CDC

*Christian Education Hour This Week

Adult Bible Class, CLC • Study of Exodus, APR
Sunday School, School Gym

APR = All Purpose Room; CLC = Christian Life Center

CDC = St. John's Child Development Center

Also listed on www.stjohnsportage.com under "calendar" link.

BIBLE STUDIES

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS @9:15

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 EPISTLES This class is led by Dave Tamminga **Sunday mornings at 9:15** in the All-Purpose Room.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS meets Tuesday mornings at 9:15 and is led by Pastor Hovland. Come a few minutes early for treats and coffee.

THIRSTY SOULS BIBLE STUDY meets **Tuesdays, at 5:30 p.m.** at Two Rivers Signs (1316 Wauona Trail, Portage). Contact Marilyn Jahn at 617-7787.

SISTERS IN CHRIST BIBLE STUDY meets @ **6:30 pm Tuesday nights** to study *Heroes of the Faith* in the CDC lower level. All women are welcome. Contact Elaine Hull 742-2034.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY meets **Tuesday mornings at 6:00 a.m.** in the CLC. Contact Ken Manthey at 742-5216.

ESTHER BIBLE STUDY meets **Thursday mornings at 8:00 a.m.** in the CLC. Contact Mary Loomans at 742-3972.

RACHEL BIBLE STUDY meets **Thursday mornings at 9:30 a.m.** in the CLC. If you have questions, contact Gladys Chance @ 742-2014.

**Announcements to be printed must be in the church office no later than Wednesday NOON.*

FOR EVERY HOUSE IS
BUILT BY SOMEONE,
BUT GOD IS THE BUILDER
OF EVERYTHING.

Hebrews 3:4

ST. JOHN'S INFO CORNER

Last Weekend's Attendance: 411

Unified Received: \$13,299.65

Other Contributions: \$1,287.00

TOTAL: \$14,586.65

Weekly Unified Needed: \$13,781.00

ST. JOHN'S ELDER DIRECTORY

The Elders listed below are available to talk with 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:

Elder Gene Thompson 697-4786

Elder Ron Mueller 369-1845

Elder Bob Griepentrog 566-9810

Elder Al Volpentesta 697-9566

Elder Don Waukerhauser 617-6171

Elder Ray Wiser 617-6816

Elder Ken Chvojicek 697-2102

Head Elder Jim Atkinson 697-7052

PRAYER REQUESTS

(Names in bold face are members of St. John's)

Illness:

Delores Fandrich; Verona Gray; Jane Kaiser; James Mientke; Edmond Spaeth (*husband of Ray Wiser's sister-in-law*); **Connie Chapman** (*dealing with chemo treatments*).

Hospitalized:

Tiffany Veach (*daughter of Ken and Marilyn Baars*)

Recovering:

Dennis Bennett; Veronica Clymer; Robert Hoffer; Joyce Mael; Kenneth Schwanz

How Do I Get Someone on the Prayer List?

If you or someone you know would like to have your name added to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Individuals will remain for a 2-week period. Please keep us **updated on a regular basis**.

***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.**

ALSO: Please be sure that you have the permission of the individual before contacting the church office to add them to the public prayer list.



Marriage Milestones

Feb. 8: Jody & Beverly Hornat celebrate 10 years!

Feb. 14: Steve & Deb Rohrbeck celebrate 40 years!



Thank you Adult Choir for serving this weekend! 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!

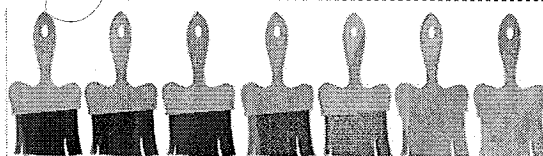
Feb 14	Pribnows & Norlands	Feb 28	Theresa Smith
Feb 21	Riewes & Jakemans	Mar 6	Virginia L. & Shirley P

Radio Ministry



Our **Sunday morning broadcast** of the previous Sunday service continues at 10:00 a.m. 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.



PAINTING DAY HAS BEEN CANCELED.

There will no longer be a painting day at St. John's Child Development Center on February 20. Please stay tuned for a replacement day yet to be determined.

LOCAL resources

Steps of Change: Free Drug & Addiction Awareness Education Series in the Portage Library Education Room

9:30-10 a/ Service Resource Fair • 10 a-Noon/ Speakers

Saturday Series Schedule: **2/13:** Drugs & Legal Impacts-Drugs in Community and Legal Interactions • **2/20:**

Addiction and the Family -Impacts on Family

Members •**2/27:** Treatment & Recovery-Pathways to Treatment and Recovery



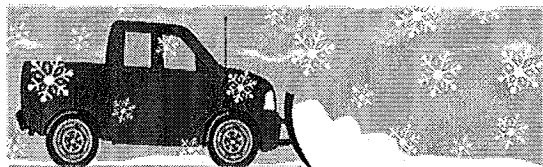
23rd Annual

"One Heart Women's Seminar."

Mark your calendar for February 27, 2016 from 8a-3p. Cost of \$25 includes morning coffee/muffin and delicious Wintergreen lunch. This special day will be at the Wintergreen Resort in the Wisconsin Dells. Brochures are in the church office. For more information, call Bonnie at 608-742-6893.

SANCTITY *of human life*

Baby bottles will be available in the narthex for the next several weeks in support of the Columbia County Pregnancy Resource Center. Coins or checks may be placed in the bottles and returned by February 13 and 14. The Resource Center is also in need of disposable diapers and baby wipes. These can also be placed in the basket in the narthex or brought to the church office. Your donations help the PRC meet financial needs and increase awareness in the community about this important ministry. Thank you for your support of Life.



