

# THE WELCOME

St. John's Lutheran Church

Juneau Salem-Lowell Horicon

November 2019

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# November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>BC</b> - Bible Class <b>C</b> - Clearview <b>H</b> - Horizon Campus <b>J</b> - Juneau Campus <b>LS</b> - Lord's Supper <b>M</b> - Matthew's Place <b>SL</b> - Salem-Lowell Campus					<b>1</b>	
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## Worship Services

*(same service at all locations)*

### **Thursday**

6:30pm Juneau Campus

### **Saturday**

5:00pm Horicon Campus

### **Sunday**

8:00am Juneau Campus

9:30am Salem-Lowell Campus

10:30am Juneau Campus

### **Thanksgiving Worship**

November 27 at  
6:30 PM – Juneau

November 28 at  
9:30 AM – Salem-  
Lowell

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## St. John's Locations

### **Juneau Campus**

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## Live the Good Life

*“There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and lived in luxury every day. At his gate was laid a beggar named Lazarus, covered with sores and longing to eat what fell from the rich man’s table. Even the dogs came and licked his sores. “The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham’s side. The rich man also died and was buried. In Hades, where he was in torment, he looked up and saw Abraham far away, with Lazarus by his side. So he called to him, ‘Father Abraham, have pity on me and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue, because I am in agony in this fire.’ “But Abraham replied, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, while Lazarus received bad things, but now he is comforted here and you are in agony.” Luke 16:19-25*

A few years ago, a dog in China made headlines. His owner, the son of a Chinese billionaire, bought him eight brand-new, recently released cell phones. This means Coco’s owner spent about \$9,500 to buy his dog cell phones she will never use.

Coco is the kind of dog the rich man we read about in Luke 16 may have had. He wasn’t missing a whole lot of anything. He spared no expense and could get anything.

Lazarus, on the other hand, had a constantly empty stomach, was dirt poor, was covered in sores and his best friends were the dogs who came to lick his wounds.

Whose life would you rather have? You can only answer that question properly when you consider how each of their lives ended.

Despite his great wealth on earth, the rich man ended up in “Hades, where he was in torment” and “agony.”

But Lazarus was “comforted” after he died because perfect comfort in heaven is exactly what Jesus promises all who believe in him.

During their lives on earth, it looked as though the rich man had everything and Lazarus had nothing. But, in reality, it was the other way around. Because Lazarus had a relationship with the true God, he had everything—including eternal life in heaven—while the rich man had nothing and spent his eternity separated from God and all of his blessings.

Whether you are rich or poor in this life, knowing and trusting in Jesus your Savior means you have everything, including eternal life in heaven. May this encourage you to stay close to him here until you are with him in the hereafter.

### **Prayer:**

Lord Jesus, may my whole life always focus entirely on you and your love for me. Amen.

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## *Celebrating 150 Years at Salem-Lowell*

By Teresa Stowell

Members of St. John's came together to worship on Sunday, October 13th, at the Salem-Lowell campus to celebrate Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church's 150th anniversary.

Salem Evangelical Lutheran Church in Lowell was formed back in 1869 when a group of Germans came together creating the church as a part of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

Many of those first services were even preached in German.

Church members worshiped in the original building from 1869 to 1952. The current church building was built in 1951. Years later the congregation added a parsonage and in recent years a fellowship hall was built onto the building.

"It was a huge success," Ken Leistico, president of the Salem campus council, said. "It was great to see people joining together from both campuses to celebrate this monumental anniversary."

Rev. Bruce Wietzke, who served the Salem church for 14 years from 1984 to 1998, was the guest preacher for the celebration on Sunday giving the sermon at Lowell and at earlier services at the Juneau and Horicon campuses. Pastor David Brandt and Pastor Paul Schupmann presided over the service.

Leistico said the church was filled to capacity with 312 members and visitors in attendance.

"It has been a long time since we've had to set up extra chairs down the side isles of the pews," Leistico said. "It brought back many fond memories of years ago when we'd have to get to church 45 minutes ahead of time for a Christmas Eve service just to find a seat."

During the service the Sunday School children from the St. John's campus joined the Sunday School children from the Salem campus to sing, "As We Celebrate Today," with lyrics written by Salem's teacher and pianist Lauranna Kohlstedt and directed by Teresa Stowell.

"After the service I had a woman from a neighboring church tell me how wonderful it was to see all the young people in church and all of the youth participating in the Sunday School," Leistico said. "She said she could see St. John's Salem had a bright future."

The adult choir, with members from both campuses, sang several different songs and was led by Matthew Lober. The organist for the event was Dale Grulke, who was accompanied by the brass choir on several songs. The brass choir included Rick Leissing, Dennis Affeld, Hailey Brandt, Mason Braun, Randy Mohr, Matthew Lober and Rachel Tolkinen.

"The church was like, 'The Sound of Music,'" Leistico said. "It was super to have both choirs and the Sunday School provide the music."

A meal was held following the service for members and visitors and included pictures from years past. Leistico said about 200 people were served the meal Sunday following the service.

“I truly believe our forefathers would be pleased with our celebration sharing God’s grace together and that God’s word is still shared here in Lowell,” Leistico said. “With the merger that will continue to happen for many years to come.”

*Photos by Regan Schupmann & Rachel Tolkinen*



*Service Theme*

**Plan  
to  
Prosper**

“For I know  
the plans I  
have for you,”  
declares  
the LORD,  
“plans to  
prosper you  
and not to  
harm you,  
plans to give  
you hope and  
a future.”  
Jeremiah 29:11



## Worship for November

This month we will take a couple of weeks to focus on stewardship. The word stewardship is often seen as a dirty word—a gimmick to get people to dig deeper and “give ’til it hurts.” Nothing could be further from the truth! Instead, stewardship is a precious word that sums up the Christian life. It encourages us to be who we truly are in Christ: Precious people who have been richly blessed by a Father who knows how to give good gifts to his children!

Christians face a daily struggle. We have two paths set before us. The New Man, created within us at baptism, wants to live for Christ and the life that is to come. But our sinful nature focuses on this life. That struggle pulls us in two directions when it comes to how we set our priorities or use our time. The struggle is especially noticeable when we wrestle with how to use the financial resources God has given us.



The Lord speaks about worldly wealth and possessions in over 2,300+ passages of Scripture. In other words, God speaks to us about worldly wealth roughly three times more often than he does about faith! Why? So that God can get to the “heart of the matter.” Money and possessions are God’s gifts to us. Sadly, human hearts often lust after these gifts and forget about the Giver. What heartache comes from a love affair with money and possessions! What good can result for us, for the Church, and for the world as we put the Giver first—offering back to him the FIRSTFRUITS of all that he has entrusted to us. God is many places. Second place in our hearts dare never be one of them!

Christ’s willing sacrifice for us is our motivation and inspiration to give back to God. May he open the hearts and minds of his people to offer him our first and our best!

Our worth will follow this path.

Week One (11/10): OPEN HEARTS & MINDS” (Firstfruits & Proportionate Giving)

Week Two (11/24): OPEN HANDS (Sacrificial Giving)

### **The other Sunday’s in November will focus in on the following themes:**

11/3 Reformation

11/17 Mission Festival – Special Guest Preacher Pastor Mark Wendland

11/27 Thanksgiving Worship at the Juneau Campus (6:30 PM)

11/28 Thanksgiving Worship at the Salem-Lowell Campus (9:30 AM)

## Offering Envelopes and Commitment Cards

Beginning, Thursday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, St. John's will have our 2020 offering envelopes available for pickup at all three campuses. Since our members frequently travel between campuses, we're trying to streamline the process. This year our members may pick up an envelope pack at any campus and we will record the Offering Number located on the envelopes at pickup. This way, all your future offerings will be attached to your personal number and you will receive a statement of your offerings after the year is over.

What if I want to give electronically? You are welcome to give electronically through the new St. John's App. We realize that many of our members no longer wish to have offering envelopes and prefer to always give electronically. The same offerings you give electronically will also be recorded to your personal account and you will receive a statement of your offerings after the year is over. If you are going to give electronically, we kindly ask that you sign the sheet that says you will do so. That way we don't purchase so many offering envelopes next year.

