St. John's Messenger

Our Monthly Newsletter



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

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Dear Friends,

The months of November and December bring many events for our participation. Our calendars fill up quickly and there never seems to be enough time to do all the things that we would like. Please consider placing the following events on your calendar.

November 2, 6:30 pm: I will be offering a presentation on my trip to Guadalajara downstairs in the school building (the first classroom as you enter by the Bluff Street side).

November 22, 6:30 pm: Our annual **Thanksgiving eve service**.

Wednesdays in Advent: Supper at 5:30 pm and Prayer Service at 6:30 pm

November 29, December 6, December 13, and December 20

Saturday, December 9, 7:00 pm: Our annual **Christmas Concert— with a cookie party** downstairs at 6:00 pm.

Sunday, December 17, 10:30 am: Christmas Party with carols and cookies.

Sunday, December 24, 9:00 am: Lessons & Carols Service

Sunday, December 24, 6:30 pm: Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Monday, December 25, 9:00 am: Christmas Day Service

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor



Treasurer's Report

May 2017 Expenses

Church Mutual Ins.	\$1,215.74	Charter Internet	\$38.99
Concordia Pub.	\$378.41	TDS Phone Service	\$92.45
Beloit Utilities	\$386.22	Alliant Energy	\$474.54
Beloit Daily News	\$0.00	Father & Son Cleaners	\$800.00
S. Wis. District	\$609.00	Advanced Disposal	\$109.92
Concordia Plan Svc.	\$2,501.84	Lutheran Hour Min.	\$89.72
TH Stemper Co.	\$262.45	CD Supplies	\$276.52

Our Homebou



Birthdays

11/4: Dan Burrows 11/5: Emma Roser 11/7: Alexa Gill, Sam Burns, & Tami Bartz 11/8: Pastor Roser 11/13: Lynda Bue

11/15: Elizabeth Wildauer

& Jim Nohr

11/17: Audrey Weiss &

Janice Hemerley 11/19: Vicar Rosales 11/25: Beatriz Rosales

Anniversaries

11/22: Mahlon & Janice

Hemerley

11/24: Bill & Betty Pearson

Eleanor Backhaus, Home

Dan Burrows, Alden Meadow Park

Connie Fast, Home

Donna Hall, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

John Marquardt, Home

Joyce Nelson, Sun Valley Terrace

Christine Ruckert, Premier Skilled Nursing

Ed Spychalski, Home

Elinor Swain, Alden Meadow Park

Oscar & Mildred Wedel, Home

Beverly Bingham, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

Ivan Drake, Home

Peter Fast, Pioneer Court

Joanne Hildebrandt, Azura Memory Care Ray & Shirley Mathewson, Beloit Sr. Living

Ione Reetz, Home

Anna Rumery, Willowick Assisted Living

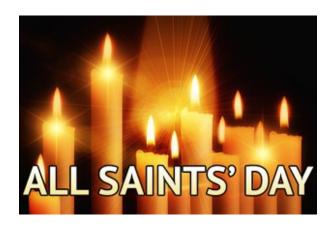
Betty Steuck, Riverside Terrace

Marilyn Treder, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

Audrey Weiss, Riverside Terrace

In our thoughts and prayers . . .

Becky Potter, Dan Kinder, Joyce Monroe, Les Stewart, Zain Tracy, Bill Cunningham, Sandy Smith, Ruth Peterson, Beverly Bottoms, Darlene Willing, Peter Fast, Marcie Moore, Noel Easton, Charlene Ostenson, Colleen Begonia, Jean Bickford, Rev. Roy Jacob, Donna Hall, Bruce Mielke, Joyce Nelson, Laura Jo Pearson, Cayden Krueger, Janice Hemerley, Hope Ann Block, and all of our members who are homebound. Additionally, please pray for the protection of those who serve in the military (particularly Kyle Summers), emergency services, and all who work for the common good.



