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for September 17 & 18, 2016

St. John's Lutheran Church
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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.



project comfort

This weekend our sanctuary is blessed with the beautiful quilts created by our very own Quilters. Next they will be boxed up and delivered to Lutheran World Relief for delivery around the world. Please consider donating funds in the Project Comfort envelope in your bulletin to help defray the costs associated in this distribution.

check out our playground!

We welcome children under 3 and their families to use the playground found to the left of the sanctuary. This space is designed with the understanding that children wiggle, squirm, and move in order to engage the world around them. While their hands may be busy playing with quiet toys, retelling a story on the felt board, or coloring, their minds are engaging the sights and sounds or worship happening all around them and learning the rituals and traditions that adults have come to cherish in our worship environment. As a congregation that recognizes worship is a unique place in our society where 5 generations come together at the same time and place we want to make everyone feel welcome and this space helps the youngest among us to find their place.

bold women sunday

You are invited to the Women's Ministry Information Fair between services on Sunday, September 18, starting at 9:30 am. Learn about all the activities, events, and ministries in which women of St. John's are engaged. Sign up for something new! Join the fellowship!

Special food will be provided along with good coffee and fellowship.

pre-baptism class- September 26, 5:30 p.m.

Pastor Jennifer is offering a pre-baptism class on Sept 26 for anyone who is interested in preparing themselves or a child for baptism. This one-hour class will cover our Lutheran understanding of baptism and the promises made by God through this powerful sacrament. If you have questions ahead of time, please contact Pastor Jennifer, pastorjennifer@makedisciples.com. The class will meet in the library at St. John's.

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.

learn more about st. john's

New to St. John's? Want to learn more about us? Want to become a Member?

Join us Monday, October 24 from 6-8pm for dinner and conversation. This is a chance to meet church leaders and ask your questions about ministries at St. John's. We'll provide dinner, information about St. John's and lively conversation.

Please contact Pastor Eric or Pastor Jennifer if you're able to attend – or if you can't make it but want to grab coffee with a pastor, let us know.

next steps for this week

Sep 18	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	1:30p	BSA Jamboree
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	4:00p	New Berlin 4H
	6:30p	Al Anon
Sep 19	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:00p	Evening Circle
	6:30p	Al Anon
	6:30p	worship committee
Sep 20	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:45p	handbell choir
	7:00p	boy scouts
	7:00p	property team
Sep 21	9:00a	quilters
	12:00p	retired men's lunch
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	choir
Sep 22	6:30p	Al Anon
Sep 23	8:00p	AA
Sep 24	8:00a	CSS Adoption Class
	9:30a	AA
	5:15p	worship
	6:00p	MACS bonfire & karaoke
Sep 25	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	6:00p	WM Salad Supper
	6:30p	Al Anon

future opportunities

Oct 8	apple pie and lefse making
Oct 21-22	Beloved Sisters Retreat
Oct 29	cookie decorating
Nov 5	Holiday Bazaar

altar flowers

Altar flowers were sponsored today by Patrice Krimpelbein in honor of Sara Maes' 92nd birthday.

please pray...

for blessings upon

- our teachers and students as they begin a new school year

for these immediate needs of healing and strength
Arlyn, Bev, Bill, Dan, Jim & Barb, Melissa, Ruth, Stephen

for ongoing treatment and recovery

Judy, Kathy, June, Kathy, 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,
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

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 next steps

bazaar fun begins in october!

Mark your calendars for Nov. 5 and come to the holiday event of the season!! Planning is well underway. Apple Pie presale days are Sept. 25 and Oct. 2 when you can order and pay for your pies (cost is \$8). Apple Pie and Lefse making day is Saturday Oct. 8 (begin at 8:30 am). The kitchen will be buzzing and the church will be smelling great. Sign up to help bake and join in on the fun. Preview day is Oct. 9 when you can see the raffle items and some of the crafts that will be on sale.

lutheran disaster response

Your gifts are needed to help respond to the 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. 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

literacy volunteers needed

Be a Tutor and Change *TWO* Lives, One of them is *YOURS!*

Greater Waukesha Literacy has been providing one-to-one tutoring for 30 Years! Our tutors come from various career backgrounds. Please join us and share your knowledge and skill. We need volunteer tutors to assist individuals improve their reading, writing, math, computer, and English language skills, including English conversation. Some of our tutors help individuals study for their U.S. Citizenship Test.



music & worship next steps

handbell choir invitation - you can be a ringer!

You're invited to join the St. John's Handbell Choir the *Joyful Bells* for Tuesday rehearsals, September-May, 6:45-8:15 pm. All are welcome - some music experience is helpful but not required.



children, youth & families next steps

sunday school is looking for a few volunteers!

The new Sunday School year begins this weekend. There are many fabulous things planned for the year and you help - a little or a lot!

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 spend 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 lobby for all the details or contact Joanna Salinas at pachanga724@yahoo.com.



learning and growing next steps

adult education

Our program year begins on September 18 with **Bold Women Sunday**. There will be displays and a video/discussion focusing on the ways women serve in our church, community and world.

adult confirmation

Would you like to refresh your knowledge of Lutheran teachings and traditions? Did you grow up in a different faith tradition and missed confirmation classes as a youth? Pastor Jennifer is teaching an adult confirmation class this program year and all adults are welcome to sign up. This class meets one evening a month, including dinner (you might even get a hot dish and jello!), and will be a fun way to learn about Martin Luther's teachings and our Lutheran roots. Detailed information can be found on the display in the lobby under the education board. Any questions can be directed to Pastor Jennifer or Lori.

salad supper is coming soon

Our Women's Ministries is again holding their fall Salad Supper. This delicious event is Sunday September 25 from 6 to 7:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Attendees sign up to bring a salad, bread or dessert. We all share fellowship, hear a guest speaker, and enjoy delicious homemade dishes. This year our speaker is from the organization "Exploit No More", a group striving to end childhood sex trafficking in the Milwaukee area. Sign up on the display in the lobby and plan to enjoy fellowship and fun with the women of St. John's.

beloved sister retreat

October 21 & 22, 2016

The Beloved Sister's Retreat is a fellowship and study opportunity for St. John's women and APC women during an overnight at Lutherdale; Friday night to Saturday noon. This year's theme is "Praising God and Washing Dishes". Watch for registration information.



reformation trip opportunity

A few openings are still available on the November 17-20 Norway Lutheran Church bus tour to *Martin Luther and the Reformation* exhibit at the Minneapolis Institute of Arts. Additional stops include the Chanhassen dinner theater, Mall of America and the American Swedish Institute (all of which will be decorated for the holidays). Worship Sunday will be held on Luther Seminary's campus at Old Muskego, the first Norwegian Lutheran church in America. Please reserve your spot by October 3. Information/reservation: email/call Pastor Kristie Jaramillo, prkristie@gmail.com, or Donna Hanson 262-534-3862.