Also beginning November 7<sup>th</sup>, we are asking all our communicant members to complete a Commitment Card. This is meant to help you apply the Biblical principles of stewardship that we are focusing on in the month of November. You are encouraged to return your Commitment Card beginning Thanksgiving through the end of Advent. Again, we are asking that all of our communicant members fill out the card after the final stewardship Sunday, November 24 and present their giving plan to the Lord.

What is a Commitment Card? A Commitment Card is a pledge card stating how much you plan on giving in offering during the 2020 calendar year. The amount pledged is not a binding contract, but rather a useful tool to help us keep God's blessings in front of us and it allows us to prayerfully consider and plan what our gifts to our Lord will be. Your commitment to your Lord will be recorded by the church office and in April, the church office will print / email you your 2020 giving summary with your giving commitment, so that you may see how your plan is going.

Beginning January 2020, St. John's is changing from a fiscal year budget to a calendar year budget. At our October Voter's Meeting the budget that is approved will also be available for your pickup when you get your offering envelopes and commitment card.

November 7-24

Pick up your offering envelopes or sign up for electronic giving  
Pick up a commitment card and 2020 church budget

November 27 – December 22

Fill out your commitment card and place it in the special box located at each campus

April 2020

The church office will print out an update on how your personal giving plan is going

### ***Malachi 3:10***

*“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this,” says the Lord Almighty, “and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.”*



## St. John's News



### Join us for our first annual Chili Cook Off!

Do you have a favorite chili recipe? An odd family recipe? Never made chili before, but want to give it a try? Bring a pot to the Chili Cook Off and take your chance at winning the "Golden Ladle."

We need chili cookers and tasters for this event. So, even if you're not making any chili, join us for an afternoon of great food and fellowship. Taste testing starts at 4:00 PM on Sunday, November 10<sup>th</sup>. A sign-up sheet for chili makers is in the narthex.

### St. John's members enjoy some brunch at the Bayside Supper Club



### We are thankful for our many volunteers! Below members are helping with an upcoming mailing.





# WELCOME *Home*



A special **Thank You** to all who helped organize our Welcome Home worship celebration and meal! Over 325 family and friends joined us at the Juneau Community Center for Christian fellowship. Many comments were shared by members who really appreciated the opportunity to enjoy each other's company and many fond memories were created within our church family.  
**Welcome Home!**



# New Sunday Morning Bible Class

# Sing to the Lord

## A Study of Lutheran Hymnody

November 3	Sing Praises to God
November 10	Hymns of the Early Church
November 17	Martin Luther's Hymns
November 24	Hymns of the Reformation Era
December 1	The Hymns From the Age of Lutheran Orthodoxy
December 8	Lutheran Hymnody During the Age of Opposition
December 15	Lutheran Hymnody in the Awakening and Beyond
December 22	Lutheran Hymns in Christian Worship: Supplement

Hymnals will be provided. Please bring a Bible.

*Salem-Lowell Campus 8:30-9:15 AM*

*Juneau Campus 9:30-10:15 AM*

Beginning this November, Vicar Hatzung will be starting a weekly series of family devotion videos coming out every Wednesday on our new church app. This will be a great opportunity to gather around God's Word as family. The series will explore the basic truths of Scripture by working through Luther's Catechism beginning with the Lord's Prayer.

November 6	1 <sup>st</sup> Petition
November 13	2 <sup>nd</sup> Petition
November 20	3 <sup>rd</sup> Petition
November 27	4 <sup>th</sup> Petition
December 4	5 <sup>th</sup> Petition
December 11	6 <sup>th</sup> Petition
December 18	7 <sup>th</sup> Petition
December 25	Doxology



## Family Devotions

## We have new Friendship Registers!


St. John's ordered new Friendship registers for all our campuses. Our prayer is that these small red books will create uniformity in how we record our church attendance for members and guests. These registers will replace the current roster sheets at Salem-Lowell, black books at Juneau, and the Connect Cards at Horicon. So, when you see them in the pews, please record your name and send the book down the pew for the other members/guests to sign. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask our church office. Thank you!



You can also register for Holy Communion and "sign in" for worship using the St. John's App. Just look under the "Connect" tab and click on "Member Card".



Our Walking K-Group is out for a stroll! This K-Group met 3 times in October and enjoyed some fellowship and fresh air! Thanks to all who participated!



**Ladies Aid Cards** Did you know our St. John's Ladies Aid sells greeting cards? They have individual cards for sale (birthday, sympathy, etc.). Within the next month, they will be selling full boxes of Christmas and Thanksgiving cards too! Cards are in the St. John's Juneau Campus's lower level. Money can be placed in the lock box next to the cards. Thank you for supporting Ladies Aid.

## BLOOD DRIVE

St. John's Church will be hosting a blood drive on **Friday, November 8, 2019** from 1-6 p.m. in the church basement. If you would like to donate blood please sign up on line at [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org) (also linked to our St. John's App under the "service" tab), there will also be a sheet for volunteers and donation of food to sign up for. If you have any questions, please call Cynthia Ninmann at 920-210-1134 after 6:00.



## Thanksgiving Dinner

**Invitation:** Our annual Thanksgiving Dinner will be held on Wednesday, November 27, at 11:30 AM. in the church basement at the Juneau Campus. This meal is an opportunity for all three campuses of our St. John's family to gather for a full Thanksgiving meal with our St. John's students. The meal includes turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, vegetables, apple & pumpkin desserts, etc. Our school children will be dismissed from school following the meal. The meal is \$2.50 for adults and \$1.75 for children (ages 6-14). Please contact Mrs. Leissring in the school office if you would like to attend at 920-386-4644 or [school@stjohnsjuneau.org](mailto:school@stjohnsjuneau.org).

**Desserts needed:** We are looking for apple and pumpkin dessert donations for our upcoming Thanksgiving Dinner on November 27<sup>th</sup>. If you would like so supply a dessert or two, please bring it to the Juneau Campus by 8:00-9:00 AM on Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>. Thank you!



Honoring our Veterans

## Veteran's Day Program

St. John's School hosts a Veteran's Day Program for our students and members of the community. Our special guests are the Juneau American Legion Post. You are welcome to attend! It will be held in our school's gymnasium on Monday, November 11<sup>th</sup> at 11:00 AM.

## **ZUMBA K GROUP**

**Wednesdays, 6-7pm**

**November 6, 13 & 20**

*Join us for fun and fitness  
with Zumba – beginner to  
advanced – everyone  
welcome!*

Wear comfortable clothes  
and shoes. We'll meet St.  
John's Church lower level.



**Next date for Blood Pressure checks  
is Sunday, November 17th between  
services at St. John's.**

## **November is American Diabetes Month**

**A future without type 2 diabetes—can you see it?**

### **You can prevent or delay type 2 diabetes if you\***

- Lose 5 to 7 percent of the weight, if overweight—that's 10 to 14 pounds (4.5 to 6.3 kg) for a 200-pound (90.6 kg) person.
- Lose and maintain the weight loss by making healthy food choices by eating a variety of foods that are low in fat and reducing the number of calories eaten per day. -
- Get at least 30 minutes of moderate-intensity physical activity five days a week. This could be brisk walking, yard work, and actively playing with children, for example, riding bicycles or playing soccer.

\*A message from the Diabetes Prevention Program study.



August 2008  
The U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' National Diabetes Education Program (NDEP) is jointly sponsored by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with the support of more than 200 partner organizations.

Type 2 diabetes does

**NOT**

have to be your destiny

## **SOUP FOR SOULS**

Planning on visiting a shut-in, or know someone who had recent surgery or a new baby or maybe you know someone who could use some cheering up. We have a freezer full of individual serving size soup free for the taking. There are also individual frozen fruit salads that are a perfect pick-me-up. Take one or two along on your next visit. The Soup for Souls freezer is to the left of the kitchen – look for the signs on the door.



