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for March 4 & 5, 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.



**book discussion**

Book Discussion starts this Sunday on *The Book of Forgiving* during the education hour, 9:45-10:45. All are welcome. If possible, please have read chapters 1-3 ahead of the discussion. The book study schedule is available online at [www.makedisciples.com](http://www.makedisciples.com). Thank you!

**focus of march outreach offering: luther manor**

St. John's is one of 70 partner ELCA congregations that support the mission of Luther Manor which is a continuum of care facility for seniors.

**Cookie Drive:** Cookies are being collected in the big basket in the lobby; please place one of the labels on them. Cookies may be homemade or store brought - but please no nuts or nut products. We will be collecting cookies the entire month. They bring a touch of love every morning as volunteers serve coffee and conversation.

**Friends Campaign:** Please join in supporting our Luther Manor partnership with a \$5 donation to the Friends Campaign. This funds items which are not met by the general budget. Come to the table in the lobby.



**Easter flowers**

It is time to think about decorating the sanctuary for Easter. Forms will be available next week to order flowers as a tribute to a love one. Orders are due April 3.

**next steps for this week**

Mar 5	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	4:00p	<i>Seven Last Words of Christ at Carroll University</i>
Mar 6	6:30p	Al Anon
	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:00p	adult confirmation
	6:30p	Al Anon
Mar 7	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	quilts
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:00p	HR team
	6:30p	handbell choir
	7:00p	boy scouts
Mar 8	9:30a	morning circle
	12:15p	Lenten worship (soup at noon)
	12:45p	afternoon circle
	5:15p	KOTK
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	Lenten worship (soup at 5:45)
	6:30p	confirmation
	7:15p	choir
Mar 9	6:30p	Al Anon
	7:00p	GALS
Mar 10	10:00a	prayer shawl ministry
	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
	8:00p	AA
Mar 11	8:00a	men's group
	8:00a	CSS adoption meeting
	9:00a	diakonia
	12:00p	Pine Lake meeting
	5:15p	worship
Mar 12	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	12:00p	Schlei baptism party
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon

**future opportunities**

Mar 18	high school lock-in
Mar 19	pancake breakfast
Apr 2	ground breaking ceremony

**please pray...**

for these immediate needs of healing and strength  
Bernie, Darryl, Harry, Marge, Matt, Stephen, Steve

for ongoing treatment and recovery  
Ruth, Tim, Sara, Tim

for our shut-ins  
Gretchen Brueske, June Carlson, Dolores Hartman, Alice Ladewig, Audrey Reed, Lois Rosholt, Judd Schoeneman; 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; Austin Klemm; 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 with sympathy for the family and friends of Betty Mihelich, long-time St. John's member

**altar flowers**

Altar flowers were not sponsored today.

**lenten wednesday schedule**

- March 8, 15, 22, 29 and April 5
- 12-1 soup lunch in fellowship hall
  - 12:15 Lenten worship in fellowship hall
  - 5:45 soup supper in fellowship hall
  - 6:30 Lenten worship in sanctuary

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](mailto:office@makedisciples.com).



## learning and growing next steps

### adult education

This Sunday begins our Lenten Book Study on *The Book of Forgiveness* by Desmond and Mpho Tutu. March 5 will begin with part one of the book discussing "The Place of Humility: Getting over Ourselves". Join Pastor Jennifer in the library at 9:45.

### devotions for lent

Two Lenten Devotionals are available for anyone wanting to use a guide in your daily Lenten reflections. The booklet "Free Indeed" is available on the table in the lobby. This devotional was published by Augsburg Publishing especially for the 500<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Reformation and is based on Luther's Small Catechism.

A second daily devotional, written by our Bishop Paul Erickson of the Greater Milwaukee Synod, is online on the Outreach for Hope website ([outreachforhope.org](http://outreachforhope.org)). Feel free to use these or the devotionals which are always on the small table at the back of the sanctuary for your study and reflection.

### women's day celebration at all peoples church march 19

All Peoples Church in Milwaukee will be having a Women's Day Celebration on Sunday, March 19, at 2600 North 2nd Street. The services will be at: 9:00 am and 11:00 am with a 3rd service at 5:00 pm at 40th Florist. Please join them for this important day of celebration.

### 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/>.



### memorial garden ground breaking ceremony

On Sunday, April 2, we will have a brief ground breaking ceremony as the congregation proceeds from the sanctuary, following 8:30 service, to the Memorial Garden site. *Please plan to join us!*



## 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.

### first communion workshop

Has your child been asking questions about Communion?

Has your child been particularly interested in what happens during the Communion portion of worship?

Has your child played serving Communion at home?

Do you think your child is ready?

If you answered "yes" to any of the above, your child is probably ready to attend a First Communion Workshop with Pastor Eric on Saturday, **April 8** from 9am to 10:30am. Please RSVP to Pastor Eric if you plan to attend so he can have enough materials on hand. If you have any questions, Pastor Eric is glad to answer them.

### preschool enrollment is open

St. John's Preschool is now enrolling for September 2017. We offer three classes: 2 Year Old, 3 Year Old, and Kindergarten Readiness (4K). 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](mailto:Preschool@makedisciples.com)

[www.makedisciples.com/preschool](http://www.makedisciples.com/preschool)

### pancake breakfast

No need to prepare breakfast on March 19. The youth of St. John's will do it for you! Pancake breakfast will be served from 8:00-11:00 am. All freewill donations will be used to fund youth events.



## music & worship next steps

### 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.

### housing needed

If you would like to house two students from the Carthage College choir on March 19, please contact Penny Holt or Carol Peterson; *about 10 more homes are needed*. You will provide the students with a meal Sunday night, breakfast Monday morning and return them to St. John's on Monday by 8:30 a.m. to embark on their choir tour.