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for November 12 & 13, 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.



**high school kids**

The Green Bay Packers need our help! Come to the **Packer Pizza Party** in the Youth Room at **noon this Sunday**. We can bring a victory over the Tennessee Titans! All the pizza you can eat! Lots of fun! Hosted by the Tuesday Night Bible Study Group. Bring Friends!



**what's happening?**

Were you unable to attend worship? Do you wonder what is happening at St. John's? Good news! There are four ways to stay informed.

1. A few copies of the *next steps* bulletin inserts are kept on the information desk. If you missed worship and want to see what you missed, you may pick one up during the week.
2. A digital copy of the *next steps* is available on our website [www.makedisciples.com](http://www.makedisciples.com).
3. The weekly Happenings email keeps you informed with selected time-sensitive information. If you don't get this weekly email, contact Jeff at [admin@makedisciples.com](mailto:admin@makedisciples.com) to enroll.
4. The monthly newsletter contains more detailed information on upcoming events. This is available by mail, in the lobby or online!

**november outreach offering**

Mission of Healing Support

Can you imagine sharing your toothbrush with other people in your household? Can you imagine your little one falling and scraping her knee and not having a bandage to cover the wound and keep it clean? You can help families in El Salvador by donating soft toothbrushes (children and adult), 3/4" Band-Aids, 2 x 2" gauze and first aid tape.

Other items such as colored pencils, pencil sharpeners, adult coloring books (stress booth), checkers sets and chess sets (for the stress booth and then donated to seniors and youth groups at the Lutheran Churches) are appreciated. We are also collecting funds to help with the purchase of medications, reading glasses and other needed items for the mission.

Contact Linda Muth at [linda.muth@gmail.com](mailto:linda.muth@gmail.com) for more information.

**thanksgiving eve worship**

Join us on Wednesday, November 23 at 6:30 pm to give praise and thanksgiving for all our blessings.



**next steps for this week**

Nov 13	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	12:00p	Packer Pizza Party
	2:00p	Boy Scouts
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon
Nov 14	9:00a	yoga
	10:30a	PEO
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	Al Anon
	6:30p	Church Council
Nov 15	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:30p	handbell choir
	7:00p	boy scouts
Nov 16	9:00a	quilters
	5:15p	Kids of the Kingdom
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	choir
	6:30p	confirmation
Nov 17	12:00p	retired men's lunch
	6:30p	Al Anon
Nov 18	7:00p	property team meeting
	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
	8:00p	AA
Nov 19	8:00a	Men's Group
	9:00a	diakonia
	9:00a	WM bazaar meeting
	9:30a	AA
	5:15p	worship
Nov 20	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon

**future opportunities**

Nov 23	6:30p	Thanksgiving Eve worship
Dec 3	9:00a	Women's Advent Brunch
Dec 3	7:30p	Jubilate Chorale Concert
Dec 17		Men's Christmas Breakfast
Dec 24	4, 7, 11p	Christmas Eve worship
Dec 25	10a	Christmas Morning worship

**please pray...**

for blessings upon

- the new members of St. John's

with sympathy for Coleen Marshall and her family as they mourn John's death and celebrate his life

for these immediate needs of healing and strength  
Beth, Bernie, Matt, Melissa, Paul, Ruth, Stephen, Ruth, Tim

for ongoing treatment and recovery  
Ann Marie, Arlyn, Dorothy, Kathy, Judy, Kathy, Sara, Tim

for our shut-ins  
Vern Aune, 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 Kaczmariski; Cody Kallin; Maj. Nathaniel Lauterbach; 2nd Lt. Stuart McConnell; Lt. Cmdr. Bartholomew Sevenpiper; 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 Mark and Vicki Latus in special thanks.

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

### we did it!

A **huge thank-you** to all who enabled us to welcome 1,500 voters on Tuesday. It wouldn't have been possible without the many, many donated cookies. We're so grateful to the volunteers who worked all day greeting our guests. They appreciate it so much, and it sends a **strong message of hospitality** from our congregation.

*Evangelism Team - Reach/Welcome/Connect*

### join the healing team

We need a few more team members for the Mission of Healing in El Salvador, including a couple of people to run a coloring station and a stress-management craft project! The trip takes place from February 4-12, 2017. Cost is \$600 plus your airline ticket. Deadline to apply is December 1. For more information email Linda at [Linda.Muth@gmail.com](mailto:Linda.Muth@gmail.com).

### luther manor love lights

If you would like to sponsor a Christmas Love Light in honor or memory of a loved one, donation cards are in LoAnn Petermann's mailbox. Each love light is \$5.00. The love lights decorate the beautiful outdoor Christmas tree. Each \$5.00 goes a long way in sharing God's love by enriching the lives of older adults in a faith based setting offering a total continuum of care. St. John's is a partner congregation for Luther Manor. All funds are used to enhance the quality of life for the residents. Donation cards addressed to Luther Manor are due November 18.



## children, youth & families next steps

### it's that preschool time of year!

St. John's Preschool is looking for grownups to explore their inner Preschooler while helping us during our Parent/Teacher conferences on **Monday, November 21**. 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?  
Time available are: 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.

And remember this Preschool rule: when you build a tower, you can knock it down!



### are you ready?

**That's right, you guessed it... it's retreat time!**

All 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> graders are invited to a retreat at Lutherdale on January 27-28. Bring a friend and hop on the Ark with Noah for a wet and wild adventure. We will play games in pairs, enjoy animal arts and crafts, and see what rainbows God is putting in your life.

Cost is \$90/person. Contact Sonja Beyerlein for more information at (262) 524-0160 or [sjc@beyerlein.com](mailto:sjc@beyerlein.com). Registration forms are on the Youth & Family board in the lobby. (Please register by December 18 to secure your spot!)



## learning and growing next steps

### adult education

This Sunday our Adult Education hour will focus on hearing from our Learning and Understanding Team. They will update us regarding the feedback they have received and will share their goal setting process and progress. Join them in the library at 9:45.

Next week, November 20, our church council and finance team will present a budget update. Come and learn about our budget and the process used to plan how our church funds are allocated.

There is no Adult Education on November 27.

### women's advent brunch

Women of St. John's mark your calendars for our Annual Advent Brunch on Saturday, December 3 at 9am. We will set aside the busy-ness of the season and prepare our hearts, minds and spirits for the coming of the Christ Child. Enjoy a performance by Acacia Theater "The Least of These: A Shepard's Story". The story of a down home sheep herder and what happened to him one special night. Sign up sheet is in the lobby. A free will offering will be accepted.

### bazaar raffle winners

The winners of the 2016 bazaar raffle are:  
Best of the Bazaar Basket - *Michele Nelson*  
Copper Wind Chimes - *Sonja Beyerlein*  
Cedar Potting Bench - *Cheryl Grandlund*  
Christmas Tree Skirt - *Jane Blackman*  
Eagle in Moonlight - *Gerry Milz*



## music & worship next steps

### poinsettia orders for Christmas

Are you looking for a way to pay tribute to a loved one? One idea is to purchase a poinsettia in honor or in memory of your loved one to decorate the sanctuary at Christmas. Order forms are on the information desk in the lobby. Forms and payment are due by December 4.



## next steps for administration | finance

### altar flowers

Would you like to sponsor altar flowers next year in memory of someone or in honor of an event? The 2017 flower chart is posted on the administration board by the office. The cost of the flowers 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 take them home, fold them, and return them by Saturday afternoon. (You also may stay and fold at the church, if you prefer.) The sign up sheets are on the administration board by the office. Sign up for one month or more. Contact Pam in the office with questions.