## St. John's Messenger

## **Our Monthly Newsletter**



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

**July 2017** 



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Dear Friends,

I want to thank everyone who has signed up to sponsor our CD ministry. All of the weeks for 2017 are now sponsored! We continue to receive positive feedback from our homebound members who are now able to tune into the service. We want to remind everyone that the fee for sponsoring this ministry is only \$35.00 per week. Many thanks to Jeanne Ludeman, who manages the signup list, and David Koebernick and Chris Peterson who record and produce the weekly broadcast!

Beginning this Sunday, our worship service will be broadcasted live on the internet via Facebook. This means that members who cannot be present with us can view the service live. Since Facebook stores the videos that are recorded on this platform, people can also go to our site and view them whenever they like. Additionally, these videos are a wonderful outreach tool—in that members can share the videos with others in order to introduce them to our worship services. It is human nature that we feel less apprehensive about trying something new when we know what to expect. Perhaps viewing a service online can be a helpful bridge to their attending worship with us. We will begin recording following the "sharing of the peace," discontinue recording during the distribution of the Lord's Supper, and then continue recording at the Nunc Dimittis. Consequently, no one needs to feel self-conscious when they come to the altar rail since the camera will not be recording. Additionally, we will not be panning the congregation. It is very important to me that we take every precaution to safeguard the sanctity of your worship experience, even as we seek to open this experience to others. Going forward, we will be placing a smart tv in the nursery so that we can livestream the service down there for parents who would like to take their children to the nursey. You can view our Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/stjohnslutheranbeloit. A helpful service of Facebook is that all 132 people who have liked our page will receive a notice of each new video. Facebook users will also have the option to share these videos on their own pages. Please consider sharing our service with your friends!

In Christ Jesus,

**Pastor** 



### Treasurer's Report

#### June 2017 Expenses

Church Mutual Ins.	\$298.76	Charter Internet	\$38.99
Concordia Pub.	187.64	TDS Phone Service	\$98.52
Beloit Utilities	\$118.54	Alliant Energy	\$731.58
Beloit Daily News	\$17.12	Father & Son Cleaners	\$800.00
S. Wis. District	\$537.28	Advanced Disposal	\$113.17
Concordia Plan Svc.	\$2,501.84	Jay's Big Roll	\$113.50
Quill	\$79.10	Stemper Co.	\$49.46
ABC Fire & Safety	\$298.57	Road Dawg Ad.	\$200.00

#### In our prayers . . .

Tom Drost, Adam Divine, Darlene Willing, Charlotte Ross, Betty Steuck, Neil Walter, Jan Jenks, Logan Davies, Marcie Moore, Noel Easton, Charlene Ostenson, Colleen Begonia, Jean Bickford, Rev. Roy Jacob, Russell Ultsch, Donna Hall, Bruce Mielke, Joyce Nelson, Laura Jo Pearson, Cayden Krueger, Nadine Polzin, Janice Hemerley, Hope Ann Block, and all of our members who are homebound. Additionally, please pray for the protection of all of those who serve in the military.

#### **Birthdays**

7/1: Garnet Bauling7/4: Joanne HildebrandRyder Klingenmeyer

7/5: Connie Fast 7/6: Mark Baker 7/8: Donna Hall

7/16: Roxanne Klingenmeyer

7/17: Beulah Knutson Neil Walter

7/22: Daniel Beilharz

7/23: Roger Nelson

7/24: Oscar Rosales7/25: Kathy Fiedler

Larry Nolta

7/29: Beverly Bottoms

Marilyn Fassett

#### **Anniversaries**

7/19: Lee & Marilyn Fassett



**Eleanor Backhaus**, Home **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

Audrey Weiss, Riverside Terrace

Beverly Bingham, Rock Bay Harbor Apts.

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.

Neil Walter, Cedar Crest Assisted Living

Kay Wells, Cedar Crest Apartments



On Saturday, July 15, we will have a cookie & ice cream social followed by a concert of American composers. The social will be held at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall and will be followed by the concert in the sanctuary at 7:00 pm. The Fellowship Committee will provide the hot/cold beverages, the Roser's will provide the ice cream & toppings, and St. John's members are invited to bring a plate of cookies to share.

