

# THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter June 5, 2022



## Thank you, Sandy Esker!

Congratulations on your retirement as Director of Eagle's Nest Preschool.

You are a blessing to us!

God's holy will shall be accomplished. Even through man's evil circumstances, He works His purposes. One of the great, true stories of the Bible which demonstrates this is that of Joseph, redeemer of his broken family (Genesis 37-50). Joseph points us forward to Jesus, the redeemer of the whole world. That's the theme of our Vacation Bible School, June 13-16.

- Monday: Joseph's family feuds (Genesis 37). **"Your unfailing love will last forever."** Psalm 89:2
- Tuesday: Joseph is imprisoned (Gen 39-40). **"For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go."** Joshua 1:9
- Wednesday: Joseph gets new responsibilities (Genesis 41) **"How great is our Lord! His power is absolute!"** Psalm 147:5
- Thursday: Joseph reunites with – and forgives – his family. **"Come and see what our God has done, what awesome miracles He performs for His people."** Psalm 66:5

Through all of VBS we'll point children and families to Jesus Christ. The evil behind His crucifixion was used by God Almighty to accomplish salvation. This is the greatness of God. This is our theme! Pray for a blessed week of learning.

## Hayden Rensner



Talk with Hayden Rensner live via Zoom during adult Bible class this Sunday at 9:15am! She'll be with us from the Czech Republic, answering our questions and telling us about the mission there.

## Please Help Us Promote Eagle's Nest Preschool

Do you or do you know someone who lives on a busy street?

If so, would you be willing to put this sign in your yard?

If so, please stop in the office and pick up a sign.



## Living with Grief

is a new support group for survivors. We will have an initial meeting on Tuesday, June 14, 10:00 AM at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont. If there is enough interest in other LCMS congregations, the group will alternate its meeting place between those churches. This group will be guided by the book Living With Grief – Bound by Sorrow, Wrapped in Comfort, by Kristian Kincaid (CPH). All are welcome. Lunch together afterward is optional. You can see a copy of the book in our St. John's church library on the coffee table.

**V.B.S.**

**Decorating Meeting**

Mon., June 6<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

Tues., June 7<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:30 p.m.

Wed., June 8<sup>th</sup> from 1:30-4:30 p.m.

*“By God’s Monumental Grace”*

June 13-16 from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Prayer List**

Duane Whetherall, Carson Mihlbachler, Doris Gartner, Julie Vahling, Shirley Wittenberg, Marsha Ziegler, Jolene Davis, Shirley Cheadle, Doris Hammer, Marcella Wolf, John Romero, Owen Phelps, Dan Chambers, Susie Austin, Chad Nelson, & Geraldine Grieves.

All Members of the Armed Forces, Ryan Budde, Nathan Vail, Gabriel Walker, Bryce Ikemire, and all first responders of our community and nation.

**Your Response to the Gospel**

**Our Attendance Last Week**

Sunday, May 29 .....	338
Sunday School .....	N/A
Adult Sunday School .....	21
LifeLight .....	11

**Our Offerings May 29, 2022**

General Fund .....	\$8,849.98
Online General Fund .....	\$2,116.31
<b>Total Gen. Fund Offering .....</b>	<b>\$10,966.29</b>
<b>Building Fund .....</b>	<b>\$90</b>

**LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life**

“The Lord God loves your neighbors—even the ones that annoy you. He cares so much for them that He sent His Son to die and rise again for them—for all of them. For the thief, the bigot, the liberal, the conservative, the one with the manicured lawn who judges your overgrown lawn, and the one who has let their property become overgrown and run down. He cares for all of them. He cares so much that He called you and He placed you in that neighborhood to seek its welfare.”

Rev. Dr. Jason Broge, guest speaker on The Lutheran Hour – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • [lutheransforlife.org](http://lutheransforlife.org)

**Sunday School Teacher Needed**

Volunteers are needed for this summer’s Sunday School Program. If you are willing to help on one of the following days, please contact Kiley Bohnhoff (217-343-3520) or by email: [kbohnhoff@hotmail.com](mailto:kbohnhoff@hotmail.com).

July 10

July 17

July 24

**Stewardship Thought**

Acts 2:1 – “When the day of Pentecost arrived, they were all together in one place.” Notice that Pentecost is actually an Old Testament festival. It happens around the time when the wheat and oats are ready to be brought in. In the New Testament, this becomes a picture and foreshadowing of the great harvest of humankind that God means to bring in through the preaching of His Word. God gives the seed, and God brings about the harvest through the work of His Church.

**June Food Pantry Items To Donate**

Canned soup, crackers, canned fruit, & 80 ct. wet wipes

**This Week’s Sunday School Lesson**

Acts 17:16-34

This week’s Bible lesson is “The Unknown Revealed.” As Paul waits for the other disciples to join him in Athens, he spends time in discussion with philosophers and others in the marketplace. Many temples and altars fill the city of Athens, including an altar dedicated to the “unknown god.” One day, Paul speaks at the Areopagus—also called Mars Hill. He uses the altar to the unknown god as an opportunity to teach the people concerning the true God.

