

October 2022

Stay Informed. Be Inspired.

Six-week study

Read one chapter a week

Moses lesson is sermon topic

Look for Moses in worship

## Moses: In the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet



Small group sign ups in lobby or online

Books available in the narthex

Moses Musical Nov. 20

Moses Lecture Dec. 4

Join us as we learn about Moses and why his story is relevant today. Worship each week. Read the book. Join a small group discussion.

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## Pastor Ponders

by Pastor Brian Halverson

The electricity was off when I went to the church office this morning. Apparently, it went out after one of our staff persons heard a loud popping sound outside. Large popping sounds are not usually good things, and sure enough, the lights went out along with everything else.

It is almost impossible to imagine what life would be like without the power of electricity. We have a good idea every time there is a power outage from a storm or a transformer malfunction. We are anxious to get power back so that the food in the refrigerator doesn't spoil or that our HVAC systems work to cool our homes so that we don't spoil in the heat as well!

Power is everything. Without it, we can do very little or nothing at all. The question is: from where do we get power? The answer is simple and straightforward. We affirm it every time we pray the Lord's prayer. "For thine is the power". God is the power, and without God there is nothing. God breathes the power to give life and speaks the Word to beautifully create and to restore.

Everything good comes from God, the God who creates even the electricity that we use which illuminates and empowers our lives and the life of the world!

*Pastor Brian*



### Bluegrass Worship

10:30 a.m.  
Sunday, October 30



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## Welcome, Bill

William (Bill) Stace is pleased to be a part of the St John's family as Building Supervisor. His previous experience was the founding and management of the Miramar Theatre on Milwaukee's East side from 1998 to 2017. He comes from a music and theatre background (his wife of 30 years Pamela is an actress and director).



After returning from a two year stay in London, England he moved to Milwaukee from Illinois in 1981. He has been a drummer in and recorded many

bands at his Walls Have Ears Studios. William has been a Funeral Apprentice for four years and has been at Becker Ritter Funeral home for 2½ years. He looks forward to helping St. John's grow and improve.

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## World Food Day with Rick Steves

### An Invitation from the Partnership and Outreach Committee

As a follow up to Pr. Dan Rift's Sunday visit with us, and our focus on ELCA World Hunger and Lutheran Disaster Response, the Partnership and Outreach Committee encourage you to join a special live streamed event celebrating World Food Day with Rick Steves.

### World Food Day Celebration

Join ELCA World Hunger for a celebration of World Food Day, hosted by Rick Steves and special guest Mark Jansen, CEO of Blue Diamond Almonds. This special event will be streamed online so you can celebrate with ELCA World Hunger wherever you are!

**When:** Sunday, October 16, 4 p.m. Central time  
**Where:** Find the Link at: [ELCA.org/WorldFoodDay](https://www.elca.org/WorldFoodDay)  
[Facebook.com/Lutherans](https://www.facebook.com/Lutherans)  
[Youtube.com/ELCA](https://www.youtube.com/ELCA)

Questions? Contact [hunger@elca.org](mailto:hunger@elca.org)

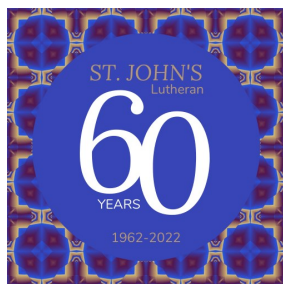
RSVP not required; simply visit our Facebook or YouTube page to attend. Facebook and YouTube accounts are not required. Can't stream it live? The recording will be available on Facebook and YouTube after the event is over.



# Worship and Music

## Festival Choir

Festival Choir Please join us for a one time festival choir on November 6 to help celebrate St. John's 60th anniversary. We will have one rehearsal on Sunday, November 6 at 3 pm in the sanctuary and sing during the opening program at 4 pm.



## Moses and the Freedom Fanatics

CALLING ALL ACTORS, SINGERS, SET DESIGNS, DANCERS AND PROPS/COSTUMES FOLKS:

We are planning an intergenerational musical on Sunday, November 20 called "Moses and the Freedom Fanatics."

