

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.



Welcome For New Members

On October 13 we will be introducing the following new members: Matt & Angie Pyburn & children McKenzie, Madison, & Johnny; Katelyn Federwitz; Connie Anderson; & Marilyn Knoll.

Refreshments and fellowship to follow the service. Please join us in giving them a warm welcome!

New Member Welcome Fellowship

Our church has a good problem! Our congregation is growing and our fellowship area is becoming too small. Due to the congestion in the Narthex we will have fellowship in our lower level on October 13 and on further dates. This will provide much added space with ample sitting areas. You no longer will have to juggle a cup of coffee and your food! It will also make it easier for those serving. Please join us in our new and improved area, hopefully, you will see it as an improvement and a warm and inviting area in which to visit. We welcome your input and suggestions as to how we can make it even better.

Pillowcase Dresses

Please bring back completed dresses and place them in the designated area by October 20. Finished dresses will be packed and delivered to Orphan Grain Train. From there they will be shipped out and sent to Haiti. Thank you for your help in this on-going mission project.



Confirmation

On Sunday, October 27 three young adults will confirm their Christian faith before the congregation. Please keep Benjamin Ontl, Kylee Rabska, and Hannah Rosenthal in your prayers as they make their vows before their families and our congregation.

Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

Yunker's Community Days (Coupon Sales) are upon us--our first scheduled shift is on October 9th! Have you signed up to help? Your help is truly needed if we are going to meet our goal of \$2,000.00 for St. John BEFORE THE BONUS CHECK comes. Good news and a sales help is that this season, for the first time, the discount coupons WILL apply to BONUS BUYS! Once again, I'd like to stress that the more people are willing to volunteer to help us, the easier it will be to meet our goals. Goal too high? No, I don't think so! Come on, St. John team, let's make it happen! Judy Monje Questions? 715-424-0285

Book Sale Donations

The church library committee will be having its annual book sale during the Fall Bazaar on October 26. Please consider making book, CD, and video (in good working order) donations for our sale. Bring your items in a bag marked "Book Sale" and place them in the library area. The money from this sale allows us to make new purchases for the library. We appreciate your donations!

Scrip Scrap Corner

Days are getting shorter...leaves will be turning any day now. Time to start thinking of warm coats and (ugh!) boots. When you're planning a shopping day remember to take your Scrip along and benefit your church while you shop. We have cards for Younkers and Kohl's available on demand and we can order cards for you from Target, Land's End, LL Bean, JC Penny and many other shops- see the listing on the Scrip table in the narthex. **ALSO: We have added Subway cards (\$10) to our regular inventory.**

Our profit total for September was \$ 272.89.

Harvest Home Celebration

Our Harvest Home Celebration was indeed a celebration! It was a wonderful time of fellowship and giving thanks for all our blessings. We wish to thank all who attended and helped make it a very special event. IGA's chicken was delicious as usual. Pam Lutz provided a beautiful and delicious cake. The Wall of Thanks was filled with many heartfelt thank you's to our Lord. Thanks to all who made our celebration a success!
--Sue Helmuth, Chairperson of Board of Stewardship.

Cemetery Restoration Project

Have you seen the updates at our Parish Cemetery? Please accept our sincere thank you for all your prayers and to all who have generously contributed to this restoration project. Whether you gave financial contributions, gave of your time for the physical labor, prepared food and refreshments or donated the use of your equipment it is all deeply appreciated. Thank you again. God has truly blessed us! --The Memorial Committee

Thank You

Thank you to everyone who recently donated so generously to the Memorial Fund. God has blessed St. John with a caring and giving congregation. We welcome your suggestions for future projects.--The Memorial Committee

Attention Board Members

Your 2014 Budget Worksheets are available in your mailboxes downstairs.



Portals of Prayer

Copies of the October-December "Portals of Prayer" are available in the narthex. They are now offering a new format if you would like to give it a try. We also have copies of the old format as well. Please let the office know if you like the new format so we can make an adjustment to our future orders.

Please Pick Up Dishes

We have a cart full of dishes that need homes. If you brought something for past funerals and haven't picked up your dishes please check the cart in the narthex.

