



St. John's Lutheran Church

St. John's Lutheran Church is a community of people united to God and to each other by faith in Jesus Christ, called by the Holy Spirit to bear witness to the love of God and the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Love of witness, proclamation, nurture, service, and outreach at home and abroad will occur through faithful use of the scriptures, the sacraments, and prayer. We are motivated by our gratitude to God for his abundant gifts of forgiveness, life, and salvation.

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GRANT RECIPIENT SELECTED

Advocacy is an important part of ministry. Thanks to Annie Bleskacek's efforts in advocacy, Shelly Wangen will experience firsthand the grace of God!

Having received a \$1,000 outreach grant from our synod, supplemented by \$500 of St. John's funding, Shelly's lower level bathroom will undergo a significant facelift! Shelly is a young single woman who is mostly blind, has already had one kidney transplant, and copes with more physical ailment than most of us even want to think about. Yet her positive attitude toward life is so contagious that once you have a conversation with her, you can't but help walk away in a better mood!

Shelly is a new homeowner who would love to end her day with a relaxing bath, but at present is unable to because of her mobility issues. So more than anything else, she's hoping for a new bathtub with jets that can relax her muscles as she takes in the soothing warm water and we can help!

Buck Paulsen will head a team to do the work. To accomplish this task, we will have other needs:

1. A work team of 2-3 people to remove the current tub and install the new one. If funding is available, we might also replace her bathroom flooring with a safer surface along with some trim boards.
2. A videographer to record a conversation while the work is being done. Shelly has agreed to having a conversation with us so that her story can be shared not only here at St. John's, but also at synod gatherings to inspire others! (Church can provide the camera.)
3. A video editor who can take the video footage and create an inspiring story to share.
4. People to visit with Shelly and help her understand that we care and would love to establish a meaningful relationship with her. These people will also share a little bit about their faith journey too!

If you are interested in helping with any of the aforementioned areas, please let me know. The work will likely be done on a Saturday (Sunday if needed) this winter (tba). Your faith will strengthen (of that I am certain), but more importantly, Shelly's will too.

Pastor Martin

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St. John's Website: www.Stjohns-bloomer.org

Pastor's News

SYNOD ASSEMBLY REVIEW

Repudiation of the Doctrine of Discovery

One of the important practices that I've learned to do as a pastoral leader is to take a look at the context of one's church, particularly the neighborhood context. Every community (and Bloomer is certainly no exception!) has a distinct context that churches need to consider to make sure it is serving the community effectively.

I am currently serving as a coach for a 2-point congregation in Bayfield (way up north!) and it's been interesting to see them evaluate their context, which is very different than ours here in Bloomer. During the summer months, their attendance actually grows due to the tourism industry! They also have entered into another new endeavor: dialogue with the native American tribes that are part of their "neighborhood". In fact, that is a reality for several congregations in the northern parts of our synod. That is why at our synod assembly last May, the following resolution passed 92% to 8%.

***Therefore, be it resolved,** that the 2016 Northwest Synod of Wisconsin Assembly explicitly and clearly repudiates the European Christian-derived "doctrine of discovery" with its continuing impact upon tribal governments and individual tribal members to this day, acknowledges and repents of its complicity in the evils of colonialism in the Americas, and memorializes the 2016 ELCA Churchwide Assembly to join with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Canada, The Episcopal Church, The United Church of Christ, The United Methodist Church and The Moravian Church in doing the same, and be it further,*

***Resolved** that the 2016 Northwest Synod of Wisconsin Assembly memorializes the 2016 ELCA Churchwide Assembly to request that the ELCA, with the help of Native communities, commit itself to the development of resources in the next triennium, to help its congregations and people understand and reduce the negative impact of the "doctrine of discovery" and its consequences for Native people in North America, and be it further*