We need a lot of help to make this happen - please email Becky to express interest or for more info.

Do you have costume/prop skills?  
We need you!



## Kids of the Kingdom

Begins Wednesday, October 5  
Ages Kindergarten-6th graders

Kids of the Kingdom (KOTK) engages children in singing and using instruments such as drums and ukuleles.

We have lots of fun activities this year! The Moses Musical, Reformation Sunday, 60th Anniversary Celebration, Advent and Christmas Eve.

Please arrive by the sanctuary doors anytime after 5pm so that we can be ready to start singing by 5:15pm. There is a meal that follows the rehearsal.

Contact Lisa at  
[lisajwc@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lisajwc@sbcglobal.net)

## New This Year!

Beginning October 5  
7th graders and older

Are you an older sibling of a KOTK member or have you aged out of KOTK? Becky Whelpley will be offering an alternative music time for 7th grade and up from 5:15-6:00 pm on Wednesday evenings. We will be exploring some drama for the November 20 Musical "Moses and the Freedom Fanatics" as well as some handchimes. You are welcome to be a part of the meal that follows rehearsals. Please let Becky know if you are interested.

REMEMBER: It is never too late to join a choir! If you are considering it, please let us know.

## Holden Evening Prayer at Noon and 6:00

Mark your calendars!

Wednesdays 10/12, 11/2, 12/7 at noon and 6:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Pastor Brent Halverson will lead the noon services and Pastor Brian will lead the 6:00 p.m. service.

The Holden Evening prayer was written as a Vespers service by Marty Haugen at the Holden Village in the North Cascade Mountains of Washington State. The musical settings are very melodic and easy to sing. It is a wonderful peaceful way to spend a half hour.

# KIDS of the KINGDOM



Questions about  
music at  
St. John's?

Contact Becky!

[bwhelpley@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:bwhelpley@stjohnsbrookfield.org)





# Children, Youth & Families



## Preschool's Day at the Farm

We had a beautiful Fall day at Cozy Nook Farm! Our Three and Four Year Old's with their grownups met, and fed, so many cows. Goats, too.

And what better way to end a day at the farm than to take a hay ride out to the Pumpkin Patch?

We think we have some future farmers here!



## Did you know?

Between St. John's Preschool, Sunday School, Middle School Ministry, Confirmation and our High School Youth, we minister to approximately 120 students ages 2-18!

## Questions About Preschool?

Contact Laura:  
262-786-4298 or  
[lrickinger@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:lrickinger@stjohnsbrookfield.org)



## St. John's Preschool

WHERE WE PLAY, DISCOVER, LEARN AND GROW.



# Children, Youth & Families

## Bible Distribution

At baptism, parents promise to put the Holy Scriptures into the hands of their children. This year, we are helping parents do this by presenting Bibles to our 3K, 4K, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade students. Join us in praying for our students and their families on Sunday, October 2 at both services.



## Sunday School

Sunday School is off to a great start!

Join us Sundays at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday School! In October we are diving into the life of Moses and raising \$ for Bairon, our scholarship student in El Salvador!

Sunday School programming is for ages 2-5<sup>th</sup> grade. Students in 6<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join the Youth Leadership Team which meets on Sundays in the Paul Room. Questions? Contact Joanna at [jsalinas@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:jsalinas@stjohnsbrookfield.org)

## Family Worship

Join us Sunday Mornings in October at 10:30 for Family Worship as we explore the weekly themes around Moses. We will incorporate interactive components into worship with the band for a whole family worship experience. Designed for kids, teens, parents, and grandparents.

Joanna sends out weekly Children, Youth and Family emails. If you are not receiving those emails and would like to, let Joanna know!

## Storytelling the Gospel

“Storytelling the Gospel”. This interactive worship experience was created by a group of ELCA pastors in Minneapolis and is a new way to experience the stories we know so well.

