

## What to Give Up...

Give up complaining ...	focus on Gratitude
Give up pessimism ...	become an Optimist
Give up worry ...	trust Divine Providence
Give up bitterness ...	turn to Forgiveness
Give up hatred ...	return Good for evil
Give up negativism ...	be Positive
Give up anger ...	be More Patient
Give up pettiness ...	become Mature
Give up gloom ...	enjoy the Beauty all around you
Give up jealousy ...	pray for Trust
Give up gossiping ...	control your Tongue
Give up sin ...	turn to Virtue
Give up giving up ...	Hang in there!

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# Pastor Ponderings—A Man on a Cross

By Pastor Karen Natterstad, Interim Pastor

I received this artwork from one of our children after a worship service last week. I am always delighted to get these creative works of art, and I want to share this one with you. Her mother explained how this young artist liked to doodle when in worship. (I call it “taking notes” especially if it contains images of our faith.) May this drawing and my reflection help you appreciate the journey of following Jesus to the cross this Lenten season.

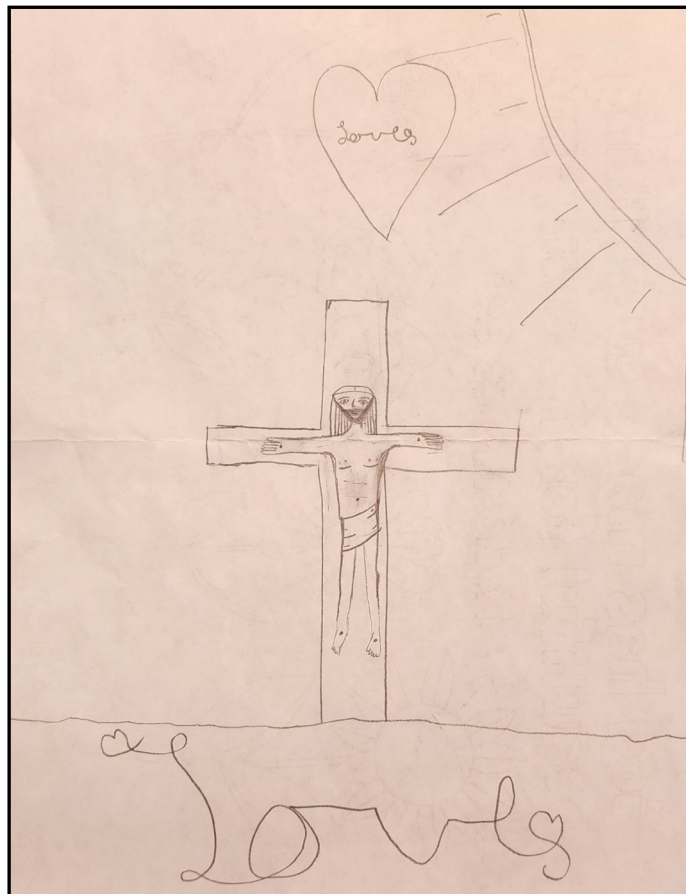
The cross is the primary symbol of our Christian faith. It can be seen in our cities on church steeples and alongside highways, in our homes, on our persons as jewelry. The cross image comes in various shapes and sizes, but its one purpose is to point to Jesus who died on a cross.

A man on a cross is the one event that distinguishes Christianity from all religions. It is the central event of our faith. And a man hanging on a cross, well it’s just awful. In Jesus’ day, crucifixion was the Roman Empire’s choice for capital punishment. It was reserved for those disreputable individuals or groups such as rebellious slaves, pirates, or revolutionaries wanting to overthrow Roman occupation. It was a very public spectacle meant to shame its victims and suppress subversion. And yet, no human - priest or governor, no political power, or persuasive crowd killed Jesus. He died by God’s will to fulfill his purpose and leave his followers a very powerful example.

