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for January 28 & 29, 2017

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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.



focus of january outreach offering: socks and undies

January's local outreach emphasis will focus on Hope Center. The Hope Center serves a large population of folks who just don't have sufficient resources to "make ends meet". The Clothing Shop at Hope Center provides donated clothing items to help clients stretch their resources. It's a significant treat when the Clothing Shop has new underwear and socks to pass on, so St. John's is asking for new donations of those items in January. The greatest needs are for socks (all sizes) and underwear: kids (all sizes), ladies (sizes 5-8), and men (small and medium sizes).



annual meeting is january 29

Our annual meeting is scheduled for January 29 at 12 noon. Our agenda will include:

- Treasurer's report
- President's report
- Audit Committee report
- Approval of the 2017 6-month budget
- Election of a Nominating Committee
- Approval by simple majority vote of amendments to the St. John's constitution as approved by the 2016 Churchwide Assembly
- Approval by majority vote of the change from semi-annual meetings to one annual meeting in May or June.

Please review the copy of amendments posted on the member section of the St. John's website *makedisciples.com* prior to the annual meeting. If you would prefer to read paper documents, shared copies are available for review at the desk.

thrivent choice dollars

St. John's received \$1,970 in charitable outreach funding in 2016 based on recommendations from Thrivent members. Thank you! If you are a Thrivent member, remember 2016 Choice Dollars expire on March 31. If you haven't directed your Choice Dollars, please consider directing them to St. John's.

next steps for this week

Jan 29	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	12:00p	annual meeting
	6:30p	Al Anon
Jan 30	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	Al Anon
Jan 31	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:30p	handbell choir
	7:00p	boy scouts
Feb 1	9:00a	quilters
	5:15p	KOTK
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	confirmation
	6:30p	choir
Feb 2	8:30a	retired men's breakfast
	6:00p	boy scouts
	6:30p	Al Anon
Feb 3	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
	8:00p	AA
Feb 4	8:00a	Men's Group
	9:00a	diakonia
	9:30a	AA
	3:00p	faith statement presentations
	5:15p	worship with confirmation
Feb 5	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon

please pray...

blessings upon Christopher John Nettekoven, son of Luke & Jessica Nettekoven, as he is baptized. for these immediate needs of healing and strength Aiden, Barb, Bernie, Eleanor, Harry, Jerry, John, Judd, Marge, Matt, Stephen for ongoing treatment and recovery Kathy, Ruth, Kathy, Tim, Sara, Tim for our shut-ins Gretchen Brueske, June Carlson, Dolores Hartman, Alice Ladewig, Betty Mihelich, Audrey Reed, Lois Rosholt, Ruth Segal, Janet Vogelsang 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 Sievenpiper; Sgt. Andrew Smith; Pvt. Kacey Slater; Maj. Rick L Strickroot; Todd Westhauser; 1st Lt. Madeline Wilcox; William Wright

altar flowers

Altar flowers were sponsored today by Carol May in memory of Robert May.

future opportunities

Feb 4		Confirmation
Feb 25		Day of Discovery
Feb 26	12:00p	Loaves and Fishes
Mar 1	6:30p	Ash Wednesday worship
Mar 18		high school lock-in
Mar 19		pancake breakfast

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.



children, youth & families next steps

confirmation service

Join us as ten of our teenagers claim the promises of their baptism on Saturday, February 4. We start the day at 3:00 p.m. when our Confirmation students share their faith statements. The day culminates in worship at 5:15 p.m. with the Affirmation of Baptism Service. ALL are welcome to join in this festive and joyous occasion.

preschool enrollment is open

St. John's Preschool is now enrolling for September 2017. We offer three classes:

2 Year Old Class NEW!

3 Year Old Class

Kindergarten Readiness (4K) Class

Ask us how we can partner with your family for an excellent preschool learning experience.

