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for January 6 & 7, 2018

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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 update

The MET met to begin compiling the information gathered from several small groups. Additional small groups will be interviewed as schedule allows. Thank you to all who have participated. The survey to be available on the web site and/or at church the end of January is also being developed. Every member will have the opportunity to give the team your input guiding the call process of future pastoral leadership via the survey. To read minutes of the MET team meetings and for updates go to: makedisciples.com/information/met html. Contact the MET with any thoughts you have at met@makedisciples.com or contact any member of the team: Mark Aamot, Mary Almasi, Carolyn Krause, Jordan Larson, Stephanie Mauck, Benji Salinas, Melissa Seamonson, Rich Warp, Ralph Zick, Pastor Frank.

new wifi at St. John's

If you connect your phone, tablet, laptop, or other electronic device to the wifi network at St. John's - please update your connection to:
network: St. John's Guest
password: Servingtheworld



sermon series - "Why?"

This weekend we launch a new sermon series called "Basic 'Why?'" Questions. These Why? queries will explore natural questions church and unchurched people may bring to worship. This first week we'll explore "Why Baptism?" Is it only a tradition? Do I need to be baptized to be saved? Does it make any difference in my life anymore or just a fact in my history? What's the right age to baptize? Why do some churches 'dunk' and others 'sprinkle or pour'? Can you be baptized more than once?



January outreach offering

January's local outreach emphasis will focus on Hope Center. The Hope Center serves a large population of folks who just don't have sufficient resources to "make ends meet". The Clothing Shop at Hope Center provides donated clothing items to help clients stretch their resources. It's a significant treat when the Clothing Shop has new underwear and socks to pass on, so St. John's is asking for new donations of those items in January.

The greatest needs are for socks (all sizes) and underwear: kids (all sizes), ladies (sizes 5-8), and men (small and medium sizes).

next steps for this week

Jan 7	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon
Jan 8	9:00a	yoga
	11:30a	Hope Center meal
	6:30p	Al Anon
Jan 9	10:00a	staff meeting
	10:30a	AA
	6:00p	TOPS
	6:30p	joyful bells
	6:30p	MET meeting
	7:00p	boy scouts
Jan 10	9:30a	morning circle
	12:45p	afternoon circle
	5:15p	Kids of the Kingdom
	6:00p	AA
	6:30p	choir
Jan 11	6:30p	Al Anon
Jan 12	7:30p	Chinese Christian Church
Jan 13	8:00a	men's group
	8:30a	diakonia
	9:30a	AA
	5:15p	worship
Jan 14	8:30a	worship
	9:45a	education hour
	10:45a	worship
	3:00p	Kannada Kali
	6:30p	Al Anon

future opportunities

Jan 20	2-5p	youth fellowship fun
Feb 4		confirmation
Feb 8	4-6p	prayer vigil
Feb 14	6:30p	Ash Wednesday worship

please pray...

for these immediate needs of healing and strength
Carolyn, David, Marge, Matt, Paul
for ongoing treatment and recovery
Barb, Chuck, David, Doris, Jerry, Pat, Ray, 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 Stevenpiper;
Pvt. Kacey Slater; Maj. Rick L Strickroot;
Todd Westhauser; 1st Lt. Madeline Wilcox;
William Wright

altar flowers

Altar flowers were sponsored today by
Roger and Carole Lewis in honor of
Annika & Erik Lewis turning 13 years old!

looking ahead

The sermon for next week,
"Why Communion?" will be based on part of
the text from: John 2:1-11

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.



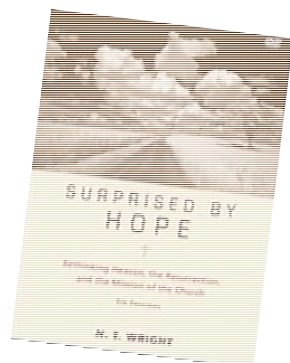
learning and growing next steps

adult ed resumes January 7

January 7 we will be starting a 6-week session based on "Surprised by Hope" by NT Wright. The book is suggested but not required. It is available in hardcover, paperback and Kindle.