Paul, in his letter to Corinthians, is writing to educated Greeks living in the trade and commerce capital of the ancient world. He opens his letter by trying to explain to them how God is working to save the world through this gruesome form of punishment. He freely admits, “For the message about the cross is foolishness...” (Like ridiculous or even stupid.) Paul admits it’s an unbelievable picture of who God is or how God acts. It is hard to

believe how an all-powerful, all-knowing God could also be a man on a cross. Paul continues talking about this foolishness - that is Christ crucified, yet he also sees God’s love. He’ll get so worked about it that in chapter 13, he’s describing how powerful love is! Faith, hope, love abide - but the greatest is love. Like Paul, our young artist, in her drawing, shouts “Love!” “This man on a cross - is love!!”

In the hymn lyrics from Isaac Watts, let us give thanks for Jesus sacrificial love, becoming human, dying on a cross. This is God’s amazing love for you, us, our world.



*When I survey the wondrous cross,  
were the whole realm of nature mine,  
that were a present far too small;  
love so amazing, so divine,  
demands my soul, my life, my all.*

On the journey with you,  
Pastor Karen

 **SPRING FORWARD ON MARCH 8** 

# Children, Youth & Families

## Preschool

### Get Kids Ready



We're excited to share a great change coming to St. John's Preschool. We've joined Wisconsin's new **Get Kids Ready** initiative, a **state-funded school readiness program serving four year olds**. The state is making preschool free for 4K families and pays us for the time children are attending our Get Kids Ready 4K class.

What will change? We'll just be renaming the current Four Year Old class to our 4K Class. Proudly, our current four year old preschool program and Playing to Learn curriculum meets, and exceeds, the criteria for school readiness as required by the state. Many current families have enrolled and there will be some slots open for the community to join St. John's Preschool, too. And we'll continue our Two Year Old and our Three Year Old classes.

And the Preschool Ministry Mission will be the same; to foster learning in a nurturing environment in which our young children are loved, respected, and valued.

### You're Invited to Family Night

You're Invited!  
Wildlife In Need Center is coming to Preschool for Family Night!  
Join Us

SAVE the DATE!  
Thursday, March 5 from 6:00-7:30pm (doors open at 5:45pm)

St. John's Preschool  
WHERE WE PLAY, DISCOVER, LEARN AND GROW.

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### Preschool Now Enrolling for All Classes



### Laura Announces Retirement

With a combination of excitement for what lies ahead and sadness to leave, I'm sharing my retirement from St. John's Preschool at the end of this school year.

These 13 years working with the teaching staff, the Preschool Board, the St. John's staff, and all the Preschool children and families, have been amazing. Amazingly challenging, rewarding, and exciting-never a dull moment.

St. John's Preschool will continue to be led by a staff who hold the love of teaching as well as their dedication to children's ministry as their motivation to meet and exceed what our youngest learners need as they begin their learning adventure.

The opportunity to work in Children's Ministries has made a lasting mark on my heart and I am forever grateful.

Laura Rickinger

# Children, Youth & Families

## Sunday Evening Education

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

### **March 8 and 22**

4:30-5:00

Dinner

5:00-6:00

5<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade Connect Class

7<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Confirmation Class

9<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade Youth Group

## Middle School Moments on Facebook



Are you on Facebook? Watch for updates on Middle School happenings each Monday!



Contact Joanna  
with Toddler to 8th  
Grade Questions

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

## Sunday School Offering

Join us in March as we support ELCA Good Gifts! Help us to support families around the globe with gifts of chickens, goats, piglets, honeybees, and more!



## First Communion on March 8

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 First Communion on **March 8** with a Bread Baking First Communion Class on March 1 at 3:00pm.

Please RSVP to Joanna at and [fill out the form online](#).



## Family Lenten Resources

Families, if you haven't already, stop in the Gathering Space and pick up your Fidget Spinner Prayer cards!

## Sunday School

Join us Sundays at 9:45am for Sunday School as we do a deep dive into the Lord's Prayer!

