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**WILL START
BACK UP ON
SEPTEMBER
8TH!**



**ST. JOHN LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

OUR MISSION:

St. John Lutheran Church, a fellowship of chosen and redeemed children of God, seeks to make disciples through the love of God in Jesus Christ. Through proclaiming God's Word and Sacraments, teaching and sharing our faith, and caring for those in need, we serve the spiritual and physical needs of each other, the community, and the world.

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RECORDED WORSHIP SERVICES:

H & B Cable Channel:

For the last three years, St. John Lutheran Church has recorded Sunday Services to be viewed either through YouTube, our website, or H&B cable channel. As many of you know, that have H&B Cable, they have gone away from regular cable to an internet based "TV Now." This requires you to have either a streaming capable TV or streaming device. Thus, without a significant investment, our Services are not able to be viewed on H&B Cable. However, they can still be seen through our YouTube channel, this does require you to have a streaming TV or streaming device. If you have questions or need help getting this set up, please contact Pastor Tom (620-797-1518) or Pastor Kenton (620-617-6833) and we would be glad to come help you or give guidance over the phone so that you can still see the Worship Services from home.

YouTube:

Recorded Worship services are available on demand. Use the link: <https://m.youtube.com/channel/UCQYMyGZNb7MPr4xXIDkepWg>
The link can also be found on our Facebook page or the Website: www.stjohnnellinwood.org

The Word on KVGB:

You can listen to a recorded sermon every Sunday Morning at 9:45 a.m. on KVGB 1590am.

**The Lutheran Hour can be found on KVGB, Great Bend, KS
1590am Sun. 8:05 AM**

LIVE:

Every Sunday morning 8 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. at 512 N. Wilhelm. Come join us.

As we hit the month of August, my mind starts thinking about our children going back to school. I think about my years of education and the joy of learning, although there were times it wasn't all that enjoyable!

Robert Fulghum in All I Really Need to Know I Learned in Kindergarten summed it up best:

"ALL I REALLY NEED TOKNOW about how to live and what to do and how to be, I earned in kindergarten. Wisdom was not at the top of the graduate-school mountain, but there in the sand pile of Sunday School. These are the things I learned:

- Share everything.
- Play fair.
- Don't hit people.
- Put things back where you found them.
- Clean up your own mess.
- Don't take things that aren't yours.
- Say you're sorry when you hurt somebody.
- Wash your hands before you eat.
- Flush.
- Warm cookies and cold milk are good for you.
- Live a balanced life-learn some and think some and draw and paint and sing and dance and play and work every day some.
- Take a nap every afternoon.
- When you go out into the world, watch out for traffic, hold hands, and stick together.

Be aware of wonder. Remember the little seed in the Styrofoam cup: the roots go down and the plant goes up and nobody really knows how or why, but we are all like that.

Goldfish and hamsters and white mice and even the little seed in the Styrofoam cup—they all die. So do we.

And remember the Dick-and-Jane books and the first word you learned—the biggest word of all—LOOK.

Everything you need to know is in there somewhere. The Golden Rule and love and basic sanitation. Ecology and politics and equality and sane living."These are the kind of lessons we all learn and try to pass on to our children.

Proverbs 22:6 reminds us "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it."

Is that not the prayer we all have? I pray that the seeds I plant will grow into an adult faith that continues to produce...

Pastor Thierfelder

August 2021

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| | Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 1 | 8:00am Worship w/C 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Adult Bible Class 10:45am Worship w/C | 7:00 pm Ellinwood Energizers 4H Club Mtg @ Youth Center | 10:00 am CDC Chapel 7:00 pm Board of Evangelism Mtg | 4 8:00 pm Elders Mtg 7:00 pm Summer Bible Study | 5 6:30am Men's Bible Study | 6 | 7 |
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| 22 | 8:00am Worship 9:15am Sunday School 9:30am Adult Bible Class 10:45am Worship | 23 Pastor Kenton gone thru Aug. 25th | 24 | 25 7:00 pm Summer Bible Study | 26 6:30am Men's Bible Study | 27 | 28 |
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Oh, sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

Psalm 98:1 (ESV)

This was the theme verse for this year's VBS, "God's Wonder Lab." What a great and blessed week it was this year. We had the opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus and how amazing God is to over 80 children and over 40 volunteers. This is such a great ministry of our church for the community of Ellinwood, helping our families and community hear about God's love for them through Christ Jesus.