If you would like to provide feedback or are interested in being a storyteller, please reach out to Joanna, Stephanie, or Pastor Brian.



## Contact Joanna with Toddler to 8th Grade Questions

Joanna is available by email at [jsalinas@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:jsalinas@stjohnsbrookfield.org) or by call or text at 262-278-8021.

## Sunday Evening Education

We are excited to offer programming for our Middle Schoolers on Sunday evenings from 4:30-6:00pm.

### 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Calendar

- Oct. 2 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation Class
- Oct. 16 4:30-6:00pm Confirmation Class
- Oct. 21 6:30-8:00pm Middle School Fun Night

### 5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grade Calendar

- Oct. 9 4:30-6:00pm Connect Class
- Oct. 23 4:30-6:00pm Connect Class

Contact Joanna with questions!

**Parents** – Join Linnea Logan for a Moses Small Group Book Study at the same time on Sunday evenings!

## First Communion

Is your child ready to take communion? Here at St. John's we welcome children of any age to the Table when you as a family feel it is appropriate.

We will be holding 1st Communion this year on October 30, 2022 and April 2, 2023 with a Communion Chat with Pastor Brian for families in between services those days. Please RSVP to Joanna and fill out the form online.

Link to form: <https://forms.gle/Y4MF9PDMVAXUvsGT6>

### First Communion Service

October 30, 2022

8:30am & 10:30am worship

9:30am class with Pastor Brian



# Children, Youth & Families

## Service Project

October 9 | 12:30 – 5:00 p.m.

Friends of Grant Park are hosting a Trek n' Treat along with help from St. John's! Kids who attend and volunteers are encouraged to dress up. Kids will learn about the plants, animals, and/or something related to the environment at the park.

If you are still interested in helping with this, reach out to Stephanie!



## Sunday Morning Gathering Opportunity

Are you looking for something to do on Sunday mornings between services? We have the perfect opportunity for you! Every Sunday morning from 9:30-10:15 a.m. we will gather to help with Sunday School, complete service projects, or team build, or just spend time with one another!

## Synod Youth Event

October 16 Youth Group

Who: High School Youth and Adult Youth Leaders

When: October 16, 5-8 p.m. (includes dinner!!!)

Where: Holy Trinity Lutheran (11709 W. Cleveland Ave, West Allis)

Register:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c084cadaa2da0f85-synod>

## Comparative Religions

High school and young adults, are you interested in learning more about different faith communities right here in our own backyard? Come join us on the third Thursday of each month to learn directly from someone who is part of a different faith community than ours! This month, we will have someone from the Jewish faith here.

Feel free to come to all of the meetings, just the ones that you are able to make, or religions of interest to you.

## 9th Grade Retreat

Our 9th graders spent a weekend at Lutherdale on retreat. They explored their faith. They grew their friendships. Extra bonus - Bishop Paul Erickson and Pastor Brian joined in the fun!



## Youth Group Calendar

Date	Event	Time
10/2	Youth Group Begins	4:30-6:00pm
10/9	Trek 'n Treat	12:30-5:00pm
10/16	Synod Youth Event	5:00-8:00pm
10/20	9th Grade Confirmation - Comparative Religions	6:30-8:00p
10/23	Youth Group	4:30-6:00pm
10/28	9th Grade Confirmation - Jewish Worship	7:30pm

"Youth Group" is the term used at St. John's to refer to all program activities for high schoolers.

Contact Stephanie with questions about high school and young adult ministry at St. John's



[sbroussard@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:sbroussard@stjohnsbrookfield.org)



# Outreach Opportunities



**ST. JOHN'S HOLIDAY BAZAAR**  
NOVEMBER 5, 2022 9am to 1pm  
TOGETHER GOING OUT STRONG

## Contribute to the Holiday Bazaar



The wheels are in motion for the Final St. John's Holiday Bazaar Saturday, November 5.