Sunday School programming is for ages 3-5<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)



# Children, Youth & Families

## HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR

DATE	ACTIVITY	TIME
Mar 8	Youth group	4:30 pm— 6:00 pm
Mar 14	Sky Zone + Point Burger Bar	3:30pm— 7:00pm
Mar 15	9th Grade Confirmation visit: The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints	8:30am— 11:30am
	9th Grade Confirmation	4:30 pm— 6:00 pm
Mar 22	Youth group	4:30 pm— 6:00 pm



## High Schoolers Going to Sky Zone + Point Burger Bar

March 14 | 3:30–7:00 PM

High Schoolers—Get ready for an action-packed evening of fun, food, and friends! We’re heading to Sky Zone for high-energy jumping, games, and time to hang out together - then we’ll wrap up the night with dinner at Point Burger.

**Sign-up is required** so we can plan transportation, tickets, and food. Be sure to reserve your spot by signing up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C084CADAA2DA0F85-62577325-skyzone>

We can’t wait to jump, laugh, and eat together—don’t miss it!



## Middle Schoolers ANCHORED in Christ at Youth Quake

The Middle Schoolers had a BLAST at YOUTH QUAKE in WI Dells in February! Ten of our middle schoolers joined 600 other youth from around the Midwest as we worshipped, served, and learned that we are Anchored in Christ. A huge thank you to our chaperones – Joanna Salinas, Michelle Werner, John Roth and Curtis Templin!



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

262-453-9201 or

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

# Grant Applications Accepted in March

Applications will be accepted for St. John's Endowment Grants during March.

If you would like your service project considered for a grant, [fill out a form online](#). (A few paper copies are available on the bulletin board.)

Applicants must be a member of St. John's and funds must be used expeditiously.



# Young Adult Small Group Beginning

## Young Adult Small Group Begins March 1

A new small group is forming for young adults and parents of kids in Sunday School! We'll meet during the education hour in the conference room, starting March 1. The first few sessions will focus on fellowship and getting to know one another, as well as gathering input on what topics, group studies and discussions the group would find most meaningful. After that, we'll continue meeting biweekly. This will be a drop-in group, so come whenever you're able. No long-term commitment required. Join us to connect, build community, and help shape what this group becomes!

- March 1 – Introductory Session
- March 15 – Introductory Session
- March 29 – Topic TBD
- April 12 – Topic TBD

Questions or ideas? Contact Jack Shaffer ([jack.r.shaffer@gmail.com](mailto:jack.r.shaffer@gmail.com)) or Jen Logemann ([jenlogemann@gmail.com](mailto:jenlogemann@gmail.com)) for details.



## March Birthdays

- 3 Isabella Fuchs
- 3 Jennalyn Mallmann
- 4 Jackson Moran
- 5 Peg Schellin
- 7 Alex Fuchs
- 7 Scott Pavlichek
- 8 Ann Kopecky
- 10 Bruce Campbell
- 11 Mark Aamot
- 11 Brent Schwartz
- 12 Aspen (Penny) Bleskan
- 12 Henry Hale

- 12 Gregg Miller
- 12 Debbie Morgan
- 12 Jane Vento
- 13 Ken Bahr
- 13 Charlotte Yourell
- 14 Sue Cisz
- 14 Jena Johnson
- 16 Don Hintze
- 17 Tony Caravella
- 17 Dale Oistad
- 19 Sheri Storjohann
- 20 Linda Brazin


**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

- 21 Anthony Caravella
- 21 Sharon Grunau
- 21 Ellen Schwantes
- 22 Stephanie Dominguez
- 22 Dennis Rebisch Jr.
- 24 Hannah Wagner
- 26 Alice Wafle
- 27 Amy Bingenheimer
- 28 Carrie Allbaugh
- 28 Mary Almasi
- 28 Sue Kaiser
- 30 Alden Steinmetz