***Resolved** that the 2016 Northwest Synod of Wisconsin Assembly memorializes the 2016 ELCA Churchwide Assembly to request that the ELCA Congregational and Synodical Mission Unit bring forward to the 2019 Churchwide Assembly a renewed strategy for ministry with Native people in the ELCA and accompaniment with North American Native communities generally, with a particular commitment to long-term, stable funding of ELCA American Indian and Alaska Native ministries, increasing partnerships with congregations and synods in the ELCA, and promoting efforts with the Native Communities within which our congregations and synods reside.*

The resolution defines the "doctrine of discover" as

The legal principle...that Native inhabitants have no property or any other rights which colonizing European nations and their sovereigns are bound to respect. This principle promotes the myth that the Americas were largely empty land that European conquerors and migrants had a right to claim, occupy, and possess simply by virtue of their Christianity and their European civilization.

The passage of this resolution will go a long way in enabling churches who have Native American people in their neighborhood to begin civil dialogues and build relationships, no matter what their faith differences might be. Personally, I can't wait to hear about these conversations the next time I visit with the churches I am coaching!

Pastor Martin

Pastor's News

DREAM TEAM IS AT IT AGAIN!

At the September Dream Team meeting, another new vision was employed as we look forward into our church's future. But before I reveal our new goals, a bit of history first!

After I attended a continuing education event in the summer of 2014, I realized that an important piece for any active organization is to establish a group that is charged with forward thinking. After discussing the matter with the church council, the dream team was established (Tom Ewings, Jill Gengler, Martha Libersky, Denise Michaelsen and Tyler Seibel). As we met, we held a couple of important events.

The first was focusing on our congregation, an event we titled, *Together at Twilight*. This event brought several members of our church together at the North Park in the summer of 2015 as we brainstormed ideas to implement in the future. From that gathering, we decided that **our first goal would be to deepen relationships within our church family.**

The second important gathering that we participated in was meeting with some of our local leaders outside of St. John's. After meeting with Police Chief Jared Zwiffelhofer, Pam Gehrig from the hospital, and David Olson (funeral home), we realized that the financial literacy in Bloomer could be improved. From that meeting, we decided that our **second goal would be to offer a financial tool to the Bloomer community, including our St. John's family.**

We feel that we have made some progress in 2016 with regard to these goals. The following ideas have helped us achieve these goals:

1. Introductions during the passing of the peace in worship.
2. Take Pride in your Church spring event offered intentional conversation pieces to get to know each other better.
3. Conversation starters during Wednesday evening meals enable people to talk about more meaningful topics.
4. Moving people around during Sunday afternoon Bingo and getting to know new people.
5. Wednesday and Sunday faith formation bring people of all ages together to engage in relationship building and meaningful faith conversation.
6. Financial Peace University being offered first to our church and next to the greater community!

This is just a short list of things that we've offered to accomplish our 2016 goals.

For 2017-18, the dream team offers the following goals:

1. **Increase discipleship practices among our entire church family.**
2. **Build the ministry to and around our high school youth.**
3. **Broaden our ministry to people outside of the US.**

Our hope is that our committee structure will provide more specific goals than these as we offer opportunities to broaden them. If you have any ideas that you'd like to offer about how to make some progress with these three goals, feel free to speak to me and we'll see how we can get things accomplished for the sake of our church and Bloomer community!

I would like to thank Martha Libersky and Denise Michaelsen for their tremendous work on the Dream Team. In order to maintain fresh ideas, we intentionally cycle through our members and we hope to replenish the team with other new people and ideas!

Pastor Martin

Bible Basics

October 2

According to Luke 17, Jesus informs the disciples that if they simply had faith the size of a mustard seed, they could

- A. Command a mulberry tree to be uprooted and then be planted in the sea
- B. Actually move mountains
- C. Heal a demon-possessed boy
- D. Eventually gain the faith of a ketchup seed too

October 9

According to the 17th chapter of Luke, how many of the 10 lepers came back to thank Jesus for healing them?

- A. All 10
- B. 7
- C. 1
- D. Zero (ungrateful jerks...)

October 16

In today's gospel lesson, Jesus shares a parable about a widow and a judge. The widow was seeking justice against her neighbor and the judge granted it. Why?

