

ATTENDANCE FOR APRIL 23, 2017

Worship	358
Bible Classes	30
Sunday School.....	34
Sunday School Workers.....	9
Tuesday Bible Class	7
Wednesday Bible Class.....	11

FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's. Our offering received the weekend of April 23, 2017:

General Fund: \$ 7,275.31

Simply Giving: \$ 620.00

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

April 30, 2017

Church Office Hours

Monday–Friday 8:00–11:30 & 12:30–4:00

American Red Cross BLOOD DRIVE

Sunday, April 30, 8 a.m. to noon

We have a new email address!
saintjohnslcms@gmail.com

COLLEGE STUDENTS!

The Board of Youth is offering the Larry Brandt Memorial Scholarship.

Completed applications and an essay are due by **May 10, 2017**. Forms and requirements are posted on the main hall bulletin board.

Adult Fellowship Potluck today! John & Paulena Romero 1017 N Martin

(Previously advertised as Main Street!)
Gather at 4:30 – 5:00 Meal at 6:00
Meat and drink provided!

Vacation Bible School June 12-15 6:00-8:00 p.m.

You may register or volunteer to help online at
<https://vbsmate.com/stjohnslcms>

Paper registrations are available from the display on the main hall bulletin board!!!

The committee chairs are looking for empty papertowel tubes!

There is a collection point in the gym!

A Special Voters' Meeting has been set for Tuesday, May 9th at 6:30 p.m. to determine whether or not to establish a Call Committee



Timothy Gall received the Call to serve Bethlehem Lutheran Church, Pleasant Dale, Nebraska. We ask your prayers for Tim and Tara as they make the transition to the Pastoral Ministry.

**FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST
MAY 7 – 7:30 TO 9:30 A.M.
Benefits the Ark Encounter Trip**

*Oh, give thanks to God for His wisdom, knowledge and love. **Pastor & Ruth***

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY – 9:15 A.M.

“Lost Books” Pastor Gall,
Trinity A/B

“Psalms” Pastor Brown,
Trinity C

NO MIDWEEK BIBLE CLASSES
Pastor’s Conference in Champaign

SATURDAY, MAY 6 – 8:00 a.m.
Men’s Bible Study at Niemerg’s with Pastor
Brown

NEW IN OUR LIBRARY:

“Grace Alone”

A Novel by Ruth E Meyer

Found in the Fiction section of our library, this book addresses the topic of a troubled marriage. In these pages, you will find examples of forgiveness, hope and grace in the midst of a messy life...because God is all about new beginnings!

Lydia Guild Meeting

Tuesday, May 2 at 7:00 p.m.

ALL ladies of the church are invited to attend. No pressure to join. 😊 If any Ladies Aid ladies would like to attend, we can pick you up.

Let Brenda Wendling know.

Golden Eagles

May 25 at Noon

You can't beat a meal you didn't have to cook, a kitchen you don't have to clean, or

being with other fun-loving Christians!!
SIGN UP ON THE MAIN HALL BOARD!

Help Wanted: Braille Workers for the third Thursday of the month, 8:30–11:00 a.m. Call the church office to volunteer.



ARK ENCOUNTER TRIP

Saturday, June 24

Departure 6:00 a.m.

Return about 9:00 p.m.

- Admission:
 - \$40 for adults
 - \$31 for seniors 60+
 - \$28 for children ages 5-12
 - FREE for those under 5.
- Bus ride: \$40 per person.
(ex: Senior total is \$71.00)

Sign up on the main hall bulletin board to reserve your seat on the bus. We have lots of room!

**Payment in advance is necessary.
Please do so by May 1.**

Any youth who goes with an adult can use money from their youth account!

**Checks should be made to St. John’s Lutheran Church.

The First Sunday Breakfast in May will be held to defray costs for the Ark Encounter trip.

Come by from 7:30–9:30 a.m.