# Serving the World

## Free Event with Pr. Paul Drees

YOU ARE WELCOME  
**LIVE EVENT**  
With Pastor Paul



Pastor  
**PAUL DREES**

**Live Event:** All Peoples Gathering (ELCA)  
2600 North 2nd Street, Milwaukee, WI

**MAR 7 2026** | 6:30 VIP EVENT  
8:00-9:30 MAIN EVENT

Free Main Event | \$30 VIP event (35 spots)  
Talks on digital evangelism, Christian Nationalism, and a Theological Q&A  
More information available at:  
[pauldrees.com](http://pauldrees.com)

## Breakfast for Champions

Hi, my name is Austin Fuller and my 9th Grade Confirmation project is to collect breakfast food items for the Waukesha Food Pantry and All Peoples Church in Milwaukee. I am calling my project "breakfast for champions" as I want to give individuals in these communities a great start to their day.



Some of the items I am collecting include:

- cereal,
- shelf stable milk,
- canned fruit,
- 100% fruit juice,
- pop tarts, and
- peanut butter.

Thank you so much for considering to help me with my service project. Food donations during March may be placed in the shopping cart by the office.

## Creation Corner

*When local isn't an option,  
look for Fair Trade certified  
products!*

Did you know? When you support Fair Trade, you are supporting high quality goods, where producers receive a fair price in safe and healthy working conditions. Fair Trade is better for the environment too as it supports

sustainable practices that minimize impact and encourage best practices. Easy to find Fair Trade items include coffee, tea, sugar and chocolate. Look for the Fair Trade symbol!

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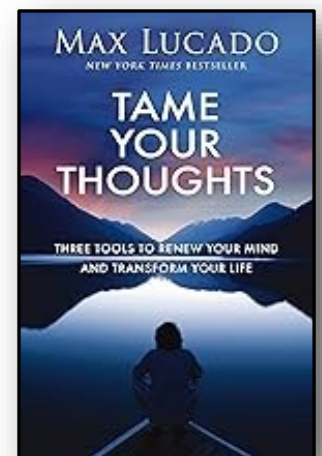


**FAIRTRADE**

## Check It Out

The way we think, directly impacts our joy and peace. Plus, the idea of a better life by better thoughts is found in Scripture. In his book "Tame Your Thoughts," Max Lucado explores how to apply thought management tools to the most common thought problems: anxiety, guilt, rejection, and others.

And just what are these tools? To learn more, check out this book in the St. John's Library.



# Worship and Music

## Share Musical Talent God Gave You

Join a group at St. John's! Join at any time. Join for a month, join for a season, or join for a year.

Handbell Choir - Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Director: Heidi Bischmann

Children's Choir - Wednesdays at 5:15 p.m.

Directors: Lisa Weiss-Cornelius and Lana DeCoto

Senior Choir - Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

Director: Becky Whelpley

Praise Band - Sundays at 10:45 a.m.

Director: Kenn Anderson

Brass Ensemble - plays during 8:30 worship a few times each year. Director: Brent Logan



**Lent 2026 - Hearing God**



**Hearing God**  
*developing a conversational relationship with God*

Wednesdays  
February 25 - March 25

5:45p Simple Supper  
6:30p Worship


Midweek contemplative worship in Lent will follow the stories of five biblical characters who were trying to hear God.



*Holy Week*

 <p><b>PALM SUNDAY</b></p> <p>MARCH 29 8:30AM &amp; 10:45AM</p>	 <p><b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b></p> <p>APRIL 2 6:30PM</p>	 <p><b>GOOD FRIDAY</b></p> <p>APRIL 3 NOON &amp; 6:30PM</p>
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**Easter** **8:30AM**  
**10:45AM**

A background image of a grassy field with purple flowers under a blue sky.

# Lenten Prayer Wall

You may notice our new Prayer Wall in the back of the Sanctuary during Lent! As we explore the theme of Hearing God, we invite you to use the Prayer Wall as you enter or exit worship, or anytime you are here at St. John's. Children are encouraged to use it too!