**St. John's School Pages**

Donuts for Dad with our Preschoolers was a success! Dads and their children got to eat, play games and enjoy each other's company.

St. John's member Jenny Coombs teaches the children about fire safety.

Grandma Marianne and helpers make potato soup from our garden. Yum-yum!

Erin Schmidt gives an encore performance at our St. John's Forensics Meet.



## St. John's Lutheran School

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November, 2019



**“Walk by Faith”**

***“We walk by faith, not by sight.”*** 2 Corinthians 5:7

### **Board of Education News**

- Our school enrollment is at 105 students in Grades PK-8. We had one student in Kindergarten not continue with us.
- We are putting the finishing touches on the school accolade sheet with the assistance of Mrs. Schupmann.
- Mr. Preskar is working and consulting with Nate Zank and the trustees on the storage for the back-hallway plan.
- The first draft for the teaching projections for 2020-21 was shared and discussed. No changes or shifting of teaching is planned at this time.
- BOE approved increasing the money to cover expenses for the teachers to attend the Wisconsin Lutheran State Teachers' Conference to forty dollars (an increase of five dollars).
- Pastor Schupmann presented to the BOE the St. John's Church App. The BOE with the input from the teachers and parents of St. John's will be studying and planning what school related items will be placed on the app.
- With the merger preparations, the BOE is going to review their duties and responsibilities. We will be looking to see if we need more members on the board to complete these responsibilities and duties.

### **Some school information –**

- Please continue to save General Mills Box Tops and aluminum cans for school. Did you know that General Mills points can be accumulated by having your grocery receipts scanned and uploaded?
- We were able to host a Forensics Meet on Tuesday, October 15. We had over sixty presenters and four other schools and their families here. It was a very enjoyable evening and we are very thankful for all the helpers and volunteers.
- An Art Fair was held for our students and families this past weekend (October 18-22). What a blessing to see so many wonderful art and craft projects!
- We are hosting our first “Trunk or Treat” event on Sunday, October 27. It will be held from 3:30 to 4:30 in the church parking lot and in the school.
- Our school will be having a Food Drive. Please bring non-perishable food items to school or place them in boxes in the church from November 1-22.
- Please consider coming to our church and school Thanksgiving Dinner that will be held on Wednesday, November 27 at 11:30 A.M. Please contact Mrs. Leissring before November 15.
- Please see the school calendar for all the activities and programs that are planned for the month.
- We wish to say THANK-YOU to all our Veteran's! Thank-you to all our helpers and volunteers! We wish all of you the Lord's richest blessings as we GIVE THANKS today and every day!





## Volunteers



**A BIG thank you to all of our volunteers at all three campuses! St. John's wouldn't function if it wasn't for all of people who serve in both large and small roles! Below is a list of our volunteers for October. If you have any questions regarding this list or would like to volunteer yourself, please call/text Char at 920.219.0122(cell) or 920.386.4785(home) or [volunteer@stjohnsjuneau.org](mailto:volunteer@stjohnsjuneau.org).**

**\*\*\* Just a reminder that serving counts towards your high schooler's volunteer hours!**

### **Greeters @ Juneau Campus**

11/3 8:00 AM Bob & Mary Rist  
10:30 AM Gary & Jen Thiel, Steve & Shelly Coron  
11/10 8:00 AM Bob & Karen Bischoff, Betty Schultz  
10:30 AM Tolkinen family, Mohr family  
11/17 8:00 AM Carol Soldner, Barb Zank  
10:30 AM Geraldine Bischoff  
11/24 8:00 AM Papham family, Bonnie Sell  
10:30 AM Mel Saeger, Delores Gentz, Russ & Barb Ridge

### **Communion Assistants – Juneau Campus**

11/10 8:00 AM Rick Cody, Harold Zastrow, Mike Krebs, Dave Meister  
11/10 10:30 AM Earl Pamperin, Royce Cox, Steve Schultz, Nick Tolkinen  
11/24 8:00 AM Dave Gerbitz, Darris Wasmund, Art Mittlestadt, Chuck Wolfram  
11/24 10:30 AM Randy Mohr, Russ Ridge, Marty Weinheimer, Mel Saeger

### **Nursery Helpers for Communicants**

11/10 8:00 AM TBD  
11/10 10:30 AM Landon Roy, John Schramek, Miranda Mohr, Abigail Tolkinen  
11/24 8:00 AM Abigail Tolkinen  
11/24 10:30 AM Miranda Mohr

### **Altar Guild**

Juneau Campus: Barb Lepple, Fran Mohr, Delores Gentz  
Salem-Lowell Campus: Dawn Franke, Connie Kohls

### **Welcome Mailers**

Rosie Zank, Bev Weinheimer, Deb Wolter

## Ushers @ Juneau Campus

11/3 8:00 AM Rick Bassette, Ralph Kaul  
9:30 AM Ken Leistico, Dennis Kohn, Mike Kohn, David Soldner  
10:30 AM Tom Selchert, Wayne Braunschweig, Connor Recklau  
11/7 6:30 PM Neil Foch, Bob Gerbitz  
11/10 8:00 AM Joel Pitzlin, Bob Sette, Bob Koch, Shaun Panetti, Jay Panetti  
9:30 AM Matt Yuenger, Dennis Kohn, Mike Kohn, David Soldner  
10:30 AM Jerry Stolzman, Bob Henken, Dennis Lisko, Mike Schall, Kevin Schall  
11/14 6:30 PM Lee Weis, Dylan Stegner  
11/17 8:00 AM Chuck Wolfram, Kevin Voigt, Bruce Soldner, Josh Soldner, Nick Voigt  
9:30 AM Donald Gibson, Dennis Kohn, Mike Kohn, David Soldner  
10:30 AM Royce Cox, Pete Bischoff, Rick Leissring, Dave Schultz  
11/21 6:30 PM Joel Bischoff  
11/24 8:00 AM Bob Rist, Bob Sell, Steve Weinheimer, Bob Affeld, John Hoffman  
9:30 AM Harold Lenz, Dennis Kohn, Mike Kohn, David Soldner  
10:30 AM Keith Weinheimer, Andy Gentz, Eugene Gentz  
11/27 6:30 PM Curt Ninmann, Art Mittelstadt, Dale Marks, Sam Marks, Tim Marks  
11/28 9:30 AM Donald Gibson, Dennis Kohn, Mike Kohn, David Soldner

### **Blue Zones Potluck Moai**

Saturday, November 9 @ 11:00 AM

Come join us in a Blue Zones potluck moai! Please bring a plant-based dish to share. Moai will be held in the fellowship hall (church basement) at the Juneau Campus.

### **CALLING ALL CRAFTERS – St. John's Ladies**

Aid is doing a service project for one of our Befriend a Missionary (BAM) churches (Illumine in South Carolina). They have requested blankets that they pass out for the homeless in their community as an outreach. Ladies Aid has purchased the fabric for no-sew fleece tie blankets and now we're looking for your help to make these blankets. Dates for the project are: 1) Thursday Nov. 7, 5:30-6:30pm, 2) Saturday Nov. 9, 1-3pm, and if needed 3) Sunday Nov. 10, 11:30-1:30 pm. Any and all are welcome to help make these "easy no-sew" blankets!

*To Whom It May Concern,*

*Thank you for going and buying clothes for my son and nephews and for me due to us having a house fire last week. It means a lot to my son and me knowing that there is a lot of family and friends that are helping us during this time.*

*Thank you so much from the bottom of our hearts!*

*In Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior's name,*

*Janice and Collin Smith*



St John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

Available in App Stores



St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church has created its very own App. Why? In July 2019, when we grew to three campuses, communication between campuses became a concern. Utilizing an App on our smartphones and devices was one of the ways we could help streamline communication and bridge the distance gap between the campuses. While websites are still important, Apps do a better job of internal communication.

Another reason St. John's created an App was to allow more of you instant access to God's Word. Through the App, you are now able to instantly: read your Bible or have it read to you, listen or watch sermons from St. John's, have instant access to your bulletin, the WELCOME, or Eagle Claw, plus access to WELS devotions and the radio service St. Stephen's, Beaver Dam records for our area.