- A. The widow had a case that was clearly in her favor
- B. The widow's testimony was unclear, but the judge felt bad for her
- C. The widow's neighbor had a bad reputation with a long history of unfavorable behavior
- D. The widow kept bothering the judge so much that he finally gave up

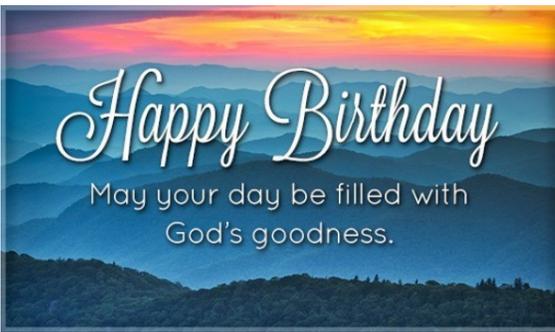
October 23

Jesus shares another parable starring a Pharisee and a tax collector. Which one of them is lifted up in this parable?

- A. The Pharisee
- B. The tax collector
- C. Both
- D. neither



Congratulations to all the pets that were blessed on Sunday, October 16.



Congratulations to **Ardis Anderson** on celebrating your 102nd birthday!



UNITY DAY IS WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19!

The Bloomer School District is recognizing UNITY DAY on Wednesday, October 19. October is National Bullying Prevention Month and UNITY DAY is a day to recognize our commitment to be united together against bullying. We UNITE FOR KINDNESS, ACCEPTANCE and INCLUSION!

Please join us in recognizing UNITY DAY. Wear **orange** at home, at work, to school and in our community!

Thank you for a successful turnout at October's Bingo day. We had about 40 people in attendance. We welcome everyone to join us for another afternoon of **Bingo on Sunday, November 20th at 1:00 p.m.**



Unity Day at St. John's Lutheran Church



*St. John's Lutheran Church
will host this year's
Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship*

When: November 20, 2016

Where: 1403 Newman Street
Bloomer, WI 54724

Time: Worship begins at 6 p.m.

A reception will follow in the dining hall.

The worship will feature Pauline Bangle as the guest preacher.

Financial Report-2016

	2015	2016	BUDGET 2016
Beg. Balance - Jan. 1	\$2,143.00	\$4,401.00	
Income October	\$175,300.00	\$163,717.00	\$210.024.00
Expenses - October	\$187,685.00	\$190,496.00	\$210.024.00
Balance-September	\$3,219.00	(\$3,641.00)	
Loan - Security Financial	\$75,154.00	\$70,400.00	General Fund
Loan - Security Financial	\$11,000.00	-0-	Bathrooms

“Martin Luther: Art and the Reformation (plus Macy’s Santaland and Christmas Lights) Saturday, December 10, 2016



The Fellowship Committee of St. Johns is excited to offer a once-in-a-lifetime experience to travel to the Minneapolis Institute of Art to tour the exhibition of “Martin Luther: Art and Reformation”. In preparation for the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation in 2017, the Luther House in Wittenberg, Germany is temporarily closing. This Martin Luther exhibit has been put together for a close-up of Luther’s life through his possessions and archaeological finds from his childhood and adult homes.

After the tour, we will go to downtown Minneapolis and Macy’s Department Store’s 8th Floor Auditorium. For nearly 50 years, their Holiday display has enchanted visitors of all ages. Now known as Macy’s Santaland, the annual “A Day in the Life of an Elf” animated theme is the story of how Santa’s elves prepare for Christmas. The time we need here, will depend on the lines and crowds to go through the displays. There will be an opportunity to catch something to eat before we leave.

We’ll drive through several neighborhoods known for their holiday lights displays in the Cities and a drive through Irvine Park on the way home will complete our day. Depending on the crowds and the weather we should be home about 10:00 pm.

