

OUR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Worship	395
Sunday school	33
Guest	2
Adult Bible class	25
Lifelight	8
Confirmation Classes.....	17

FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's. Our offering received last weekend:

GENERAL FUND \$10,699

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Bible Study with Pastor Burdick/Trinity A/B
Lifelight Bible Study-Conference Room

TOPIC FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

STUDENTS: Lesson 12

"A Prophet Serves" is the title for this week's lesson. Having been raised in the tabernacle from the time he was a young child, Samuel continues to serve Eli the priest. One night, Samuel runs to Eli, thinking Eli is calling his name. Eli sends Samuel back to bed, assuring him he had not called. As the pattern repeats, Eli tells Samuel to lie down once again but then next time respond, "Speak, LORD, for Your servant hears" (1 Samuel 3:9). When the Lord calls once again, He gives Samuel a vision of how Samuel will succeed Eli rather than Eli's "worthless" sons. Discuss how God used the prophet Samuel to do His work.

Please read everything in *THE EAGLE*— we have some great things going on in our congregation! — *Pastor Burkick*

FISH ANGEL TREE

Will be in the atrium Nov 3rd – Dec 1st
Please bring new, unwrapped gifts.

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

November 10, 2019

From Our Pastor

I don't remember the first time God offended me -- that is, the first time that the truth of His Law made me feel the shame and guilt that I deserve. I might have been four, or maybe fourteen. No doubt: God was right. And so was His representative (most likely, my mom or dad). The Law shows us our sin. The Gospel shows us our Savior, Jesus.

It certainly wasn't the first time, but I vividly remember a time when the Gospel set me free. I had ruined something my dad had made. I fessed up, probably slowly. Then I was forgiven – by my dad and by my Father. I think it seemed too good to be true. *But it wasn't. Undeserved? You bet. True? You better believe it.*

Here at St. John's I get to stand in a pulpit occupied by tremendous pastors before me, preaching and teaching Law and Gospel. If it hasn't already happened, you're going to be deeply offended some day by my preaching and teaching. I hope it will only be because the truth of His Word has touched your mind and heart, exposing how you have ruined something or someone He has made. Don't go away when that happens. Lean in.

Lean in and listen as the Gospel goes even deeper. The mercy of God in Jesus covers all your sin. Repent and believe. It's not too good to be true. You are forgiven for Jesus' sake. Truly? You better believe it! Rejoice, too, that God restores those things and people we think have been ruined. Keep listening,

Pastor Mike Burdick

PECANS ARE HERE

Contact Treva Brandt (343-3300) or Marilyn Schaefer (821-0508). There are some extras for sale, while supplies last. They are \$10.25 for halves and \$10.00 for small and medium pieces.

Lydia Guild

Will be making Christmas Stockings soon. Anyone with left over material can donate to it. Tooth brushes and tooth paste (small tubes) are needed to put in stockings. Please have them here to the church by Nov 15th.

OFFICE STAFF DEVOTIONS & MEETING

The office staff has meetings and devotions each Wednesday at 1:00 pm. If there are any prayer requests, please let the church office know so we can add them to the prayer list.

THE CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

Will be closed through the end of November due to remodeling!

MOVIE NIGHT

WITH PIZZA & POPCORN

Saturday, November 16, beginning at 6:30 p.m. with activities in the gym and the movie "Breakthrough" will be shown in the multipurpose room downstairs.

HAITI HUNGER FIGHT EVENT

This is our major fundraiser for Haiti.

Save the Date – Nov 17, 2019

Immediately following the 10:30 church service. Pork sandwiches, burgers, with picnic sides. Free-will donations

HAITIAN ART ITEMS WILL BE SOLD

GREETING CARDS

A nice variety is available on the table in the gym. Check it out.



