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for August 27 & 28, 2016

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welcome visitors!

If you are visiting St. John's, please fill out a [purple visitor slip](#) found in the back of the church seats. Prayer request forms are on the back of the visitor slips. Completed forms may be placed in the offering plate or handed to an usher. If you would like to know more about St. John's and our ministries be sure to stop at the Welcome Desk in the lobby.

enhancing worship

- large print bulletins
A limited number of large print bulletins are available for all services.
- personal listening devices
We have 4 personal listening devices available.
Please ask the ushers for assistance.



hospitality question of the day

What is your favorite ice cream flavor?

backpacks & school supplies

St. John's outreach emphasis for our August collection is school supplies for Lutheran World Relief.

There are blue shopping lists available in the lobby. You may purchase one thing or one of everything – whatever works best for you. Thank you for your continued support of education for kids around the world by helping them kickoff their school year with some extra enthusiasm because they are fully equipped!



grief support group

Our next Grief Support Group will be held Oct. 4, 11, and 18 at Cross of Life Lutheran Church in Brookfield. For more information check our website, bulletin board or the September newsletter. Please see Lori Davis with any questions or to register.

new bishop elected in tanzania

We celebrate with our brothers and sisters in Christ in the Meru Diocese of Tanzania upon the election of Pastor Elias Kitoi Nassari as Bishop-Elect.

Pastor Elias is a native Tanzanian who has served here in the Greater Milwaukee Synod for the last twenty years. He will succeed Bishop Paulo Akyoo who has served as Bishop since the formation of the Diocese in 1992.



lutheran disaster response - gulf coast flooding

Your gifts are needed to help respond to the Gulf Coast flooding! Your gifts through ELCA Lutheran Disaster Response will bring God's hope, healing and refuge to those who are affected by these devastating floods. Lutheran Disaster Response coordinators are actively present, collaborating with local community leaders and officials to begin planning the proper responses, particularly the long-term recovery efforts. Gifts designated for "Gulf Coast Flooding" will be used (100 percent) until the response is complete to help disaster survivors recover and rebuild their lives. Your generous offerings of prayer and financial support will help address the many needs, especially the long-term recovery efforts of those affected.

Please go to the ELCA website to donate or to get more information: elca.org/Our-Work/Relief-and-Development/Lutheran-Disaster-Response

this week at a glance

Aug 28	8:30a	worship
	10:00a	worship
	6:30p	Al Anon
Aug 29	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	Al Anon
Aug 30	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	7:00p	boy scouts
Aug 31	1:00p	preschool board meeting
	6:00p	AA
Sep 1	9:00a	retired men's breakfast
	9:00a	yoga
	6:30p	Al Anon
Sep 2	8:00p	AA
Sep 3	9:30a	AA
	5:15p	worship
Sep 4	8:30a	worship
	10:00a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	4:00p	New Berlin 4H
	6:30p	Al Anon

future opportunities

Sep 5	office closed
Sep 11	Rally Day
Sep 25	WM Salad Supper
Oct 21-22	Beloved Sisters Retreat
Nov 5	Holiday Bazaar

altar flowers

Altar flowers were sponsored today by Kevin and Karen Wolfmeyer in honor of their 34th wedding anniversary and family birthdays.

please pray...

for blessings upon

- Pastor Elias the new bishop-elect in Tanzania for these immediate needs of healing and strength Bev, Bill, Dan, Jim & Barb, Kathy, Max, Melissa, Kathy, Ruth, Stephen
- for ongoing treatment and recovery Judy, June, Matt, Sara, Tim
- for our shut-ins Vern Aune, Gretchen Brueske, Dolores Hartman, Alice Ladewig, Betty Mihelich, Dorothea Mortensen, Audrey Reed; Lois Rosholt, Ruth Segal
- for our partner churches Los Héroes, Akeri Parish, All Peoples
- for all those serving in the military Tech. Sgt. Rick Bachtell; Michael Beasley; John Bruschi, Jr.; Michael George; Adam Kaczmarek; Cody Kallin; Maj. Nathaniel Lauterbach; 2nd Lt. Stuart McConnell; Lt. Cmdr. Bartholomew Stevenpiper; Sgt. Andrew Smith; Pvt. Kacey Slater; Maj. Rick L Strickroot; Todd Westhauser; 1st Lt. Madeline Wilcox; William Wright

Please submit your announcements by
Wednesday at noon.

The staff and pastors review and make final decisions based on space, timing and needs of the community.

