OUR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK		
Weekend Worship	229	
Sunday Bible Class	8	
Sunday Lifelight	6	
Sunday School Students		
Sunday School Workers	9	
Ash Wednesday	183	
Thursday Lifelight		

FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's. Our offering received last weekend: General Fund: \$7,130.96

Simply Giving General Fund: \$645.00 Simply Giving Building Fund: \$25.00



OUR MID-WEEK LENTEN SERIES this year will focus on "The Lord's Prayer." We say it daily, but do we ever ponder upon it? This week's focus is

on "Hallowed Be Thy Name". Please plan to attend The service times are 12:15 and 6:30 p.m. *Rev. E. Wade Helmkamp*

SNACK AND GAME NIGHT

Adult Fellowship Event Sunday, February 18 at 6 p.m. Rescheduled from last week due to bad weather. Hostesses are Marty Vail and Roberta Jenkins.

YOUTH EVENT TODAY!

7th graders through High School students are going to **Isaak's Family Fun Center in Mattoon. Meet at church at 2:30.** Text or call Ammon Probst at 309-255-2898 with any questions!

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

FEBRUARY 18, 2018

Church Office Hours Monday–Friday 8:00–11:30/12:30–4:00 *Email: saintjohnsIcms@gmail.com*

Lent and Easter Worship Schedule

Midweek Lenten Services February 21, 28 – March 7, 14 12:15 and 6:30 p.m. (March 21, 12:15 only)

March 21 and 24 – Cantata

March 25 is Palm Sunday Confirmation at the 10:30 service

March 29 is Maundy Thursday 1:00 and 6:30 p.m. services with Holy Communion

March 30 is Good Friday 1:00 and 6:30 p.m. services *NO CHURCH ON SATURDAY, MARCH 31*

EASTER SUNDAY is April 1 Worship at 6:00, 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. with Holy Communion

Our Youth will serve EASTER BREAKFAST from 7:00 – 9:30.



Sunday, February 18 8:00 a.m. to noon

The date was changed due to a Red Cross scheduling error. Please GIVE!

OFFICE COMMUNION HAS BEEN RESCHEDULED to Wednesday, February 21 at 1 p.m.

STUDY OPPORTUNITIES THIS WEEK

<u>SUNDAY, 9:15 A.M.</u> Bible Study with Pastor Helmkamp

Lifelight -Conference Room

Sunday school opening in Church

<u>WEDNESDAY, 3:30 p.m.</u> Confirmation Classes, for Grades 6-8

<u>THURSDAY, 10:00 a.m.</u> Lifelight – Conference Room

2018 PORTALS OF PRAYER SUBSCRIPTION

(Price per year, delivered to you!) Regular size: \$8.60 Digest: \$14.00 Large Print: \$14.90

2018 LUTHERAN WITNESS \$15.96

Kindly use the envelope designated for these subscriptions. For Portals of Prayer, please check the size you need.

EAGLE'S NEST REGISTRATION is now open for 2018/2019!

Pick up a form from the main hall bulletin board or go online at eaglesnestpreschool.com

GOLDEN EAGLES FEBRUARY 22 AT NOON

All you can eat for \$3!!! Sloppy Joes, potato salad, relish tray, drink and homemade dessert! Stay for cards and games after. Sign up TODAY!



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

The EASTER class (Effingham Area Special Teaching Education Religion) meets alternating Saturday mornings from 9:30-11:00AM at St John's Lutheran Church in Effingham, from September through May (classes are suspended over the summer months), providing a community outreach and opportunity for people of all abilities to hear the Gospel, grow in faith and develop meaningful Christian friendships.

Attendance ranges between 20-40 participants.

The class has a strong core group of leaders, but is in need of volunteers to help serve refreshments, provide hands-on individual assistance at craft time, and help organize/set out the crafts and materials. Volunteers may choose the frequency with which to donate their time and services (for example, 1X/month; 3 or 4X/year, etc..) This could be a wonderful service project for interested adults, high school youth, a family, or church group! For more information about how to get involved, please contact Joan Garbe at <u>217/739-2269</u>.

Thank you so much for supporting this wonderful outreach program!!

FOOD PANTRY COLLECTION ITEMS FOR FEBRUARY:

Ketchup Canned chicken Crackers Salad dressing

Next distribution date: Tuesday, February 27 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m. In January we served a total of 85 families which included 165 adults and 71 children.

The Food Pantry workers need a different vacuum cleaner, since the one they have been using cannot be repaired. If you have a bagless type in good working order that you would be willing to donate, please contact the church office. 342-4334.

<u>"ONCE UPON A CROSS"</u> <u>CANTATA</u> March 21 and 24

PLANS HAVE BEEN MADE for St. John's annual Easter Cantata.