On Sunday, November 5, we will celebrate All Saints' Sunday during the Divine Service. While All Saints' Day is celebrated on November 1 in the Church calendar, it is our custom to observe this special festival on the first Sunday in November in order to include as many worshipers as possible. During this special service, the Scripture lessons and sermon focus our attention upon Jesus' Resurrection—with the resounding message being "because Christ lives never to die again so shall those who have trusted in His death for the forgiveness of their sins." While we offer to our good and gracious Lord our thanksgiving for all of our dead, we remember by name all those members who have died since last year's All Saints' Day. Hearing the names of our dead read aloud during the prayers is both meaningful and painful. It is also a bold defiance against the power of death—we believe that these persons now live in the Kingdom of Heaven and the speaking of their names shouts out that "death does not get the last word" - because our God is a God of Resurrection. As we endure the pain of separation from those whom we love, there is something very pleasing about "spitting in death's face." When Christ shall again stand upon the Earth to judge the living and the dead, death will be obliterated for ever (1 Cor. 15:26).

On November 5, we will name the following persons during the prayers of the Church: Dwight Nattinger, Tom MacGowan, Lorraine Mullvain, Margaret Vasquez, Marilyn Straw, Gloria Melton, Josephine Rhode, Marcella Savage, Lois MacGowan, Russell Ultsch, Agnes Gramprey, Marie Hefty, Ron Easton, and Nadine Polzin.

Please join me in praying for their families and friends, as we prepare to remember them publicly in worship. May the love of God in Christ Jesus give them peace even as they mourn. May the glorious Resurrection of Christ our God give them hope for the living of these days!

Women's Guild News



St. John's Women's Guild held their Craft Boutique and EXPO in the gym on Saturday, October 14th. The doors opened at 9 am and a rainy day didn't stop the many customers we had throughout the day. We had over 30 vendors with a variety of craft items, jewelry, leather goods and other items for sale. The ladies were kept busy in the kitchen making cinnamon rolls, selling raffle tickets and working at the bake sale. A luncheon of pulled pork sandwiches, hot dogs, chips and beverages were on the menu. There were many items donated for the raffle which took place at the 2 pm closing time and there were some happy people that came up to claim their prizes.

Thanks to all who helped to make this event a success. All who set up the booths in the gym and moved tables back afterwards. Thanks to all those who worked in the kitchen, brought baked goods to sell, made batch after batch of cinnamon rolls, and those who donated items for the raffle. Thanks also to the people who attended, bought items for sale and then joined us for lunch. Thanks to the venders who we appreciated very much. It was a great day!

It has been a busy October. **Our next event was the Fall Rally which was held on October 18, 2017** at Trinity Lutheran Church in Beloit. St. John's Women's Guild had 10 women attending. Pastor Dennis Roser, Zone 20 Counselor led the Morning Prayer Service which included a hymn. His Bible Study gave a new meaning to the book of Jonah and in understanding the forgiveness that comes to us from God. An offering was collected to help pay speaker fees and for expenses of representatives attending conventions.

The guest speaker was Kati Meyerhofer, the Young Woman's Representative who gave a personal view on the Albuquerque Convention. She also spoke on her experience of becoming a Lutheran and joining the LWML. (Note: Zone 20 Co-President Garnet Bauling also attended the convention).

A business meeting took place and minutes of the last meeting were read and approved as was the treasurer's report. As part of the meeting, Judy Niedermeier was nominated for the office of Secretary. She accepted and was installed by Pastor Roser. An invitation was received to the Spring Rally on April 25, 2018 at Holy Cross, Delavan.

After closing we were invited to a delicious chili and cornbread luncheon with pumpkin cookies for dessert which was served by the ladies of Trinity Lutheran Church.

*Our Sewing Guild is collecting baby socks, baby shirts, bar soap (bath size), hand towels, flannel, and monetary gifts in order to purchase needed fabric.

November 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			-	2 1:00p Women's Guild Meeting 6:00p Bible (Span.) 6:30p Mexico Pres.	8	4 10:30a Choir Rehearsal
5 9:00a Worship 10:15a Fellowship 10:30a Sun. Schl. 11:30a Lunch	6 1:00p Women's Bible Class	7 9:30a Women's Bible Study 7:00p Dartball	8 9:00a Sewing Guild 7:00p – Evangelism Mtg.	9 6:00p Bible Class in Spanish	10	11 Veterans Day 10:30a Choir Rehearsal
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19 9:00a Worship 10:15a Fellowship 10:30a Sun. Schl. 11:30a Lunch	20 10:00a Board of Finance Mtg., 1:00p Women's Bible Class 6:00p Elders' Mtg.	21 9:30a Women's Bible Study 5:00p Personnel 7:00p Dartball	22 9:00a Sewing Guild 6:30p Thanksg. Eve Service	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25 10:30a Choir Rehearsal
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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.

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