FREE THANKSGIVING DAY DINNER

Effingham County FISH Organization

Thursday, November 28

St Anthony Parish Center

101 E. Virginia Ave., Effingham

Dinner will start at 11:30am,

Home delivered meals & transportation is available. Please RSVP by Nov. 25, by contacting Susan Elke at 868-5913 or The Effingham Senior Center: at 347-5569. This dinner is available to all families in the county. We are also in need of volunteers to help set up, deliver packages and serve meals, please contact Susan Elke at 217-868-5913.

HOMEFIRES

A home Bible Study group will begin again in January. Orientation meeting is December 8th following the Sunday 10:30 service.

NOVEMBER FOOD PANTY ITEMS

Pancake Mix & Syrup

NOVEMBER 21 GOLDEN EAGLES

Menu: Ham, Turkey, Dressing, Mashed Potatoes/Gravy, Chicken & Noodles, Carrots, Green Beans, Wedding Salad, Rolls & Butter. (yum yum) \$8.60 a/plate

PLEASE Sign up by Nov. 17th

OUR BLOOD DRIVE RESULTS

Thank you to all donors. We collected 13 units.

Youth Quake

Early Bird Registration

Deadline November 13th

PRAYER LIST

Shawn Bourland, Steven & Kathleen French, Craig Lindvahl, Deborah Wallin, Gerard Bierman, Tim Mueller, Joye Bushue, Austin Miller, Esta Johnson Alan Phelps, Roselle McClure, Greg Lankford, Zach Fritcher, Lori Spears, Gerald Pontious, Voris Osborn, Lois Kyle, Joyce Schaefer, Craig Wolff, Chuck Mayberry, Nick Miller, Rochel Alwardt, John Holland, Lorri Mayberry, Marion Tolch, Ronnie Ziegler, Onda Wendte , Dave Wall, Vivian Kinkelaar, Erna Niccum, Jerry Niccum, Rochel Alwardt,

CALENDAR

November 10-16, 2019

SUNDAY	10	8 & 10:30 AM	WORSHIP W/HC
		9:15 AM	CHRISTIAN ED
		7:00 PM	MERCYME CONCERT
MONDAY	11	5:00 PM	STEWARDSHIP
		5:30 PM	CHOIR
		6:15 PM	BOARD OF EDUCATON
No Preschool and Office Closed			VETERANS DAY
<i>PRESCHOOL CLASSES - TUESDAY THRU FRIDAY 8:30 – 11:30 AM</i>			
TUESDAY	12	3–4 PM	FOOD PANTRY
		5:15 PM	BOARD OF SOCIAL MINISTRY
WEDNESDAY	13	1:00 PM	STAFF DEVOTION
		5:00 PM	EVANGELISM
		6:00 PM	BELL CHOIR
THURSDAY	14	1:00 PM	PRAYER SHAWL
		6:30 PM	BOARD OF ELDERS
FRIDAY	15		<i>PASTOR'S SABBATH</i>
SATURDAY	16	5:30 PM	WORSHIP
		6:30 PM	FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT
SUNDAY	17	8 & 10:30AM	WORSHIP
		9:15 AM	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		11:30-2:00 PM	HAITI LUNCH

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

11/10 Jill Boone, Jacob Devall, & Eli Gordon
 11/11 Amanda Brummer & Bernetta Marxman
 11/12 Billy Genaust & Dennis Siebert
 11/13 Richard Devall & Lanette Stuckey
 11/14 John Bejma, Craig Logan, Lindsay Van Blaricum, & Logan Weis
 11/15 Paisley Bloemer, Treva Brandt, Betty Carter, & Rae Ann Wagner
 11/16 Cloie Bailey, Anthony Lechman, Kenneth Longwell, Diana Miller & Abel Wilson

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

11/11/2016 Jaren & Kristen Probst
 11/11/1995 Larry & Jane Probst
 11/11/1951 George & Anne Young
 11/12/2011 Nathan & Erica Davis
 11/14/1964 Mike & Linda Cushman
 11/16/1973 Jim & Carol Klein
 11/16/2002 Heather & Christopher St. John