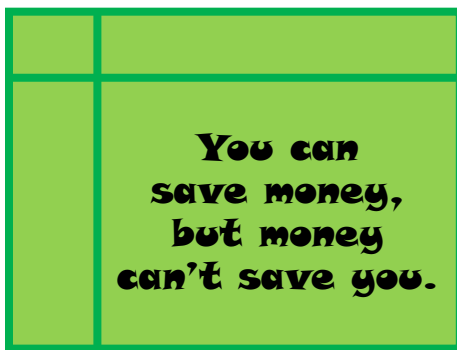
See the church website for the [sign-up](#).

We'll be looking for :

- a variety of **Christmas and Specialty Cookies** for our Christmas Cookies by the Box
- **Homemade** baked items, special sweets and canned specialties for the Bake Sale
- **Hand crafted items** for the Craft Tables.

Come be a part of the fun. You'll be glad you did. Look for the sign up on the Church Website.

Questions: Contact Pam Brown.  
[pkayebrown@yahoo.com](mailto:pkayebrown@yahoo.com)



## Serving On Saturday, October 15

### Fall Work Day - 8:30 a.m.

Come join us to help spruce up the church and the grounds. Meet in the fellowship hall for coffee, juice, and donuts at 8:30 a.m. followed by work until late morning. Work will focus on pruning and trimming of bushes and trees and landscaping clean-up, as needed.

Please sign up in the lobby!



## October Outreach Focus: Coats for All Peoples

Winter is coming! Help us keep kids warm. We are collecting coats and winter accessories as our Outreach Focus in October.

- Donate jackets (new or gently-used & cleaned) sized for infants through high school
- Donate new hats
- Donate new gloves or mittens
- Donate new scarves

Please place your donations in the shopping cart in the narthex.



### Lefse Making - 8:00 a.m.

Lefse! Do you love it? Have you never heard of it? Join us to for a morning of rolling, flipping, and fun as we make this delicacy to sell at the Holiday Bazaar. No experience necessary. Contact [Penny Holt](#) with questions.

Please sign up in the lobby or let Penny know you can come!



# Troop 16

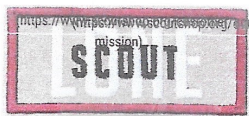
by Troop Historian, Jonathan McMahon

## Election of Leaders

With a new season of scouting came a new election of youth leaders.

This year's leadership goes as follows:

Zac Watson - Senior Patrol Leader, using the Lone Scout patch.



Matthew Watson - Patrol Leader, of the Shark Bait patrol

Jonathan McMahon - Patrol Leader of the Computer Geek patrol



## Nicholas Huebner Eagle Rank Presentation

He was presented his Eagle pin and scarf at a meeting at the end of August. Nick originally passed his board of review two years ago but had to wait until now because of a combination of COVID, work, and school.

The troop's organizational representative, Jim Mathes made the presentation. John Chapman was the Master of Ceremonies.

A reception included chocolate cake and punch. Nick presented his Dad with the Eagle Scout Mentor pin. Nick earned a total of 28 Merit Badges.

His Eagle Service Project was the organizing and directing the troop members in constructing four benches which were placed along the hiking trail at the Fox River County Park.

## Campfire Outing with Pack 1

Three troop adult leaders joined Pack 1 at a campfire outing at the St. John's Fire Bowl. The cub scouts played games and roasted hot dogs.

## Regular Tuesday meetings:

Games consisted of Ball Over, Steal the Bacon, Capture the flag, Think Fast With A Ball, and Kick Ball.

Various leaders presented Troop Moments. Dan Warchol made Scout Skill presentations. Patrol Leaders lead patrol corner activities and advancement.