The App will also serve as a blessing for our church office since you will now be able to register on the App for worship and communion and use the App to give offerings electronically. You are also able to instantly update your contact information, fill out a personal time and talents sheet, and sign up for volunteer and K-group events.

The App is another way we can instantly communicate worship delays, closures or any other events that may be canceled or modified.

In our first week of advertising the App, we had almost 200 downloads and over 10,000 impressions (that's a good thing!).

To download the free St. John's App, go to your App Store, Play Store or Amazon Store and search for St. John's Dodge County. You'll see our logo as displayed above.

God-willing, the App will be a blessing to our church as it keeps the internal communication flowing and keeps us connected to Christ.

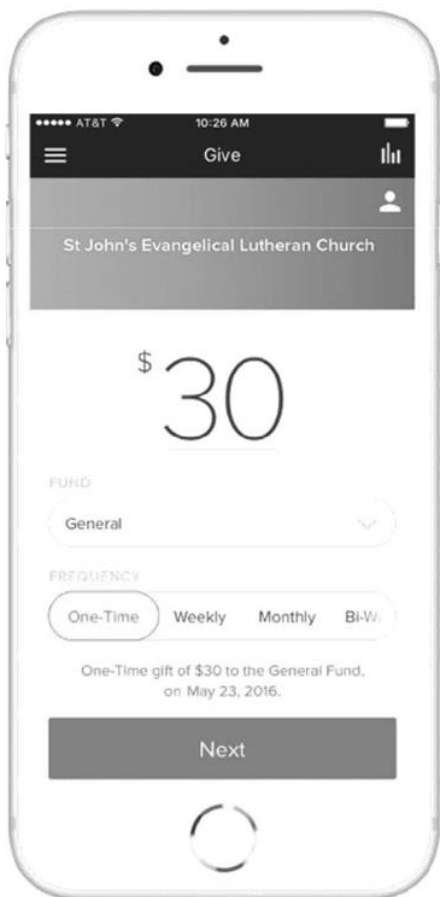
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Subsplash is known as a secure giving platform for giving offerings. Our members will choose where they would like their gift to go to: general fund, missions, Lakeside, debt, improvement, and free-will offerings. Whether our members utilize electronic giving or place a gift into our offering plates, the gift will come to our church and be a blessing to our congregation.

Our goal as a congregation is to have at least 10% of our giving members make use of this feature in the upcoming year. So, please download the St. John's App, click on the "give" icon and follow the directions.

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# Happy Birthday!

11/1	Brady Maertz Michele Vande Streek	11/19	Travis Neuberger Laura Soldner
11/2	Emily Lepple		Kristine Winter
11/3	Bob Bischoff Kyle Main Dana Weinheimer Jill Weisensel Chrystyan Woyak	11/20	John Nehls Mike Schilling
11/4	Kristine Lauersdorf	11/21	Bryce Behring Caleb Guenther Kayla Hill Jeanette Jensen
11/7	Slade Yuenger		Bev Lepple
11/8	Michael Gentz Melissa Hecht Cassie Schmidt Owen Schultz		Spencer Oemig Julie Passig
11/9	Andrew Condon Jacob Justmann David Soldner	11/22	Nicholas Zank
11/10	Jeremiah Christenson Julie Firari	11/23	Dawn Becker Vicki Redecker Alyssa Schultz David Westphal
11/11	Julie Kluz William Kohlstedt Melissa Schaalma	11/24	Robyne Freber Pamela Leistico Dorothy Schwoch
11/12	Oliver Clark Dawn Day Kevin Freber Janice Fude Sarah Kohlstedt	11/25	Angela Becker Hailey Brandt Marvin Fierke Vonda Nehls Fred Sievert
11/13	Zachary Affeld Sara Koch Jennifer Leistico Robert Neitzel Curt Ninmann	11/26	Jeanne Dittberner Christopher Jacobs Abigail Kast
11/14	Joseph Coombs Brian Eggebrecht Collin Schmidt Gregory Schultz	11/27	Tom Sahr
11/15	Ray Kranz Bobbi Niemuth Grace Peil Bonnie Sell George Strobusch	11/28	Elizabeth Affeld Mac Affeld Ed Babcock Wayne Bubolz Samantha Hoffman Zach Schmitt Tammy Yuenger
11/16	Dawn Borth Bob Weinheimer	11/29	Laura Giroux Derek Pieper Lorraine Wolfram
11/17	Ralph Stowell	11/30	Victoria Dobbratz Ruth Friede Mark Justmann Mark Saeger

## Memorials

	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Fund</u>
Charles Weinheimer	\$ 20.00	School

## Gifts

*St. Mark's Ev. Lutheran Church in Watertown, WI gave a gift for outreach in Horicon.  
A gift was given by Art & Ann Mittelstadt to the Debt Fund in celebration of their 57<sup>th</sup>  
wedding anniversary.*

## Sacred Acts

### **Baptisms:**

Trey Donald Ruder	9/29/2019	
Timothy Petr Ruder	9/29/2019	
Kennedy Lynn Hatcher	10/11/2019	
Reagan Shea Hatcher	10/11/2019	
Kinsley Margaret Kadinger	10/13/2019	
Nash Michael Kadinger		10/13/2019

### **Confirmations:**

Richard & Iryna Ruder	9/29/2019
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11/3/1990	(Thomas) & Janet Flint
11/3/1973	Charles & Jeanne Neis
11/5/2012	Kevin & Dawn Borth
11/6/2010	Kyle & Jenny Wolter
11/7/1970	Wayne & Dorie Bubolz
11/11/1989	Mark & Karen Schmitt
11/12/1947	Edward & Lorraine Hammann
11/13/1999	Jay & Amy Panetti
11/14/2004	Dawn & (Mike) Franke
11/14/1982	Tom & Sharon Selchert
11/16/2001	Rob & Julie Kluz
11/18/1989	Tom & Deena Ebert
11/27/1976	Robert & Jean Jordan
11/27/1998	Joel & Melissa Schaalma
11/29/1986	Gary & Becky Zimmerman

# Lutheran Women's Missionary Society

The Fall Rally of the Beaver Dam Circuit was held on Saturday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at Zion, Columbus with St John, Doylestown co-hosting. The event began at 9am with a flurry of activity as arriving attendees brought their school supply donations, silent auction items for SEND ONE SISTER and their letters for the circuit's befriended mission assignments. The rally hosts provided breakfast treats for all who traveled near and far and they were enjoyed by many who wished to sit and visit or peruse the silent auction items, sign up for door prizes and view the many mission displays. The rally opened with a short but eye opening bible study on forgiveness led by Pastor Schwartz from Columbus. Afterwards, a business meeting followed with lots of information being shared with those in attendance. Opportunities to visit with old and new friends over a light lunch took place before the afternoon session. The speakers for the fall rally were Pastor Dennis and Nancy Meier. They shared several pictures of the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Apacheland all while reminiscing about their time serving on the reservation many years ago. The day wrapped up with a short devotion and then the announcements of the SOS basket winners and the door prize recipients. Done and out the door by 2:30! There was quite a bit of activity and a real passion for missions packed into those five and a half hours! Hearing and seeing how God's Word is being shared around the world and here at home is amazing and inspirational especially since we too are a mission congregation! Please consider attending a future rally and be inspired... and lifted up!

**A big thank you** to everyone from our church and school who participated in the LWMS service project and donated crayons, markers, pencils and glue sticks for the students at Our Savior Lutheran School in Peridot, AZ! Several large boxes at the LWMS Fall Rally were filled with the donations from our Beaver Dam Circuit. Thrivent Action Team Dollars will pay for the shipping and postage of the school supplies. Also, **thank you** to those who gave cash donations so that the teachers serving at Peridot can purchase Scholastic Books for their classrooms! The final rally total for the books was not available at the time of this printing.

Our free-will offering for the Home Mission – Outreach to Asians and the World Mission – Ukraine Project totaled \$139.00. **Thank you** for supporting these two mission projects of LWMS with some of the bounty the Lord has given you!

