

St. John's Messenger

Our Monthly Newsletter



Sharing the good news of forgiveness and eternal life through Jesus Christ.

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From the Pastor's Study

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Dear Friends,

Plans are well underway for our Christian Day Camp that we will be hosting here at St. John's this summer! The camp will run daily from Monday, July 24 through Friday, July 28—from 7:30 am to 3:00 pm. The leaders of the program will be counselors from Camp LuWiSoMo. Essentially, summer camp counselors will be adapting the residential camping program for our context—minus the horses and boating. It will be a high-energy program which engages children in learning about Jesus and His love for them. They will learn Bible stories, songs, games, crafts, and a whole host of other wonderful things. Dawn and I and many others from St. John's will be assisting them in their work. We will have a signup sheet for volunteers beginning Sunday, June 11. There will be positions for tagging along with classes and interacting with the children, as well as helping to serve the food. We will not need to prepare the lunch, but we will need willing hands to serve it to the children.

Also on the signup sheet will be spaces for members to volunteer to host two counselors in their home. We are hoping for six counselors and our plan is to divide them up in pairs as this will make it much more comfortable for everyone. They will have transportation from our members' homes, but they will need a place to stay each night. We are also responsible for providing their meals and at least two of those meals will be evening community meals in which the whole congregation will be invited to attend. There will be much more information about this next month!

All children, preschool (potty-trained) through fifth grade are invited to attend. Members who are in grades six through 12 are invited to signup as volunteers as you will be a blessing to the children and you will also have the opportunity to learn leadership skills and creativity!

There is no cost to attend the program! I will be preparing flyers and registration forms next week so that we may begin to promote this wonderful event. We are able to do this amazing outreach because of the generosity of some anonymous donors who gave monies for outreach at St. John's a number of years ago. On Sunday, July 30, we will have a program during worship in which the children will be invited to share what they have learned and sing a few of their songs. Sunday school registration will begin that day!

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor



Treasurer's Report

May 2017 Expenses

Church Mutual Ins.	\$1,282.60	Charter Internet	\$38.99
Concordia Pub.	\$72.58	TDS Phone Service	\$100.97
Beloit Utilities	\$300.95	Alliant Energy	\$777.34
Beloit Daily News	\$128.56	Father & Son Cleaners	\$800.00
S. Wis. District	\$1090.00	Advanced Disposal	\$107.22
Concordia Plan Svc.	\$2,501.84	Community Shopper	\$55.00
Rindfleisch Floral	\$534.25	Kalt Computer	\$668.25
Communion Wine	\$38.94	InkSmart	\$9.44
Menards	\$151.42	Big Radio	\$160.00



Eleanor Backhaus, Home

Ivan Drake, Home

Peter Fast, Pioneer Court

Marie Hefty, Premier Skilled Nursing

John Marquardt, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

Joyce Nelson, Sun Valley Terrace

Ione Reetz, Home

Anna Rumery, Willowick Assisted Living

Marilyn Treder, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

Audrey Weiss, Riverside Terrace

Dan Burrows, Alden Meadow Park

Connie Fast, Home

Donna Hall, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

Joanne Hildebrandt, Azura Memory Care

Ray & Shirley Mathewson, Beloit Sr. Living

Nadine Polzin, Home

Christine Ruckert, Premier Skilled Nursing

Betty Steuck, Riverside Terrace

Russell Ultsch, Premier Rehabilitation

Kay Wells, Cedar Crest Apartments

Birthdays

6/5 Eric Nohr

6/8 Marcia Stenberg

6/9 David Koebernick

6/14 Anna Rumery

6/16 Danielle Peterson

Joyce Nelson

6/21 Joyce Monroe

6/24 Roger A. Stenberg

6/26 Katerina Vander

Kooi

6/30 Autumn Mears

Anniversaries

6/10 Harold & Garnet

Bauling

6/13 Mark & Kim Baker

6/25 Don & Nancy Nohr

6/29 John & Ruth Kannegeiser



News & Events

Our dear sister, Anna Rumery will turn 100 years old on Wednesday, June 14. Please consider sending her a card. Her address is: Mrs. Anna Rumery, Willowick Assisted Living, Rm. 10, 306 Ogden Avenue, Clinton, WI, 53525

We offer our prayers and best wishes to our graduates! Andrew Bartz (Carroll University), Ethan Burns (Beloit Turner), Alexa Larson (Beloit Memorial), Alex Nohr (Beloit Turner), and Danielle Peterson (Beloit Memorial)

On Saturday, May 6, we had a wonderful time at the Beloit Snappers' game. We had 34 members and friends attend the game and everyone had a wonderful time. The Snappers won in the 12th inning!