## Summer Participation Honors

1. Nolan Nelson
  2. Jonathan McMahon
  3. Jacob Nienhaus
- David McMahon



## October Birthdays

- 1 Sarah Franzen
- 1 Jude Peters
- 1 Brian Zach
- 2 Christopher Nettekoven
- 3 Jerry Waller
- 4 Jack Scanlon
- 5 Noah Rebisch
- 5 Angie Rose-Mueller
- 5 Joshua Schilling
- 7 Jill Dahlgren
- 8 Sean Berthold
- 8 Tom Woodworth
- 9 Elizabeth Grimord



- 9 Brent Voldahl
- 9 Karen Wicklund
- 10 Jennifer Cranfill
- 12 Jen Aune
- 12 Jeremy Beyerlein
- 12 Connor Koscielniak
- 13 Kathi Hanson
- 14 Bree Walker
- 15 Chris Burns
- 16 Luke Nettekoven
- 18 Roy Pingel
- 19 Michelle Harms
- 19 Jordan Moskop

- 19 Beverly Wargowski
- 20 Phil Peters
- 20 Lyla Turner
- 22 Jackson Gatzke
- 22 Phyllis Nufer
- 22 Eli Wagner
- 23 Lucy Berthold
- 23 Megan Bingenheimer
- 23 Evan Linsemeyer
- 24 Samantha Ayer
- 25 Carter Aune
- 25 John James
- 26 Jeni Berthold

- 26 Alex Cranfill
- 27 Joanna Salinas
- 28 Rog Lewis
- 29 Jerry Hanson
- 29 Dayne Peters
- 30 Jenny Walker
- 31 Chris Anderson
- 31 Robbyn Gaska
- 31 Alexis Grimord-Caravella
- 31 Mary Hughes
- 31 Brian Keierleber

HAPPY BIRTHDAY



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# Council Communications

## Fellow Disciples,

I pray this news finds you healthy and well. Following are highlights from the September 19 Council meeting.

### President Report

- In October we will be kicking off our congregation-wide study on Moses, by reading Adam Hamilton's book, "Moses: in the Footsteps of the Reluctant Prophet."
- Budgeting discussion and preparation is underway for the upcoming year.
- Mark your calendars for the upcoming anniversary festivities, as St. John's will be celebrating its 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary on November 6.
- We are happy to announce, Bill Stace was hired as Building Supervisor in the early part of September.

## Financial Report

- At our last congregational meeting there was request that Council be more transparent with the monthly financial reports, especially since we were not able to follow through with one of our primary goals of 2022 in hiring an Associate Pastor. Carrie Peters, St. John's Treasurer has prepared a wonderful report for the Inspire. I hope you find the information useful. (See below.)
- Due to the lower than anticipated giving, it is recommended we do not transfer any money into the Capital Improvement Fund (CIF) this month.
- Thank you for your generosity and faithful giving which allows us to support the many ministry goals for 2022 including the numerous upcoming fall programs.

## Transition Team

- The Transition Team continues to monitor and review ongoing COVID advancements, along with any CDC guidelines.

Please reach out to me or the council members with any questions you may have.

Praying for peace and good health to all,

Brian Zach, President

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## St. John's Council

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## Treasurer Report

Many thanks for your continued faithfulness in giving. We're nearing the last quarter of 2022 and continuing to plan for 2023. As we look ahead, let us reflect on the many ways we at St. John's live out our mission.

- **Following Jesus** St. John's provides a gathering place for Christ's followers, providing fellowship, hope, and light. Our stewardship maintains the foundation of our many ministries. Our physical place to worship together, the technology to bring our ministries to those unable to attend in-person, and the dedicated staff who help make it all possible are essential to St. John's.
- **Making Disciples** Music, children's programming, and small groups are just a few of the many ways St. John's follows Jesus's words in Matthew 28:19-20. Listening to the stories of those who have recently joined St. John's emphasized the importance of St. John's providing a church home for our younger generation, their parents, and their grandparents. St. John's brings families together, strengthening the bonds that encourage a lifetime of discipleship.
- **Serving the World** St. John's is excited to continue supporting those in our community in need, as well as those in the greater Milwaukee area, our country,

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## Contact Us

### Office Hours

The St. John's phone is answered and doors are monitored for entry 9:00-Noon, Monday to Friday.