Stuff the **Befriend A Mission Mailbox** event - **Thank you, thank you, thank you** to the students at our school, their teachers and the members of our congregation who took the time to write encouraging notes, letters and cards to our befriended missionaries.

Just a quick reminder, even though the mailbox event has concluded, you may still send “pick me ups” to our BAMS at any time throughout the year. Here are a few important dates coming up that call for special acknowledgment in the lives of our missionaries!

Rev Kent Reeder's birthday – 10/31/1986	11051 Phinney Ave N Seattle, WA 98133
Susan Wright's birthday – 11/15/1964	1549 Bridgewater Way Mansfield, OH 44906
Susan Nitz' birthday – 11/26/1967	P.O. Box 30067 Lilongwe, Malawi
Thanksgiving	
Rev Lincoln and Jenni Albrecht's address:	17040 W Cocopah St Goodyear, AZ 85338

Check out some new information from our Befriended Missionaries and please keep them in your prayers!

# **Updates as of 10-19-19 on our current Beaver Dam Circuit Befriended Home Missions:**

River of Life in Goodyear, Arizona/Pastor Lincoln Albrecht  
Risen Savior in Mansfield, Ohio/Pastor Brad Wright  
Illumine in Seattle, Washington/Pastor Kent Reeder

## ***River of Life in Goodyear, Pastor Lincoln Albrecht***

Currently River of Life is comprised of 75 souls and 61 communicant members. In July our average worship attendance was 63.5 and our Family Bible Hour average attendance was 21. We are encouraged to see the diversity in those attending worship as well. Last July (2018) we had 82 unique worshippers; this July (2019) we had 112. The time since Easter has been a season of in-reach more so than any other past period. We've had a number of physical illnesses, a few deaths, and some challenging counseling situations. Some of these situations have been resolved, others are in more of a stable holding pattern. Of the 75 souls ministered to, only 10 have not been in worship or served as a shut-in in the past 6 weeks. We thank and praise God for this undeserved blessing. As far as outreach work is concerned, we are seeing fruit from seeds sown a few years back. This is encouraging to the pastor and the Lord's people. Our canvassing efforts in our hyper-local community have generated awareness. People know who and where we are better than ever. Over the past summer we have transitioned to a new record keeping and bookkeeping system (Church 360\* Suite from CPH) and have been very pleased with the product and its implementation for our purposes.

Over the next 8 months we plan on working our new movers' lists in earnest. For the next fiscal year, we will eschew blanket mail campaigns (like EDDM) for this more targeted strategy. We have subscribed to this list before (through [outreach.com](http://outreach.com)) and we have picked up this service again for a few months. It is our plan to transition to the lists generated by MissionInsite in the late fall. They seem to give us a greater level of targeting at a more reasonable rate. We've been in our new facility for a little more than two years—and our lease is up next spring. We have contacted a realtor to represent us in these new negotiations. She has expressed confidence in securing a property tax abatement for our next agreement. We are hoping to sign another contract of three to five years. The city of Goodyear is developing a keystone community park (30 acres), recreation center, and aquatic facility on the 86 acre campus across the street. It is expected to open by Spring of 2021. Another 46 acres will be developed in a second phase. We see our current location and this development as a tremendous boon for our ministry.

We are exploring adding a Jesus Cares program to our ministry offerings. We have been in contact with Rev. Gaertner and he has plans to lead a modified worship service at River of Life in the early fall. We are also in the process of developing a strategic plan for the next five years. I have been in contact with Mr. Gary Jeffers of Grace In Action Ministries and we are currently developing a plan for investing in our current group of leaders. We think this is an acute need for our congregation. Some of our leaders are totally new to "running a church" and our current chairman (who has served as such in this area for more than a decade) will be taking a much earned break from church leadership. We also think this is a better investment than trying to bring just a few of our leaders to Chicago in January to the WELS Leadership Conference.



## **Risen Savior, Mansfield, OH—Pastor Brad Wright**

What a tremendous blessing from God, that he would entrust us with an opportunity to start a new mission in Mansfield Ohio. It all began in May as we began the process of packing up our belongings accumulated over 23 years in Fond du Lac, WI. Having purchased a condo in Mansfield, the process of downsizing and being willing to give up items you once believed you could not live without was an interesting ordeal. Late June we arrived and four days later all our belongings arrived on the semi. Arriving in a new town and a new state has been filled with excitement. Every time we drive somewhere we experience something new.

Risen Savior Church has already been blessed with a church building and a small but dedicated group of families. The joy of the gospel is evident in their lives as they are eager and willing to tackle the many challenges of beginning a new church. The process of getting the church updated and spruced up with some remodeling is ongoing. Risen Savior is praying that sometime in September they would be willing to apply for a loan and the big remodeling would begin. The church building was built in 1966 and the major things that need to be done are a new roof, new windows, air conditioning and some updates in the inside.

Social media has become a major avenue for getting our name out to the community. The process of designing a web page, Facebook page, and Instagram account are ongoing. The process of designing a brochure and business card is almost complete. This will allow us to personally put something into people's hands.

The congregation is looking forward to their first community event in October. The YMCA down the road from the church offers a trunk or treat and Risen Savior will be part of the event.

Having a condo in a community has become a great experience. Without fail, sitting on the front porch or walking the community, people will stop and talk. Almost everyone in the neighborhood knows that we are the ones starting the new church. People continually ask how the new church is coming. We pray that when we have our first open house that some of these community members will attend.

As a teacher in an Area Lutheran High School (Winnebago Lutheran Academy) the past 23 years, the month of August would have involved writing lesson plans, getting my classroom ready, preparing for coaching, and getting ready for the first day of school. Those were exciting times; but thinking of ways to proclaim the gospel in Mansfield has now become an exciting ministry.

**Illumine Seattle WA:** Pastor Kent Reeder arrived in May. Parsonage is updated and he and Alex are happily moved into their new home. Kent has already taken advantage of two Outreach teams. The Team from Middleton has finished and the Mission Journey's team working with Praise and Proclaim comes mid August. Pastor Reeder is seeking to discover what makes the people in the community tick. They sold their campus in Edmonds WA for \$3.4 million. We will finalize how those assets will be utilized best to self-fund this restart. An Architect has been hired to remodel existing space at the Illumine Campus (Grace). They are seeking to utilize this site in a multi-use Hub for the community. Existing space will be utilized for community gatherings. The new space will be a cafe and office space leased by Non-profit groups. Restarting worship Services are targeted to begin late 2019 or early 2020.

Thank you for helping serve WELS missions around the world!

CENTRAL AFRICA MEDICAL MISSION  
LUTHERAN MOBILE MEDICAL CLINIC - MALAWI  
*October 2019*

Here in Lilongwe we do get to hear and see the news on television and the internet, as long as we have electricity. Power outages are common though, and being the dry season, we'll probably be experiencing longer stretches without power. It's just an inconvenience, really, and we are thankful to have solar batteries to power our vaccine fridge and a generator if needed for light and computer use which would be mainly at night. When we do get the world news, it seems that much of it involves political and social unrest in many countries, including of course the US, England, and recently, Malawi.

Malawi has had intermittent demonstrations in the larger cities like Lilongwe ever since the Presidential elections in May. People who support one of the candidates who lost to the incumbent president, want to march and voice their opposition to the electoral process which might not have been free and fair. The outcome remains to be seen after weeks of continued court hearings. In the meanwhile, roads can be impassable due to crowds, roadblocks and burning obstacles. Looting and vandalism has occurred as crowds become out of control, and the protests sometimes became violent, with police intervening with teargas. As I write, we have been told there will be a march and demonstration tomorrow. Organizers urge peaceful protest, but businesses and government offices will have to close as they have before, just for protection of their property and workers. This affects our clinic as it is harder for Gary to do necessary errands in town, and it might be difficult for our staff to travel to where we pick them up on the way to our villages. We may need to make a decision about whether it is safe to travel to clinic at all.