Itinerary:

- 12:00 – noon - Leave the Church Parking Lot (eat before we leave – not stopping)
- 3:00 – Martin Luther Exhibition and tour
- 4:30 –6:30 - Macy’s 8th Floor Christmas display and grab a bite to eat
- Christmas Light Tours
- 10:00pm estimated arrival back in Bloomer

Price per person: \$40.00 (family over 4 people-\$150.00)

Name(s)

_____ @ \$40.00 Total: _____ Phone # _____

Bus Seat Choice: Front _____ Middle _____ Back _____

Rec’d by _____ Date Pd. _____

Make reservations in the Church Office and make checks payable to St. John’s Lutheran Church

It’s time to sign-up. Deadline is Monday November 14th.



Lutheran World Relief Project

Tied in Faith.
Sent in Hope.
Wrapped in Love.

We'd like to tell you about a mission project volunteers and friends of St. John's have been involved with for many years.

In remote and rural regions of the world's poorest countries, millions of people are suffering, struggling to break out of the cycles that prevent them from being healthy, productive and self-supporting. Most often, all they need to break the cycle is a boost, a helping hand to provide a resource they have not been able to access on their own.

Lutheran World Relief responds to that need. They work with local partners in rural areas and provide necessary resources and support. As volunteers and friends of St. John's, we've helped LWR with their mission by providing baby care kits and mission quilts. Samples of the items we send are displayed here today.

Pickup of donations happens once yearly. This year, on Saturday, Oct. 15, at Trinity Lutheran Church in Eau Claire, we sent 35 baby care kits and 85 mission quilts.

Baby Care Kits

Kits are distributed as part of emergency and relief efforts, but they are also given out as part of LWR health initiatives to encourage women to seek prenatal care. This program helps more babies in rural, poor areas receive a healthy start in life.

Items in the kit include:

- t-shirts (**no Onesies**) and socks
- gowns or sleepers (**without feet**)
- receiving blankets
- jacket, hooded sweater/sweatshirt, baby cap
- hand towel, dark color recommended
- 2-3 bath-size bars of gentle soap
- cloth diapers, diaper pins

Mission Quilts

When we make and send a quilt, we are not only comforting someone we have never met, but providing an object that is useful in ways we probably never imagined. In addition to being a cozy, clean new bed cover, it can be:

- a baby carrier, tied around a mother's back
- a market display, spread on the ground and piled with vegetables
- a sack for transporting those goods to market
- a sunshade
- a shawl
- a constant reminder that someone, far away, cares a lot

Would you like to help?

Make a quilt or put together a kit. Donate supplies to help others make quilts and kits. Monetary donations also are accepted.

Contact Janice Naset at 715-568-5615 or Lisa Goettl at 715-288-6170 for more information or to donate.



No WELCA meeting in November. Please watch the December newsletter for the upcoming WELCA meeting. If you are interested in joining please contact Eva Rihn.

Quilting: Tuesday, November 15, 2016 from 1 - 4 p.m. Everyone is welcome to come.



Quilters working on a Lutheran World Relief project.



Nov. 2

Pork Steak Hot Dish, Salad, and Vegetable

(Meals may be subject to change)

Nov. 9

Hamburger Stew and Salad

Nov. 16

Chicken , Biscuits, and Salad

Nov. 30

Meatballs, Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Vegeta-



"Come and see" (John 1:45-46)