## Prayer Wall Instructions

- Take a ribbon or piece of fabric.
- Write a name or a word on it that is on your heart. (Optional)
- Tie it to the Prayer Wall while you say your prayer.

Prayers will stay up through Lent. Stop by often to add a prayer or to say a prayer over the wall.



**Questions about music at St. John's?**



Contact Becky!  
[bwhelpley@stjohnsbrookfield.org](mailto:bwhelpley@stjohnsbrookfield.org)

**Spring FORWARD**  
**March 8**

A graphic featuring a red alarm clock with the hands pointing to 1:50. The words "Spring FORWARD" are written in a stylized, bubbly font. A grey arrow points from the word "FORWARD" towards the right. The background is a soft-focus image of pink cherry blossoms.

## Discussion on ELCA Social Statements

We have had a request to hold a session to discuss the social statements of the ELCA. These statements, which, over the years, have covered many different topics, are created by study groups created by our national ELCA.

I am going to hold a discussion on these statements on Saturday, **March 21, at 2:00 p.m.** at church. I will go over the history of these social statements, how they are created and the role and authority they hold in our church.

I am also going to discuss several “pastoral letters” written by the presiding bishop of our ELCA, the Rev. Yehiel Curry, and Bishop Paul Erickson from our own Greater Milwaukee Synod. These deal with recent issues such as the U.S. military action in Venezuela, the violence in Minneapolis, and how Lutherans in Milwaukee can deal with a potential ICE presence.

I know that these are all controversial issues and St. John’s members probably have a wide variety of opinions on them. I plan to do my best to steer our discussion away from partisan politics and look at the theological and social aspects of these statements and letters.

Copies of some of these documents will be available at church starting on Sunday, March 9. ELCA social statements are also available online at: <https://www.elca.org/faith/faith-and-society/social-statements>.

Paul Bulgerin  
Church Council President

## A Time to Pray



**Pray Without Ceasing**

Led by Pastor Jim Holmberg

**Wednesday, March 11**

**5:00 p.m.**

**In the Conference Room**

**All are welcome to join in prayer before the Lenten meal and worship.**

## Vacation Bible School Registration Open



**Who:** Kids ages 4-6<sup>th</sup> grade (going into). Ages 7<sup>th</sup> grade and up are encouraged to join us as leaders!

**What:** Join us for an exciting week of Animal Encounters as we dive into stories in the Bible and meet their animal stars! Each day will include a live animal encounter, crafts, snacks, and outdoor fun!

**Where:** St. John's Lutheran Church,  
20275 Davidson Rd, Brookfield, WI

**When:** August 3-6, 2026, from 9:00am-12:00pm.  
Join us for closing Family Fun Night at 6:30pm on August 6.

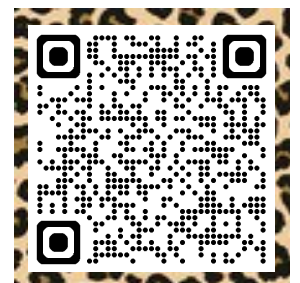
**How:** Register online here  
<https://forms.gle/te15ApooSkztTuzU7>

If you are registering more than one child, please complete a registration form for each child. Registration deadline is July 20 or when classes are full.

### Costs:

\$35 per child before June 1 (\$100 family maximum),  
\$40 per child after June 1 (\$120 family maximum)  
for VBS Monday - Thursday, 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM,  
including snacks and projects.

Scan or click this  
QR code for all  
things VBS.



# Council Communications

The meeting was held on Monday, February 16, 2026.

**MET Discussion:** Shelley Saeger and Mary Tollander, members of the Mission Exploration Team, joined the council for a one-hour discussion about our congregational goals and what we are looking for in a new pastor. The MET team is concluding its meetings with members and groups at church.

**Finances:** Offerings for January were 4% under the budgeted amount. Expenses were also under the budgeted amount but part of this was due to not paying our benevolences in January, since these have to be approved at the congregational meeting in February. These benevolence payments will be made in February.

