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for November 11 & 12, 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 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.



### MET team has met!

The Mission Exploration Team (MET) has met! The Team will be installed at each service this weekend. We pray blessings on each member and their mission in service to St. John's. The MET members are:

Mark Aamot	Stephanie Mauck
Mary Almasi	Melissa Seamonson
Jarod Everts	Rich Warp
Carolyn Krause	Ralph Zick
Jordan Larson	Pastor Frank Janzow

### thanksgiving eve worship

Are you blessed? Are you thankful? Join us on Wednesday, November 22 at 6:30 pm to worship and praise God, the provider of all blessings.

### blood drive

Are you thankful for your health? Have you thought about donating blood to help others? Aaron Blazek, member of our boy scout troop, is organizing a blood drive on Wednesday, November 22 for his Eagle project. Appointments can be made at [bcw.edu/AaronEagleScout](http://bcw.edu/AaronEagleScout) or by contacting Aaron at 262-278-8111.

### mortgage update

The finance team would like to share the mortgage balance as of November 8 is \$67,838.49.

### come claim your card table!

Thank you for loaning us your card table for the Holiday Bazaar's Taste Table. You will find it in the Fellowship Hall.

### next steps for this week

Nov 12	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon
Nov 13	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	Al Anon
	6:30p	council meeting
Nov 14	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:30p	joyful bells
	7:00p	boy scouts
Nov 15	9:00a	quilters
	5:15p	Kids of the Kingdom
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	choir
Nov 16	12:00p	retired men's luncheon
	6:30p	Al Anon
Nov 17	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
	8:00p	AA
Nov 18	8:00a	men's group
	8:30a	diakonia
	9:30a	AA
	5:15p	worship
Nov 19	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon

### future opportunities

Nov 22	6:30p	Thanksgiving Eve worship
Dec 2	9:00a	women's Advent brunch
Dec 16	8:30a	men's Christmas breakfast
Dec 24	9:00a	Advent 4 worship
Dec 24	4:00p	Christmas Eve worship
	7:00p	Christmas Eve worship
	11:00p	Christmas Eve worship
Dec 25		no worship

### please pray...

for these immediate needs of healing and strength  
Barb, Chuck, David, Doris, Jerry, Marge, Matt, Pat, Ray, Sharlene  
for ongoing treatment and recovery  
David, Jerry, Kirsten, Lori, Tim  
for our shut-ins  
Gretchen Brueske, June Carlson, Virginia Degenhardt, Dolores Hartman, Alice Ladewig, Helen Ranum, 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; Austin Klemm; Maj. Nathaniel Lauterbach; Drew Malicki; 2nd Lt. Stuart McConnell; Taylor Rouse; Lt. Cmdr. Bartholomew Sievenpiper; Pvt. Kacey Slater; Maj. Rick L Strickroot; Todd Westhauser; 1st Lt. Madeline Wilcox; William Wright

### altar flowers

Altar flowers are sponsored today by Marc and Jan Delzer in honor of the 16th birthday of their granddaughter, Grace.

### looking ahead

The sermon for next week will be based on part of the Narrative Lectionary text from: Isaiah 9:1-7

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).



## caring & serving next steps

### pillowcase dresses and kits for girls

If you've been working on pillowcase dresses for the girls in Africa and/or the liners/pads for the Kits for Girls, please complete them and get them to Cindy Schaefer by **November 17** (262-271-6623). We'll be having them blessed before handing them off for distribution. Thank you to the girls and women of St. John's who have been involved in this ministry.

### 2017-2018 budget allocations to local organizations

The 2017-2018 St. John's budget includes an outreach component for allocation to local organizations. This allocation is 1.5% of total budget. If you are interested in determining how the 2017-2018 dollars will be allocated, please plan to attend a review meeting at 6:30 pm on Monday, **November 20**, in the library. Partnership ministries (All Peoples, El Salvador, Akeri Parish) have their own budget, separate from this allocation.

A one page handout with additional details, is available at the information desk.

Contact Brian Cranfill, local Outreach Chair, with questions, at 262-786-2619.

### mt meru coffee project ambassador

Gerry Milz has been the project Ambassador serving St John's for many years. Gerry has stepped away from this role and the project would like to thank her for her service in this ministry. Andy Petersen will be the Ambassador moving forward. As always some of the coffee products offered by the project will be available for purchase at the display in the lobby. If the product you want is not at the display please contact Andy by phone (262-951-8890) or email ([petersenandy@att.net](mailto:petersenandy@att.net)) to place an order.