**Lydia Guild**

Will meet Tues., June 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

## Thank You St. John's Congregation

Greetings from Concordia Seminary! My name is Julianna Elowsky, and my husband, Luke, just finished his fourth year at the seminary! He is staying for a STM his fifth year.

We wanted to thank you for your generous donations to the food bank! We appreciate being able to restock our cabinets for the summer! We pray God's blessings on your congregation as you continue the important work He has set out for you!

Sincerely, Julianna Elowsky

### Retirement Reception

Today for Sandy Esker, immediately following the 10:30 a.m. service.



VBS is Mon., June 13 - Thurs., June 16  
6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

We are looking forward to helping your child grow closer to God during these nights.

**The deadline to order T-shirts has been extended until June 8<sup>th</sup>.**

Be sure to get your child registered ASAP!

Questions...Contact

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Domer Ohnesorge—217-821-3300

Cathy Norris—217-821-3656



### Story Time

Check this week's insert for more information

## St. John's Shirts



We are currently taking orders for shirts with St. John's logo on them. They are from Sports

Designs, and are great quality. Here is the link, which is the preferred way to order, where you may place your order: <https://www.sportdesigns.net/sjlc.html>

Simply choose store pickup and they will be delivered to the church. Shirts should arrive in July. The last day to order is June 5<sup>th</sup>. If you, for some reason cannot order online, you can pick up an order form in the church office. Checks should be made out to St. John's, and your payment must accompany the order.

### Youth Corner Upcoming Events

#### Holiday World

TBA

#### Garage Sale

TBA

#### Cruise Night

Save The Date

Cruise night will be Saturday, Sept. 10<sup>th</sup>

### Golden Eagle Fellowship

The next meal will be served on Thursday, June 30<sup>th</sup> at noon. As an added feature of fun, you are invited to bring something old to display. It's our version of "The Antiques Roadshow"!

The signup sheet is on the bulletin board, and don't forget to bring along a treasure and share its story!

### VBS Set Up

#### All Hands On Deck!!

Sun., June 12<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 a.m. - ???

Come and go as you please!

**CALENDAR-----June 5, 2022 – June 12, 2022**

Sunday	5	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Service
		9:00 a.m.	Greeter Orientation
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School (Hayden Rensner via Zoom)
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
		11:30 a.m.	Retirement Reception for Sandy Esker
Monday	6	1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	VBS Decorating Meeting
		4:30 p.m.	Today's Light Review
Tuesday	7	5:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	VBS Decorating Meeting
		5:30 p.m.	Board of Trustees
		7:00 p.m.	Lydia Guild
Wednesday	8	1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotions/Meeting
		1:30 p.m. – 4:30 p.m.	VBS Decorating Meeting
		4:30 p.m.	Board of Youth
Thursday	9	6:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
Friday	10		Pastor's Sabbath
Saturday	11	8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		5:30 p.m.	Worship w/HC
Sunday	12	8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:00 a.m.	Worship Service/Mediacom Channel 81
		11:30 a.m. - ????	VBS Setup—All Hands On Deck

**Birthdays This Week**

- 06/05 David Wall, Eric Whitaker, Kelsi Haller, & Todd Anderson
- 06/06 Ainsley Jeffries, Cherilla Junge, & Timothy Keitel
- 06/07 Becca Lading & David Budde
- 06/08 Amy Kohnert
- 06/09 Beverly Koester & Shirley Cheadle
- 06/10 Alexis Walker, Candra Kronewitter, Cassie Smith, & Vernabelle Lankford
- 06/11 Avery Wahl & Jesse Davies

**Anniversaries This Week**

- 06/05/55 Voris & Arnetia Osborn
- 06/06/59 Dick & Carol Hulskotter
- 06/06/81 Jeff & Pam Baker
- 06/06/87 Scott & Joyce Marxman
- 06/06/92 Greg & Kara Koester
- 06/06/20 Russell & Jill Higgs
- 06/07/08 Ryan & Kelsey Baker
- 06/08/01 Mike & Betty Carter
- 06/09/12 Nathan & Breanne Weaver
- 06/10/78 Howard & Laura Janis
- 06/10/11 Darwin & Jill Wohltman
- 06/11/61 Bob & Ruth Kohnert

**Rural King Church Week**

Rural King and their associates want to thank you for your participation in their most recent Church Week event. Because of your dedication to help support the Food Pantry with your purchases, \$100 has been donated to the Food Pantry. Thank you so much!!

**Baby Bottle Returns**

Baby bottles need to be returned by Father's Day, Sunday, June 19th