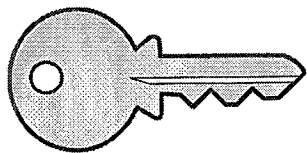
Salting/ Plowing

Do any of our church members have a plow truck? We are looking for someone to be on call for February 1-10 in case of the parking lot needing to be cleared. Our usual go-to volunteer will be unavailable during this time.



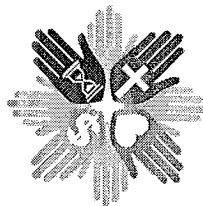
In Christ Alone
LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

Thank You to everyone who gave to help the youth get to New Orleans in July by contributing \$161.00 at last Sunday's Coffee Hour!
-Jean & Irma



THE OUTDOOR LOCKS

have been switched out between all three buildings to an electronic key fab system. Starting February 12, a new key fab will be required to enter the church, school, and child development center. Board Chairs and other group leaders will receive issued keys. If you need one and have not gotten one, please contact the church office. Indoor locks will still require THE SAME key that you currently have, so PLEASE KEEP IT!



STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

Luke 9:36 "And when the voice had spoken, Jesus was found

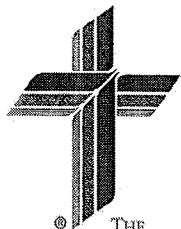
alone." Moses and Elijah point to Jesus, speak about Jesus and His sacrifice and then they are happy to fade into the background. They know that what we need is Jesus. With our eyes focused on Him and Him alone the rest of our lives come into focus. He is primary, all else is secondary. When that order is right in our lives, things truly fall into place. Or as Jesus Himself said, "Seek first the kingdom of God and all these things will be added unto you." **Witness:** "Don't tell...until the Son of Man has been raised from the dead." With those words, Jesus made the resurrection the key to evangelism. Good News like that just cannot be kept to ourselves. As the Father instructed, listen to Jesus. Tell of His glory.



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LCMS YOUTH GATHERING

FUNDRAISING

ST. JOHN'S YOUTH GROUP is raising funds to go to the LCMS National Youth Gathering in July 2016, and would like to offer their services to the congregation and community for snow shoveling and spring clean up, like leaves, windows, etc. This is open-ended offer, so please call Joel Leeland at 608-697-5173, or the church office if you need help.



THE LUTHERAN CHURCH
Missouri Synod

Have you ever considered becoming a pastor or deaconess?

If so, Rev. Bill Wrede from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis would like to meet with you at Bethlehem Lutheran Church on Thursday, February 25 between 3:00 and 7:00p.m. Rev. Wrede is interested in meeting with prospective students of all ages—elementary school age through adults. Appointments are individual, informal, and family/friends are welcome to come with you. Appointments are not necessary but encouraged. If you are interested in scheduling a specific time, please contact Rev. Wrede at 314.505.7221 or wredew@csl.edu.

St. John's Child Development Center



is selling Butter Braids® frozen pastries to help raise funds for their center playground as well as John Muir gross motor activities for the before & after

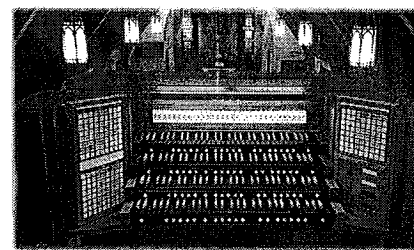
school program. Orders must be in no later than February 29 with a delivery date of March 18. The cost for each pastry is \$12, and checks may be written to **St. John's Child Development Center**. Please contact the church office or child development center if you would like to make an order. Available flavors are: Apple, Blueberry, Caramel Rolls, Cherry, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, Raspberry, and Strawberry & Cream Cheese. YUM!!!

thank you! Dear friends
in Christ,

What a tremendous display of Giving that was shown over the Thanksgiving and Christmas season. We received donation after donation and all to support your students and their families here at Concordia Seminary. Thank You!

Each and every donation is so important to the Food Bank, since now we are offering 2 shopping days each month instead of just one. I am continually being thanked for the additional day, but I have to remind them it has nothing to do with me, but everything to do with YOU. Your support is the reason we can offer free food to each student. Our Food Bank is run 100% from donations, so every can and every dollar are paramount to our survival. Thank you for remembering the Food Bank and for your generous giving. You continue to be such a blessing to the Food Bank. Thank you for your continued support.

Cindy Bunte, MS, RD
St. Louis Seminary Food Bank Coordinator



to attend the **Inaugural Organ Concert at Monona Ev. Lutheran Church** on February 14th starting at 2:00 p.m. The church (technically the parking lot) is located at 4411 Monona Dr. Enjoy some music and fellowship before enjoying a romantic dinner with your valentine! The concert is in conjunction with the church's annual *Gift from the Heart* event. **The Road Home** and **The St. Stephen's Food Pantry** will be the recipients of the concert's free will offering. A time of refreshments and fellowship will follow the concert. The organ will also be available for those who would like to play it.

Since 2014, the church has been in the process of replacing their mid-90s Rodgers organ with a new Hauptwerk organ. Hauptwerk is a computer program upon which digitally recorded organs (sample sets) from around the world can be played. The church has purchased several notable sample sets including the Willis organ at Hereford Cathedral; the Marcussen organ from Laurenskerk, Rotterdam; and the Oberlinger organ in Bonn-Beuel, Germany. All of these sample sets are playable from the 4-manual console in the balcony of the church.



CAN YOU SPARE A FEW HOURS?

Our Savior Deaf Lutheran church needs help with their approximately 2500 piece mailing. It would be very much appreciated

if you could volunteer even a few hours on Friday, February 19th, 2016. You are welcome to join us at Bethlehem Lutheran Church; 300 Broadway Drive; Sun Prairie any time after 8:30 am. Questions? Please contact Anneliese Kroll at 837-0375.

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