"Supporting Families – Growing Futures – Changing Lives"

Mt Meru is now offering 2017 Holiday special items including a burlap tote bag with your choice of a 12 oz. bag of coffee included for \$20 each. New coffee mugs are also available for \$9 each. Check out these items at the coffee display in the lobby. Place your order now while supplies last.

### november outreach focus

#### *Mission of Healing in El Salvador*

**Travel:** The team is in need of helpers who like to play with children and who might be interested in helping in a teaching area. Spanish is not a requirement. Contact the church office to get connected to trip applications, the Facebook group, and other resources. Application deadline is December 1. Cost is \$650 plus flight (probably about \$700). Trip dates are February 3-11, 2018.

**Give:** Your financial support will help the team purchase basic medications in El Salvador. Every family that participates in the Mission of Healing receives a basic first aid kit with Tylenol for children and for adults. The team also purchases anti-parasite medication for those who need it. Check to St. John's with memo: Mission of Healing.

**Give:** Band-Aids and Toothbrushes! Toothbrushes should be soft or extra-soft, for adults or children. Donations may be placed in the Shopping Cart! This is our FOCUS FOR NOVEMBER!

**Make:** Days for Girls Kits. These are washable feminine hygiene kits for girls and young women. They are given out during the Mission of Healing at a teaching center about menstruation. Contact the church office to get connected with St. John's women who are involved in this project! Donations of DARK patterned flannel are also welcomed!

### women's advent brunch

Saturday, December 2 9-11am  
A morning filled with preparations to travel through the Advent season to the Christ Child. Enjoy a delicious brunch, fellowship, and the message "Christmas Travelers" by guest speaker Elizabeth Murphy. Sign-up sheet is in the lobby. A free will offering will be accepted.



## children, youth & families next steps

### preschool needs grown ups

It's that Preschool Time of Year!

St. John's Preschool needs grownups to help us during our Parent/Teacher conferences on **Monday, November 20**. We need grownups to play and supervise 3 or 4 Preschoolers while Moms and Dads meet with teachers.

Can you play and supervise for an hour?  
We have: 8-9am, 9-10am, 10:15-11:30 am and 11:30-12:30

Please contact Laura Rickinger at [preschool@makedisciples.com](mailto:preschool@makedisciples.com) or 262-786-4298 or sign up at the Art Easel in the lobby.

### kids of the kingdom

Kids of the kingdom is the children's music ministry at St. John's for kids through age 12. They meet in the sanctuary on Wednesdays from 5:15pm to 6:30pm. During that time they have a complete music experience (that includes singing and instruments) and share a meal together. It is never too late to join the fun! Stop in on Wednesday and check it out!



## learning and growing next steps

### conversations with martin luther

How well do you know the Small Catechism? Want to know more or dust off some rust? Join the Adult Ed group in the library at 9:45 to discuss the book "By Heart: Conversations with Martin Luther's Small Catechism". It will be an exploration of how our lives connect to the biblical and historical context of the Luther's Small Catechism. No prep needed. If you are curious, drop in!



## music & worship next steps

### altar flowers

Would you like to sponsor altar flowers next year in memory of someone or in honor of an event? The 2018 flower chart is posted on the administration board by the offices. The current cost of the altar flower arrangements is \$35.

### bulletin folding

Looking for a new ministry to try? Do you prefer to work behind the scenes? Consider folding worship bulletins. The commitment is for one month at a time. Bulletins are printed, ready to be folded, by Friday at noon. You fold them (at church or at home) by 4:00 pm on Saturday afternoon. The sign up sheets are on the administration board by the offices. Sign up for one month or more. Contact Pam in the office with questions.

### savior of the nations, come

The Lutheran A Cappella Choir of Milwaukee will present "Savior of the Nations, Come" at SJLC on Friday, December 1 at 7:30 PM. Featuring works by Carter, Holst, Jennings, Wilberg, and Chilcott as well as Children's Choir, Bell Choir and Chamber Orchestra. Tickets are available at the door [www.lutheranacappella.org](http://www.lutheranacappella.org)

### a star in the east

The Jubilate Chorale will present "A Star in the East" at SJLC Sunday, December 3 at 4:00 PM. SJLC Organist Rebecca Whelpley is the accompanist for this group and SJLC member Pat Gardner also sings with the group. Featuring works of the season by Britten, Teasdale, Rutter, Bach, and Chilcott as well as guest instrumentalists. Tickets are available at the door or through Rebecca Whelpley. [www.jubilatechorale.org](http://www.jubilatechorale.org)