

**THE EAGLE**  
**St. John's Newsletter**  
June 7, 2020

**LCMS Stewardship Thought**

June 7 – Holy Trinity

**Matt. 28:19-20 – “Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.”**

Behold the threefold Name of God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. This is the Name we are baptized into. We have been made a part of God's family. And so we are now called to live lives that are in harmony with our new family. We are to be godly and live in God's image. As God is loving, kind, and generous, so are we called to be.

**A Great Big Thank You**

To our St Johns Family for all your prayers and cards while I was unable to get out of the house. I will be back soon. Thanks to all of you.

Dick Hulskotter

**Confirmation Ministry**

As many of you have heard, our confirmands have been studying and creating while we've been away from the church building. Next week you'll begin to see the confirmation banners created by our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders. We hope that this will remind us to pray for them, and to live in the truth of the scripture passages that they have each chosen for their confirmation verse. This summer we will do some work with the students who have just completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade in order to get ready for the new year!

**Disinfectant Treatments**

We have contracted with a company to have the church treated with a spray called "Vital Oxide." You can read all the ingredients on the MSDS posted on the main bulletin board and in the narthex.

Our Attendance Last Week  
Online Worship Views..... 224

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's.

Our offering received last week:

General Fund..... \$14,056.00  
Building Fund..... \$100.00

**From Our Pastor**



**Welcome back!**

**Thank You**

To the Trustees, who have been doing and planning lots of projects that improve St. John's!

**Thank You**

Thank you to all who have used our "Online Giving" portal through our website! It's working securely and easily. Go to [www.stjohnsLCMS.net](http://www.stjohnsLCMS.net) and click on "Online Giving" to make a one-time or recurring offering.

## Prayer List

Lee Volk, Mike Sidenstricker, Mike McWhortor, Bob Miller, Mary Wolfmeyer, Kathy Coats, John Huelskoetter, Jim Schroeder, Dana Cox, Zach Fritcher, Lorri Mayberry, Evelyn Shumaker, Janet Brinkopf, Julie Scott, Jan Pike, Ted Gall, Ellen Tinges, Helen Miller, Carolyn Lamb, Journey Campton, the family of Rochel Alwardt, the family of Lowell Miller and Dick & Carol Hulskotter as they celebrate their 61<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary.

## Our Prayer List

We are glad and privileged to pray for those in need! In June, I would like to rebuild our prayer list, continuing to pray for all who request it. If you desire to keep a name on our list or to add one, please notify the office by phone or email. Thank you, Pastor Burdick

## Condolences

We extend our Christian condolences to Marlin and all of the family of Rochel Alwardt, who died Monday, May 25 at home. Marlin's address is:  
2406 S. Third, Effingham, IL 62401.

While Rochel's funeral was held with family only on Thursday, May 28, we will possibly have a Memorial Service at the church when we are able to gather as a church family in Christian hope. Christ is risen, and Rochel shall rise in Him!

## Food Pantry

Items to donate for the month of June  
**Applesauce & Snack Crackers**

Food Pantry is in need of an additional **full size refrigerator**. Does anyone have a used one for sale? Please contact Sarah Riordan 815-931-2488

## Seeking A Teacher

St. Peter Lutheran School, St. Peter, IL is seeking a teacher for the 2020-2021 school year. St. Peter Lutheran School provides children a Christian atmosphere where they become highly successful life-long learners. Interested candidates must hold a bachelor's degree with a current state teaching certificate, be able to integrate technology into the daily curriculum, have a passion for working with children, and reflect the school's mission and Christian values. Concordia University system trained candidates or willing to commit to completing the Lutheran Teacher Colloquy are preferred, but not required. If you have a desire to be a part of a ministry that works beautifully with the church, has supportive pastor, congregational members, and school families, please contact

Mr. Mann at [bmenn.spls@gmail.com](mailto:bmenn.spls@gmail.com) or call 618-349-8888 for more information.

## LIFE QUOTE from Lutherans for Life June 7

"As you love the Savior, and through Him the members of your family, seek to remember how it is when Christ attends a wedding. He is not only to be a permanent and prominent Guest in your home; He should be its most visible centerpiece, enriching your marriage and empowering your relationships with others."

*Rev. Dr. Armin Oldsen, former speaker of "The Lutheran Hour" – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

## FYI

A committee has been formed and is investigating the need for an upgrade of our audio video systems.

## **Communion**

We will continue with communion on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> weekend of the month. Pastor Burdick and Pastor Fortkamp are available to give you the Lord's Supper in individual services. Please contact the Church office (217-342-4334) and we will make arrangements.