Thank You

I would like to thank Pastor Ader and members of our congregation for their many prayers, cards, gifts, and support during my foot problems and surgery. It means so much to be remembered by so many.
In Christ's Love--Marianne Timm

Thank You

A big thank you everyone. Your prayers, cards and calls are much appreciated due to the loss of my sister-in-law, Shiela Holloway and Les's brother, Stephen Heindl. It is wonderful to have such a great caring church family! God's Blessings to you.
—Les and Mona Heindl

Thank You

We would like to extend our deepest appreciation to all who sent cards and remembered Laura and our family in prayer. We especially would like to thank Pastor Ader, Donna Weber and the luncheon committee for all their help and support.
--Robert Hanneman & family.

Thank You

Thank you to our generous congregation for your donation of hot dishes, salads, cheese trays, deserts, and any other food you brought in for the Laura Hanneman funeral. Thank you to Cindy Knorr and Marion Oleson, the co-chairman of group 2 for coordinating the meal. Thanks kitchen helpers! Thank you to the group that helped set up the tables. The Hanneman family expressed their appreciation and gratitude to the group for the fine job they did in serving the meal.



Thank You

Thank you to our generous congregation for your donation of hot dishes, salads, cheese trays, deserts, and all the other food you brought in for the Florence Helke funeral. Thank you to Barbara Lundquist and Judy Ontl the co-chairman of group 3 for coordinating the meal. Thanks kitchen helpers! Thank you to the group that helped set up the tables. The Helke family expressed their appreciation and gratitude for the find job they did in serving the meal.

LLL District Convention

The North Wisconsin/Upper Michigan District of the International Lutheran Laymen's League 68th Annual Convention will take place on October 11 & 12, 2013 at the Plaza Hotel in Wausau. Brochures are available on the table in the narthex.
Registration Deadline: October 3.

NWD Adult Gathering

Make plans now to attend the next North Wisconsin District Adult Gathering coming on Tuesday, October 15, 2013 at Mt. Olive Lutheran in Weston, WI from 9 am until 2 p.m. Registration begins at 8:30 am with rolls and coffee. The Rev. Dr. Paul L. Maier will share "Christianity and the Competition—Who is Right?" Cost is \$20 which includes lunch. Registration forms are available in the narthex and on the NWD website at www.nwdlcms.org.
Registration Deadline: October 8.

2014 Rural Christian Women's Conference

Mark your calendars! This year's Conference will be on January 18, 2014 at Parkside Middle School, Wautoma, WI. Coffee and Muffins at 8 AM. Conference Begins at 9 AM. Guest Speaker: Jennifer Rothschild. Registration forms coming in mid-October.

Advent by Candlelight

Save the date...2nd Annual Advent by Candlelight Service and Tea. December 1st from 2-4 PM. Look for the sign-up sheet in the narthex.

Interested in Playing Cards!

St. Luke's welcomes all card players that might be interested in playing Hand and Foot from 6:30-8:30 PM on Sunday nights. Call Marge Rumble at 715-423-8612. We will teach game, much like Canasta! I can offer car rides also.

LWR Semi Loading

Saturday, November 2, 2013
8:30 am to noon
First English Lutheran Church Parking Lot
440 Garfield Street, Wis. Rapids

Each year First English Lutheran Church arranges for a semi here in Wisconsin Rapids to receive blankets and other items which are sent to areas of need around the world. Lutheran churches from a radius of about 40 miles use this Wisconsin Rapids semi to receive their donations. Lutheran World Relief and donations from foundations pay the freight. Individual donors or churches are not charged freight costs.

Because of this, certain needed items are solicited. Among these items are: Mission Quilts, Personal Care Kits, Baby Care Kits, Fabric Kits, School Kits, Soap. **Sorry, NO Clothing of any Kind!** For monetary donations, mail to LWR, PO Box 17061, Baltimore, MD 21297-1061 or go on line to www.lwr.org Donate.

St. John-Almond Rummage Sale

St. John's Lutheran Church in Almond is having a huge rummage sale with the proceeds going to the building fund /parking lot. The date and hours are: Thursday - October 3rd --- 3 pm to 7 pm; Friday - October 4th --- 8 am to 6 pm; Saturday - October 5th --- 8 am to 3 pm. The church is located at 1165 Cty Rd D in the Village of Almond. For more information call 715-366-2480 or 715-366-4452.

