
ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH



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Mission Statement

We are called by God to be the light of the world. We are to go forth and show Jesus' love and forgiveness through loving care for all God's creation

Daylight Saving Time Begins

March 9

Set your clocks ahead 1 hour

Holy Week Schedule

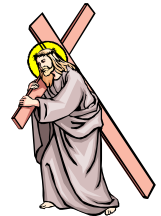
Maundy Thursday Communion-March 20 at 10:30 AM & 6:30 PM

Good Friday-March 21 at 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM

Easter Vigil Communion-March 22 at 6:30 PM

Easter Sunrise Communion-March 23 at 6:30 AM

Easter Festival Communion-March 23 at 9:30 AM



Servant Event



The third through seventh graders will be meeting March 15 at 10:00 AM in the church basement to put together palm crosses for the weekend services March 15 and March 16. Please note this can be counted as a Servant event. A sign-up sheet to work on the crosses and to hand out the crosses at the Saturday night and Sunday morning services will be posted in the church basement on the board along with the acolyte/usher sign-up sheet.

Please remember it is the responsibility of the parents and students to sign up and perform acolyte/usher duties as well as sign-up for servant events in order to meet confirmation requirements.

Soup and Sandwich

Please join us after the Maundy Thursday morning service on March 20 for a soup and sandwich luncheon sponsored by the Ladies Aid.



For a free will donation you can enjoy a hot bowl of homemade soup and a sandwich.

Easter Breakfast

The Evening Guild will be serving Easter breakfast between services on Easter Sunday, March 23 from 7:30 to 8:30 AM. Tickets will be available at the door.

Adults \$4.00
Children \$2.50
5 & under free.



All are welcome!

To All Of St. John Congregation Membership

I know that not all of you are aware of changes in our church, so I would like to let you know about a change in our spring election procedure.

Our old process was an election to church board's by a ballot process. We (our counsel) feel that we would like to try a new method of choosing our leaders.

This is a selection process. We would still have a nominating committee to ask for your talents to be leaders in our church. (Much needed)

Please prayerfully consider your talents for our selection! The selection process is to collect all nominees for each board position. During a worship service a prayer for spiritual guidance and blessing is given. A name is drawn for each position and announced followed by a prayer for those who have been drawn. (Selected) Chosen officers shall assume their duties for terms specified by our constitution and by laws.

The spiritual precedent is given in Acts 1:23-26.

So they put forward two men, Joseph called Barsabbas and Matthias.

And they prayed and said, "You Lord, who knows the hearts of all men, show which one of these two you have chosen."

And they drew lots for them, and the lot fell to Matthias; and he was added to the eleven Apostles.

This selection has been approved by our Counsel and at our Voters Annual Meeting.

I hope this process is not confusing and if you have any questions please call your board/counsel leaders or myself.

Thank You! —Jon Sandberg 424-2432



Hearts For Jesus

The 2008 Hearts for Jesus collection is SWEPS from February 13 through March 5. The Week-day School students will be bringing food items for SWEPS. Students are encouraged to bring something each week through March 5 and the class that brings the most items averaged per student will be celebrating with a class reward. The Board of Human Care is also supporting this project by encouraging congregation members to bring items for SWEPS. A basket for items is in the Narthex. Please join in bringing supplies for SWEPS. There supply wish list is as follows:



Peanut Butter, Jelly, Cereal, Mac-n-Cheese, Pork-n-Beans
Chucky Soup, Sugar, Flour, Shampoo, Rice & Pasta Mixes,
Toothpaste, and Toothbrushes

Thank You

I want to thank Pastor Ader for his visit and prayer while I was a patient at Marshfield hospital and to all the congregation for their prayers, cards and encouragement.

I still have more procedures to take place before recovery can begin.

God's Blessing to You All

Augie Henke

Thank You

The Ladies Evening Guild would like to thank the congregation for supporting the Annual Spaghetti Supper on Sunday, February 10.



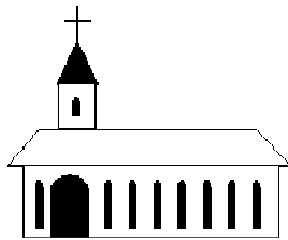
The church basement was magically transformed in to an “Italian Café” complete with table cloths, candles, music and fun! Table top “Treat Bags” were prepared by the Weekday School Children. The delicious homemade entrée along with salad, garlic bread and homemade dessert was enjoyed by approximately 200 people. A special “Thank you” is extended to the “auxiliary” members!! Without the help of husbands and extended family, the supper would not be the successful event it was. Their help with the set-up on Friday night and the extra hands on Sunday helping with ticket sales, help in the kitchen with cooking and dish washing, serving our guests, manning the dessert cart, bussing tables, re-setting the tables and the clean up is most appreciated! Thank you to the Taylor, Vollert & Jennings Funeral Home, Higgins Funeral Home and Ritchay Funeral Home for sponsoring the advertisements in The Tribune. Thank you also to Country Tots Child Care, WoodTrust Bank, Bancroft (Kellner) Bank, Tiger mart and the Visitors and Convention Bureau for promoting the event on their marquees. Monies raised from this event will be designated for needs in the church, the community and the world.