NOVEMBER 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>30 9:00 AM Worship Service, Children's Music, Tyler James and Claire Ann Berlin Baptism, & Distribution of Preschool Bibles 10:15 AM Financial Peace University 10:15 AM Youth Faith Formation</p>	<p>31 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Bible Study</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2 4:45 PM Wednesday Meal 5:45 PM Youth Faith Formation 6:45 PM Worship Service, Children's Music, & Distribution of Preschool Bibles</p>	<p>3 5:30 PM Preschool Board Meeting</p>	<p>4 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>5 9:00 AM Learning Together at Central Lutheran in Chippewa Falls</p>
<p>6 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Financial Peace University 10:15 AM Youth Faith Formation</p>	<p>7 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Bible Study 11:30 AM - 12:30 PM Preschool Parent/Teacher Conf. 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Preschool Parent/Teacher Conf.</p>	<p>8 11:00 AM - 12:00 PM Preschool Parent/Teacher Conf. 11:00 AM Staff Meeting 5:30 PM - 7:00 PM Preschool Parent/Teacher Conf. 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting</p>	<p>9 9:15 AM Bloomer Clergy Meeting 4:45 PM Wednesday Meal 5:45 PM Youth Faith Formation 6:45 PM Worship</p>	<p>10 7:15 PM Discipleship Committee Meeting</p>	<p>11 Newsletter Article Deadline 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study 4:00 PM - 8:00 PM Youth Group Cake Pan Fundraiser @ The Pines</p>	<p>12</p>
<p>13 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Financial Peace University 10:15 AM Youth Faith Formation</p>	<p>14 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Bible Study 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM Youth in Action</p>	<p>15 Pastor attending Conf. in Arizona 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM Quilting</p>	<p>16 Butterbraid Pastry Sale Begins Pastor attending Conf. in Arizona 4:45 PM Wednesday Meal 5:45 PM Youth Faith Formation 6:45 PM Worship</p>	<p>17 Butterbraid Pastry Sale Pastor attending Conf. in Arizona</p>	<p>18 Butterbraid Pastry Sale Pastor attending Conf. in Arizona 12:00 PM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>19 Butterbraid Pastry Sale</p>
<p>20 Butterbraid Pastry Sale No Financial Peace University 9:00 AM Worship Service 10:15 AM Youth Faith Formation 1:00 PM Bingo 6:00 PM Ecumenical Thanksgiving Worship</p>	<p>21 Butterbraid Pastry Sale 8:00 AM - 9:30 AM Bible Study 10:00 AM Preschool Thanksgiving Minifeast</p>	<p>22 Butterbraid Pastry Sale 9:30 AM Preschool Thanksgiving Minifeast 11:00 AM Staff Meeting</p>	<p>23 Butterbraid Pastry Sale No Preschool 4:45 PM No Faith Formation, Meal, & Worship</p>	<p>24  Butterbraid Pastry Sale Church Office is Closed No Preschool</p>	<p>25 Butterbraid Pastry Sale Church Office is Closed No Preschool No Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>26 Butterbraid Pastry Sale</p>
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Council Meeting October 11, 2016

Meeting called to order by President Rod Johnson at 6:33p.m.

Opening Devotion: Pauline Stertz

Agenda Amendment: To move Pastor report to first item on agenda (Pastor had another engagement to attend this evening)

Approval of Amended Agenda: Motion made by Tyler Halverson to accept amended agenda, seconded by Alice Zinsmaster. Motion carried.

Approval of September minutes: Motion made by Alice Zinsmaster to accept minutes, seconded by Lynette Pank. Motion carried.

Chair Report:

St. John's Church Mutual Insurance Policy: Discussion was held in regard to adding Terrorism coverage to the policy. Motion was made by Ellyn Hudacek to add Terrorism coverage, seconded by Adam Ewings. Motion carried.

By-law changes need to be brought forth before Congregational Annual Meeting.

Financial Report: Motion made by Janice Naset to accept financial report, seconded by Tyler Halverson. Motion carried.

Committee/Ministry Reports:

Discipleship: Financial Peace University is in progress (13 attending). 'Giving Campaign' letters along with Faith commitment cards are being mailed out to all members of the congregation. Deadline to return commitment cards - Reformation Sunday, October 30th.

Fellowship: Bingo starts up in October. Taking reservations for 'Martin Luther: Art and the Reformation' trip scheduled for Saturday, December 10th.

Property: 'Take Pride in your church' cleanup day is scheduled for Saturday, October 29th, 8:00a.m.-noon. Sacristy flooring needs to be done before cold weather sets in. Issues with the stove were brought to council. Meal coordinator and property committee member/s will take a look at the issue and decide what needs to be done to correct the issues.