Do we take enough time to think about all the wondrous things that God has done for us? Do we begin each day singing Him a new song for the great blessing of another day? I pray that you do. Take a moment and look up Psalm 98 and read it. The psalmist expounds upon the marvelous things the Lord has done. "His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The Lord has made known His salvation. The goal of VBS is not to just have a fun and exciting event each year, but that we would share what the LORD has done.

Through the Bible stories and session of VBS this year, we wanted the kids to hear and trust that:

Jesus is with me all the time! Despite our failure to trust and despite our doubt, Jesus never abandons us. He is the Son of God and reigns and rules over all creation, even the wind and the waves.

Jesus saves me and gives me life! Jesus does not leave us in our doubt and disbelief. He comes to the disciples and us so that we believe and see that He is indeed bodily resurrected from His death on the Cross for our sins and raised from the grave defeating sin and death forever.

Jesus calls me to tell about Him! Through Christ Jesus, God has not only redeemed us and called us His child, but He also wants us to tell others about Jesus. Jesus' forgiveness extends to all people, even those who have persecuted Jesus and His Church.

Our LORD Jesus Christ who has saved us sinners, and has done many marvelous things for you, calls you His own. This is reason to sing to Him a new song. Live in the love and promises of Jesus, with peace, comfort and joy and daily remember how marvelous our God is.

God's Blessings to you,
Pastor Kenton Abbott

SERVING THE LORD IN AUGUST

AUGUST USHERS

CHAD RINGWALD, EARLY SERVICE CAPTAIN

KELLY MILLER, LATE SERVICE CAPTAIN

RICK HISS

STAN ISERN

KEITH MILLER

WAYNE COOK

JUSTIN RINGWALD

CHRIS RINGWALD

CHRIS SCHEIDEMAN

SHANE ISERN

AUGUST COUNTERS

AUG. 1ST: MARLENE ERNSTING, DIRK &

TERRA RICKER

AUG. 8TH: ELISSA MOORE, JONELL NILES,

CINDIE STRECK

AUG. 15TH: MARLA ISERN, LYLAS SCHULTZ,

TERESA SIEKER

AUG. 22ND: ALAN & KARA BRAUER,

HEATHER RUGAN

AUG. 29TH: LUKE ABBOTT, DONNA LONG,

KAREN SESSLER

AUGUST ALTAR GUILD

JACQUE ISERN, MARLA ISERN,

NORMALEE ISERN, NANCY GORDIN,

BEVERLY BOWNES

AUG. 1ST

ORGANIST: JONELL NILES

LECTORS: 8:00 AM - STEVE & JANENE SOEKEN

10:45 AM - JACKIE COOK

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM - --- 10:45 AM - ---

AUG. 8TH

ORGANIST: JONELL NILES

LECTORS: 8:00 AM - ---

10:45 AM - BRAUER

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM - --- 10:45 AM - ---

AUG. 15TH

ORGANIST: DARLA ABBOTT

LECTORS: 8:00 AM - ---

10:45 AM - SIGNE & COURTNEY COOK

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM --- 10:45 AM - ---

AUG. 22ND

ORGANIST: DARLA ABBOTT

LECTORS: 8:00 AM - CHRIS & KENDRA SCHEIDEMAN

10:45 AM - SAM GORDIN

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM --- 10:45 AM - ---

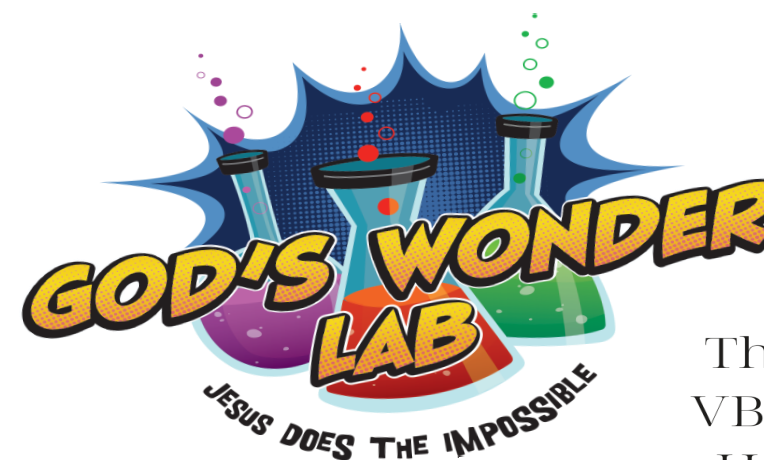
AUG. 29TH

ORGANIST: JONELL NILES

LECTORS: 8:00 AM - DIRK & TERRA RICKER

10:45 AM - JOHN & LINDA RICKER

ACOLYTES: 8:00 AM --- 10:45 AM - ---



Thank You to all of our VBS Volunteers, Kitchen Helpers, our Teachers, Leaders, Craft People and our Pastors for all your hard work and dedication to make VBS happen!