## **Summer Sunday School**

Our Summer Sunday School curriculum will be available digitally to our families, until such time as we can hold in-person classes. The Lessons are all Bible-based and vibrant. The theme is "3 in 1: Discovering Our Triune God!" Students will learn about God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit as they study these thirteen Old and New Testament stories:

- God Made Us: God Creates the World
- God Made the Angels: An Angel Rescues Peter
- God Cares for Us: Elijah and the Widow of Zarephath
- God Protects Us: God Rescues Israel
- Jesus Is True Man: Jesus Is Born
- Jesus Is True God: Jesus Rebukes the Storm
- Jesus Is Our Savior: Jesus Suffers and Dies
- Jesus Is Our Lord: Jesus Ascends to Heaven
- Jesus Will Return: The Parable of the Ten Virgins
- The Spirit Creates Faith: Jesus Teaches Nicodemus
- The Spirit Renews Us: A Sinful Woman Shows Love
- The Spirit Produces Good Works: A Widow's Offering
- The Spirit Makes the Church Grow: Philip and the Ethiopian

## **Let's Stay Connected**

Stay connected through our website ([www.stjohnsLCMS.net](http://www.stjohnsLCMS.net)) and our Facebook page, *St. Johns Effingham*. On Sunday, at 10:00 am, worship with us on Mediacom channel 81.

## **God Bless Our High School Seniors**

Emma Budde, Adia Jennings  
Olivia Martin, Tate Niebrugge  
Andrew Womack

## **Congratulations**

Are in order! Jeff and Kathy Stremming welcomed their grandson Archer James into the world this past week. He was born to Dana and Nick in Nashville Tennessee, and is doing well in the NICU, though he is eight weeks early. We also congratulate our office assistant Deania Trimble on the birth of a grandson last week, Gavin Richard. Thank God for life!

## **Scrip & Meetings**

Since we are trying to limit extra interaction before and after worship, I made the decision to remove the table for sale of scrip cards this week. Hopefully you will be able to buy scrip cards soon. Also, the various boards and committees of the church are allowed to meet in person, but we do ask that you follow all guidelines for appropriate social distancing. We want to be open, and we want to be healthy. Thank you! - Pastor Burdick

## **Rescheduled**

We have rescheduled the "Lifetime Plan For Giving" presentation (originally on April 19) to September 5-6. We'll learn a lot about joyful stewardship that extends God's Kingdom!

**CALENDAR-----June 7 – June 14, 2020**

SUNDAY	7	8:00 & 10:30 AM	Worship w/HC
		10:00 AM	Worship Service on Channel 81 on Mediacom
MONDAY	8	12:00 PM	Pastor's Daily Devotion on St. John's Facebook Page
		6:15 PM	Bd. of Christian Education
TUESDAY	9	3:00 – 4:00 PM	Food Pantry
WEDNESDAY	10	12:00 PM	Pastor's Daily Devotion on St. John's Facebook Page
THURSDAY	11	6:30 PM	Bd. of Elders
FRIDAY	12		Pastor's Sabbath
		12:00 PM	Pastor's Daily Devotion on St. John's Facebook Page
SATURDAY	13	8:00 AM	Praise Band
		4:00 & 5:30 PM	Worship w/HC
SUNDAY	14	8:00 & 10:30 AM	Worship w/HC
		10:00 AM	Worship Service on Channel 81 on Mediacom

**Birthdays This Week**

**Anniversaries This Week**

6/7 Becca Lading & David Budde  
 6/8 Amy Kohnert  
 6/9 Beverly Koester, Ilda Wendling, & Shirley Cheadle  
 6/10 Alexis Walker, Cassie Smith, Candra Kronewitter, & Vernabelle Lankford  
 6/11 Avery Wahl, Finley Bloemer, & Jesse Davies  
 6/12 Ethan Kuhns  
 6/13 Scott Marxman & Isaac Watson

6/7/08 Ryan & Kelsey Baker  
 6/8/01 Mike & Betty Carter  
 6/9/12 Nathan & Breanne Weaver  
 6/10/11 Darwin & Jill Wohltman  
 6/10/78 Howard & Laura Janis  
 6/11/61 Bob & Ruth Kohnert  
 6/12/82 Norbert & Mary Brauer  
 6/13/70 Levi & Rose Boggs  
 6/13/92 Greg & LeeAnn Perry  
 6/13/87 Marcy & Julie Scott  
 6/13/98 Greg & Rosemary Seggelke  
 6/13/87 Kevin & Dena Willis

**Necessary Hurdles**

Thank you for your cooperation and patience as we reopen the church services. The sign-up system for worship is necessary so we stay within safe limits of attendance. We are meeting every week to discuss the needs of the congregation, and we will keep you posted about what our worship schedule will be next week. It might be the same as this week. We will continue the online sign-up system, as well as the ability to call into the office to add your name to a service. Again, thanks for your cooperation. Pastor and the Elders.