Social Ministry: St. John's received a \$1,000 housing grant with an \$500 congregation contribution=\$1,500. Wednesday, September 21st, four congregation members along with Pastor met with the three applicants and/or their liaison. The recipient of the grant this year is Shelly Wegan. Steps to carry out the outreach project for Shelly are in progress. Any questions or interest in volunteering time and talent towards the project, contact Pastor Martin.

The special collections through July, August and September for the Bloomer Food Pantry brought in \$1,281.

Youth and Family: Mission Trip banquet is scheduled for Sunday, October 23rd. Christmas Pageant is scheduled for Wednesday, December 21st.

Council Meeting

Dream Team: Met and discussed two year goals-

Increase discipleship practices among our entire church family

Build the ministry to and around our high school youth

Broaden our ministry to people outside of the U.S.

Pastor Report:

Visitations-Worship leadership - Dove Healthcare & Atrium (shared position with community Pastors),

Visits in Eau Claire, Chippewa Falls, Colfax, St. John's Apartments.

Pastoral care/counseling for loss of family member/s and premarital, private pastoral care.

Attended Cross Generational Ministry conference along with Marla Paulson and Haley Keller.

Membership update: Baptisms-Nikita Sarauer and Zaknafein Sarauer. Transfer to church triumphant-Darold Schuster and Norbert Martin. New members- Susan and Kenner McInnis, Matthew and Melissa Berlin, Katie Ludvigsen and Kevin Beres. Motion was made by Alice Zinsmaster to accept membership update, seconded by Ellyn Hudacek. Motion carried.

Old Business: Policies/Practices. Executive board will meet on Thursday, October 20th to discuss and update.

Discussion on restructure of nominating committee guidelines.

Budgets for 2017 need to be turned in.

New Business: New community out-reach: Mayo System Aging and Disability Resource Center is looking for a place that they could use for classes/sessions etc. Would St. John's be open to offering our facility to help them fill the need?

Quilting Ministry Support: The quilting ministry approached the council in regard to having a special offering taken twice in the year for help and support of the ministry. Motion was made by Alice Zinsmaster to allow the ministry fundraiser/donations, seconded by Tom Buchner. Motion carried.

Pastor's Health Insurance renewal: Motion was made by Tom Buchner to renew and continue 2017 health insurance as current plan 'Gold Standard', seconded by Janice Naset. Motion carried.

Adjournment: Motion made by Tyler Halverson to adjourn meeting, seconded by Tom Buchner. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:50p.m. with the 'Lord's Prayer'

Pauline Stertz/Secretary

Meeting attended by Pastor Martin, Rod Johnson, Janice Naset, Lynette Pank, Alice Zinsmaster, Ellyn Hudacek, Tyler Halverson, Phil Skaar, Tom Buchner, Pauline Stertz. Absent: Nick Zakrzewicz

November is National Adoption month, a month set aside to raise awareness about the adoption of children and youth. Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Inc. (LSS) is joining thousands of individuals, government agencies and child advocacy organizations across the nation in promoting National Adoption Month. National Adoption Month is cause for celebration—a journey to remember, appreciate, and announces the joy adoption can bring to families.

Each family is unique, so is their inspiration for adoption. The inspiration for many families is the longing to care for a child. For children, their inspiration is to have a forever family. Please join LSS by advocating for the 134 million children in need of homes - help a child find a forever family.

Each LSS adoption office hosts adoption information sessions.

We have included the schedule for 2017 in our Eau Claire Office. You are encouraged and welcome to attend to meet our staff and ask questions about adoption.

***For details, visit our news and events at www.lssadopt.org.**

10 Ways to Celebrate National Month

1. Become a guest blogger at LSS or ask your child to bog about adoption.
2. Read adoption specific books or watch a movie with an adoption theme. Discuss if adoption is portrayed in a positive or negative light.
3. Nominate a family for Family Spotlight in the LSS Adoption Newsletter -submit your family for consideration.
4. Become a Fan on www.facebook.com/lssadopt and spread the word about adoption.
5. Create a new family tradition – Invite someone to your home who isn't able to celebrate Thanksgiving with their family.
6. Create a Lifebook celebrating adoption and your family.
7. Encourage schools, churches, community to speak about adoption. Volunteer to speak or arrange for LSS to speak or present on adoption.
8. Say a Prayer and light a candle for children who are still waiting for their Forever Family.
9. Visit www.changealife.today to see what a difference your donation can make.
10. Be thankful! Share what you are thankful for and spend time with family.