Jesus does the impossible!

And HE worked through our volunteers and supporters this past week to do marvelous things. We had almost 80 kids hear the Good News about Jesus this past week. A HUGE THANK YOU to each and everyone that participated and dedicated their time this week!

Tin Roofs for Africa - the VBS children collected offering for roofless churches in Africa that are built with bamboo and mud. Their goal will help provide a wooden structure and pieces of tin for new roofs. You can still donate by placing an offering in the tin-roofed church at the back.

THANK YOU!



Attention High School Youth and Parents!!!







Information will be coming soon for NYG 2022 in Houston soon!!



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BIRTHDAY & ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR

| S | M | T | W | T | F | S |
|---|---|---|---|--|---|--|
| 1 | 2 STEPHANIE GOERING DIANA SOEKEN BRENT & AMBER RUGAN | 3 JEFF TROYER TAFF & CONNIE HUGHES | 4 ANDREW KIRKPATRICK JENNIFER KIRKPATRICK | 5 TY BRUMMER BLAKE KUBICK LAUREN RINGWALD | 6 TERESA SIEKER JOHN & LINDA RICKER | 7 BRENT RUGAN HEATHER RUGAN RONALD & NANCY RICKER |
| 8 KENTON ABBOTT | 9 JENA ERNSTING JACK & NOVA BOWMAN MARK & CHRISTINE KNOP | 10  | 11 GREG & SUSAN BAKER | 12 COLT BRUMMER WALTER & SHERRIE RUGAN | 13  | 14 AVERY PIKE |
| 15  | 16 BILL DURYEE VIRGINIA SIEKER | 17 ROBERT SIEKER | 18 KENNY & TERESA SIEKER | 19 BENJAMIN RUGAN | 20  | 21 STANLEY & MARLA ISERN |
| 22  | 23 STANLEY ISERN JOEL RAJEWSKY MATTHEW & ERIN VAUPEL | 24 HEIDI BRAUER DIRK & TERRA RICKER JEFF & ANNETTE TROYER | 25 PHILLIP LONG | 26 CARL ISERN PHYLLIS SCHLAHT | 27  | 28 TUCKER ULLERICK DENNIS & CAROL LEBBIN |
| 29 DON & PHYLLIS SCHLAHT | 30 DIANA GOODENOUGH | 31 LINDA RINGWALD | | | | |



NEWS FROM YOUR LIBRARY

A library worker will be available the last Sunday of the month in the adult library for anyone needing assistance. A computerized card catalog is available in the adult library on Sunday mornings between services and upstairs in the children's library at all times. If you need help in locating items, please ask Paula or a member of the library staff for assistance.

Children's Fiction:

Bronco and Friends. A Party to Remember Superbook. He Is Risen!

Children's Non-Fiction:

*The Bright Light and the Scary Darkness
Wherever You Go, I Want You to Know
God Made Me Unique
Never Too Little
God's Very Good Idea
God Speaks in Whispers*

Juvenile Fiction:

*Dead Sea Squirrels. Merle of Nazareth
The Secret of the Hidden Scrolls. The Final Scroll*

Adult and Teen Fiction:

*Night Bird Calling by Gohlke
The Dress Shop on King Street by Clark
The Moonlight School by Fisher
Trial and Error by Whitlow
From This Moment by Sawyer*



ANNOUNCEMENT: LIGHT will start back up on September 8th!

Pray, Praise and Thanksgiving

Our prayer life is a very important part of our Christian walk. The Lord seeks and hears our prayers. Please remember the following persons and petitions in your daily prayer life:



For Healing: Eloise Winkleman, Bruce Ard, Leon Lungwitz, Horatio Baker, Bessie Krom, Diana Soeken, David Jackson, June Helbrun, Donna Rine, Eugene Hoelscher, Dennis Bryant, Nova Bowman, David/Marlene Panning, Layd'n Hinderliter, Lilliana Gilliland, Kathy Grimm, Marvin Polzin, Eldy Hiss, Catherine Hammeke

For Those Who Mourn: The Family & Friends of Mildred Carpenter

For Shut-Ins: Charlie Carmin, Virginia Sieker

*If you or someone you know would like to be added to our prayer list, check out our website to submit your prayer request and we will get it in the next bulletin/newsletter. www.stjohnnellinwood.org

Carrot Cake & Icing

BY: CAROL
LEBBIN



INGREDIENTS

- 1 1/2 cup veg. oil
- 3 cups ground carrots
- 2 t. cinnamon
- 2 cups flour
- 1 cup chopped nuts (pecans)
- 2 cups sugar
- 2 t. baking soda
- 4 eggs
- 1 t. salt

HOW TO COOK

Cream oil and sugar together and then add eggs. Beat until smooth, add dry ingredients, carrots, and nuts. Bake in greased and floured (or Pam) sheet pan at 350 degrees for 30-35 min.