But God has been faithful over the past four months, and we haven't had to cancel a single day. We have been given thumbs up and allowed to drive around road blocks, we are greeted with chants and smiles, and I feel our ambulance is surrounded by guardian angels. We leave early enough that we are out in the village before the demonstrations get going, and they are often finished when we return. To see the lines of people needing our help when we arrive at clinic, and to know that we've saved lives by being there, is cause enough to step out in faith and carry on with the day's work. We know you are praying for us and see the Lord answering those prayers daily. I am reminded of Isaiah 41:10. "Do not fear, for I am with you: do not be dismayed for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will uphold you with my righteous right hand."

Now, please know that there's been no concerns about our safety. Gary and I had all four of our adult children come to visit us and travel in the country at two different times over the last 4 months and there were no problems. It was wonderful to experience Africa again through their eyes, and such a joy to see them eagerly helping out at clinic with registration or pill counting.

Please pray for a return of peace and a stable, effective government in Malawi. Thank God that we are still allowed to live and work here freely to continue this medical mission. And thank you so much for your donations which allow the physical care and love of Jesus to reach Malawians.

Your sister in Christ,

Beth Evans

REPORT RECEIVED FROM PASTOR NITZ:

The whole LWMS convention was amazing for us. Having my mother there was especially nice.

That was the very beginning of our furlough. During the weeks that followed, we did more speaking at churches, visited family, saw doctors, and so on. One big bonus for us was having 5 of our 6 kids living with us in while we were back. Here in Malawi, we only have the last two, Joel (18 – Senior in HS) and Frances (she's 15 and a sophomore). Another huge highlight was meeting our 2 year old grandson. We had seen him for a couple days a year ago, but of course he wouldn't remember us. He warmed up nicely and was, to my delight, very teaseable.

Our One Africa Team has been talking to our seven sister synods about how we can best help them reach our big passion – Christ for All, Good News for Africa. We are settling on having our mission work to develop the 125+ African pastors we have in our fellowship. We want to support them to grow in the Word and spirit to in their ministries. We are going to set up a Christian Lutheran Institute, a sort of WELS advanced school for pastors, to help with that. Though we are not planning on building anything, we'll need lots of travel money to make that happen. Since it's a new plan, we don't have that in our budget. Somewhat of a problem, as you can imagine.

In our outreach efforts to new places, the work is going well. We have good groups in Liberia to work with and a promising group in Rwanda. The group in Uganda appreciated our recent July visit, but there hasn't been too much communication since then. One of our challenges just lately is funding. Last year, it seemed we had all the funds we could want. Suddenly, this year, we're running out early in the budget year. We are scaling back our visits to new countries for now.

I'll have to leave it at that for now. Here are a few links you can follow to get more regular updates.



Christ for All,  
Great News for Africa

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In Christ,  
Paul D. Nitz

## November 2019 Twice is Nice News

**Shop:** Christmas has hit Twice is Nice! We are stocked and ready to help you supply your holiday decorating and gift-giving opportunities this year. Christmas trees will be on display as of November 1. Come see what your amazing holiday donations turn into for other shoppers—**over \$6,000 in sales on the first day alone after seasonal displays went up!** New items are stocked every day we're open, Mondays--Saturdays from 9-5 PM: just a minute east from the Hwy 18 exit off the 26 bypass at 907 W. Racine St., next to the Jefferson Piggly Wiggly.

**Volunteer:** Do you ever sell items on eBay, craigslist or Facebook Marketplace? Twice is Nice has some items that would definitely benefit from the wider market these outlets offer, but we need one or more volunteers who can manage the online presence required to be successful at this. This is a job you can do from home—you just need online savvy and good communication skills. If you're willing to chat about the prospect, we look forward to hearing from you. Call 920-674-6868 during store hours and ask for the day manager or email customerservice @ [twiceisniceresaleshop.com](mailto:twiceisniceresaleshop.com) with your thoughts and questions.

## WELS CAMPUS MINISTRY

Heading to college can be exciting, stressful, and everything in between. WELS Campus Ministry can help! Let us help you stay connected to God's Word. To begin, go to [wels.net/campus-ministry](http://wels.net/campus-ministry) and click the button "College students register here." You can register for free subscriptions to *Forward in Christ* magazine and *Meditations* devotional booklets and will be connected to the campus pastor for your school. Students who have previously registered are encouraged to check their profile and preferences and make any necessary updates.

## WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership

WELS Congregational Services will host the first WELS National Conference on Lutheran Leadership at the Sheraton Grand in Chicago, Ill., Jan. 21-23. The conference will have five keynote presentations that deal with major cultural challenges before every WELS congregation. Twenty-five breakout sessions will deal with issues specific to certain congregations, including overcoming a consumer mentality in church, Christian apologetics, increasing volunteerism, retaining and gaining young members, fully utilizing the gifts of women in ministry, equipping members for personal evangelism, having a "high-expectations" church, strategic planning, using social media for outreach, operating a financially sustainable elementary school, and more. Learn more at register at [lutheranleadership.com](http://lutheranleadership.com).

UNTAPPED SUPERPOWERS? If you have medical training, a heart for moms and babies, and want to volunteer a few hours per month, WELS Lutherans for Life wants to meet you!

- Lab techs, LPN's, medical assistants, and others to obtain lab specimens
- RN's, Physician Assistants, Nurse Practitioners, and others authorized to dispense medication - to provide results and treatment consultations
- RDMS's and others with diagnostic ultrasound training - to conduct limited OB ultrasound exams

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“Now this is what the Lord Almighty says:

**‘Give careful thought to your ways’** (Haggai 1:5).



At times, someone may ask us to stop and consider our actions. This was the case in Haggai’s day. Haggai authored one of the final Old Testament books. He wrote the above words 15 years after the exiles returned from Babylon. Upon their return, Jerusalem and its Temple lay in ruins. Almost immediately, the people rebuilt the city walls and other structures. The Lord blessed their work. Within seven months, they set up the altar of burnt offering. Soon, the Temple’s foundation would be laid.

Then, the work stopped. For 15 years, nothing more happened. This is when the Lord addressed the people through Haggai. The Lord took the people to task for reversing their priorities. Instead of first rebuilding his house, they feathered their own nests by building themselves fine homes. As a result, the work on the Temple was neglected.

Twice, the Lord states, “Give careful thought to your ways” (Haggai 1:5 and 1:7). This repetition is for emphasis. The Lord wanted his people to stop and carefully consider their actions. He had a reason for insisting that the Temple be immediately completed: “That I may take pleasure in it” (1:8). He wanted his house to be built now with the finest materials as a fitting place for him.

In the phrase “that I may take pleasure in it,” the key word is pleasure. The Lord “take[s] no pleasure in the death of anyone” (Ezekiel 18:32) or even “in the death of the wicked” (Ezk. 33:11). Rather, he finds pleasure when sinners humble themselves before him. His desire is for everyone to “repent and live” (18:32). The Lord wanted his house completed with no further delay so that repentant sinners could come before him to “turn from their [evil] ways and live” (33:11).

The Lord still offers grace and mercy to repentant sinners in his house. After his law reveals our sin and hopelessness, he shares the gospel. Then, by faith, we may turn from our evil ways, trusting confidently in Christ’s forgiveness.

The Lord redirected greed and laziness to become repentance and forgiveness. He did it with six simple words: “Give careful thought to your ways,” that called a nation to repent. Eventually, it led his people to trust in his full forgiveness through Christ.

Lord, lead us to “give careful thought to your ways.”

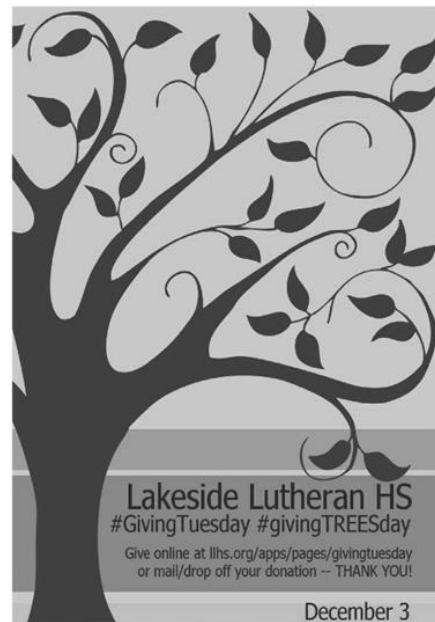
You love us and you want us to share eternal life with you through your Son, our Savior.