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULES

Sunday: 10:15am-11:25am

Faith 5 Small Groups: Preschool Age 3 through 5th Grade

Wednesday: 5:30pm-6:30pm

Preschool: Ages 3, 4, & sometimes 5

Faith 5 Small Groups: Kindergarten through 5th Grade

Confirmation: 6th, 7th & 8th Grade

Sr. High Youth in Action: Monday, Nov. 14 & 28, 5-7 pm, pizza & beverage provided



Restrooms with changing facilities can be found near the offices and men & women's restrooms in the lower level at far end of dining hall.

Parents and youth, rule of thumb for St. John's Lutheran, when school is cancelled due to bad weather all learning events, scheduled (preschool, elementary, middle school, & Sr. high) are cancelled as well.



BUTTERBRAID PASTRY SALE

NOVEMBER 15-DECEMBER 2, 2015

\$12.00 for each 1lb. 6oz. Braided pastry ordered

Selections Available: Apple, Blueberry & Cream Cheese, Caramel Rolls, Cherry, Cinnamon, Cream Cheese, Raspberry, Strawberry Cream Cheese

Sponsored by St. John's Youth
A Simply Mouth Watering Holiday Treat!



BREAKING NEWS LUTHER PARK BIBLE CAMP CHETEK, WISCONSIN

2016-2017 RECHARGE

November 4-5, 2016

January 6-7, 2017

March 3-4, 2017

WHERE: Luther Park Bible Camp
944 24 1/4 Street
Chetek, WI 54729

WHO: Individuals in Grades 3-5, 6-8, and 9-12.

COST: \$80.00, Includes programming from 7 pm Friday to 7 pm Saturday, meals, lodging, and Recharge t-shirt.

REGISTER ONLINE @ www.lutherpark.org



SAVE THE DATE

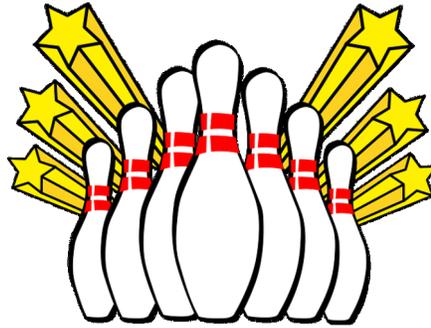


**CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS PAGEANT
WEDNESDAY, DEC. 21 at 6:45 PM**



Pastor vs. Preschoolers

Point Challenge



Congregation Donates	Pastor Pays Per Point
\$250	\$0.10
\$500	\$0.20
\$1000	\$0.25

St. John's Preschool's 4th Annual Bowl-A-Thon is just around the corner! Pastor Martin will be bowling with 20 preschoolers on Wed. Nov. 30 at 9:00.

This year, he's issuing a point challenge. If our congregation collectively donates \$250 to the preschool, he will personally donate 10 cents per point difference between the Mon/Wed/Fri children's total scores and his score. He will double his donation to 20 cents per point difference, if the congregation collectively donates \$500. And finally, he'd like to offer 25 cents per point difference, if the congregation donates \$1000. [*As an example: If the children's scores total 1,300 & Pastor Martin's score is 200, the difference of 1,100 points @ 25 cents per point would mean a personal donation of \$275 from him!]

Donations can be left at the display in the narthex between now and Nov. 29th. Results will be announced after the bowl-a-thon. (Donations can also be directed to Janelle Yeakey board president, Heather Philipps administrator, Catelyn Faschingbauer director or dropped off in the church office during Tracey's regular hours).

Thank you in advance for your support!