Sigel Bar-b-q Dinner and Craft Sale

Sunday, October 6 at John Lutheran Church (Sigel). Bar-B-Q, Potato Salad, Chips, Applesauce, Pickles, Pies, Bars and Ice Cream. Serving from 11:30 AM to 1:00 PM. Ages 13 & up \$6.00, Ages 6 thru 12 \$3.00, Under 6 Free

St. Luke's Harvest Luncheon & Sale

Tuesday, October 8 at St. Luke's, 2011 10th Street So. Bazaar 10:30 AM-1:00 PM. Luncheon Served 11:00 AM-1:00 PM. Adults \$7.00. Children 12 & Under Free. Fast Line for workers on their lunch hour. Carry-outs available.



Donate To LCFS of Wisconsin And Go Watch The Packers!



As a fundraising effort, LCFS will be giving away two tickets to the Packers/Browns game on Sunday, Oct 20th. To encourage our online giving program, the individual who makes the largest donation between now and October 13th will be given the tickets as a "Thank You" for supporting our ministry. You can donate online at www.lcfswi.org

Fireside Musical Christmas

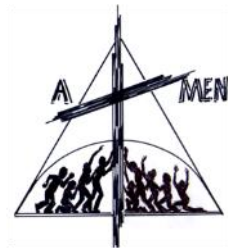
On Sunday, Nov. 24, 2013 St. Luke's in Wis. Rapids (2011 10th Street South) is hosting a bus trip to the Fireside Dinner Theater in Ft. Atkinson, WI. The Lamers Charter bus will board at St. Luke's south parking lot at 11:30 a.m. for 3 p.m. dinner and 5:00 p.m. show, returning to Wis. Rapids by 10:00 p.m. Cost is \$90 for dinner theater and bus. You can reserve your ticket with a \$20 deposit at the St. Luke's office by the deadline of Oct 20 or when all seats are taken. The balance of \$70 is due October 31. The menu includes an appetizer skewer of shrimp, scallops and asparagus, freshly baked breads from the Fireside bakery, baked holiday ham, potatoes au gratin, broccoli and carrots, and a dessert of fresh fruits and chocolate. Special dietary substitutions can also be made for gluten-free, vegetarian or other medical needs. Coffee, tea and milk are complimentary and the gratuity is included in the ticket price. Register for the bus trip or ask questions by calling Martha Strong at 715-423-5990 at St. Luke's.

Bethesda Thrift Shop

October is a great time to pick up some fall and Halloween decorations for your house. We also have some costumes available. The Rapids Mall will sponsor a Halloween Parade on October 31 at 6:00 p.m. where each store offers treats for all the kids. Don't forget, we have lots of new furniture, mattresses, socks, etc. and plenty of fall and winter clothing and shoes. Shop locally, shop Bethesda in the Rapids mall.

A-MEN Group Christmas At Concordia

Join us on our A-MEN sponsored motor coach trip to enjoy a Christmas at Concordia concert on Saturday, December 7th in the Chapel Triumphant. Our bus leaves the Stevens Point Econo Lodge parking lot promptly at 2:30 pm. The cost of the bus and concert ticket is \$30.



Students 17 and under are admitted free to the concert but will have to pay \$20 for the bus.

The Econo Lodge is located at 5110 Main Street and parking is on their lot near the Interstate 39 Highway. Watch for the Lamers bus. Please be prompt.

We will enjoy a comfortable trip to Concordia stopping at the Highland House Restaurant for dinner about 5:30 pm. The restaurant will be expecting us. Their dinner menu has many choices. Check out their website at:

http://mequon.highlandhouse.ws/wp/?page_id=33

After dinner, we will leave for nearby Concordia's Chapel Triumphant about 6:30 pm for the 7:30 concert. Seats fill quickly so will have to be hasty after our meal.

The concert will last approximately 2 hours with a short intermission. For a group our size, Concordia will reserve seats for us. They do have wheel chairs available, if needed, but I will need to know the names of those people in order to reserve one.

Please make your checks out to Edward Bieno and leave with your church office or mail to me at: 5541 Woodland St., Stevens Point, WI 54482. If you have any other questions call me at 715-544-4854.

Tickets go on sale November 1st, therefore the concert registration closes on Friday, October 25th.

LCFS

"From Lutheran Counseling and Family Services of WI - If you are looking for articles related to topics affecting our families, children or society nowadays please go to www.lcfswi.org, click on Family Life Education and then click on "Articles". Please use our Facebook page to let us know what you think of the articles or if you'd like to request an article on any particular topic."

Annual Fall & Holiday Bazaar & Bake Sale

*Saturday, October 26, 2013
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.*

All members of the congregation are encouraged to share their talents for this **CHURCH-WIDE** event.

