# THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter August 1, 2021

From Our Pastor:

Have conflict? Of course you do. It might be major, and it might



not. Like stress, the question isn't whether we have conflict in our lives, but how we choose to react to it.

If you're following our *Today's Light* readings, you've just read the Gospel of John, and that means you read a lot about conflict. I was really struck by the tension between Jesus and the religious leaders who rejected Him. It was ugly. They hated Him, and He didn't back down from the tension.

[Jesus said to them,] "You have not known [God]. I know him. If I were to say that I do not know him, I would be a liarlike you, but I do know him and I keep his word. 56 Your father Abraham rejoiced that he would see my day. He saw it and was glad." 57 So the Jews said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?" 58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before am." <sup>59</sup> So thev was. I Abraham picked up stones to throw at him, but Jesus hid himself and went out of the temple. (John 8:55-59)

Talk about tension! Thank God He didn't back down. He spoke the truth in love. Straight up. No varnish. So they sought to kill Him. They didn't get it done that day, but on the cross we sinners got what we wanted. And at that time God gave us what we needed: reconciliation.

Do you have conflict in your life? Sure you do — in the forms of



regret, poor communication, addiction, loss, and many more. Continue to choose to react to such conflicts with the Christ of the Scriptures smack in the middle of it all. Repent. Believe the Good News. Jesus is our peace, vertically and horizontally.

We will review the July *Today's Light* readings this Monday, August 2, with ONE review session instead of two. Come to the Trinity Room from **4:30 - 5:30 p.m.** to discuss the Gospels of Luke and John!



Rummage Sale/Flea Market Notice
We cannot accept TV's.

# LCMSFoundation

TODAY | TOMORROW | FOREVER

Jesus said in Matthew 6. "Do not lav up for yourselves treasures on where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal." Life is in Jesus and anything we find in our estates is not really life. We look to manage those gifts in light of eternal life. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help. Contact Scott A. Radden 977-4049 (618)at or Scott.Radden@lfnd.org.

#### **Prayer List**

Candy Stuemke, Carl Becker, Janet Brinkopf, Gloria Fortkamp, Doug Wendte, Brian Wenthe, Deb Meyers, Doris Hammer, Craig Wolff, Cassie Power, Brett Kull, Rose Boggs, Mike McWhortor, Evelyn Shumaker, Shawn Bourland,

Members of the Armed Forces, include.ng Dylan Koester, Ryan Budde, Paul Smith, Nathan Vail, Jason Mette, Gabriel Walker, Johnathon Schuette, and all first responders of our community and nation.

## **LCMS Stewardship Thought**

Ephesians 4:1 – "Itherefore, a prisoner for the Lord, urge you to walk in a manner worthy of the calling to which you were called." The callings we have from the Lord are our "vocations." Here Paul talks about our vocation as Christian. We are called to be His people and to reflect His love, generosity, and peace within the Church.

## **August Pantry Donation**

Manwich Sloppy Joe's & Green Beans

#### **Added Picture Dates**

Since the first dates for the Pictorial Pictures has been filled, we have opened 2 more dates:

Saturday, October 16 Sunday, October 17

These dates have been added to our webpage, <u>www.stjohnslcms.net</u>. If you have a problem, please contact the church office for assistance.

## **Youth Corner**

## **National Youth Gathering Meeting**

This meeting is for parents & youth wishing to attend. It will be held Sun., Aug. 15 at 11:30 a.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. The final commitment date is around the corner.

#### Rummage Sale & Flea Market

This event will be held August 5-7!

#### Drop off times will be:

Sun., Aug. 1, Noon – 1 p.m. Mon., Aug. 2, 8 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Tues., Aug. 3, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

## **Set Up Time**

Sunday, Aug. 1 at 11:30 a.m. ALL help will be greatly appreciated!

# Rummage Sale/Flea Market Times

Thurs., Aug. 5, 3:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m. Fri., Aug. 6, 8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Sat., Aug 7, 8:00 a.m. - Noon

#### **Clean UP Time**

Sat., Aug 7, Noon to 2:00 p.m. ALL HELP WILL BE APPRECIATED

## **Cruise Night**

Will be held on Saturday, September 11!

# **Golf Outing**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept. 18 for our annual Golf Outing.

# Rummage Sale/Flea Market Workers Sign-Up List

There is a Sign-Up List on the bulletin board for volunteers to help with this event. We need volunteers for drop off, set up, event days, and clean up.