The council approved creating a group to look into conducting an outside audit of our church finances. This work will be done in the near future.

**Pastor's Report:** Pastor Karen gave a summary report from the staff/church council retreat held on February 7. She talked about ways we are working to improve communication between the council and staff and shared thoughts on how we can reorganize our organization chart.

**President's Report:** Updates were given on the Nominating Committee and work on updating our congregational constitution.

A session will be held in March where members can come to discuss social statements written by the ELCA churchwide body and how congregations can use them.

**Property Committee:** A proposal to purchase a new security lock system for the church was discussed and approved.

**"Pave the Way" (PTW) Campaign:** A proposal from the Interiors Committee to purchase six chairs to replace the old brown ones in the gathering space was discussed and approved.

**Old Business:** The new Youth Endowment Fund has been officially organized with the ELCA. Nearly \$62,000 has been donated to this fund to help our youth with expenses for church trips and other activities.

The proposal for updating the church building usage policy was tabled until the March meeting so further changes can be discussed.

A proposal from the Human Resources Committee to update our church security camera and incident reporting policies was discussed and approved.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Paul Bulgerin  
Church Council President

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:  
MARCH 16 AT 6:30 P.M.**



## Nominating Committee Looking for Leaders

The members of the Nominating Committee are asking for your help coming up with names of potential candidates to serve on the church council.

This year we need to fill the positions of church council president, one at-large member and a youth representative. These are all for two-year terms which

will begin at the congregational meeting on Sunday, June 7.

The members of the Nominating Committee are Paul Bulgerin, Lisa Belli-Fuchs and Carol Wasemiller. If you have the name of someone you think would be good for any of these positions, please talk to one of our committee members.



# Calendar of events for March 2026

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a cong. service project 9:30a education and fellowship <b>10:45a worship</b> 3:00p Communion class and bread baking	<b>2</b> 9:45a yoga 11:00a staff mtg 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:30p Al-Anon 8:00p Women's AA	<b>3</b> 8:30a property team 6:00p quilters 6:30p scouts	<b>4</b> 8:30a retired men's b-fast 5:15p Kids of the Kingdom 5:45p Lent supper 6:00p AA 6:00p TOPS <b>6:30p Lent worship</b> 7:00p choir rehearsal	<b>5</b> 6:00p Wildlife in Need 6:00p Faith Alive Group 6:30p Al-Anon 7:00p AA	<b>6</b> <i>office closed</i> 6:15a virtual men's group 1:00p Tai Chi 6:30p Chinese Christian Church	<b>7</b> 8:30a men's group
<b>8</b> <i>time change</i> <b>8:30a worship*</b> 9:30a education and fellowship <b>10:45a worship</b> 4:30p youth programming	<b>9</b> <i>Food Pantry Pick Up</i> 9:45a yoga 11:00a staff mtg 11:30a Hope Center meal 6:30p Al-Anon 8:00p Women's AA	<b>10</b> 8:30a property team 6:30p HR Team Zoom mtg 6:30p handbell rehearsal 6:30p scouts	<b>11</b> 9:30a Morning Circle 5:00p Pray without Ceasing 5:15p Kids of the Kingdom 5:45p Lent supper 6:00p AA 6:00p TOPS <b>6:30p Lent worship</b> 7:00p choir rehearsal	<b>12</b> 4:30p Finance Team mtg 6:30p Al-Anon 7:00p AA	<b>13</b> <i>office closed</i> 6:15a virtual men's group 10:00a prayer shawl group 1:00p Tai Chi 6:30p Chinese Christian Church	<b>14</b> 8:30a men's group 9:00a Scouting for Food 3:30p HS Outing
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<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">           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="#">Heidi</a> with questions.         </div>						

## Contact Us

### Office Hours

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

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## 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:

Marion S	Connor
Carol M	Doris K
Dylan H	Mark A
Judy K	Sonja B

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).

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