

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

November 1, 2020

From Our Pastor

Plan now to read the Bible more in 2021. We're starting with Isaiah on January 1, 2021 and we'll be following the Concordia Publishing House magazine "Today's Light." See a sample on the main hallway bulletin board. All subscribers will receive "Today's Light" each quarter, and will be blessed by their walk through the entire Bible over the next two years. Kathy and I have used this before, and we're eager to experience it again with you. We have two options for signing up:

1. You can go to www.cph.org, search the site for "Today's Light" under the Devotions tab, and **sign yourself up**. You will pay \$28 total for the four issues that will be mailed to you in 2021.
2. **Accept a gift** from one of our members. Here's the offer I was sent last week: *"A member wants to motivate others to get into God's Word on a daily basis for the year 2021. For this to happen, our congregation has been gifted with a 'Pay It Forward' program. 10 people can sign up to receive 'Today's Light' as an early Christmas gift. Once these 10 spots are filled with people wanting the Holy Spirit to strengthen their faith, another 10 slots will appear. And another. And ANOTHER. It'll be like Elijah and the Widow at Zarephath. Just*

as her oil didn't run out until the Lord sent rain on the land, may He send people that can't wait to hear more of what He's done for them EACH day!" To accept this gift, please write this on the top of the attendance card you place in our offering box at worship: "I'd like to accept the Today's Light GIFT." Our office will sign you up, and your subscription will be paid. Be sure to include your full mailing address. If finances would keep you from ordering "Today's Light," please rejoice and accept this gift.

For either option, sign up by Dec. 1. You will be blessed.



Church Van Pick-Ups

We will be starting our van service again for anyone within the city limits of Effingham, who would like a ride to the 8 am or 10:30 am Worship Services beginning Sunday, November 1. Please call the church office for ride requests.



Jesse Tree

Our Advent theme will be "The Jesse Tree." May it help us prepare for Christmas with the mind of Christ. Begins Nov. 29!

Our Response to the Gospel

Our Attendance Last Week

In Person Attendance	295
Online Worship Views	73
Sunday School Pre-K-HS.....	47
LifeLight Class	11
Adult Sunday School Class	16

Our Offerings Last Week

General Fund	\$10,211.08
Online General Fund	\$2,210.00
Total General Fund Offering..	\$12,421.08
Building Fund	\$690

LCMS Stewardship Thought **All Saints' Day**

Matthew 5:7 – “Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.” This is one of many Bible passages that remind us that we reap what we sow. Likewise, what God puts into us – His own love, mercy, kindness, and generosity – flows back out of us. It all starts with His self-giving.

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

Adoption can be an enormously unselfish gift to a baby, not only as a way to give a child a secure, loving, stable family, but to give that child the most precious gift of all—life.”

Dr. Jean Garton, former president of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • www.lutheransforlife.org

This Week's Sunday School Lesson

Lesson 10 Exodus 1:1-2:10

“A Basket of Hope” is today's lesson in which participants explore the birth of Moses. Three hundred years after the death of Joseph, Egypt's new pharaoh despises the Hebrews. Pharaoh demands greater work output from the Hebrew slaves, while seeking to reduce their population through infanticide. Moses' mother manages to hide baby Moses until he is three months old, when she finally sets him afloat in a basket. Discovered by Pharaoh's daughter, Moses enters a life of privilege.

November Food Pantry Donation

Small Applesauce & Peanut Butter

John Huelskotter has moved to Lutheran Care Center in Altamont. If you wish to send him a card, the address is:

John Huelskotter
c/o Lutheran Care Center
702 W. Cumberland Rd.
Altamont, IL 62411

Prayer List

John Huelskotter, Rev. Dr. Wayne Hoffman, Marlene Walker, Dwight Kelpzig, Ursula Polzin, Ellen Tinges, Gerald Pruemer, Vic Oakley, Rose Boggs, John Romero, Tim Mueller, Craig Wolff, Mike McWhortor, Mary Wolfmeyer, Bertie Powell, Zach Fritcher, Lorri Mayberry, Evelyn Shumaker, Janet Brinkopf, and the family of Lois Kyle.

Members of the Armed Forces, including Paul Smith, Nathan Vail, Baileigh Longwell, Jason Mette, Gabriel Walker, Johnathon Schuette, Henry Bielenberg; and all first responders of our community and nation

The Lutheran Hour



You can listen to the Lutheran Hour on the radio:

- WCRA 1090 AM Sun 9:30 AM
- WCRA 96.3 FM Sun 9:30 AM
- WPMB 104.7 FM Sun 12:03 PM

This radio broadcast is also always available by going to: www.LHM.org. Scroll down to this week on TLH & click on it. Then, click on Sermon Schedule Nov. 8 "Tied into the Same Lifeline" Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler Humble pie is on the menu at an ill-fated feast. (Daniel 5)

Lydia Guild

We will not be meeting in November. We do plan to have a short meeting on Tues., Dec. 1, 2020 to discuss items in need.