Thank you again for being so willing to extend your talents and time for work in the church.

The Ladies Evening Guild

Be Shepherds of the Church of God Acts 20:28

Your church needs a special effort to offset the 2007 shortage of \$5,438.81. Prayerfully consider a donation during the Lenten season to lift up your



church and give Glory to our Lord through His bride the church. As we give to support our church put your donation into the little church then take a small stone and place your name on it with marker, if you wish. Place your stone in the basket provided. The stones with your name will be attached to the foundation and as more donations and stones are added you'll see your church raised up!!!

May God Bless you and your family for your sacrifice!

Welcome Brenda

Brenda Prange has agreed to be part of the Board of Education team. Brenda teaches 2nd grade in Weekday School and she was co-chairman for the Children's Christmas service in 2007. We are looking forward to having Brenda share her ideas, energy and love for Jesus. Thank you Brenda!

Vacation Bible School

A committee will soon be working on Vacation Bible School ideas and activities. If you are interested in participating, please call Karen Ross, 421-2970.

Easter Flowers

Easter flower orders are due in the church office by March 10. The cost this year is \$14.00 for Easter Lilies, \$15.00 for Tulips and \$15.00 for Daffodils. Please use the insert in the bulletin to place your order.

Camp Luther News

Has Cabin Fever Got You Thinking about SUMMER? 2008 retreat and summer camp brochures are now available! Camp Luther has a variety of weekend adult retreats, youth summer camps, couples' retreat, and family camp programs that provide relaxation, renewal, in conjunction with Christian growth and fellowship! You'll leave re-energized and ready to return home for what God has in store for you! Brochures were mailed to churches in January – check your church bulletin boards or call the camp office: 1.877.264.CAMP.



Give Your VBS An Update! Camp Luther provides assistance with summer VBS programming by offering VBS **daycamps** at Camp Luther for grades K-6 that includes games, activities, a cookout lunch, singing, and devotions. **NEW** this year is assistance that the Camp Luther summer staff will provide you at **YOUR CHURCH!** Two staff members will lead the opening and closing, activity times, and anything else you want them to lead or assist with; the only cost is two-way mileage, meals, and lodging (host homes are acceptable). Dates are June 9, 10, 11, 12 and August 4, 5, 6, 7. To make reservations, please phone 1.877.264.CAMP.

Upcoming North WI District Youth Events... Round up your youth group or a friend or two for one of these exciting events and meet other youth from around the district. Mark your calendars and plan to attend: **Bowl-A-Rama** in Wausau on March 8th; the **Side-by-Side Servant Event** May 2-4 at Camp Luther (Free!); or the **NWD Day at the Wisconsin Dells** on Monday, June 23rd. Find more information on these and other NWD Youth happenings at www.nwdyouth.org. and click on "Youth Events".

(Side-by-Side Servant Event info. can be found at www.campluther.com) Don't forget... Camp Luther's not just for kids! Summer camps for older youth provide fun, Christian growth and fellowship and include **IMPACT Camp** (grades 8-10), **Raft Quest** (grades 7-9 or 9-12), **Teen Camp** (grades 9-12), and **Horse Camp** (grades 7-9 or 9-12). For more information, visit www.campluther.com.

Upscale Resale Clearance Sale

The Upscale Resale Store in the Rapids Mall will hold its final week of Winter Clearance sale through March 8. This sale includes a "Bag Sale" for clothing and shoes. Stop in now for the lowest price ever. The store will be closed on March 10. We will be moving the store across the hall to a larger area (former Family Dollar Store) that day. We will also change our name to Bethesda's Thrift Shop - new name, new location, same low prices and same friendly volunteers. Visit us that week and join us for our 4th anniversary celebration and Grand Re-opening on Saturday, March 15 including a 40% off sale that day. We thank you for your support for the mentally and physically disabled folks at Bethesda Lutheran Home. We could use more volunteers for sorting and pricing as well as cashiers (once or twice a month). Please call Chuck at 421-3477. Our new donation door (after March 10) will be between the Mall entrance and Younkers entrance.

The logo for Bethesda features the word "Bethesda" in a large, stylized, serif font. The letters are white with a dark outline, and there is a subtle reflection effect below the text.