

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

June 6, 2021

From Our Pastor ...

VBS is near. You've seen the promotion in the Atrium, and the decorations in the



multipurpose room. I hope you've helped a neighbor get registered. June 14-17, our church

is going to look like a Rainforest! Under the canopy of that forest, there will be a lot of teaching that "Jesus Leads The Way!"

I know a lot of you have been praying for our VBS. Thank you. Pray specifically for numerous kids and families to be engaged in God's Word, for the wellbeing of every volunteer and student, and for the seed of God's Word to grow in each family – including in those who do not currently have a church home.

Everything during VBS teaches. The decorations, songs, snacks, games, crafts and the examples of each volunteer are all ways in which kids learn! The Lessons we'll be teaching are

- Genesis 6 "God Rescues Noah"
- Exodus 19-20 "God Gives The Ten Commandments"
- Matthew 4 & 9 "Jesus Calls His Disciples"
- John 21 "Jesus Visits His Disciples"

Pause for a just a moment right now. Take a second, slow look at those four

Lessons. Think about what God would teach you – not the children – through those Scripture passages. *Obedience? Trust? Sacrifice? Mercy? The way His resurrection changes EVERYTHING?* I think those are some of the things we're all supposed to receive through these Bible Lessons.

Coming up later this year I believe we'll be learning together about two vital subjects under the canopy of God's truth and grace: sexuality and stewardship. And I believe we'll be blessed through what we learn!

In Christ,



Catechism Bible Study

Our Wednesday night Catechism Bible Study has just three lessons remaining. Twenty people have been participating. We won't meet on June 16, due to VBS.

RAMSEY+

Is coming to St. John's!

Baby Bottles

Remember to return the money-filled baby bottles on Father's Day, in support of the Family Life Center. Thank you.

Help Needed

The Youth Board is needing help to set up VBS scenes in church on Sunday, June 13 starting at 1 p.m. Please come, help and have fun.

LCMS Stewardship Thought

Mark 3:35 – “Whoever does the will of God, he is my brother and sister and mother.” Doing the will of God starts with trusting in His Son Jesus Christ. Once we have faith in Him and have been reborn as new creatures through Holy Baptism, we strive to grow in this faith and in a life that agrees with our faith. We should strive to grow in generosity, in kindness, and in love across our callings, which include the home, church, and society while growing in the family of God. For all who do His will are his brothers, and sisters, and mothers.

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

“The boundaries He establishes serve not to forbid any of sexuality’s blessings but to gather its goodness into a single setting so that nothing deprives the marriage bed of its rightful delight.”

Pastor Michael Salemink, Executive Director of Mission and Ministry, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

This Week’s Sunday School Lesson

Ezekiel 8; 10:1-19; 36:22-28

Today, we will study “Abomination Nation.” God reveals the future of Israel to the prophet Ezekiel. Because of Israel’s abominable behavior, the presence of the Lord departs the temple with cherubim and spinning wheels. Yet God promises to cleanse and restore His people: they will once again dwell in the land God promised, and He will put His Spirit within them.

Thank You

To all who participated in the 5th Sunday Food Drive for Concordia Seminary Food Bank last Sunday. Because of your generosity, \$949 was donated along with the items that they needed!

Our Next Food Distribution

Tuesday, June 8 from 3:00 – 4:00 p.m.

June Pantry Donation

Hamburger Helper & Applesauce

Prayer List

Janet Brinkopf, Gloria Fortkamp, Ruth Holland, Doug Wendte, Brian Wenthe, Shirley Cheadle, Deb Meyers, Doris Hammer, Craig Wolff, Bob Miller, Cassie Power, Brett Kull, Rose Boggs, Mike McWhortor, Evelyn Shumaker, Florence Genoust, Pastor Ted Gall, and Catherine Stremming

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

Your Response to the Gospel

Our Attendance Last Week

In Person Attendance

Sunday, May 30	316
Online Worship Views	80
Sunday School Pre-K-HS	28
Adult Sunday School Class.....	24

Our Offerings Last Week

General Fund, May 30	\$5,407.40
Online General Fund.....	\$1,590.00
Total General Fund Offering ...	\$6,997.40
Building Fund	\$75.00

Important Notice

The FRONT entrance to the church will be closed for a couple of weeks due to scaffolding on the landing while they are working on the stained-glass window. Thank you for your cooperation. Board of Trustees

Wanted

Kids for a Rainforest Adventure! Sign your kids, grandkids, neighbor kids up now for VBS, which will be June 14 – 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. A great adventure awaits them!