Please submit announcements to Pam at email address: office@makedisciples.com.



caring & serving

bottle caps

Thank you for your contributions of plastic bottle caps of all different shapes and sizes toward the recycling art project. The collection is complete and no more caps are needed.

outreach for hope bike ride

Register and Ride – Once again, generous donors have teamed up to donate \$25 for every registered rider or virtual rider registration up to \$9,000!! Even virtual riders qualify for the donation! Online registration closes at midnight on Sept. 7 – Walk-up's are welcome the day of the ride. **Support a Rider** - For every online donation to riders' web pages, a generous donor will contribute another \$10 to Outreach for Hope.

Make a Donation – For your convenience on-line donations are possible at www.ofhbikeride.com. Donations received via mail are also gratefully received and will be instrumental in helping us reach our goal of \$110,000.

bazaar fun begins in october!

St. John's Women's Ministry is once again preparing for the **Holiday Bazaar**. This year's Bazaar will be on Saturday, November 5 at church. There are many ways to get involved in this fun event. The *first preparation day is on October 8* when you can come to church and have fun with our bakers and make apple pies and lefse to sell at the bazaar. There will be more events and other ways to get in on the fun leading up to the Holiday Bazaar – watch for more announcements! Jennifer Cranfill is our Chairperson and is happy to answer any questions (414-305-1512 or jennifer1961@yahoo.com).

boxes needed!

Copy boxes or large boxes are needed for packing up our quilts and school kits for LWR. Please stack donations in the "Donation Location" area. Thanks!!

partner prayer breakfast

All Peoples Church is hosting a prayer breakfast on Saturday, September 17 from 9:00-10:30 am at their Harambee Campus at 2600 N 2nd St, Milwaukee. All are welcome!



learning and growing

library update

Many thanks to our Librarian Peg Schellin who is working to remove some old books and organize new additions. Stop by the Library and see what's new and to check out a book!

arts and faith workshop

Join us on **Saturday, September 17** for an Arts and Faith Workshop featuring devotional artist **Vonda Drees** demonstrating her art of spiritual journaling. We will be led in a Bible study exploring our creative role in the world; we'll experience Vonda leading us in a workshop on spiritual journaling; and then we will get to play. Several stations will be available at which participants can make simple creative projects, with basic instruction. No artistic experience is required- just a willingness to take chances and learn something new! This is a perfect event for families or friends to attend together, or for people to come to alone to make new friends!

We need a few volunteers to oversee project tables. You can bring a simple project to teach, or just help people with a project we give you.

We need material donations: old t-shirts, fabric (cotton), magazines, card stock and/or scrapbook paper.



A \$5 donation is asked to cover the cost of additional materials. Please sign up in the lobby so we know how many to plan for. Contact Stephanie Luedtke with questions or to register. sluedtke0@gmail.com



children, youth & families



sunday school is looking for a few volunteers!

Sunday School Drama Team

Do you have a flair for the dramatic? Have a mean Moses impersonation? Then we need YOU! Join our newly formed Sunday School Drama Team and help the Bible come alive for our kids. Once a month commitment or as available. St. John's Youth welcome to join!

Substitute Small Group Leaders

No prep needed! Just show up and spent some time with our kids.

A/V Squad

Are you a techie? At church on Sunday Mornings? We are looking for a team of 2-3 individuals to set up and run the A/V during large group Sunday School (9:45-10:05). Training provided.

Interested? See the sign up in the Narthex for all the details or contact Joanna Salinas at pachanga724@yahoo.com.



music & worship

sunday morning schedule change

Just a friendly reminder that beginning Sunday, September 11, we resume our regular Sunday morning schedule:

8:30 worship
9:45 education hour
10:45 worship

See you in worship!

handbell choir invitation - you can be a ringer!

You're invited to join the St. John's Handbell Choir the *Joyful Bells* beginning September 6 Tuesday rehearsals, September-May, 6:45-8:15 pm

The St. John's Bell Choir is an intergenerational group of ringers who meet once a week to enjoy laughter, fun and fellowship - all to the glory of God. There is no audition required to join the handbell choir, and it is not necessary to have past ringing experience. Music reading skills are helpful.

Interested? Curious? We would love to have you join us! We can use full time ringers year round, or seasonally. **New ringers are always welcome!!** If you or someone you know would like to play with the Joyful Bells, please call or e-mail Heidi Bischmann – (414) 305-7812 or Bells@makedisciples.com.

what is a rally?

September 11 is Rally Day at St. John's! So, what's a Rally Day? Webster tells us that to Rally is to "join together, round-up, gather, try something new, reunite and summon."

How can we Rally on September 11? First of all, we can *summon* our family, neighbors and friends to worship. We can *join together* with our entire St. John's family to worship our God who Keeps Promises. We can *round up* our children and their friends to *gather* in Sunday School and then enjoy coffee and pastries and *join* others in adult education class.

As we *reunite* after summer vacations, weekends at the lake, or travel, let's be a part of the Rally for Following Jesus, Making Disciples and Serving the World! **See you on Rally Sunday!**