

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.

Students Singing & Reciting the Books of the Bible

Weekday School students will be praising God and warming our hearts on Sunday, May 1st by singing a song of praise during the 9:30 am service. Students in grades 3 – 7 will also be reciting the Books of the Bible.

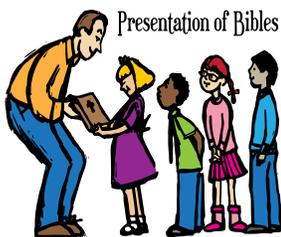


Presentation of Attendance Awards, Singing Awards, Bibles & Catechisms



Attendance Awards and Singing Awards will be presented to Weekday School students during the 9:30 am service on May 1st.

Bibles will be presented to Weekday School 2nd graders by their parents during the 9:30 am service on May 1st. The following students will be receiving their Bible:



Presentation of Bibles

Dylan Cook

Marina Piper

Carson Rosenthal

Danica Rosenthal



Catechism

Catechisms will be presented to Weekday School 4th graders by their parents during the 9:30 am service on May 1st. The following students will be receiving their Catechism:

Sara Dixon

Madison Pyburn

Ashlyn Doescher

Carter Swen

Gracie Dotter

Elizabeth Weiland

Conner Jensen

Board of Education Brat Fry

Following the May 1st service, the Board of Ed, along with the Weekday School Students, will be having a Brat Fry in the church basement. All proceeds from the Brat Fry will go towards 2016 Vacation Bible School (VBS) expenses. You can dine in or take your order home. We will serve brats until 1:00 pm or until quantities run out. We hope you stop in and enjoy a delicious brat.



Vacation Bible School

The children of St. John Lutheran Church in Kellner are inviting other children that may not have a church home to worship with us and experience what our Wednesday night



weekday school program has to offer. Join us on Sunday, May 1 at 9:30am. We will be celebrating our weekday school students and program. Please stay after church to continue the celebration with a kick off to our Vacation Bible School theme of "Big Heart Farms- Where God's Fruit Grows". We will be planting trinity plants, hosting a brat fry, and signing students up for our fun vacation bible school program on June 6-9 5:30-7:30pm. If you know of a child ages 3 to 12 who would benefit from and enjoy a week of vacation bible school, please contact St. John Lutheran Church in Kellner www.stjohnkellner.org. We hope to see you on Sunday, May 1 at 9:30.

Singing Thank You

I would like to THANK all of our Weekday School Students who faithfully participated on the Singing Sunday's throughout the 2015



-2016 school year. The sharing of your beautiful voices and enthusiasm is appreciated. I would like to Thank Parents & Grandparents too for bringing them so they can participate together as a big group. St. John is blessed to have a great group of young voices. *Singing and making melody in your heart unto the Lord. Ephesians 5:19.* I am proud of all Students and how each had participated this year. Sandra Sweeney

The Singing Participation Awards go to:

Nursery – 2nd Grades:

1. Carson Rosenthal- 4th Sunday in Lent
2. Danica Rosenthal- Rally Sunday

3rd – 7th Grades:

1. Josie Staven- Palm Sunday
2. Lucas Prange-2nd Sunday in Advent

A THANK YOU to all the children who came early to Chime and share with the congregation your accomplishments throughout the year. You Chime beautifully!

Memorial Day Service Honoring Veterans

Please join us in honoring our Veterans!

Saturday, May 28th, Worship will begin at 6:30 PM and it will be a Patriotic Service.

Sunday, May 29th, Worship will begin at 9:30 AM. This service will be honoring the Veterans and also will be Patriotic with a Dinner to follow. The



menu will be a pork dinner which is being made by Elaine Polansky in memory of her friend Harry Ferguson who passed away this past year. A Local VFW organization will present colors, play taps and conclude the Sunday Service with a 21 gun salute. Please come and help us honor our veterans for their service and all they have done for our country and our community. This years goal will be to collect money for the King Veterans Home Christmas. All money will go towards buying Christmas gifts for the Veterans there. The project last year distributed gifts to 306 veterans by raising \$1000.00. Let's help raise that dollar amount by giving generously to our door collections for the entire month of May.

POPCORN POPPERS

Life Circles has donated two air popcorn poppers. They are easy to use and make a lot of popcorn quite quickly. Instructions, popcorn and popcorn toppings and bags are included. These items are kept in the paper products storeroom off the kitchen. All groups and church individuals are encouraged to make use of the poppers, either for fundraisers or just for their groups. Notify Sharon if supplies run low and they will be ordered.



Worship for Shut—Ins

Worship for Shut-Ins (WSFI) is a thirty-minute Christian worship experience featuring classic hymns, the Apostles' Creed, the Lord's

Prayer, and a 10-minute message by Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod pastors. Beginning on June 28, 2015, RCCA will begin airing WSFI on Solarus Cable Channel 3 and Charter Cable Channel 985 on Sunday mornings at 6:30 am and Wednesday mornings at 8:00 am.

WSFI can also be seen on Stevens Point Community TV (Charter Cable Channel 984) at the following times: Mondays 12:30 pm, Tuesdays 2:00 pm, Thursdays 2:30 pm, Fridays 10:30 am and Saturdays at 11:00 am.