Samantha Streich and Jeanette Troha have begun to set up two of the rooms in the '51 school building. They are planning on continuing their program throughout the school year instead of just the summer. They are providing life-skills instruction for adults with developmental disabilities.

In the coming week, we will begin advertising our children's day camp. This will be a wonderful outreach for us as we share Jesus with children in our neighborhood and surrounding community. We have placed a volunteer signup sheet on the bulletin board in the narthex. We are in need of helpers for a variety of capacities—especially helping to serve food to the children. We are also in need of host families to lodge our counselors, and members just to tag along with the classes and show kindness to the students. We not only want to tell our campers about Jesus' love, but we want to show it to them! Pastor has met with the coordinator of the summer lunch program at the Salvation Army, and we are pleased to report that St. John's will host the lunch program during the week of our camp. This means that children who attend the camp and children who would just like to stop by for lunch will receive a nutricious meal that is covered by the state of Wisconsin through their reimbursement program. We will also be providing the campers with a morning and afternoon snack.

Pastor Novelli of CPTLN has booked the airfare and other arrangements for Pastor's Spanish language immersion experience. The funds are provided through a generous grant from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund. Pastor will be in Guadalajara, Mexico from Monday, September 4 through Friday, September 22. Pastor Randy Senn will lead worship on Sunday, Sept 10 and Sunday, Sept 17. Pastor Roser will return to worship on Sunday, Sept 24. Our Elders will be taking the Lord's Supper to our homebound members during those weeks and Pastor Eddy will be available for any pastoral emergencies which may arise.

As you are probably aware, Pastor May of Trinity Church is retiring on Sunday, July 30. President Wille has appointed Pastor Roser to complete Pastor May's unexpired term as Circuit Visitor of the Beloit Circuit. Pastor invites your prayers for his service in this role.



On June 1st, our Women's Guild met at Nancy Nohr's who was kind enough to invite us to her home. There were 12 members attending. Guests were Pastor Dennis Roser and Vicar Edmundo Rosales along with Bill Pearson and of course Don Nohr.

We enjoyed a warm sunny day with a beautiful view from the enclosed back porch and patio at their home overlooking Turtle Creek. In just a short period of time we saw a deer emerging from the woods, a wild turkey strolling through the yard, a goose floating by on the creek, a person paddling by in a kayak plus a humming bird looking over its choice of flowers. These are things that most of us don't see every day!

We had decided on a pot luck luncheon and everyone brought a dish to pass. Pastor Roser led us in prayer and then we began sampling a great variety of salads and desserts. It was a beautiful day and many of us chose to eat outside.

Afterwards we had a short business meeting. We discussed checking out several catering services for menus and prices to see if we would like to try having catered funeral lunches in the future. Also we discussed the Fall Expo which will be on October 14th from 9 am -2 pm. Hopefully this earlier date will not have as much competition as when we had it in November. We will also try to get some vendors who have items that appeal more to our customers. Members signed up to serve as hostesses and to give devotions for our new season starting in September. Pastor Roser gave a very interesting and inspiring devotion based on Luke 4.

It was nice getting a chance to talk with and get to know Vicar Rosales and of course it is always great to visit with Pastor Roser and all of our friends.

Many thanks from everyone to Don and Nancy for sharing their lovely home with us.

#### **Admitting We Need Help**

Sign seen in a textile mill, "When your thread becomes tangled, call the foreman." A young woman was new on the job. Her thread became tangled and she thought, "I'll just straighten this out myself." She tried, but the situation only worsened. Finally she called the foreman. "I did the best I could," she said. "No you didn't. To do the best, you should have called me." How often does our pride and our "self-sufficiency" lead us to try to fix things ourselves when God wants us to come to him first.

"Seek ye FIRST the Kingdom of God and His righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." (Matthew 6:33)

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30 9:00a Worship & children's program 10:15a Fellowship	31 1:00p Women's Bible Class					



# 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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