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for February 18 & 19, 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 february outreach offering: the women's center

The Women's Center is an independent, non-profit human service agency serving the Waukesha area. Its mission is to provide safety, shelter, and support to women and their families and to facilitate their development. The Women's Center provides free and comprehensive services to address the issues of domestic violence, sexual assault and abuse.

St. John's has a long standing relationship of providing support to the Women's Center. To assist them with their mission, our monthly donations emphasis for February will focus on the following items: lotion, deodorant, facial tissues, toilet paper, paper towels, ZipLoc bags, food storage containers, baby monitors and size 5 & 6 Diapers. (There are pink shopping lists in the lobby.) We will collect the items in the shopping cart in the fellowship hall. Similar donations are appreciated year round and may be put in the large blue bin in the donation location area of the fellowship hall.

An additional item greatly needed by clients of the Women's Center are gas cards and grocery gift cards. These should be put in the silver drop box by the office.

ash wednesday, march 1, begins our journey into lent—

We enter the season of Lent on March 1 as we gather for our Ash Wednesday services at 12:15 & 6:30 p.m. We receive the imposition of ashes, hear the Word, and share Holy Communion as we encounter Jesus who is *Resolved to Redeem the World*. Jesus will meet us in our brokenness, announce forgiveness & healing, and invite us to live a new life. May God bless our Lenten walk.

dreaming of the future with LU

The Listening and Understanding team is organizing three discussion sessions over the next few months. These will give all of you a chance to learn from each other about our current ministries and discuss your hopes for St. John's future. This is your opportunity to contribute to areas where you have special insight or passion and to connect to areas you're not as familiar. We want to be intentional about our future, and we need everyone's help.

At our first session, on **Sunday afternoon, February 19 from 5pm – 7pm**, we will welcome Todd Luebstorff to discuss Property and Pastor Eric to cover Children, Youth and Family ministries. Light snacks and childcare will be provided. *If you plan to attend please sign up on the sheet at the welcome desk.* We want to make sure we have enough spots and food for everyone.

Save the date for future discussions on other topics: Sundays, March 26 & April 30, 4pm-6pm.

For more information please speak to a member of the Listening and Understanding committee: Pr. Jennifer Arnold, Russ Brown, Jeff Gubbins, Jerry Hanson, Chris Klink, April Nunn or Kim Stephens.

listening and understanding
2018
and beyond 

next steps for this week

Feb 19	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	2:00p	boy scouts
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	5:00p	LU discussion #1
	6:30p	Al Anon
Feb 20	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	church council
	6:30p	Al Anon
Feb 21	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:30p	handbell choir
	7:00p	boy scouts
Feb 22	5:15p	KOTK
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	confirmation
	6:30p	choir
Feb 23	6:30p	Al Anon
Feb 24	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
	8:00p	AA
Feb 25	8:15a	Day of Discovery
	9:00a	diakonia
	5:15p	worship
Feb 26	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	12:00p	Loaves and Fishes
	6:30p	Al Anon

future opportunities

Mar 1	12:15p	Ash Wednesday worship
	6:30p	Ash Wednesday worship
Mar 18		high school lock-in
Mar 19		pancake breakfast

please pray...

blessings upon the church council as they begin the process of evaluating staffing needs
for these immediate needs of healing and strength
Aiden, Barb, Bernie, Eleanor, Harry, Jerry, John, Judd, Marge, Matt, Stephen, Steve
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 Chris and Pam Klink in honor of Karissa's 16 birthday.

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.



learning and growing next steps

adult education

Topic: **Care for Creation: The Global Impact of Local Choice**

How do our local choices affect (negatively or positively) our global partners? Joanna Salinas will be discussing key environmental justice issues and her work with the Waukesha County Green Team. We'll address local food systems, consumption and waste, fair trade and local congregational response

women of St. John's

Please come to an informational and brainstorming session on Sunday, February 26 in the Church library between services regarding the future of women's ministry.

memorial garden update

The committee is happy to share progress on our St. John's Memorial Garden. The structure of the columbarium holding 72 niches is on order from Eickhof Columbaria, Crookston, MN. The columbarium will be installed in May. Photos of the design and sample materials are displayed in the lobby and on a fellowship hall bulletin board.

Two opportunities for purchase are available now. The niches are priced at \$3,000 (double) and \$2,000 (single.) A 10% reduced pre-construction price will end *March 1*. In addition, the Memorial Garden includes beautiful brick pavers (\$125) that offer an opportunity to honor and memorialize loved ones. Samples of pavers with inscriptions are on display, also.

If you have questions or comments for the Memorial Garden Committee, please feel free to contact them (listed on display.)

women's center luncheon featuring Elizabeth smart

Join us in celebrating our 40th Anniversary at our annual luncheon on Wednesday, April 26! This year's event features a keynote from Elizabeth Smart, child abduction and sexual assault survivor who went on to establish her own foundation and author a book, "My Story." For more information, or to register, go to <http://twcwaukesha.org/event/anniversary-luncheon-2/>.

caregiver class

Tips for Caregivers of Those with Alzheimer's

Monday, February 20 | 2-4 pm
These classes are held at their beautiful facility in the Linden Room and are free to the public. You can go to their website for details of the class schedule, luthermanor.org.

conference of hope

Do you know someone affected by Autism? Want to learn more?

Attend the Conference of HOPE
presented by Wisconsin Independent Learning College on Saturday, March 4 from 9am to 3pm at St. John's.

Six informational sessions presented by Autism experts throughout the day. Lunch is included in the registration fee. Information and registration forms on CYF board in the lobby. Questions? Contact Stephanie Mauck 414-940-1658 smauck@wisconsinilc.org



caring & serving next steps

day of discovery is on saturday

Reminder...Day of Discovery is next Saturday, February 25. If you have not registered, please do so asap. Your invitation and registration are in your church mailbox and on the church website (www.makedisciples.com).

If you already have registered for Day of Discovery, plan to arrive around 8:15am for breakfast; snacks will be available throughout the morning. Upon arrival, you'll receive your session schedule for the day. Dress comfortably and plan to nurture your mind, body and spirit. Consider an offering to help offset the costs for the event and/or a donation towards the two service projects, Little Dresses for Africa (colorful pillowcases) and Kits for Girls (cotton briefs, girls sizes 10-12-14). Looking forward to seeing you there. Contact Cindy Schaefer at 262-271-6623 if you have any questions.



children, youth & families next steps

high school lock in

Attention high schoolers - save the date - invite your friends - plan for a fun night - March 18-19.

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.

save the date

June 12-15 - Music Camp 2017



concert coming march 19

On Sunday, March 19 at 3 p.m. the Carthage College Choir and Master Singers of Wisconsin are presenting a choral concert at St. John's. It promises to be an exciting and interesting program of many pieces from Slovenia and surrounding countries. The conductors will be Eduardo Garcia-Novelli, of Carthage College and a director from Slovenia, as well.

We are looking for homes for the Carthage students for the evening of March 19. If you are interested in hosting 2 students, please let Penny Holt or Carol Peterson know.