This year, the St. John's Jets won the Beloit Church Dartball League Championship!



On Tuesday, June 13, at 7:00 pm, we will gather in the sanctuary for a presentation by Pastor Micah Wildauer. God has blessed St. John's so that we are able to contribute toward the missionary work of Pastor Micah Wildauer. He and his wife Robin and their children Samuel, Elizabeth, David, and newly-born Lydia serve the Church in Dapaong, Togo, Africa. Our congregation began contributing to his support in 2015, just a few months after the Wildauer's arrived in Togo.



Women's Guild News

The Women's Guild meeting for May 4th was a little different than our regular meetings. It was held in the gym and our speaker was Rev. John Kelling. Besides inviting men and women from St. John's, an invitation was sent out to five other Lutheran Churches in the area. Even though the crowd was mostly from St. John's we had 42 people attending, 17 members and 25 guests including Pastor Dennis Roser, Vicar Edmundo Rosales, Pastor Kelling and his mother, Ardis Kelling.

Our actual business meeting was very short. The Secretary's report was passed out to members and the Treasurer's report was made available to the Secretary. President Garnet Bauling announced that it was the Diamond Jubilee (75 years) Anniversary for the LWML and a basket was passed around for a mite collection which goes to the LWML. The mites implement the program and supports and funds district and national mission grants. An election of officers was on the agenda but as there were no candidates, Vice President Linda Spychalski and Secretary Betty Pearson both agreed to another term.

Garnet explained that the Women's Guild supports church needs, Bethesda, missionaries and more. In order to do this we have fundraisers. The most recent was scheduled for May 6th at Applebees with tickets available for \$5.00 to buy ahead or at the door for an all you can eat pancake breakfast. Members work by serving food and in the kitchen.

Our speaker, Rev. Kelling who gave a very interesting PowerPoint presentation about "Abraham Lincoln and the Civil War". All who attended learned something that they didn't know before and it was a fascinating look at the history of that time. He had an impressive display of artifacts and memorabilia. It was available to look at and touch during the question and answer session afterwards.

The birthday song was sung for Jeanne Ludeman, Shirley Mathewson, Dawn Roser and Dee Scharff. A time of fellowship was next as we enjoyed delicious desserts provided and served by Dawn Roser and Linda Spychalski. All in all it was a nice way to spend a Thursday afternoon with friends.

JUDGMENTAL MOMENTS

Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Romans 14:10a

She noticed him the minute he entered her checkout line. He had multiple tattoos, body piercings, and a T-shirt extolling an oddly-named music group. "Another one of them," she thought. "How are you?" she asked. "Blessed!" he answered, "I'm blessed by God!"

How often our first impressions become final judgments! We look at style of dress, skin color, nationality -- even facial expressions -- and decide a person's worth. We gravitate toward those who are most like us. Yet we forget the world's most common denominator -- our sinfulness. We have all fallen short of God's demand for perfection; everyone has sinned. How foolish to pass judgment on those who are exactly like us!

Mustard Seed: [*From Quiet Times to Noisy Love*](#). Jan Struck, author. 17/30 ©2013 Lutheran Women's Missionary League

June 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 11:30a Women's Guild Meeting	2	3
4 9:00a Worship 10:15a Fellowship	5 1:00p Women's Bible Study	6	7	8	9	10
11 9:00a Worship 10:30a Pot Luck Brunch	12 1:00p Women's Bible Study	13 6:00p Board of Trustees Mtg. 7:00p Missionary Presentation	14 9:00a Sewing Guild 7:00p Board of Evangelism Mtg.	15	16	17 7:00p Violin Recital
18 Father's Day 9:00a Worship 10:15a Fellowship 10:30a Bible Class	19 10:00a Board of Finance Mtg. 1:00p Women's Bible 6:00p Board of Elders Mtg.	20 5:00p Board of Personnel Mtg. 6:30p Catechism Students Puppets	21	22	23	24
25 9:00a Worship 10:15a Fellowship 10:30a Bible Class	26 1:00p Women's Bible Study	27 6:00p Church Council Mtg.	28 9:00a Sewing Guild	29	30	



**We gather for worship every Sunday morning at 9 am,
and everyone is welcome!**

You have a savior who is Christ the Lord, and we invite you to join us in receiving the gifts which God delights in giving you through His Son.

God loves all people. His Son died in the place of everyone and answered for all of our sins - including yours. Everyone who trusts in his death for the forgiveness of their sins will receive the free gift of eternal life with God. We would love to have the opportunity to tell you more about this good news.

Where everyone is invited and Jesus is Lord!

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