Bazaar items that sell well and are asked for include: handcrafts of all kinds, toys, quilts, holiday and fall decorations and ornaments, fresh garden produce, canned fruits and vegetables, paintings, sculptures, drawings, woodcrafts, birdhouses, bird feeders and of course our famous baked goods!

The Bazaar and Bake Sale is coordinated by the Ladies Evening Guild and Ladies Aid organizations, but is for the benefit of the **entire** congregation. Your contributions are greatly appreciated and all proceeds will be used to the glory of God and His work in the Kingdom.

If you would like to donate any of the suggested items (or any others you may choose) please bring them to the church by Thursday evening, October 24, at 6:30 p.m. (Please bring Baked Goods early Saturday morning).

A Bar-B-Que Luncheon will be available, complete with homemade pie.

A Used Book Sale will also be held. If you have books, CD's, DVD's etc. to donate, please bring them to the church and place them in the Library area.

Questions or suggestions---contact one of the Bazaar Committee members:
Judy Shepard, 423-2071; Jeanine Arneson, 345-0568; Rhonda Knoll, 421-2418;
Susan Ader, 424-5920; Judy VanErt, 423-5475; Mona Heindl, 423-3962;
Diann Peotter, 421-4012; Nancy Reese, 715-712-0322; Judy Monje, 24-0285;
Marge Rumble, 423-8612; Nancy Saeger, 421-2258; Jan Bremmer, 423-3035;
Karen Ross, 421-2970; or Marion Oleson, 421- 2162.

August 23, 2013

Greetings to *LWML* Members, Pastors and Guests,

The *Ladies of Evening Guild of Immanuel Lutheran Church* extend this Invitation to You to join us here at Immanuel Lutheran Church for Celebration of the *LWML* Zone 17 Fall Rally on Saturday, October 12, 2013 with Registration beginning at 8:30 A.M. The Registration Fee is \$5.00 and this includes the luncheon which will be served at 12:00 Noon. The Rally program will commence at 9:00 A.M. No Childcare provided.

The Christian Life Topic will be *Run For Your Life*, written by Martin Koeller, Pastoral Counselor, and presented by Chris Voelker, Zone Christian Life Chairman. Chris will guide us in the use of daily Bible readings, meditations and prayers which will assist us in spending time in God's Word and building the endurance which we need to live a Christian life in the long-distance race which God has planned for us.

Our Guest Speaker will be Lynne Johnson, Zone 17 President, of Almond, WI. Through Lynne's presentation, she will share with us her experiences from her mission trip to Nicaragua.

The Gifts of the Heart will be for the First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center. It would be appreciated that *LWML* members would bring an item which may be selected from the List provided.

REMEMBER to bring your Stamps for Missions and Beverage Tabs for the Ronald McDonald House.

Let us gather to enjoy the fellowship of our Christian life in serving our Lord with gladness. Praying that the Lord will Bless Your Day.

Ladies of Evening Guild
Immanuel Lutheran Church
"Share the love of Jesus, grow in faith, serve community"

First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center

Needed Items for the
Baby Boutique Shop

Clothing for Newborns to 12 Months:

Outfits, Sleepers	Baby Towels and Wash Cloths	
Bottles	Formula	Nursing Pads
Crib Sheets and Pads	Blankets	Sippy Cups
Pacifiers	Rattles	Diaper Bags
Tummy Butter	Desitin Cream	
Baby Monitors	Baby Gates	
Safety Items of Outlet and Door Knob Covers and Cabinet Latches		
Diapers for Newborn to 5 Years		

Large Items:

Baby Swing	Bouncy Seat	Car Seat
Excersaucer	High Chair	Johnny Jump-Up
Pack-N-Play	Crib	

The Evangelism committee would like to reach out to our St. John family members in the military and in college. If you have a family member that is in the military or away at college and you would like them to receive a care package, please complete the form below, detach and either put in the offering plate or leave at the church office by mid October. We will be sending care packages out in December and again in April. Recipients do not need to be a St. John member. We hope to lift their spirits and assure them that they are not alone.

If you have questions, feel free to contact JoLynn Winkels at 715-712-0681, Colleen Ruesch at 715-423-9431, or Sandra Sweeney at 715-572-5451

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CHECK ONE:

MILITARY _____ COLLEGE STUDENT _____

YOUR NAME: _____