### Church

phone/fax: 262-786-6887  
email: to email a staff member, please click on the link by their photo on the website under Staff.

### Preschool

phone: 262-786-4298  
lrickinger@stjohnbrookfield.org

## About Us

### Welcome Statement

At St. John's we align with Paul's words in Romans 15:7 "Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God." We welcome one another all who are seeking God's love and grace. We welcome all because God welcomes all, regardless of race, age or culture, sexual orientation, gender identity, gender expression, or relationship status. We welcome all without regard to physical or mental health, socio-economic circumstances, or anything that too often divides us. Our unity is in our commitment to the ways, grace and love of Christ.

### Core Values of St. John's:

- Serving our world, locally and globally;
- Inspiring worship and music that honor God;
- Nurturing relationships with one another as Jesus walks with us;
- Growing in God's grace through education and discipleship;
- Engaging children and youth in the life of the church.

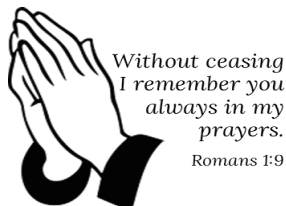
## Praying for ...

We pray for those who are battling illness, are healing, or are needing extra prayers:

Barb K	Dorothy E
Floyd K	Cindy H
John G	Steve W
Kathy K	Jerry M
Connie P	Arlyn M
Cheryl H	

To help us to stay connected, we will be sharing the list with you monthly. Prayers may be for thanksgiving, hope and/or healing. The requests may be immediate, short or long term.

Prayer requests may be submitted at the bottom of the website [www.makedisciples.com](http://www.makedisciples.com).



## Creation Corner

### Check your toilets for leaks!

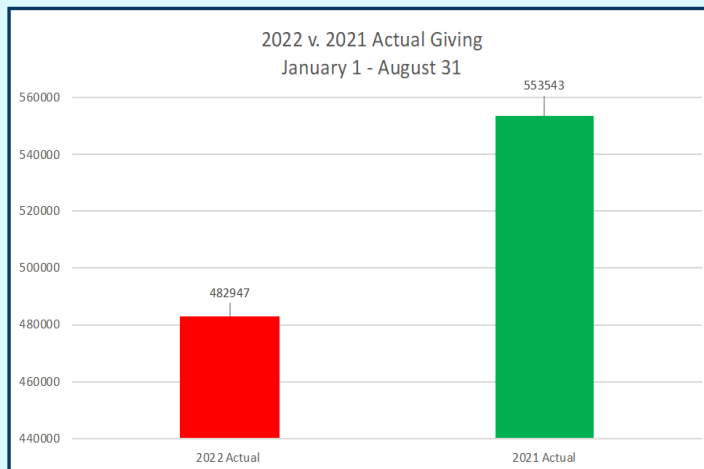
Water leaks account for approximately 14% of all water use in the average American home, and the toilet is one of the most likely places to find them. Put several drops of food coloring in the top toilet tank. Don't flush, and wait 10-15 minutes. Check the toilet bowl for color. If the color has leaked in, repair your toilet right away!



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and beyond. Fighting food insecurity, fostering educational opportunities, and lifting those experiencing displacement and trauma are all possible thanks to you. Did you know that over 14% of your giving to St. John's general fund goes directly to our benevolences? That's incredible!

Again, thank you for the impact you make. Your generosity keeps our ministries strong!