ICING

- 8 oz. cream cheese
- 1 t. vanilla
- 1 cup chopped pecans
- 1 stick butter
- 3 1/2 cup powdered sugar



AUGUST SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1ST

Bible Story: Jonah Flees the Presence of the Lord
Bible Passage: Jonah 1:1-3

SUNDAY, AUGUST 8TH

Bible Story: Jonah is Thrown into the Sea
Bible Passage: Jonah 1:4-17

SUNDAY, AUGUST 15TH

Bible Story: A Great Fish Swallows Jonah
Bible Passage: Jonah 1:13-17

SUNDAY, AUGUST 22ND

Bible Story: Jonah's Prayer
Bible Passage: Jonah 2:1-10

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29TH

Bible Story: Jonah Goes to Nineveh
Bible Passage: Jonah 3:1-5

BIBLE STUDIES:

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Every Thursday at 6:30 AM

August 5th

David Hears of Saul's Death
(2 Samuel 1:1-16)

August 12th

David's Lament for Saul and Jonathan
(2 Samuel 1:17-27)

August 19th

David Anointed King over Judah
(2 Samuel 2:1-7)

August 26th

War between the Houses of David and Saul
(2 Samuel 2:8-3:5)

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Will resume in Sept. 2021

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE – AUGUST 2021

“When it comes to stewardship, a favorite Bible verse is the account of the widow’s mite (Luke 21:1-4). It’s a moving account. Our Lord praises the seemingly small gift of two copper coins given by a poor widow above the abundance of gifts given by the rich, saying, “Truly, I tell you, this poor widow has put in more than all of them” (Luke 21:3). And that is usually where we stop. But the text goes on. “For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all she had to live on” (Luke 21:4).

“She ... put in all she had to live on.” She gave everything. She held nothing back. She trusted that the Lord who made her and all creatures; who gave her everything she had; who redeemed her from her own sin, from death, and the power of the devil; who called her by the gospel and enlightened her with His gifts of Word and Sacrament; would continue to do this. He would provide her with all that she needed for this body and life because that is the character of the God she had.

But this is not why we give small gifts. Her gift, though it appeared small, was actually large. When we are tempted to give small gifts, it is precisely because we want them to be small! We don’t trust the Lord to provide for us. We give small gifts because we lack faith in the One who created us, redeemed us, sanctifies and keeps us in the one true faith. We give small gifts because we doubt that God will really give us what we need and desire. We give small gifts because we are not content with what God has already given.

We are not slaves, children of the slave woman, under the Old Covenant (Galatians 4). We are adopted sons of the free woman. And since we are sons, we are also heirs. And heirs receive the inheritance. For everything is already ours in Christ. And thus, moved by the willing spirit of adoption, we do the will of God in financial matters far beyond all that done by those under the Old Covenant who were forced by legal demands.

So, what have you decided to give? How do I decide what to give? Let the Scriptures be your guide.

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH—MISSOURI SYNOD

LCMS STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY

NEWSLETTER ARTICLE – CONTINUED

We are to give proportionally to what we have received from God’s giving to us (Luke 12:48; 1 Corinthians 16:1-2, 2 Corinthians 8:12). But you have not been set free to give nothing. See that you excel in the grace of giving (2 Corinthians 8:7)!

We are not free to live selfishly outside the Gospel, without regard for God who gives us all good gifts, without generosity for our neighbor who needs us and our gifts, without supporting the community of faith in which we live, without care for our spiritual fathers and those who teach and help raise our children in the faith, and without resources for the poor and needy.

In short, we are not free to live unto ourselves, hoarding what God has given us only for us. For love is the fulfillment of the law (Romans 13:10). And the sum of the law is this: Love God and love your neighbor (Matthew 22:34-40). We love because He first loved us. We give because He has given to us.

Luther once said, “Possessions belong in your hands, not in your heart” (LW 14:240). There is a reason your 10 fingers spread apart. With your hands you catch God’s gifts for what you need and let the rest fall through your fingers to your neighbors – your family, your friends, your community, your church.