

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod

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Weekly Announcements and News from St. John's for

March 10, 2019 — FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

Sunday Bible Study: Pastor Waldschmidt is the Adult Bible Class leader, teaching a class on Luther's Catechisms. Sunday School for children and adults continues as it has all year. Sunday School children meet in the gym; adults meet in the sanctuary. FYSH classes (for high school students), Nursery Care (for infants and toddlers), and membership classes take place between the services, as well—Sundays, 9:15-10:15 am. Schedules are posted around the church.

Sunday Treats: We enjoy coffee and treats on Sunday mornings during the Bible class hour. Sometimes we have donuts from Gooseberries or volunteers provide treats, and we are always looking for more volunteers. If your family or group is willing to provide Sunday morning treats, there is a sign-up sheet located across from the school work room.

Lenten Service: Join us Wednesday, March 13, for our Lenten service at 3:30 and 6:30 pm. A light supper (BBQ) will be served from 4:30 – 5:45 pm by St. John's Women's Ministries. Freewill donations would be appreciated at each meal to help cover the costs of the dinners. Usher teams are H & A.

Call Accepted: Mr. Jeff Zilisch, our 5th & 6th grade teacher, received a divine call to teach 5th grade at Wisconsin Lutheran School in Racine, and he has accepted that call. We pray for God's blessings to Mr. Zilisch as he begins teaching in this new call next school year.

Lenten Bible Reading Bookmarks: This Lenten season, instead of "giving something up," we as a congregation are encouraged to "take something up" - the Bible! Let's take up our Bible each day in Lent and read a selected portion of Scripture. Special bookmarks are available in the narthex for each St. John's member to take, which list a Bible reading for each day of Lent, based on Jesus' Sermon on the Mount. Let's make it our goal as a congregation that as many members as possible "take up" their Bible every day in Lent and read the same selected Scripture passages as we journey through Lent to the cross and the empty tomb.

FYSH Event: The FYSH group would like to invite all High Schoolers to the March Madness Event at the Velardo's house! Please join us on Friday, March 22 at 5:00 pm. There will be a few TV's set up to watch the NCAA Tournament and lots of great food! Please RSVP on the Group Me App by March 18. Any questions, please contact Paul Velardo (262-748-4552).

Easter for Kids: This spring St. John's is offering an Easter for Kids program, not only for our member children but also and especially for children of our community. Easter for Kids is a one-day VBS program that teaches children the central message of Jesus' death and resurrection. Music, crafts, games, and snacks will go hand-in-hand with the resurrection Bible lesson. The event will be Saturday, April 13, from 9-11:30am, and we are looking for volunteers helpers. We need lots of adults and students in high school or middle school. So if you are willing to help out with Easter for Kids, please speak with Pastor Lahmann.

"The Lion King Jr." School Musical: It's entertainment for the whole family! Come and applaud all of the students of our school as they present "The Lion King Jr." on Friday, March 15, at 1:00 & 7:00 pm and on Saturday, March 16, at 3:30 pm. Bring your extended family, your neighbors, and your friends, to show them how God has gifted St. John's!

Coffee with the Principal: Come and join our principal and others for coffee and conversation (and maybe treats?) on Tuesday, March 12, from 8:10-8:50 am. Timely topics, musings of the moment, and even quirky questions are all welcome. Not everyone will have these times available, but we have already witnessed our school ministry being blessed through the time we do spend together.

Elections: The Elders have distributed into your mailboxes the annual nomination forms for elected positions at St. John's. Please carefully consider the men you would nominate to the positions outlined on the nomination form and submit your nominations to the box in the narthex by Monday, March 25. Instructions are on the nomination forms.

Seasonal Church Decorating Decor: In the past we have requested real/live arrangements to add to our seasonal decorations. Due to allergies, care of plants and other factors, we are looking to switch to allergy friendly and reusable decorations. This includes poinsettias for Christmas, lilies/tulips for Easter and fall decorations such as pumpkins & gourds. This change will allow those with allergies to attend church and for all of us to enjoy the decorations longer. Please consider donating either seasonal décor or funds to help offset the cost of initially purchasing these items. Now is the perfect time with holiday deals and seasonal markdowns to acquire decorations for long term use. The decorating committee has posted a suggested list of items to donate in the narthex. You may contact Megan Hahlbeck at 262-492-8833 or sorensen174@msn.com with any questions.