Youth Activities

Family Fishing Day

Sunday, June 6 from 3:00 – 6:00 p.m.
at Don & Patsy Latch's
16399 N. 1000th St., Effingham

Bring your lawn chairs & fishing poles.

Paddle boats, food & drinks will be
provided!

ALL are invited!

Sponsored by the Youth Board

VBS

Will be held June 14-17
From 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Coming Soon

Cookie Dough & Pizza Kit Fundraiser will
be in July. Watch the Eagle Newsletter for
details.

Save the Date

It's back...Our Spaghetti Supper! It will be
Sunday, November 7.

ATTENTION ALL USHERS

We will be taking pictures for the new
church directory. We will be dividing you
into groups.

1. ALL 5:30 p.m. Saturday Ushers will
have their picture taken today,
Saturday, June 5, after the service.
Meet by the front doors of the church.
2. ALL 8:00 a.m. Ushers will have their
picture taken today, Sunday, June 6,
after the 8:00 a.m. service. Please
meet by the front doors of the church
3. ALL 10:30 a.m. Ushers will have their
picture taken today, Sunday, June 6,
after the 10:30 a.m. service. Please
meet by the front doors of the church.

Please let the office know if you will be able
to make it. Thank you, Alvin Siebert

Sr. High Youth Gathering

Will be at the Burdicks' this Sunday, June 6
at 6:00 p.m. Perhaps you'll bring your best
fish story from the congregational family
fishing event!

Summer Sunday School

Beginning this Sunday, we will begin our
Summer Sunday School program. We will
be meeting in the sanctuary at 9:15 a.m. as
always. This will be for Pre-K through 8th
grade. We will have group Sunday School
in the multi-purpose room. Parents, you
can pick up your children there. If any
parent is willing to help, please contact
Kiley Bohnhoff. The High School students
will be meeting in their room as usual.

Summer Story Time

We are starting a Summer Story Time for
children 5 & under with an adult. Come
have fun reading, crafting, & learning in the
St. John's Children's Library. We hope this
is a great outreach for our church &
preschool. Invite friends & spread the word.

The Summer Story Time will be held on
Wednesdays at 10 00 a.m.
June 23, July 7, and July 21
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.
June 30, July 14, and July 28

SEA Lutheran Layman's League

Summer Rally of SEA will be held on
Sunday, June 13, 2021 at Faith Lutheran
Church in Shumway. Reservations must be
made by June 9th. Check the bulletin board
for details.

VBS Meeting

Decorating Meeting Tuesday, June 8
6:00 p.m.

***Pray for our Vacation Bible School
June 14-17!***

CALENDAR-----June 6, 2021 – June 13, 2021

Sunday	6	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
		3:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Family Fishing Day
		6:00 p.m.	High School Youth at the Burdicks'
Monday	7	4:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
		4:00 p.m. & 5:30 p.m.	Today's Light Review
		5:30 p.m.	Choir
Tuesday	8	1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl
		3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
		5:15 p.m.	Board of Social Ministry
Wednesday	9	1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotion/Meeting
		7:00 p.m.	Adult Catechism
Thursday	10	6:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
Friday	11		Pastor's Sabbath
Saturday	12	8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service w/HC
Sunday	13	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services w/HC
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		1:00 p.m.	Set up VBS scenes
		6:00 p.m.	LLL Rally at Shumway

Birthdays This Week

06/06 Ainsley Jeffries, Cherilla Junge,
& Timothy Keitel

06/07 Becca Ladin & David Budde

06/08 Amy Kohnert

06/09 Beverly Koester &
Shirley Cheadle

06/10 Cassie Smith, Candra Kronewitter
Alexis Walker, &
Vernabelle Lankford

06/11 Avery Wahl, Finley Bloemer, &
Jesse Davies

06/12 Ethan Kuhns

6/6/1959

6/6/1981

6/6/1992

6/6/1992

6/7/2008

6/8/2001

6/9/2012

6/10/1978

6/10/2011

6/11/1961

6/12/1982

Anniversaries

Dick & Carol Hulskotter

Jeff & Pam Baker

Scott & Joyce Marxman

Greg & Kara Koester

Ryan & Kelsey Baker

Mike & Betty Carter

Nathan & Breanne Weaver

Howard & Laura Janis

Darwin & Jill Wohltman

Bob & Ruth Kohnert

Norbert & Mary Brauer