

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church and School

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Weekly News and Notices March 11, 2019

Mon Mar 11	6:45p Divine Service 8:00p Adult Open Gym Basketball
Tues Mar 12	4:30p 5th-6th PSI 5:30p 7th-8th PSI 6:30p Joyful Noise
Wed Mar 13	3:45p Ash Wednesday Divine Service 4:30p Midweek Lenten Meal 6:30p Ash Wednesday Divine Service 7:30p Council Meeting 7:30p Open Gym Volleyball
Thur Mar 14	6:30p Adult Instruction Class
Fri Mar 15	8:30a Handbells
Sat Mar 16	-----
Sun Mar 17	8:00a Worship 9:15a SS/BC/Ignite/AIC 10:30a Worship (Ushers 1, 6) Sullivan, Sampson, Olson, Madsen, Powers, Dassow, Guch, Sonnenberg, Yets

***DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS THIS SUNDAY. Come to worship at the right time :)**

432 people gathered for worship on Transfiguration Sunday/
Monday.
313 gathered for Ash Wednesday Worship.
273 people gathered for Bible Study (children and adults) this
past week.

Sunday School Parents--The Sunday School children, Preschool through 8th grade, are scheduled to sing in church on Sunday March 17th. It would be great if we could have your child sing in both services. The song is at the beginning of each service. The children will meet in the Bible Class room at 7:45 to run through the song. They will sing from the choir area of the church and will come to sit with you when they are finished singing. If your family attended first service, they will be excused after singing in second service. The students will be lifting their voices to sing "Nothing But the Blood of Jesus".

Christian Funeral--Our Lord graciously called home to himself the soul of Mrs. Jane Kerner on Thursday morning. May He bless those who mourn her death with the sure and certain comfort of life after death for all of God's children. **Visitation will be Monday 9-11am followed by the Christian funeral service at 11am.** A lunch will follow in the church lower level. Burial will take place Tuesday at Woods National Cemetery at 11 am. *No longer will there be anything accursed, but the throne of God and of the Lamb will be in it, and his servants will worship him. They will see his face, and his name will be on their foreheads. And night will be no more. They will need no light of lamp or sun, for the Lord God will be their light, and they will reign forever and ever. (Revelation 22:3-5)*

Bortulin whereabouts--Pastor Bortulin will be out of the office next week Thursday and Friday and spending the weekend with family. He'll be back in the office on Monday, 3/18. Pastor Martin and Thompson are on call.

Lent--On the Wednesdays in Lent we gather for shorter, meditative services of word, song, and prayer. Also during the season of Lent the sanctuary will be open on weekday mornings for those who would like a quiet place for prayer and devotion.

- 8-8:10 am: Morning Devotion
- 3:45 pm: Afternoon Service
- 4:30-6:15 pm. Meal provided (Except Spring Break Week: 3/27)
- 6:30 pm: Evening Service
- Full Schedule [HERE](#). Devotion Reading Schedule [HERE](#).

Births/baptisms-- Kamden Grace Wenzel, daughter of Eric and Amie Wenzel, was born Friday, March 1st. We thank the Lord for gift of life and watching over mother and baby in childbirth. In our 10:30am service we will have the public affirmation of baptism for Kamryn Buer, daughter of Jake and Kimber Buer. Following our 10:30am service we will have the private baptism of Emerson Ricky Mueller, daughter of Jason and Tracy Mueller. Through the Word and water of Holy Baptism God works to create faith in Christ Jesus to receive forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation. We rejoice with the families.

Volunteer Needed--Our communion ware could use some polishing. Time commitment: one hour. A little elbow grease needed. Contact Pastor Bortulin if you are able to help out. Thanks in advance!

Men's Choir--Hey men! Here's your chance to sing praises with a short time commitment. Men's Choir will be practicing in the Bible Class room at 6:00 on the following Wednesday evenings: March 13th, 20th and 27th. We will sing in the service on the 27th. Hope to see you there. Any questions, talk to Dawn Toth 262-745-7120.

Keys--If you have a key to church and school that you do not need for "official duty" (councilman; properties; cleaning teams; musicians/choir; school volunteer, etc) please return it to Kimber in the church office. Thanks in advance!

Bible Class January 2019

- **Sunday Morning 9:15-10:15 am**--The Gospel of Mark, A Sinner's Race to the Cross.

- **NEW CLASS- Bible Timeline 101 "History as His Story"** This Class will meet the first Thursday of each month over the next eleven months. We will read through 13 books of the Scriptures and see where the other 53 books fit in. Have you ever wanted to read the Bible in one year, and be able to tell Salvation's Story? Then this is the class for you. Commitment: Reading at home throughout the month and one 80-minute class each month.

Assignment for April 4th, 6:30 pm: Read Exodus to prepare for the class.