Sunday mornings at 9:45 am in the library.
Grab a cup of coffee.
Bring a friend.
Join the discussion.

*Reading the book is suggested by
NOT REQUIRED to participate.*



caring & serving next steps

Education for Life - you can make a difference

Education inspires dreams. Dreams build hope. Hope helps kids emerge from poverty. Hope helps kids survive in gang-controlled neighborhoods. Education, dreams and hope help to grow kids into adults who give back to their community. Give the gift of education, the gift of a dream, the gift of hope to a Salvadoran student this Christmas. Any gift, big or small, can make a difference. You can make a difference.

(If you wish to make a difference in this way, please make check payable to St. John's with "Education for Life" in the memo line.)

faith fermenters invitation

Faith Fermenters, a homebrewing ministry of St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Waukesha WI invites you to come brew with them and converse around the ongoing reforming nature of brewing and life. We will look at 2 Corinthians 5:16-17.

You are invited to RE:New Year RE:Forming our RE:Cipes - a Faith Fermenters opportunity on January 13, 9am, at St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Waukesha (424 Hyde Park Ave 53188). Contact Pastor Andy at gopastorgo@gmail.com with questions.

Hope Center Monday Lunch Program Needs Your Help

St. John's has a volunteer team that serves lunch every Monday at Hope Center in Waukesha. The folks we serve are always very thankful of our efforts. Money for food purchase is covered by St. John's. We have a team of coordinators, each covering one Monday per month, and many volunteers who help each week with the meal preparation, serving, and cleanup of sandwiches and soup.

We recently lost Carlene McMonagle, one of our faithful coordinators, since the program started in 2013. Because of the loss of Carlene, St. John's and Hope Center need someone to fill the once a month coordinator position. The team works together to keep the schedule flexible. Once per month duties include: Food shopping, working with Hope Center staff, and providing leadership for our reliable group for volunteers.

If you are interested in helping, or just have questions, please reach out to one of the other coordinators (Dawn Williams, MaryBeth Gubbins, Ralph Berglund, or St. John's Outreach Chairperson Brian Cranfill (262-786-2619). Please consider helping keep this awesome local outreach program moving forward, and making a difference in lives of folks who really need it.



children, youth & families next steps

youth fellowship fun at St. John's
January 20; 2-5 pm

2 events ... one afternoon

Confirmation Sledding!

Meet at St. John's, bring a sled and dress for the weather! Sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby.



4th-5th Grade Winter Mini-Retreat

Bake Communion bread, shoot a video and get a behind the scenes tour as we activate our faith and have a whole lot of fun! Sign up on the bulletin board in the lobby.



Sunday School: Back to Basics

This January we are going back to the basics! We are focusing on grade level skills throughout the month. Be sure to support your children by practicing these skills and engaging them in conversation!

- K5-1st grade - Worship skills and The Lord's Prayer
- 2-3rd grade - Bible skills and the Books of the New Testament
- 4-5th grade - The Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion



administration | finance next steps

mortgage update

The finance team would like to share the mortgage balance as of December 23 is \$46,205.94!

welcoming questions and new members

Are you new to St. John's? Been here a while and want to connect more deeply? Do you want to become a member of St. John's?

Mark your calendar for Sunday, January 14 and Sunday, January 28 from Noon to 1:30pm. We'll provide a light meal. Come for a chance to meet others who are new to St. John's. Meet some folks who will help connect you to the life of the congregation. Most importantly, bring your questions and a story about yourself so we can get to know a little about who YOU are and why God has brought you here. Please RSVP to Pastor Eric pastoreric@makedisciples.com or call the church office at 262-786-6887.

join the snow team

The Property Team is looking for helpers to clear snow (the church has a snow blower) during times when our custodian cannot be here. Miguel works part time and will attempt to clear and salt the walkways during the week. He may not always have availability on weekends. We need volunteers to be available to help out with clearing when it snows on weekends. Please see Dale Granlund if you are able to be on this snow clearing team. Thank you!



altar flower dates available

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. Several weeks in January and February are still available.