The script has been written and scenes outlined. Now we need people! Needed are 6 women, 17 men, and several youth (4th grade-high school).

In addition we need people to coordinate: costumes, prop assistance, lighting, makeup etc. In the past we have had 25-30 people assisting as Biblical characters and Support Crews.

The practices are Sundays:

March 4, 11, 18 from 6PM-8PM. Dress rehearsals:

Evenings of March 19 & 20.

We have been given the opportunity once again to witness the story of God's salvation through the Passion, Death and Resurrection of His Son, JESUS. We have many visitors from the area come each year for this event. Be a part of this special ministry when you are asked. Better still, sign up on the bulletin board located in the main hallway. Dean Manuel is the Director, assisted by Holly Bray and Amy Kohnert.



FAMILY BOWLING Pagel Silver Dollar Lanes

Sunday, March 18 1-4 p.m.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL JUNE 11-14 "Splash Canyon" 6:00-8:00 P.M.

LIFT GROUP

ST. JOHN'S LADIES IN FELLOWSHIP TOGETHER will meet on <u>MONDAY</u>, <u>FEBRUARY 19 at 6:00 p.m. in the Multi-</u> purpose Area. We will learn about the quilt ministry here at St. John's....the process from beginning to end. We will be tying quilts as part of our evening, (no experience required, but BRING SCISSORS!) Dessert will be served!

The Board of Evangelism has a basket set up in the Atrium for Cancer Center gift bags. You will find a shopping list on the main hall bulletin board.

PIZZA AND A MOVIE NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 3, 6:30 p.m. "Facing the Giants"

(Small children will be supervised in the Multi-purpose area for their movie.)

THE BOARD OF EVANGELISM is planning a mission trip to Haiti to visit the school St. John's is sponsoring through the Trinity Hope organization. Although it turns out we cannot bring the backpack items, we are raising funds to help fund the trip and gifts for the families at the school we sponsor. We are planning the trip in April 2018. There are 2 spots open for anyone who would like to go. Deadline to volunteer is Tuesday, February 20. Call Dave Worman, 821-7819 for any information you may need.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS			February 18-25, 2018	
SUNDAY 18	18	8 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES	
	10		WITH HOLY COMMUNION	
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	
		6:00 P.M.	ADULT FELLOWSHIP EVENT	
AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE 8:00 A.M. TO NOON				
MONDAY	19	5:30 P.M.	CROSSTONES	
		6:00 P.M.	L.I.F.T MULTIPURPOSE RM	
		6:00 P.M.	YOUTH BOARD MEETING	
		6:30 P.M.	EARLY CHILDHOOD MEETING	
		6:45 P.M.	STEPHEN MINISTER PEER GRP	
NO PRESCHOOL MONDAY, FEBRUARY 19 PRESIDENT'S DAY				
WEDNESDAY	21	12:15 & 6:30 P.M.	MIDWEEK LENTEN SERVICES	
		3:30 P.M.	CONFIRMATION CLASSES	
THURSDAY	22	10:00 A.M.	LIFELIGHT	
		NOON	GOLDEN EAGLES	
FRIDAY	23	9:00 – 10:30 A.M.	MOMMY AND ME	
		1:00 P.M.	OFFICE COMMUNION	
SATURDAY	24	9:30 A.M.	E.A.S.T.E.R. CLASS	
			WORSHIP	
	5:30 P.M.	WITH HOLY COMMUNION		
SUNDAY		25 8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES	
	25		WITH HOLY COMMUNION	
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION	

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 2/18 Bob Shepard
- 2/19 Megan Bahrns, Christina Niebrugge
- 2/20 Caroline Bahrns, Nancy Kohnert, Florence Leppin, Alex Wall, Angie Yocum
- 2/21 Mike Carter, Dan Norton, Meghann Pruemer, Linda White
- 2/22 Coen Pennington, Marty Vail
- 2/23 Karla Johnson, Bob Miller
- 2/24 Tatum Genaust, Greg Habbe, Pauline Kinkelaar, Lydia Wendling

ANNIVERSARY THIS WEEK

2/20/16 David & Elesha Brinkopf

Please join our Prayer Chain

We can freely bring all of our concerns, thoughts, desires, hurts and needs to God, knowing that He is our loving Father Who wants to hear from us. **St. John's Prayer Chain** ministry exists to send Prayer Warriors to present the praises and petitions of our church and community before the Lord. Our church prayer chain receives prayer requests throughout the week and these requests are distributed to Prayer Chain Partners who intercede and pray for these needs.

We invite you to pray with us. Sign up on the main floor bulletin board if you would like to become a prayer partner in our prayer chain ministry. **Prayer requests and questions may be made to Julie Scott at 343.3047.**