Lenten Meal Host Needed: We are still looking for church groups or individuals who would like to volunteer to organize the final Lenten meal that is served between our 3:30 and 6:30 pm midweek Lenten worship services. A host is still needed for March 27. Contact the church office if you are willing to host.

Jesus Cares: Thursday, January 24 will be the next meeting time for the Jesus Cares Ministry, our outreach ministry for members of our church & community with developmental disabilities. They meet on the second & fourth Thursdays of the month, from 6:00–7:30 pm in the meeting room.

John Bible Class: Digital audio recordings and paper handouts from this year’s Bible class on the Gospel of John are available for anyone that’s interested. Just talk to PKL.

NPH Employment Opportunities:

Northwestern Publishing House is seeking two part-time accounting assistants. If you are interested in applying for this position or would like to see the full job description, visit nph.net/joinourteam.

SLHS Grade School Summer Camps:

Shoreland Lutheran High School is excited to offer summer camps for elementary and middle school aged students. From sports to STEM camps, this summer campers will have the opportunity to stay active and keep their brain muscles flexed. Please visit www.slpacers.org to register.

Events this Week

- Monday:** Worship Service 6:30 pm
Tuesday: Coffee with the Principal 8:10 am
 Public School Confirmation class 3:30 pm
 Elder Meeting 6:30 pm
Wednesday: Bible Study 8:45 am
 Lenten Worship 3:30 & 6:30 pm
 Lenten Supper 4:30 pm
 Senior Choir 7:15 pm
Thursday: Choice/Reward Help Session 10:30 am-1 pm
 Jesus Cares 6:00 pm
 Handbell Choir 7:00 pm
Friday: School Chapel 8:10 am
 School Musical 1:00 & 7:00 pm
Saturday: Home & Garden Show 9:00 am-3:00 pm
 School Musical 3:30 pm

Upcoming Events

March 25-29: School Spring Break

Counting Team for March 11: #5

Kris F., Fred & Sharon S., Sharon L.

Usher Teams for March 17: B & H; March 20: B & C

March Altar Guild: Marsha Dauffenbach (763-2545) & Regena Bilitz (262-492-6230)

Please call one of the women listed if you would like to have flowers placed in the church in memory of a loved one or to honor an event. Please contact the church office if you would like the flowers listed in the bulletin.

Budget Update For Week 36: March 5, 2019

Please note: The current budget is actually a \$39K deficit budget.

| | Weekly Actual | Weekly Budget | Surplus (Shortfall) | YTD Actual | YTD Budget | YTD Surplus (Shortfall) | Annual Budget |
|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------|------------|------------|-------------------------|---------------|
| General Offerings | 9,967 | 10,212 | (246) | 357,299 | 367,632 | (10,333) | 531,000 |
| Debt Reduction | 146 | | | 4,451 | | | |
| Capital Projects | 1,121 | | | 67,436 | | | |
| WELS | 676 | 622 | 54 | 24,156 | 22,407 | 1,749 | 32,365 |
| Shoreland | 607 | 645 | (39) | 23,579 | 23,223 | 356 | 33,545 |

St. John's Sunday School & Bible Studies

| | Sunday School for Kids | Adult Sunday School | Adult Bible Class | FYSH (High School) Bible Class |
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| Today (3/10) | Jesus Clears the Temple John 2:13-22 | Led by Bob Friedel | Luther's Large & Small Catechisms | God Is Not Dead |
| Next Week (3/17) | Jesus Teaches Nicodemus John 3:1-21 | Led by Tim Sonntag | Luther's Large & Small Catechisms | Quick to Listen |

How to Contact Your Staff

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OUR MISSION:

St. John's Lutheran Church exists to BUILD UP THE BODY OF CHRIST so that we might know Christ and make Him known.