May 1, 2016 – John 16:33b

“Overcoming the World” by Rev. Dr. Walter A. Maier III, *Concordia Theological Seminary~Fort Wayne, IN*

The wicked, unbelieving world, moved by Satan, is opposed to God, His Word, and His people. Thus believers in this world will have tribulation. But Christ has overcome the world, and He helps us overcome the world.

May 8, 2016 – Luke 24:44-53

“So Close and Yet So Far” by Rev. James L. Elsner, *Prince of Peace Lutheran Church~Stroh, IN*

Jesus is gone. He's left us. Or has He? The Ascension of Jesus teaches us that He reigns with us – even while He's in heaven. How can that be?

May 15, 2016 – Acts 2:1-11

“The Pentecost Harvest”

by Rev. Dr. Daniel J. Brege, *St. Paul Lutheran Church~Decatur, IN*



God would use the Jewish Feast of Pentecost. It not only prefigured God's harvest of souls for eternal life, but the actual day provided a wonderfully designed opportunity for many Jews, from many regions, to hear the wonderful news of the Savior, the bringer of true peace.

May 22, 2016 – John 8:48-59

“God's Own Child” by Rev. Dr. Lawrence R. Rast, Jr., *President, Concordia Theological Seminary~Fort Wayne, IN*

The Holy Trinity is one of the great mysteries of the faith. Yet, through Jesus Christ, we come to know God as our Father. Through the waters of baptism the Holy Spirit gives us the gift of faith. Therefore each of us can gladly say, “I am God's own child!”

May 29, 2016 – Luke 7:1-10

“A Soldier's Faith” by Rev. William Mueller, *Suburban Bethlehem Lutheran Church~Fort Wayne, IN*

An unnamed soldier has a need that only the Lord Jesus Christ can fulfill. In the encounter between this soldier and the Savior we see the heart of faith and the glory of God.

Scrip Scrap Corner



“We are thinking of expanding our Scrip program to offer some new and different retailers, such as: Target (2.5%), Mills Fleet Farm (3.5%), JoAnn Fabric & Crafts (6%), Bath & Body Works (13%) and Pizza Hut (8%). If you would be interested in any of these OR if you are interested in having Scrip available for any retailer not currently on hand, or listed here, please let me know. (NO, Aldi Food Market is not in the scrip business! I've already checked). We want to make our Scrip Program helpful and easy-to-use for everyone. Now that we have paid back all the seed money we borrowed to get up and running, we are ready to grow the program and be a real financial asset to St. John. – Judy Monje 715-424-0285 or stop by the Scrip booth after church on Sundays. Our profit for April was \$167.85

Lutheran Hour Broadcast

The Lutheran Hour can be heard on the following radio stations on Sunday Morning: WAXX 104.5 FM

at 6:30 a.m.; WDLB 1450 AM at 8 a.m.; WDUX 92.7 FM at 8 a.m.; WSAU 99.9 FM at 8:30 a.m.; and WRVM 91.3 FM, 94.3 FM or 101.3 FM at 10 a.m.

May 1

"So, Ask Already!"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz God loves you. He wants to hear from you. Ask Him anything and everything. Go ahead, ask! (John 16:22-33)

May 8

"Jesus Prayed for You"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz Prayer begins in the heart of Jesus Christ who intercedes for you, offering prayers on your behalf to God the Father. (John 17:20-26)

May 15

"Jesus Gives Us the Help We Need"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz Jesus doesn't want you to be in the dark about how much He loves you. (John 14:23-31)

May 22

"Here's a New, Lasting Identity"

Lutheran Hour Speaker: Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz The Bread of Life, Living Water, Good Shepherd: Jesus' statements leave no doubt as to who He is, for you. (John 8:48-58)

May 29

"Identity Theft"

Speaker Emeritus of The Lutheran Hour: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus Nobody likes to have their identity stolen, and that includes the Lord who said, "You shall have no other gods before Me." (Galatians 1:5-8)



Kellner Area Rummage Sale

St. John Junk In the Trunk will be Saturday June 4th from 8-4 out by 5:00. Come and enjoy the day with us there will be food, junk, and port-a potty on site. Money is raised for various Church Boards. Thank you for all of your support. Contact information #

Sandra Sweeney 715-572-5451.



Bethesda Thrift Shop

It finally is getting warmer and the Bethesda Thrift Shop in the Rapids Mall is loaded with your summer needs. May is "Blue-tag discount"

month with up to 50% off on blue-tagged clothing. The store also has NEW socks (no-show, ankle, crew and diabetic) for youth, men, and ladies. Be sure to stop in and check out our NEW furniture and mattress selections. Reminder – 50% off almost everything in the store April 29-30. We continue to thank all of you for your support for Bethesda's mission to our disabled folks.



Hearts? Hearts?

What were those colored hearts about that appeared in some people's mail boxes? Starting in February thru March compassionate friends wanted to acknowledge random acts of kindness we observed here at St. John. So, if you got a heart, Congratulations!! You were seen performing an act of kindness! Many hearts were given out which proves that St. John is a kind and caring church body. So keep up the good work – remember that people do notice acts of kindness – kindness is habit forming. Submitted by Sue Helmuth.