

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.

School Supplies Collection

This year the congregation of St. John will be assisting Grant Elementary School with their need of school supplies for the 2010-2011 school year. We will be collecting the following:

Colored pencils
Crayons
Calculators with pi sign
Glue sticks
Rulers
Pencils
Loose leaf notebook paper (wide line-3 holes)

Folders
Pencil boxes
Markers

Red pens
Black pens
Back packs

This collection will be ongoing and a drop off spot for your donations will be located in the narthex.



Evening Guild Cookout

If you missed the first two cookouts here's your chance to get in on another one at the Baker Drive IGA on Saturday, August 14. Starting at 10:00 AM the Ladies Evening Guild will be grilling up a tasty lunch for you to enjoy. Thanks for your support!

Thank You

Karen and I would like to express our sincere appreciation for all your support during my cancer treatment. Your prayers, cards, expressions of support and encouragement, and gifts have been overwhelming and humbling. Thank you so much. Join us in thanking God for the good health which he has extended to me—Doug Ross.

Thank You

The Human Care Board would like to thank our volunteers that participated in the Reading Program at Grant School this last school year. Each of you will be able to participate again this year without doing any updating of your status. The teachers and students are very appreciative of your time and efforts. Again--Thank You!

Volunteers Wanted

Would you like to volunteer to help our children improve their reading skills. We are looking for anyone that might have an hour or two a week to go to Grant School to listen to the students read their books to you on a one to one basis. If you would like to take part in this program, please contact Mona Heindl at church or 423-3962 to learn more about the program.



Thank you--The Human Care Board.

Evangelism

Spread the Word

Basic Instruction Before Leaving Earth

B. I. B. L. E.

“Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ.” Romans 10:17

Church Library Donations

It won't be long and it will be time to start making plans for the fall church bazaar on October 23.

Remember to keep the church library in mind as you clean out your books, CD's, and video's. Donations are accepted throughout the year and are greatly appreciated. Bring your items in a bag marked "Book Sale" and place them in the library area.

Profits made at the book sale allow us to make new purchases for the library. If you have any

suggestions as to what you would like to see in the library give the church office a call.

The library is here for all to use and enjoy. Stop by and see what we have for you.



Helping Hands Gospel Mission

Helping Hands Gospel Mission is a homeless shelter opening in Wisconsin Rapids. It is a non-profit organization that relies solely on donations from caring individuals, with a heart for the issues of the homeless.

A community event which is meant to raise awareness and funds called "Rock Solid" will take place on Friday, August 27 and Saturday, August 28. Please prayerfully consider how you might be involved in this project.

First, we're looking for substantial service projects such as painting, landscaping small building projects (like a handicap ramp) in the community that can be accomplished on Friday. Our goal is to reach out beyond our congregations and not merely serve our own members.

Second, we're looking for connections to any businesses that would wish to support this mission effort with supplies for the projects.

Third, we're looking for volunteers to help with chosen projects on Friday, and to help staff our event on Saturday. Knowledge or skills in construction, sound and lighting would be helpful but not required. All ages and skills are welcome.

Workers will meet at Lions Club Park at 9 AM on Friday to serve in our community, and there again Saturday 4-10 PM for music, speakers, worship, and fellowship.

To serve on Friday please complete the form (available in the narthex) and return to St. Luke's. For more information contact Pastor Paul Tonn at St. Luke's 715-423-5990 or ptonn@stlukeslutheran.com.

LWML Fall Rally



St. John Lutheran Church-Kellner Ladies Evening Guild invites you to join with your fellow LWML members at the LWML Fall Rally of The North Wisconsin District Zone 17 on Wednesday, September 29, 2010.

Registration begins at 9:30 AM with Opening Devotions at 10:00 AM. The \$5.00 registration fee includes materials and the luncheon.

We will combine our Mission Topic—"Helping Hands of Lutheran World Relief" and our Gifts of the Heart. Not only will we be learning about the wonderful work being accomplished by Lutheran World Relief, but supplies will be purchased in advance so we can assemble Health Kits at the Rally.

Child care will be provided as needed. Please pre-register children by calling Judy Shepard at 715-423-2071, or e-mail jarslbs@solarus.net by Monday, September 20.

Stamps for Missions and Tabs for Ronald McDonald House will be collected.

We look forward to you joining us on Wednesday, September 29 for a special time of using our Helping Hands for others while we enjoy Christian Fellowship with one another.

--St. John Ladies Evening Guild

Bethesda Thrift Shop

The Bethesda Thrift Shop in the Rapids Mall will have various clearance sales in August including a 50% off on green ticket clothing and shoes, 2 for 1 sales, book, record, and cassette sale and lots more. Please come and shop at Bethesda where you will find the lowest prices in town, and at the same time you are supporting the people with intellectual and developmental disabilities at Bethesda. Thank you for your support.



Neighborhood Table
Thursday, August 5, 2010
(Served at St. John Episcopal Church)

320 Oak Street—across from the Wisconsin Rapids Post Office)

There is never too much love, caring or compassion for our families, friends and people in need. St. John Lutheran “family” often demonstrates a great outpouring of love and compassion to the less fortunate in our community in many ways. Our congregation will once again have the opportunity to prepare and serve the dinner for The Neighborhood Table on Thursday, August 5th. The Neighborhood Table organization oversees all aspects of the dinner from the food preparation to the serving and the clean up. Our help is needed to prepare and serve a sit-down, family-oriented meal to the over 500 people in “our neighborhood”.

The people taking part in the dinner at The Neighborhood Table (served at St. John Episcopal Church—across from the Post Office) come from all walks of life and from many backgrounds. The diners range in age from babes-in-arms to the older residents in our community. Diners are married couples, single persons, young families, single parent families, and people who are lonely in a very busy world. A number of diners are present each week. The Thursday night dinner may be the only complete meal they have all week. It is important that we share our blessings with others especially during these hard economic times.

The Ladies Evening Guild is organizing the dinner for August 5th. You, as loving and caring members of the congregation and the community, are asked to participate with donations of time, talent and finances.

Donations needed include:

Desserts – Bars and Cookies

Monies to purchase the grocery supplies for the dinner

Time to prepare the meal—(with supervision of the Neighborhood Table staff); serve the dinner and cleanup the dining room and kitchen.

Talent—just a desire to help the less fortunate in “our neighborhood”!

Talent includes:

Meal preparation;

Help in preparing the “carry-out” meals;

Waiting on tables includes serving the dinner, beverages and desserts.

Servers are also encouraged to visit with the dinner guests.

Sign up sheets and a donation basket is on the table in the Narthex.

If you have questions, please contact Bonnie James, 421-0559 or Judy Shepard, 423-2071.