# Calendar of events for October 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>30</b> <i>Moses Week 5</i> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a education/fellowship <b>10:30a bluegrass worship</b>  (no evening youth programming)	<b>31</b> 10:00a yoga 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:00p AI-Anon		*worship service/event is live streamed	<div>             To request space for your small group or ministry to meet in the building, please complete the Facility Use Form on the St. John's website. It is under the Resources tab - <a href="#">Documents and Forms</a>. Contact <a href="#">Sue Smith</a>, Administrative Assistant with questions.           </div>		<b>1</b>
<b>2</b> <i>Moses Week 1</i> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a education/fellowship <b>10:30a worship</b> 4:30p HS youth group 4:30p 7/8 Confirmation	<b>3</b> 10:00a yoga 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:00p AI-Anon 6:30p Adult Ministry Mtg	<b>4</b> 8:30a property team 9:00a woman's Bible study 10:00a staff mtg 6:00p quilters 6:30p handbell rehearsal 7:00p Boy Scouts	<b>5</b> 8:30a Retired Men's bfast 10:00a Purple Lily Cafe 6:00p AA 6:00p TOPS 6:30p choir rehearsal	<b>6</b> 6:30p AI-Anon	<b>7</b> 6:15a virtual men's group	<b>8</b>
<b>9</b> <i>Moses Week 2</i> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a education/fellowship <b>10:30a worship</b> 12:30p HS Trek 'n Treat 4:30p 5/6 Connect Class	<b>10</b> 10:00a yoga 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:00p AI-Anon	<b>11</b> 8:30a property team 10:00a staff mtg 6:30p handbell rehearsal 7:00p Boy Scouts	<b>12</b> 9:30a Morning Circle 12:00p Holden Prayer 6:00p AA 6:00p TOPS 6:00p Holden Prayer 6:30p choir rehearsal	<b>13</b> 4:00p Finance Team Mtg 6:30p AI-Anon	<b>14</b> 6:15a virtual men's group 10:00a prayer shawl group	<b>15</b> 8:00a lefse making 8:30a Fall clean up
<b>16</b> <i>Moses Week 3</i> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a education/fellowship <b>10:30a worship</b> 4:30p 7/8 Confirmation 5:00p Synod Youth Event	<b>17</b> 10:00a yoga 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:00p AI-Anon 6:30p council mtg	<b>18</b> 8:30a property team 10:00a staff mtg 6:30p handbell rehearsal 7:00p Boy Scouts	<b>19</b> 12:00p Retired Men's lunch 6:00p AA 6:00p TOPS 6:30p choir rehearsal	<b>20</b> 6:30p AI-Anon 6:30p 9th grade confirm - compare religions	<b>21</b> 6:15a virtual men's group 6:30p Middle School Fun Night 7:00p Women of Faith Book Club	<b>22</b>
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## Ministries and Missions



A great time was had by all at the women's outing to Pieper Porch Winery. Looking forward to the next gathering!

### St. John's 60th Celebration

Please join us...  
November 4, 2022  
4:00 p.m.



Program | Potluck | Reformation Village

### Youth in Service



For Rally Day, our Sunday School students made 40 "Birthday in a Bag" kits for area food pantries!

On September 18 our Middle Schoolers served the Loaves & Fishes meal at the Hope Center.



## The Memorial Garden Offers Comfort and Peace

Making end-of-life plans and decisions is not easy. We pray that the Memorial Garden offers a comforting, helpful path for our families. Here are a few reflections of our members:

- It is comforting to know that my parents' ashes are nearby, in a peaceful setting, adjacent to a church that has been so important in our family's lives. *Brian Cranfill*
- My brother, Jim, single, asked to be near my husband and me when he died. He was a man of deep faith and very active in his home church. When he visited us, he worshiped with us at St. John's. I am comforted that I can honor his memory so often at the Memorial Garden. *Mary Almási*
- It is truly a comfort knowing Rick's parents are inurned at St. John's. Each time we are at, or pass

by, St. John's fond memories of them come to mind. *Denise Kirschman*

- My wife Karen loved gardening and flowers. Thus, my visits to the beautiful columbarium/Memorial Garden bring back fond memories of her that are especially meaningful to me. *Dick Granholm*

This All-Saints Day we remember all of the loved ones who have been part of our St. John's family and are now in their eternal home.

*The golden evening brightens in the west,  
Soon, soon to faithful servants cometh rest;  
Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest.  
Alleluia! Alleluia!*

**\*\*We will celebrate All Saints Day on November 6.**