

OUR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Easter Worship	509
Sunday School.....	42
Maundy Thursday	176
Good Friday.....	179

FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

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

General Fund: \$ 13,530.33

Building Fund: \$ 5.00

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

April 28, 2019

Church Office Hours

Monday–Friday 8:00–11:30/12:30–4:00

✝ **Email: saintjohnslcms@gmail.com**

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**BLOOD DRIVE
TODAY
8:00 a.m.
to Noon
In our
Fellowship Hall**

SENIOR CLASS OF 2019

Today the Youth Board is hosting a recognition dinner at 5:30 for the graduate and their parents.

Pastor will also honor the grads in the 8 a.m. service on May 19.

SAVE THE DATE! Larry Brandt Golf Outing September 21 at 1 p.m.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY NEWS!

On Saturday, May 4, the Author of "Pew Sisters" will be speaking at their regular meeting at Niemerg's at 8:00 a.m.

All ladies of St. John's are invited to come meet Katie Schuermann and enjoy insights from her book.

NEEDS FOR THE FOOD PANTRY

- **Pop top cans of fruit**
- **Canned vegetable or chunky soup**

Your donations help us keep costs down as the numbers of people we serve keep rising. Thank you!

The First Sunday Breakfast May 5

Serving 7:30 – 9:30 a.m.

Proceeds go to the church library for improvements/books and other materials that the Board of Christian Education have in mind. Let's help update and encourage use of the beautiful space we call our Library!

Confirmation

The banners of our newly confirmed students are hanging from the Trinity room balcony. Last year's students may pick up their banners from the hall closet across from the office.

THANK YOU to those who provided Easter Lilies for our altar. You may pick up your flowers from the fellowship hall.

**Growing
Together
in Faith**

**Christian
Education**

SUNDAY, 9:15 A.M.

Adult Bible Class with Pastor Fortkamp
In Trinity A/B

Lifelight in lower level Conference Rm

Meet in the Sanctuary for Opening
Devotions

SATURDAY, MAY 4 AT 8:00 A.M.

Women's Ministry meets at Niemerg's.
Special guest this week!

EVANGELISM NOTES:

The Board recently packed 100 care packages for the cancer center. A big thank you to everyone who keeps us in mind while shopping! Your donations are much appreciated. We receive thank you notes from patients frequently.

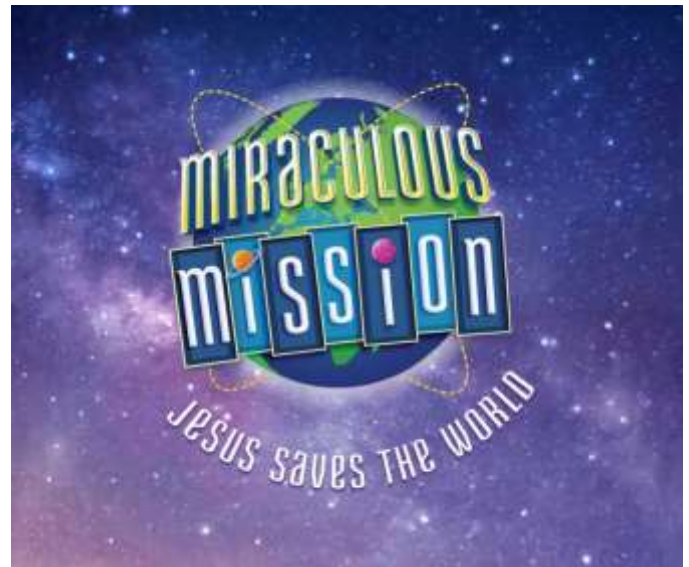
The Board of Evangelism will be placing an order for coffee. If you like the Haitian coffee that has been featured at some of our events, place an order and support our Haitian schools in the process! Email your order to hollybray@hotmail.com, or talk to any member of the Board of Evangelism.

- French, Dark Roast (Ground or Whole Bean)
- Decaf (Ground or Whole Bean)
- Vienna, Medium Roast (Ground or W/B)
- K-Cups (Vienna Roast, only)



Available in a 12 oz. bag for \$10 or 5 lb. bag for \$55

**YOUR MORNING
CUPPA JOE HELPS
OUR SCHOOL IN HAITI!**



SAVE THE DATE

Saturday, May 18
from 8-11 a.m.

Flag Day Installation for Veterans

Clean up Day at Aborcrest Memorial
Park on Route 40 in Funkhouser.