*Jim Grasby is principal of Lakeside Lutheran High. Reach him at 920.648.2321 or grasby@llhs.org*

## NOVEMBER EVENTS

See full and up-to-the-minute schedule at Calendar under Quicklinks at llhs.org

- through Nov. 2 .....FFA National Convention in Louisville
- Nov. 2 ..... Beginner Band Concert (in band room) | 9:45a
- Nov. 3 ..... (Fall back to standard time!) LLHS & LES Fall Band Concert | 2p
- Nov. 4 ..... Conference Academic Bowl at Belleville | 4:30p
- Nov. 5 ..... Fall Sports Awards | 6:30p
- Nov. 6 ..... Veterans Day Observance | 8a
- Nov. 7-8 ..... Parent-Teacher Conferences (Release at 1 PM Nov. 7; Late start Nov. 8)
- Nov. 8 & 10 ..... National Choral Fest Pops 7p/Sacred Concerts 2p  
watch livestreaming from Winnebago Lutheran Academy at [www.welsfinearts.org](http://www.welsfinearts.org)
- Nov. 7-9 ..... MLC Fall Focus Trip
- Nov. 11 ..... Girls BB practice begins
- Nov. 17 ..... A Cappella @ St. Stephen, Beaver Dam | 7:45/9/10:30a
- Nov. 18 ..... Wrestling & Boys BB practices begin
- Nov. 18 ..... Board of Regents | 6:30p
- Nov. 19 ..... First Home Girls BB games | 6p
- Nov. 20 ..... Late start day at LLHS | 10a
- Nov. 21 ..... Pastors Day at LLHS | 9:30a
- Nov. 24 ..... A Cappella @ St. Andrew, Middleton | 8/10:30a
- Nov. 26 ..... General Board | 7p
- Nov. 28-Dec. 1 ..... Thanksgiving Recess
- Dec. 1 ..... FFA Alumni meeting @ Crawfish Junction, Milford | noon



info at [llhs.org/apps/pages/givingtuesday](http://llhs.org/apps/pages/givingtuesday)

# LAKE SIDE GOOD NEWS *and* NOTES

The Wisconsin School Music Association (WSMA) named Lakeside a 2019 WSMA accredited school, and the honor was recognized in the September issue of Wisconsin School Musician. This award recognizes that your LLHS ensures students have access to valuable music education opportunities.



Thanks to a partnership between LLHS and Wisconsin Lutheran College, 50 people attended a Sporting Clays Shoot at beautiful Milford Hills Gun Club, with proceeds going toward tuition assistance and to support a current senior who plans to attend WLC.

Our 7th-straight conference champion Warrior Volleyball again held its annual "Volley for Hope," which included a raffle, bake sale, concession stand, and t-shirt sales. The \$2,885.51 raised went to Tomorrow's Hope, a local non-profit that supports those touched by Alzheimer's, cancer, diabetes, heart disease, and other life-limiting illnesses.

Wisconsin State Rep. Jeremy Thiesfeldt (Fond du Lac) discussed government and politics and shared a smile by reminding students what maps used to look like as he handed out folded paper maps to student looks of bewilderment in (brother-in-law) Mr. Asmus' World History classes.



At the annual LES cross country meet, Crown of Life Christian Academy (Fort Atkinson) 8th grader, Mark Garcia, set a new meet record: 1.5 miles in 8:54.

The World Dairy Expo held at the Madison Alliant Energy Center offered plenty of opportunities for our students. Courtesy of Steve Kraft, of BouMatic Milking Systems, and father of freshman Owen (Eastside, Madison), the Introduction to Engineering Design students took a field trip to the Expo. They were able to see the latest technology and talk with engineers on college/career options.

## **BouMatic Robotics**

At the Central National FFA Dairy Judging Contest, senior Karleena Battist (St. Paul, Lake Mills) placed 7th out of 338 contestants from 118 FFA chapters. She judged four classes of dairy animals and answered a set of questions on the cows presented. Senior Matthew and freshman Elizabeth Gunst (St. John, Juneau) competed in the Dairy Cattle Show. Matthew earned a 3rd and 7th place, while Elizabeth earned a 2nd, 4th, and 6th place.

Girls in STEM is growing! Senior Katelyn McGurk (St. Paul, Lake Mills) is the first female in our Computer Maintenance course. As students learn more about computers and technology, they receive real-life training in organization, inventory, and troubleshooting by serving in a help desk setting.

Swing Choir and HoCo talent show musicians entertained at the annual Twice is Nice Volunteer Appreciation Dinner at Lindberg's in Watertown Oct. 6. How blessed we are to have these folks supporting our LL ministry—over \$5 million in 25 years!

Both JV and Varsity Girls Cross Country teams took first this year at Burlington's Chocolate City Invite, and Warriors came in first in every race! Varsity was led by 1st-place finisher freshman Abigail Minning (St. Luke, Watertown) while senior August Gresens (Peace, Sun Prairie) won for boys varsity. Freshman Carlee Zimmermann (St. John, Jefferson) junior Cooper Clark (St. Paul, Lake Mills) won their respective JV races.



LLHS Development was happy to host the 75 alums—plus their families—who had supper and fellowship in the Alum Zone on Homecoming Oct. 4. Held in the East gym was a popular choice on a sketchy weather night! Alums, are you a member of our Forever Warrior FB group yet? Visit [facebook.com/groups/LLHSForeverWarriors](https://facebook.com/groups/LLHSForeverWarriors).



Thanks to Warrior Dancers and coaches who held a dance clinic to teach shy of 100 K-8 girls a routine to the song "Doo-It" from the Despicable Me 3 soundtrack. Many then danced halftime of the Oct. 18 varsity football game.

What a year for our girls golf team! Junior Maya Heckmann (St. Andrew, Middleton) was named Player of the Year for the second year in a row. The team placed second in conference—and were Regional Champs! Then, on Oct. 14-15, Maya and freshman sister Ava Heckmann participated in the D2 WIAA state golf tournament.



152 grandparents of freshmen and juniors joined us for Grandparents Day Oct. 9. We love having you on campus—and so do your grandkids! Browse and download free pics of the morning at [llhs.smugmug.com/LLFamily/Grandparents-Day-Fall-2019](https://llhs.smugmug.com/LLFamily/Grandparents-Day-Fall-2019)

On Oct 12, members of our National Honor Society and the Warrior FFA spent hours cleaning up their respective adopted stretches of highway. NHS cares for Highway 18 from Hwy 89 to the Jefferson City limits, and our FFA/Alumni take care of CTI W from Juneau to the intersection with Cty A.

## "Giving Treesday" December 3

We are looking forward to seeing green on #givingTREESday (aka Giving Tuesday)... Please say YES to joining us!

On December 3, 2019, your donation toward our #givingTREESday campaign directly impacts outdoor campus beautification! Our primary goal is to replace 16 campus trees that were destroyed by the emerald ash borer and needed removal last summer. Together, we can do great things! Mark your calendar. Create a reminder. Celebrate HIS blessings and Christian education with a gift of thankfulness for campus greenspace at LLHS.

Mail a donation or give online by 12/3 at: [llhs.org/apps/pages/givingtuesday](https://llhs.org/apps/pages/givingtuesday)

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Visit 231 Woodland Beach Rd. Lake Mills, WI 53551**



**Veterans:**  
Your LLHS would be honored to have you join us on campus as our guest for breakfast, fellowship & a special chapel service Wednesday, November 6, 2019 8-10 AM  
Call Jess to RSVP 920-648-2321 x2230

## **Surely the Lord is in this place**

It wasn't anything pretty. Just a small suite in an office building on a busy road in Nampa, Idaho. A gathering space with an office in the back. But it was a place to get started. It was a place to meet. It was a place we could invite people to. It wasn't pretty when we got there, but surely the Lord was in that place.