Information is available in the Preschool slot at Information Desk or you may call or email to start the conversation and arrange a tour. Please share our information with family, friends and neighbors. 262-786-4298

Preschool@makedisciples.com

www.makedisciples.com/preschool



music & worship next steps

seven last words of Christ

Mark your calendars today for a dramatic, moving concert on March 5, 4pm, Shattuck Auditorium at Carroll University. The St. John's Senior Choir will join area choirs and soloists in presenting the powerful words of Jesus from the cross by Dubois. This concert will bless your Lenten journey. Bring your family and friends! No tickets needed. Free-will offering.



learning and growing next steps

adult education

This Sunday we conclude an educational series taught by St. John's member and Deacon Stephanie Luedtke on Liberation Theology. This study is founded on Luke 4:18-19 in which Jesus stands in the synagogue and reads the scroll of Isaiah, declaring that he is the fulfillment of the scripture. The scroll outlines Jesus' ministry to the poor, outcast, and persecuted. Join Stephanie in the library at 9:45 today!

new options for day of discovery

During Day of Discovery, February 25 you'll be invited to choose two 45 minutes breakout sessions for learning and growing. This year we have two hands-on service projects as options. 'Kits for Girls' and 'Little Dresses for Africa' will support hygiene needs for girls/young women in El Salvador and clothing needs for young girls in Africa respectively. Can't make the event, but want to get involved? Consider a contribution of cotton briefs (girl sizes 10-14) or colorful pillowcases. Registration forms for Day of Discovery coming to your mailbox this week with registration beginning February 1. Call Cindy Schaefer (262-271-6623) if you have questions.

classes offered at luther manor

Did you know that Luther Manor holds regular classes for the community? These classes are held at their beautiful facility in the Linden Room and are free to the public. You can go to their web site for details of the class schedule, luthermanor.org. A schedule of upcoming winter/early spring classes is also posted on the bulletin board in the lobby. Check it out!

men's retreat

Lutheran Men in Mission is hosting a **One Year to Live Retreat** March 24-26, 2017. This event is being held at Pine Lake Camp in Waupaca, WI. The contact person is Jim Schieble, 920-763-3433, faithbassed@outlook.com. Details are posted on the bulletin board if you are interested.



caring & serving next steps

a taste of hope

Join us for a fun filled evening at Hope Center's 7th Annual Taste of Hope! Sample wonderful wines and beers with tasty food. It will be held on Thursday, February 9 at Thunderbay Grille in Pewaukee at 5:00 p.m.

loaves and fishes

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat..." This passage from Matthew 25:34 is exactly what Loaves and Fishes is all about. St. John's has, for many years, played an active role in providing its members the opportunity to serve those in need of a hot meal in Waukesha County. Along with 25 other Congregations in the Waukesha area, St. John's provides the food for the meal and members help prepare it, greet the guests, and serve the meal twice a year. It is a wonderful occasion for families to work together to serve others!

St. John's will be serving the Loaves and Fishes meal at Hope Center on Sunday, February 26. We need a few people to help prepare food, greet our guests, and serve the meal. Sign up to help prepare the meal (12:30-2:30 pm) or to serve and clean up (2:00-4:00). Sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board in the lobby. If you are not familiar with this program and would like more information, please contact Dawn Williams @ 262-309-9333 or dwilliams@intrinvest.com



volunteer opportunities with interfaith

school volunteers

Students in the School District of Waukesha need your help! Teachers in elementary through middle school grades are looking for volunteers to come and work with their students in reading/writing or math. Volunteers typically work with students one day a week for about 1 hour. Volunteer opportunities are available at Hadfield Elementary School, Hillcrest Elementary School, Horning Middle School and Les Paul Middle School. Contact Corinn if you are interested at (262) 522-2403 or CorinnM@InterfaithWaukesha.org

folk art fair volunteers

Interfaith's Folk Art Fairs are a fun and educational way for 3rd-5th grade students to learn about a time before modern technology through hands-on exhibits and special performances. The fair showcases old-time crafts, hobbies, trades, collections and much more. Volunteers are needed on April 3rd and 4th, 2017 to help run exhibits; interacting with and teaching the students. No prior knowledge or experience is necessary in order to participate. Contact Corinn if you are interested at (262) 522-2403 or CorinnM@InterfaithWaukesha.org.

volunteer driver

Help a senior or adult with a disability get to a vital medical appointment or to the grocery store. Drive when your schedule allows - no long term commitments. Mileage reimbursement is available as well. Contact Frances at FrancesS@InterfaithWaukesha.org or (262) 522-2410 to learn more.

education for life

Would you like to make a difference in the life of a child in El Salvador? We have the scholarship plan for 2017 and there are new children looking for sponsors. Please contact Mary Beth Gubbins (marybethgubbins@wi.rr.com) if you would like to know more about sponsoring a student. Any donations are appreciated and will be used to fund a child's education. Donations can be made out to