St. John's Messenger

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





From the Pastor's Study

Dear Friends,

Two important parts of our life together that we have been missing during the pandemic will be returning later this month — Bible Class and Fellowship. (1) On October 17, following Divine Service, we will begin gathering weekly for a time of discussion and fellowship. Following worship, we invite everyone to join us downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Coffee, a cold beverage, and a snack will be served. Snacks will either be individually wrapped or placed on individual dessert plates. From 10:30 until 10:45 am, we

will discuss an essay in the book *A Place Not Forgotten*, by Pastor John Schmidtke. Please see the schedule of essays below. If you do not have the book and would like a copy, please let me know and you will receive one free-of-charge. From 10:45 until Kickoff time (or whenever you decide to go), you are invited to remain and visit with your sisters and brothers in Christ here at SJ. (2) Beginning on Wednesday, October 27, from 1:30 to 2:15 pm, our weekly Bible Class will return! Each week, we will study the Bible text that I will be preaching on the following Sunday. The intention of this weekly study is to help participants get more out of the weekly message, and to help sharpen my focus as I learn from you how the biblical text impacts your life. We will meet in the nave (sanctuary). The schedule of readings is located below.

Essays for Sunday Fellowship

Oct 17 - "My 30th Christmas," pgs. 21-23; Oct 24 - "Ministry in Tangled Life Webs," pgs. 24-27; Oct 31 - "The 'T' Word," pgs. 27-31; Nov 7 - "Many Poles in the Water," pgs. 31-34; Nov 14 - "We Can't," pgs. 35-38;

Nov 21 - "Growing Something 'Urban Style'," pgs.

46-52; and Nov 28 - "Inviting People to What?," pgs. 61-64.

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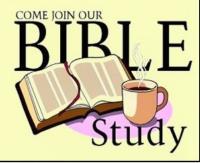
Passages for the Wednesday Bible Class

Oct 27 - Revelation 14:6-7; Nov 3 - 1 John 3:1-3; Nov 10 & 17 - No Class; and Nov 24 - first passage in our Advent Sunday series.

Blessings on your month!

In Christ Jesus,

Pastor



Did you miss your chance to purchase one of the limited edition wood St. John's Lutheran Church 125th Anniversary Christmas Ornaments?

Good News!! We have a few left!! You may purchase them in the church office during regular hours, Monday, Wednesday, Friday between 10 am and 2 pm



Or if you're out of town, we can arrange to mail an ornament.

\$10 each
(\$15 if you would like it mailed)

Time Off for Good Behavior

Pastor Roser will be taking off from Thursday, October 7th through Thursday, October 14th. He will be back on Friday, October 15th.

If you require pastoral assistance during his absence, Pastor Dan Eddy (Messiah Lutheran) will be happy to help. (314-775-7371.)

St. John's Lutheran Church



1000 Bluff Street

Kids' Service

Every Sunday at 2 pm
in the St. John's Gym
(located on the Merrill side of the building).



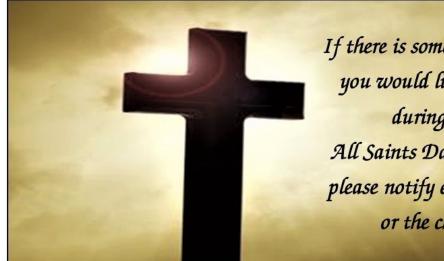
All Kids are invited!

God's Word - Prayer - Singing Crafts - Food - Gym Time Non-members are welcome! Dart Ball Is Back!!

Beginning Tuesday, October 5, 2021

If you would like to join the team, please contact Mahlon Hemerley.





If there is someone whose passing you would like acknowledged during this year's
All Saints Day worship service, please notify either Pastor Roser or the church office.

From the Administrative Assistant's Desk....

My apologies for the delay on getting this started. I am, as they say, experiencing technical difficulties. However, in the next weeks St. John's will begin

VANCO

offering a new method for giving your offering to the church: Vanco (kind of like PayPal, but for church giving.) Right now I'm working with our Treasurer Monica Vander Kooi to get our account set up, learn how to use it, and then find the easiest ways for our members to access this new process.

I want to emphasize a few things. First, this site is a SECURE website, and we are partnering directly with the Lutheran Church Extension Fund to make sure the system is effective for St. John's. Second, and I cannot stress this enough: If you DON'T want to use electronic giving for church, that is perfectly fine!! We don't want anyone to feel like they're being forced to use something that makes them in any way uncomfortable. Rather, we're presenting options for those who find electronic giving to be easier, or who want to cut down on handling envelopes, paper, and pens in a public setting due to health concerns. If Vanco appeals to you, and you want to use it, we'll be here to help you. If it's something you want to try later on, we'll be happy to assist you then. And it you have no desire ever to add another app to your life, that's no problem. We never want you to feel pressured in this process. The idea is to make things easier for people; not to add a burden to anyone's life.