Flags will be provided

Volunteers needed and appreciated!

VBS is June 10-13

6-8 p.m.

WANT LIST

**Help us transform St. John's into a Space
Themed Miraculous Mission!**

We would like donations of:

- big sheets of cardboard
- white Christmas lights
- clean, empty 2 liter bottles

*We DO still need VOLUNTEERS! Pick up a
form from the Welcome Center and say YES
to VBS!*

NEWS ARTICLE FROM TRINITY HOPE:

Why are bad things happening?

By Jay Brinkmeyer

“Then Joseph said to his brothers, “Come close to me.” When they had done so, he said, “I am your brother Joseph, the one you sold into Egypt! And now, do not be distressed and do not be angry with yourselves for selling me here, because it was to save lives that God sent me ahead of you. For two years now there has been famine in the land, and for the next five years there will be no plowing and reaping. But God sent me ahead of you to preserve for you a remnant on earth and to save your lives by a great deliverance.”
Genesis 45:4-7

I recently read that the first U.S. President that was born in a hospital was Jimmy Carter and I am fairly certain that all of these children were born at home. When you see a photo of a Haitian child a red flag should go up in your senses and cause you to remember how many blessings you have...but we still complain about the bad stuff happening in our small world. The world around the children in this photo is filled with turmoil recently as their leaders are helpless and hopeless. Why are bad things happening to them and you? We all need a Savior...Jesus Christ.



Several years ago, the Gideon's gave a New Testament in French to every student who attends a school where there is a Trinity HOPE feeding program; over 20,000 Haitian missionaries received their first book. The better title for my article today should have been “Why are good things happening?” as these kids, like us, can READ. They got to take their Bibles home and read them to their parents and extended family and friends who CANNOT READ and have never heard the WORD, the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

There are good things happening in Haiti, but the world cannot see them and will not talk about them...but God knows as the Holy Spirit moves through child by child, family by family. Good things are happening to you as well as you too share the Good News to those who have not yet heard about the Hope we have that is only found in Jesus Christ.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 28 – May 5, 2019

SUNDAY	28	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
8:00 A.M. TO NOON – RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE			
		11:30 A.M.–1:00 P.M.	CRAFT PARTY
		5:30 P.M.	SENIOR RECOGNITION DINNER
MONDAY	29	5:30 P.M.	CROSSTONES
PRESCHOOL CLASSES 8:30 – 11:30 A.M. MONDAY – FRIDAY			
WEDNESDAY	1	6:00 P.M.	PRAISE & WORSHIP AND BELL CHOIR PRACTICE
SATURDAY	4	8:00 A.M.	WOMEN'S MINISTRY AT NIEMERG'S / SPECIAL GUEST!
		5:30 P.M.	WORSHIP
SUNDAY	5	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST TO BENEFIT LIBRARY			

BIRTHDAYS

- 4/28 Jerry Lindsey, Weston Royse,
Leigha Weber
4/29 Shirley Wittenberg
4/30 Karla Flach, Breannah Westjohn
5/1 Marla Jackson, Brandon Wendling
5/2 Brian Haake, Warren Habbe
5/4 Alex Junge, Lisa Norton, Beckett
Sams, George Soltwedel, Carolyn
Webb



ANNIVERSARIES

- 4/21/74 Keith & Patsy Bahrns
4/25/81 Neal & Sarah Mellendorf
4/28/01 Todd & Marisa Szeluga
4/29/06 Lance & Jacque Dixon
4/29/72 Richard & Pauline Kinkelaar
5/2/65 Richard & Nancy Ohnesorge
4/3/86 John & Suzanne Lechman
5/3/97 Mike & Marla Pilcher
5/3/69 J.P. & Terry Simmons

UPCOMING - FCA POWER CAMP!

If you are entering 5th-8th grades in the 2019/2020 school year consider attending the FCA camp this summer. This is a **FREE** camp that incorporates Bible study and devotions. Participants receive a **FREE BIBLE and CAMP SHIRT**. Snacks are provided each day. Many different sports will be featured.

Contact Kyle Stortzum (217.690.1005) or Kimberlin Michels (708.942.5602).

Baseball, Softball, Cheerleading,
Basketball, Track, Dance, Tennis,
Wrestling, Soccer and Volleyball

THRIVENT ACTION TEAMS

Identify a need and grab friends and family to brainstorm ways to address it. Thrivent provides promotional resources and seed money to jump-start your fundraiser, or service project.

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