Suite 120 in the Legend Building in Nampa is now the 24/7 ministry center for Cross of Christ's multi-site congregation. After 25 years of God's rich blessings on our church in Boise, Cross of Christ is branching out to the west in North Nampa to reach more and more souls with the saving and freeing message of Jesus and the Bible.

Who would have thought such amazing things would happen in this little place? One man found out on Father's Day that his wife was leaving him. He came to our divorce support group where he reconnected with the gospel after not having attended church since middle school.

One couple tragically lost their son in a sudden death. They came to our grief support group where they heard about the resurrection and eternal life for all who believe in Jesus.

One lady stayed after class, apologizing for being so emotional (she didn't need to apologize). She said our Cross Connections (basic Christian instruction) course was giving her just what she needed at just the right time in her life. The Good News she was hearing was so great it was all just feeling a little overwhelming, in a good way.

All we did was get a little place and open the doors so people could hear the gospel. How is it that lives are changed and people are suddenly connected to God, their purpose, and a Christian community?

Surely the Lord is in this little place.

When he woke up from his angelic dream, Jacob said, "Surely the Lord is in this place, and I was not aware of it" (Genesis 28:16). If Jesus has promised to be with us always, we're going to try and be alert to all the ways God shows us that he is with us today.

Now we're gearing up for services to start in North Nampa, and we'll need a place a little bigger than our suite 120 ministry center. So we'll be renting a restaurant on Sunday mornings. The opening service will be November 24, the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Just a little restaurant on a busy road in Nampa, Idaho. Tables and chairs and salt and pepper shakers. But it's a place to meet. A place to worship. A place to invite more people to. It might not be a cathedral, but surely the Lord will be in that place too.

Because Jesus has given us his Word. And we will worship in the name of Jesus. And where two or three gather in his name, there he is also.

What sort of amazing things will happen in that little place?

I can't wait to find out!

*Written by Pastor Kurt Wetzels, mission pastor at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church in North Nampa, Ida.*



## **The bigger the animal, the more special the feast**

The bigger the animal, the more special the feast. Traditionally and culturally in the Hmong community, a cow is reserved for a special occasion. (when a baby boy is born, marriage, etc.) A cow signifies the happiness of the parents. A wedding feast with a cow for the meal is a feast for a family of wealth.

Faith Hmong Lutheran Church in Anchorage, Alaska, had a special meal like this in June. It was a meal to invite the community to, and a meal to share with the congregation for the three days of our annual camp. God's Word says, **"But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God's special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light."** 1 Peter 2:9

**"Out of darkness"**, is so true as we were held under the control of Satan and his lies. How wonderful it is to celebrate together with brothers and sisters under the cross and to share this experience with other redeemed children of God, young and old.

The question was brought up as to how we could gather and have a special meal - how special of a meal was the next question. Leaders in the congregation had to struggle with this question. Chickens, pig, goat, or even a cow? The price of livestock is not cheap in Alaska. To make it as special as possible, we would need to get a cow.

"Why not?" the leaders asked. \$1,500-\$2,000 is the asking price for a cow, but it would make this year's camp very special.

In November 2018, the leaders got the ball rolling as we ended that meeting. The idea was that leaders would start to donate to this meal - \$10 a week, \$20 a week, even \$50 a week, depending on what they were able to donate. Then, at the beginning of June, whatever else was needed, we would ask for a donation from the congregation to cover the cost.

What a blessing it was to see when brothers and sister unite and come together for a purpose. We were able to gather enough funds to cover the cost of the cow for this fellowship event.

June 20, 2019, the day before our camp was to start, a couple strong youth and myself drove to Palmer, Alaska, to butcher this cow for our feast. We butchered the cow at the farm and hauled pretty much all the parts that were necessary – all of the meat, including the stomach, heart, lungs, and intestine. The phrase "leave nothing behind" was true for us as we only left behind what was not edible.

What a blessing it was to have many hands to help with this process. We were able to bring all the meat back to camp and process it there. Many people are familiar with hanging the meat first, but not in the Hmong community. We process the meat into smaller portions to cook right away, and to make sure we have enough to cook for all our planned meals.

Four meals were planned – one for Friday evening, two for Saturday, and one more on Sunday. We thank a couple of our ladies for taking charge of the meal prep. They are great cooks who really know how to cook this traditional food!



On Saturday afternoon, we held our special meal. Members were encouraged to share personal invitations to the Hmong community to come and join us for this special meal. Though the drive was about 1.5 hours from Anchorage, we had three non-member families come and join us for this special meal. The meal's menu included Laarb ( fine ground beef mixed with herbs), which can be made raw and cooked, boiled beef bone soup (a very time-consuming dish, where the sauce is made from the intestine), short ribs, lean meats, tripe (stomach), BBQ beef, rice, and pepper to go along these dishes.

We thank the Lord for an afternoon filled with laughter, conversation, fellowship, games, songs, and the sharing of God's Word through devotions.

Three days was not long enough. If only we could hold time still for a moment. To see brothers and sisters in Christ gather together and to have families who don't believe be able to join us and see the unity, fellowship, love, and care of Christians was a great blessing. It's not just the planning that made all this come together, but God's guidance and blessings. This was made possible by everyone involved. We had roughly 70 people throughout the three days, and nearly 100 people at Saturday's meal. We had enough meat left over to share with the 18 families at Faith Hmong. The fact that each family was able to go home with a portion to enjoy shows us the abundance of God blessings.

We are looking forward to next year already! Maybe it won't involve butchering a cow (as that's a lot of work), but maybe something smaller. Any time we get to spend working together, loving each other, and being led by the Lord will be time well spent. May the Lord continue to bless this ministry and lead us to do all things to glorify him alone.

*Written by Pastor Pao Moua, home missionary at Faith Hmong Lutheran Church in Anchorage, Alaska.*



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# St. John's Lutheran School



## November 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>ABB—A Boys Basketball 3:30-5:30 P.M.                      BBB—B Boys Basketball 3:4-3:30 P.M.                      AGB—A Girls Basketball 3:30-5:15 P.M.                      BGB—B Girls Basketball 3:4-3:30 P.M.                      CHEER—Cheerleading 3:00-4:30 P.M.</p>	<p>4 7:00 A.M. Faculty Mtg.                      Hot Lunch: Village Garden Pizza                      3:15 P.M. Faculty Mtg.</p>	<p><b>FOOD DRIVE</b>                      November 1-22</p> <p>Church: 920-386-3313                      School: 920-386-4644</p>	<p>Pastor Paul Schupmann: 920-344-9839                      Pastor David Brandt: 608-343-2206                      Pastor Joel Luetke 920-285-1351                      Senior Asst. Matt Hatzung 612-386-6131                      Principal Richard Cody: 920-933-0869                      E-mail: school@stjohnsjuneau.org</p>	<p>1 <b>CEF Stamps</b>                      Food Drive Begins                      Gr. K-8 Report Cards Go Home                      6:00 P.M. Forensics Meet @ LPS</p>	<p>2 Boys VB Tournament @ St. Paul's, Ixonia 9-10:30 A.M. LLHS                      Band Rehearsal 9:45 A.M. Beginner                      Band Concert @ LLHS</p>	
<p>3 Daylight Savings Time Ends—Clocks back 1 Hour                      Jr. Choir Sings Both Services in Juneau                      4-5:30 P.M. Open Gym                      2:00 P.M. LLHS Band Concert</p>	<p>5 8:00 A.M. School Picture Retakes                      3:30-7:30 P.M. K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>6 7:00 A.M. Faculty Mtg.                      CHAPEL/MISSION OFFERING                      Hot Lunch: McDonald's</p>	<p>7 PK-3 Report Cards Go Home                      3:30-7:30 P.M. K-8 Parent Teacher Conferences</p>	<p>8 <b>CEF Stamps</b>                      PK-4 Report Cards Go Home                      1-6:00 P.M. Blood Drive</p>	<p>9</p>	
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