Be watching. I'll be sending out complete information on how to create an account, and how to use it. I will also be adding a quick-link button for Vanco to our Facebook page and our website.

God's blessings as we move forward, spreading His Word and His love.

Berta Ingham Eddy



Mustard Seed Daily Devotions In Times of Need: Family Conflicts

In the Word

"O God ... Please deliver me from the hand of my brother, from the hand of Esau, for I fear him, that he may come and attack me ... " (Genesis 32:9b, 11a).

Of the Word

In Genesis 32, Jacob seemed to have much to fear. He had stolen his brother Esau's birthright and blessing. Esau threatened to kill him, and Jacob ran for his life.

Years passed. Jacob was ready to return to his homeland. When he learned that Esau was advancing toward him with four hundred men, he feared attack. He had sinned, and he deserved his brother's wrath; but in all confidence he prayed to the Lord: "But you said, 'I will surely do you good, and make your offspring as the sand of the sea, which cannot be numbered for multitude" (Genesis 32:12).

Jacob faced his brother knowing that the Lord would be faithful to His promise. When finally they did meet, Esau forgave Jacob, and the brothers were reconciled.

We may sometimes face fear and uncertainty in our families. Yet, even in the midst of a family conflict, the same Savior Who paid for Jacob's sin and ours promises to care for us according to His perfect will.

Walking with my Lord

Lord Jesus, let me cast my cares on You because You love me with an everlasting love. In Your name. Amen.

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HAPPY ANNIVERSARY	Wedding Anniversaries 13 Todd and Debra Peterson 15 Paul and Pat Weber 20 Robert and Sarah Hoenig 27 Ron and Lori Kassal
on the On-Line Reso in-person worship. ele	ervice bulletin is available for you in its entirety on our webs ources page. It will be used both for streaming Worship and If you don't wish to use the service book, you may use an ectronic device or print a copy for yourself. /www.stjohnsbeloit.com/connect-with-us.html

October Birthdays

Michael Larson

Taytum Drager

12 Kelly Vander Kooi

11 Bill Bartz

Mahlon Hemerley

Richard Rindfleisch

Nelson Cruz-Morales

Ron Kassal



on our website

13 David Wildauer

14 Kristina Sears

16 Aubree Mears

Linda Gage

22 Mason Hoenig

25 Braden Drager

30 Thomas Gage

Robert Hoenig

17 Eric Huth

Please be aware, we have chosen when the office is "unmanned" to forward calls directly to Berta's cell. If she is unable to answer, you are welcome to leave a message, and she will help you as quickly as possible. Thank you.



Our Homebound Members

Beverly Bingham, Home
Beverly Bottoms, Riverside Terrace
Dan Burrows, Skaalen Nursing & Rehab, Stoughton
Dorothy Bushaw, Home
Carol Gusk, Home
Janice Hemerley, Suites at Beloit
John Kannengeiser, Azura Memory Care
Shirley Mathewson, Beloit Sr. Living
Roger Nelson, Home
Ione Reetz, Home
Ed and Linda Spychalski, Home

"And the prayer of faith will save the one who is sick, and the Lord will raise him up." (James 5:15 ESV)

Miss a sermon?

Want to share a particular message with family or friends?

All Sunday services from October of 2019 through the most recent Sunday are available to you on CD or MP3. You need only ask Berta Eddy, and she will provide it for you.





"I know we're trying not to be stuffy around here, but let's not refer to 'A Mighty Fortress' as 'Martin Luther's Greatest Hit.' "

Office Hours for the church have changed slightly:

Normally Monday, Wednesday, and Friday
from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm
(they may change occasionally for a
personal appointment or illness.)

A calm and undisturbed mind and heart are the life and health of the body

Proverbs 14:30



Messiah Lutheran Church Food Pantry

New Pantry located at 1531 Townline Ave
Open on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month
from 3:30 pm to 5:30 pm.

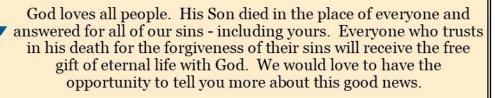
For all residents of the Greater Beloit Area!

If your birthday or anniversary is missing from the list in this month's St. John's Messenger, please notify the church office.

Thank you.

We gather for worship every Sunday morning at 9 am, whether in-person or on-line, 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.



Where everyone is invited, and Jesus is Lord!

Stay Connected!



Did you know if you miss a regular Sunday Worship Service, you can watch it in its entirety on YouTube!

Just use this link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCw9-9SrlBpZwdB2bPj-7Stg



If you would like see links to Pastor Roser's blog, uplifting posts, occasional humorous posts, and reminders of upcoming events, check out the St. John's Facebook page.

The posts are public, so you don't even have to be a Facebook member to see what's happening. The links are also available on our website.

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