- **Adult Instruction Class: Sundays 9:15-10:15 am and Thursdays 7-8:15 pm.** This class is just as much for our current members as it is for those who are interested in learning more about Scriptures and the teachings of the Lutheran Church. Just think--the guy who wrote the Catechism is the one who said he needed to keep learning it every day! The Bible itself is the textbook and we'll provide you with a study guide. By the end of the class, you'll have a good grasp of the main message of Scripture: "Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners." You'll also grow in your ability to read (and understand!) the Bible on your own. Is there someone you might invite to attend with you?

- **Sunday, April 7th:** Mr. Rick Kneser, from WELS--Ministry of Christian Giving, will be with us to present using God's gift of money in "Christian Estate Planning". Material will be in your church mailbox in starting next week leading up to his presentation. We also have folders available with more information. God bless us as we faithfully use his gift of money.

Childcare Needed--A member with two young boys is looking for in-home childcare. If you have any suggestions, please contact the church office and they'll forward the information on to the family. Thanks in advance!

Mornings with Mommy--Our next sessions begin April 2nd (Tuesdays @ 10:00a) and April 3rd (Wednesdays @ 8:45a). This is a fun and easy way to enjoy activities with your children and to meet other moms. Cost is \$10 per family for the 6-week session. Sign up [here!](#)

Easter for Kids--A one day VBS for children ages 3 (potty trained please) - 6th grade with an Easter Egg Hunt at the end. Saturday, April 20th 10:00am-Noon. To sign up please visit our website or sign-up [HERE](#).

Volunteers Needed--On Saturday 4/20 St. John's will once again host our one day VBS, Easter for Kids. If you are willing to serve during this event please sign up [HERE](#) or by contacting Tiffany Milne (tmilne@stjohnslutheran-muk.org or 262-949-8793)

Humann Moving Help Needed--The Humann's have bought a house and need help moving! Join them at their apartment at 9AM on **Saturday, March 23**. We will load up the Uhaul truck and drive it to the new house to unload. A large trailer load in storage will also be unloaded at the new house. Snacks and refreshments will be provided! If you have 2 hours to spare, please consider helping out! Thanks in advance.

Apartment: 2789 Honey Creek Ct #611 East Troy
House: 107 Small Farm Rd Mukwonago

Accreditation--Our school began the accreditation process this past week. Accreditation is a set of 15 standards with about 200 sub points. A steering committee, along with about 40 volunteers, will go through each standard and sub points, make sure our school is doing the action items, and then find evidence to prove this is being done. The entire process will take about 1 1/2 years to complete and will result in a 5 year action plan for our school. It is a tremendous activity that will give us guidance on how to improve our school to its fullest potential.

This work cannot be done alone, we will need your help. Next week, members of the steering committee will be contacting many of you to help serve on a small committee. Your committee will only meet twice and will last no longer than 6 weeks. Not a huge time commitment at all! When you get that phone call anytime during the next year or so, please consider saying "yes"!

Mr. Humann is leading the charge on this adventure. Many thanks to the members of our steering committee: Jessica Danicich, Nate and Lindsey Scharrer, and Tiffany Milne. Feel free to contact any one of us with questions or comments.

Activities for Adults:

- ◇ *Volleyball Open Gym*--Wednesdays at 7:30pm. Cost is free. Contact Vicki Kapke for more information.
- ◇ *Basketball Open Gym*--Mondays at 8:00pm. Cost is free. Contact Jason Hughes for more information.

WELS on the Web--Check out the useful tools at wels.net:

- <https://wels.app/> Daily devotions, church locator, prayers etc. Download app to your phone.
- <https://yearbook.wels.net/> Travelling? Find nearest WELS church and service times. Also able to find contact info for WELS Called workers.
- <https://wels.net/news-media/together/> bi-weekly newsletter and video updates.
- <https://www.facebook.com/welslutherans/>

Thank You from the Family of Ruth Priefer

Dear Pastors, members of St. John's, Ladies Aide, and Visitation Committee,

Thanks seems not enough for all the help and support you have given my mom over the years, and she appreciated it very much. Thanks for the compassion and help you have given to me and my family also.

--Linda and Randy Bernau

Career Exploration and College Fair Rescheduled--Students in 8th through 12th grade and parents are invited to the rescheduled WLHS Career Exploration and College Fair on Monday, March 11, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Representatives from 27 colleges such as UW-Madison, Marquette, DePaul, and Lutheran colleges in our fellowship MLC, WLC, and Bethany will be in attendance as well.

WISH LIST--This list of items would benefit the ministry at St. John's. These items are above and beyond the budgeted expenses. If you would like to give toward a Wish List item (above and beyond your regular offerings), clearly mark your envelope, "Wish List" and include the item title.

Item	Estimated Cost	Received	Still Needed
New Chairs for Tables in the Narthex	\$3000		\$3000
New Volleyball Equipment (Were able to purchase "like new" system at less than 1/2 the cost)	\$1000	\$516	\$484