## OUR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Worship	373
Adult Bible Class	24
Sunday school students	41
Sunday school staff	
Wednesday Bible Class	

### FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's. Our offering received last weekend: General Fund: \$7,931.50 Simply Giving General Fund: \$1635.00

## ST. JOHN'S CHURCH FAMILY POTLUCK PICNIC! Sunday, September 17 at Ballard Nature Center

Meat and drink provided Bring your favorite dish to share



THE ADULT FELLOWSHIP GROUP is planning an Organizational Meeting and Potluck on Sunday, September 24 at the home of Wilbert and Marilyn Schaefer. Please sign up on the main floor bulletin board.

#### IN YOUR WORSHIP FOLDER TODAY! <u>CONGREGATIONAL SURVEY</u> Developed by your Call Committee

Submit your response in the box provided in the Atrium. Please do so by September 12. Thank you for participating!

# THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

# September 3, 2017

Church Office Hours Monday–Friday 8:00–11:30/12:30–4:00

# Red Cross Blood Drive TODAY! 8 a.m. to noon

The American Red Cross is asking for your help! The need for blood is constant, but the summer months are especially hard on their supply. *Be sure to bring your Red Cross donor card or a photo ID.* Eat a good breakfast and drink PLENTY of water to ensure a comfortable experience. You may complete the pre-reading and donation questions online the day of the drive with RapidPass at redcross blood.org

# Preschool Dedication and Open House September 9 and 10

A slideshow presentation will be shown at each worship service that outlines the process from start to finish.

God be praised! After the service, you are invited to tour the classrooms.

On Sunday morning, the preschool staff and Early Childhood Board members will host the coffee fellowship in the gym as well as be present to show off the newly remodeled classrooms.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

<u>SUNDAY – 9:15 A.M.</u> "The Gospel According to Paul " Pastor Gall, Trinity A/B

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS "Biblical Answers to Difficult Questions "

Pastor Gall, Trinity A/B

### LIFELIGHT BIBLE STUDY IS RETURNING THIS FALL! "TIME BETWEEN THE TESTAMENTS"

This year we will offer the option to meet at church or to meet in your home. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet which would work for you!

# Homefires Small Groups Will be forming for the fall! Sign up sheets are posted!

The study will be from the Life Lessons Series by Max Lucado: "Romans, God's Big Picture"

# The Lydia Guild will meet on Tuesday, September 5 at 7 p.m.

Pastor Gall will give a Bible topic, followed by a gathering of mites,



business meeting and a time of fellowship. Hostesses are Tammy and Brenda Wendling. All ladies of St. John's are welcome and encouraged to attend!



ST. JOHN'S ADULT FELLOWSHIP

is going to an Interactive Mystery Dinner Theater in Arcola entitled, "Slay It Again, Sam" on Sunday, October 15. Please sign up on the main floor bulletin board by October 1.

# Golden Eagles Thursday, September 28 Noon meal in the gym



Prayer Shawl Ministry Thursday, September 14 1 p.m. in the Library If you know of someone who would be comforted by a handmade lap robe, crocheted with prayer, please contact Pastor Gall or the church office.

## LADIES IN FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER

Monday, September 11 FUNdraiser for decorations at church! Signature Homestyles Fall/Christmas Show LOTS OF DOOR PRIZES!

Martin's IGA – Iron Horse Private Room 5:00 – 7:30 p.m. Stop and Shop 6:00 p.m. - Fun and Games

#### MEET YOU THERE!!!!

RSVP to Sarah Mellendorf, 246-7272 or at mellendorf@mmtcnet.com

#### LADIES AID SEPTEMBER 8 AT 1 P.M.

All ladies of St. John's are welcome. We are always happy to see new faces! Pastor will give a Bible study topic. We conduct a short meeting, followed by a time of fellowship and dessert!