We’re serving:

Biscuits and sausage gravy

**Scrambled eggs with bacon
Pancakes
Sausage patties
Pastries
Coffee, juice, milk
Freewill offering accepted
THANK YOU!**

Youth News

**St. John's Eagle's Nest Preschool
NOW ENROLLING 4 AND 5 YEAR
OLDS FOR 2017/18 SCHOOL YEAR!**

Visit

eaglesnestpreschool.com

Sunday School Lesson Today

The children studied "Jesus Appears to Thomas" (John 20:19-31) We, like Thomas, doubt what we cannot see. Through His Spirit, God gives us eyes of faith that we might see Jesus in Word and Sacrament and believe in Him.

Discuss with your family, "*When is it hard to trust and believe in the promises of God? Who is the source of our faith?*"

Seniors/Parents: We invite you to a dinner honoring our high school seniors on Sunday, May 7 at 5:30 pm in the fellowship hall. Please call the church office to RSVP with the number of people attending BY MAY 4 so that we can plan for the catered meal.

We look forward to sharing the evening, celebrating the time the students have spent in LYF and hearing about their future plans.

Sincerely, Board of Youth Ministry

L.I.F.T

**(Ladies in Fellowship Together!)
Will meet on Monday, May 8 at
Joe Sippers at 6 p.m. for a meal,
fellowship and planning for future
events!**

ST. JOHN'S FOOD PANTRY!

Effingham's Community Garden encourages folks to Plant a Row for the Hungry! Won't you consider adding extra plantings in your plot to donate to our Food Pantry, which distributes the **SECOND AND FOURTH TUESDAY EACH MONTH.**

A special Thank You to those who supported The Signature HomeStyle Event and to Laura Janis for arranging the florals. The women's restroom by the church office has been repainted and redecorated. I hope you like the "refreshing" new look. The men's restroom will be done soon.

Save the date for September 11th for our next event. The preschool bathrooms are next!

Sarah Mellendorf

FYI: On Thursday, May 11, the secretaries will be out of the office for a seminar.



MAY ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

10:30 a.m. Jon Perry

5:30 p.m. Wes Radloff

8:00 a.m. Tyler Budde

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 30 – May 7, 2017

SUNDAY	30	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		1:00-4:00 P.M.	VBS WORK PARTY!
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 8:00 TO NOON			
PRESCHOOL CLASSES M-F 8:30 - 11:30 A.M.			
TUESDAY	2	6:00 P.M.	BOARD OF CHRISTIAN ED
		7:00 P.M.	LYDIA GUILD
WEDNESDAY	3	6:00 P.M.	BELL CHOIR
THURSDAY	4	1:00 P.M.	STAFF MEETING
SATURDAY	6	8:00 A.M.	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY AT NIEMERG'S
		5:30 P.M.	WORSHIP
SUNDAY	7	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		5:30 P.M.	SENIOR RECOGNITION SUPPER
FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST 7:30 – 9:30 A.M.			

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 4/30 Annabelle Bales, Karla Flach,
Breannah Westjohn
- 5/1 Lois Huelskoetter, Marla Jackson,
Brandon Wendling
- 5/2 Brian Haake, Warren Habbe
- 5/4 Alex Junge, Lisa Norton, Beckett
Sams, George Soltwedel,
Carolyn Webb
- 5/5 Mary Brown
- 5/6 Troy Probst



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**Spring
Pastors' Conference
May 1-3
St. John's, Champaign**

ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

- 5/1/15 Scott & Jennifer Bahrns
- 5/2/65 Richard & Nancy Ohnesorge
- 5/3/86 John & Suzanne Lechman
- 5/3/69 J.P. & Terry Simmons
- 5/6/78 Donald & Faith Donaldson

QUILT RAFFLE!

The Activities Department at Lutheran Care is holding a Quilt Raffle! This beautiful Square in a Square quilt measures 75.5 x 85.25 inches. The drawing will be held the last day of Nursing Home Week, May 19th.

Tickets are available at Lutheran Care Center in the front office or from Fred Bray, LCC Board member. They are \$1 per ticket or \$5 for 6! Proceeds benefit Lutheran Care Activities Department!