#### **Stephen Ministry Office Hours**

Janet Martins will be having office hours on Thursdays, 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Please feel free to stop by to see her. Or, if you wish, you can make an appointment to see her by calling Janet:

Home: 217-868-9576 Cell: 773-463-0617

#### **LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life**

"Your Heavenly Father loves you in spite of your many failings. The Son, the Lord Jesus Christ, is now interceding on your behalf at the throne of God every time you stumble and fall. The Holy Spirit of the blessed Trinity is at your side convicting you of your sin but then also assuring you that every last one of your sins has been totally forgiven. He, the Spirit, then also plants deep into your heart God's gift of faith and hope."

Rev. Dr. Wallace Schulz, The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Your Response to the Gospel			
Our Attendance Last Week			
In Person Attendance			
Sunday, July 25	339		
Online Worship Views	96		
Sunday School Pre-K-HS	21		
Adult Sunday School Class	30		
Our Offerings Last Week			
General Fund, July 25	\$6,967.51		
Online General Fund	\$2,785.00		
Total Gen. Fund Offering \$9,752.51			
Building Fund	\$127.00		



#### **Jr. Confirmation Classes**

Will begin in September, 5:00-6:00pm Wednesdays! 6th Grade Class studies the 30-Lesson Bible Overview. 7th and 8th Grade Class studies Luther's Small Catechism in the 30-Lesson Workbook.

#### **Adult Catechism Bible Study Series**

Will begin Thursday, August 26, 7:00-8:00pm. Ten weeks of Scripture, Catechism, video introductions, and discussion. All adults who wish to join our congregation as new LCMS Lutherans, or members who want to review "what we believe and why" are welcome!

## **Church Picnic**

This has been scheduled for Sun., Aug. 22 at Noon. It will be held at Ballard Nature Center, and Todd Martin will be grilling. Bring a side dish or dessert to share.

# High School "Room Revamp" Workday

Sun., Aug. 15<sup>th</sup> the High School Youth are invited to a work day in our Sunday School classroom after the 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Come for pizza & help us revamp our LYF room.

CALENDARAug 1, 2021 - Aug. 8, 2021			
Sunday	1	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services
		9:15 a.m.	Hayden Renser Speaking during Adult SS
		3.13 a.III.	No Children's Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
		11:30 a.m.	Set up for Rummage Sale/Flea Market
		Noon – 1:00 p.m.	Drop off for Rummage Sale/Flea Market
Monday	2	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Drop off for Rummage Sale/Flea Market
		4:00 p.m.	Board of Trustees
		4:30 p.m.	Today's Light Overview
Tuesday	3	8:00 a.m 1:00 p.m.	Drop off for Rummage Sale/Flea Market
		9:00 a.m.	Pastor Conference/St. John's in Louisville
Wednesday	4	1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotions/Meeting
Thursday	5	3:00 – 7:00 p.m.	Rummage Sale/Flea Market
Friday	6	8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Rummage Sale/Flea Market
Saturday	7	8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		8:00 a.m. – Noon	Rummage Sale/Flea Market
		Noon – 2 p.m.	Clean-Up
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service w/HC
Sunday	8	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Services w/HC
			No Children's Sunday School
		9:15 a.m.	There IS Adult Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81

# **Birthdays This Week**

08/01 Donetta Ohnesorge & Layla Nelson 08/02 Andrea Wendling, Erica Hansen, &

Reese Wendling

08/03 Dawn Quicksall, Suzanne Lechman, & Dena Willis

08/04 Alex Nelson, Holly Bray, Clay Weber, Nancy Ohnesorge, & Sydney Nelson

08/05 Cinda Hulskotter, Debby Storm, Quinn Flach, Ryan Kohnert, & Terry Budde

08/06 Justin Brummer, Marcy Scott, Phyllis Rohlfing, Rachel Utz

08/07 Becky Janis, David Ragan, & Malachi Stuckemeyer

# **Anniversaries This Week**

08/02/80 David & Bea Wendte
08/03/68 Larry & Pat Milleville
08/03/74 Michael & Marcella Kennedy
08/03/13 Robert & Kristin Niemerg
08/04/84 Robert & Pamella Williams
08/05/78 David & Jeanette Worman
08/06/77 Eric & Sandy Bernhard
08/07/04 Chad & Angie Nelson