### LYF FUNDRAISER

These students have catalogs from which you are able to shop! So many cards, napkins, kitchen gadgets, gifts, etc! There are catalogs on display in the gym. Coralin Ohnesorge Tori Budde Wes Radloff Katie Zeigler Camille Zeigler

**Remember when the Lord asked Isaiah: "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?"** Help serve the Lord by visiting a few members each month who are shut ins or in assisted living homes. Simply call, set up the best time and date to visit, and be prepared to enjoy getting to know



our valued seasoned members as well as sharing the faith you both have in Jesus. This is an easy and enjoyable way for YOU to say, "Here am I. Send me!!" **Please call Dana Keller.** 

(217)246-5373 with questions or for more info!

# Back to School

The Board of Youth Ministry will keep in touch with St. John's college students during the 2017-18 school year.

Please give us your college address. Forms are found on the main hall bulletin board!

#### FOOD PANTRY

#### Our next distribution date is September 12.

If you have fresh produce to donate, please drop off at the church in the kitchen on Monday or Tuesday only. Be sure to mark the container for the Food Pantry.

# THANK YOU!

# LARRY BRANDT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

# Golf Outing September 16

Register your team TODAY! Entry forms are available at the Welcome Center.

A dinner of pulled pork and chicken will be served following. The cost of the meal is included for all participants, but individuals may purchase dinners by filling out the bottom portion of the registration form and dropping by the church office.

A St. John's student you know may be applying for this scholarship, so please lend your support!

**New this year**...the Board of Youth has arranged for you to sponsor a cart or hole for the event. See their display in the Atrium. (If anyone has a 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary yard sign in the garage that can be recycled, please drop it off at the church office!) **THANK YOU!** 

CALENDAR OF EVENTS		EVENTS	September 3-10, 2017	
SUNDAY	3	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES	
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 8 A.M TO NOON				
MONDAY	4	OFFICE IS CLOSED FOR LABOR DAY		
TUESDAY 5	5	6:00 P.M.	BOARD OF CHRISTIAN	
	5		EDUCATION	
		7:00 P.M.	LYDIA GUILD	
WEDNESDAY	6	10:00 A.M.	BIBLE CLASS	
		3:30 – 4:45 P.M.	CONFIRMATION CLASSES	
		6:30 P.M.	PRAISE AND WORSHIP CHOIR	
THURSDAY	7	1:00 P.M.	STAFF MEETING	
FRIDAY	8	1:00 P.M.	LADIES AID	
SATURDAY	9	9:30 A.M.	E.A.S.T.E.R.	
		5:30 P.M.	WORSHIP	
			WITH HOLY COMMUNION	
SUNDAY 10	10	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP	
			WITH HOLY COMMUNION	
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	
DEDICATION OF PRESCHOOL REMODELING PROJECT				

#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

- 9/3 Kari Ault, Mallory Weber
- 9/4 Justin Norris, Frances York
- 9/5 Gale Budde, Tim Casteel, Joe Gibbons, Alan Phelps, Jayla Stuckey, Kirby Tolch
- 9/6 Jason Fielitz, Beulah Ziegler
- 9/7 Haley Ebbert, Brian Koester, Hank Sipe
- 9/8 Sarah Riordan

#### **"REFORMATION REVERBERATIONS"**

is to be presented at Camp CILCA on Saturday, September 9, 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

This institute will examine the long term effects of Luther's influence in three areas: religion, politics and society. Please register by September 4, by calling 217-487-7497.

#### ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 9/3/16 Lucas & Melissa Goldstein
- 9/4/04 Jonathan & Erica Marxmann
- 9/5/92 Brian & Jill Haake
- 9/5/09 Tony & Larissa Jones
- 9/6/81 Randy & Cindy Esch
- 9/6/80 Dennis & Lana Rubin
- 9/6/75 David & Debby Storm
- 9/6/03 Ryan & Sarah Wyckoff
- 9/7/63 Leroy & Carolyn Campton
- 9/7/91 David & Kathy Wall
- 9/9/53 Billy & Florence Genaust
- 9/9/11 Troy & Ammon Probst

"The Cross at the Crossroads" needs volunteers. Please call Carol Gapsis at 342-6743 or Rochel Alwardt at 342-3441 if you would like to help!