Haiti Hunger Fight Event

This event is still on, and will be held on Sunday, Nov. 15 from 11:30-1:30. The meals will be take-out only. Please drive through & support this cause. Haiti, like the rest of the world, is suffering due to COVID and their economy is under great stress. Our support is more important than ever.

St. Paul Blue Point Lutheran Church

Ladies Aid Annual Soup Supper

Sunday, Nov. 1, Drive-Thru Style

Opens at 3:30 pm

Menu

Chili, Chicken Salad Sandwiches,
Hotdogs, Chips, & Chocolate Chip
Cookie Bars

FREE WILL DONATION

The church is located 4 miles north of
Altamont, then 2 miles east.

Sympathy & Prayers

Our deepest sympathy and prayers go to Janet (Gene) Koebele and the rest of the family of Lois Kyle. Lois passed away Thursday, October 22, 2020. Visitation will be held at St. John's Lutheran Church on Monday, Nov. 2, at 1:00 p.m., with funeral services following at 2 p.m. Graveside services will follow at Pleasant Grove Cemetery. Memorials may be made to St. John's Lutheran Church Food Pantry.

St. John, Dieterich Pulled Pork Lunch

Sunday, Nov. 8th

Drive thru serving from 10:30 am-1 pm

Menu

Pulled Pork, Potato Salad, Chips,
Applesauce, & a Baked Good

FREE WILL DONATION

(Donations go to LYF & Helping Hands
for the Dieterich Schools)

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

LWML/Ladies Aid

"Drive Thru" Annual Chili & Soup
Supper

Sunday, Nov. 8, from 3-5:30 pm

Chili, Chicken Noodle Soup, or
Sauerkraut Soup

16 oz. (1 Bowl) or 32 oz. (2 Bowls)

Chicken Salad Sandwiches & Hot Dogs

Pies: Coconut Cream, Raisin Cream,
Apple, Pecan, & Pumpkin

Desserts: Chocolate Layered &
Cherry Delight

FREE WILL DONATION

Proceeds will go towards replacing the
church windows.

Pecans

Pecans have been ordered, and will be
\$10.25 for halves and \$10.00 for med. &
small pieces. You can sign up on the
bulletin board.

Angel Tree Toy Drive

The Board of Social Ministry is again
sponsoring the Angel Tree toy drive for
the FISH Christmas Store. New,
unwrapped toys for all ages of boys &
girls can be put around the Christmas
tree in the Atrium. The local FISH
organization invites qualified parents to
shop for their children's gifts in early
December. We will keep you posted as
the deadline to shop draws near.

WELCOME!

God bless Rylee Rothrock,
who confessed the faith last
Sunday and was confirmed
in her baptismal faith.
Welcome, Rylee!



CALENDAR-----Nov 1 – Nov.8, 2020

Sunday	1		Daylight Savings Time Ends/All Saints Day
		8:00 & 10:30 AM	Worship Services
		9:15 AM	Sunday School
		10:00 AM	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
<i>Preschool Classes – Monday, Wed., Thurs., & Friday, 8:30 – 11:30 AM</i>			
Monday	2	12:00 PM	Pastor's Devotion on Facebook
		5:00 PM	Board of Trustees
Tuesday	3		No Preschool
		6:30 PM	Building Committee
Wednesday	4	12:00 PM	Pastor's Devotion on Facebook
		1:00 PM	Office Staff Devotion/Meeting
		5:00 PM	Confirmation
Thursday	5	6:30 PM	Catechism Bible Study
Friday	6		Pastor's Sabbath
		12:00 PM	Pastor's Devotion on Facebook
Saturday	7	8:00 AM	Praise Band Practice
		4:00 PM & 5:30 PM	Worship Service w/HC
Sunday	8	8:00 & 10:30 AM	Worship Services w/HC
		9:15 AM	Sunday School & LifeLight
		10:00 AM	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81

Birthdays This Week

- 11/01 Anna Rieman, Danielle Espina,
Greg Keitel, & Jackson Fritch
- 11/02 Brendan Keller & Kyle Pennington
- 11/03 Donna Walls, Linda Luckett, &
Terry Fielitz
- 11/04 Dan Jansen, Kiley Bohnhoff,
Lloyd Wittenberg, Randall Steben, &
Roberta Jenkins
- 11/05 Christina Flinn, Jessica Quicksall,
Mike Cushman, & Nolan Bohnhoff
- 11/06 Brian Milleville, Jason Niebrugge, &
Kim Rogers
- 11/07 Avery Nelson, Carissa Yocum,
Hadley Westjohn, Joyce Barr, &
Randy Hansen

Anniversaries This Week

- 11/02/01 Jeff & Kristen Pryor
- 11/07/09 Jeffrey & Erin McDevitt



This nativity set was cut out, sanded, and painted by Janet Brinkopf. The stable was cut out and put together by Bob Brinkopf. We will be selling raffle tickets for \$1.00 each, or 6 for \$5.00. Please check with the Brinkopfs for your tickets. See the set on the shelf in the hallway. All proceeds go to the Food Pantry.