

August, 2019

St. John's Lutheran Church

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THE
LUTHERAN CHURCH
Missouri Synod

Our Mission
To Proclaim the Gospel
of Redemption through Jesus
Christ:
& Demonstrate God's Love
to One Another,
the Community & the World.



"Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."
Matthew 28:19-20

At Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, there is a snack bar in the student center. Over the snack bar was (I don't know if it's still there) a message board. On this board the manager of the snack bar used to put trivia questions, quotes from Scripture and others. One day, in order to see if people were paying attention, he placed a trivia question based on Hezekiah 2:14. Now, before you scramble for your Bible know that **there is no book of Hezekiah!** What was really amazing, however, was the number of seminarians who, throughout the week were checking their Bibles to find the answer; only to find out that...let's just say that some were really embarrassed.

When asked if they know what we call the "Great Commission," most people will answer in the affirmative. When asked to recite it, most do pretty good. They will say, *Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.* While correct—this is only pretty good, because most people either forget or are unaware of the rest of Christ's marching orders: **and teaching them to obey everything I have**

commanded you.

I tend to make a rather big deal about this second half of the Commission in my confirmation classes because of the importance of **knowing well** the promise of God. While it's true that no amount of knowledge gains anyone eternal life (it is all by faith alone), the teaching and learning of God's Word is still of vital importance. What is it that Jesus did during His three-year ministry? He taught (in a variety of ways). Teaching is the concern of a number of the Psalms (take a look especially at Psalm 78). And in Deuteronomy 6 we are commanded to teach the our children the Word of Yahweh! Teaching and learning is vital to our life and ministry in Christ.

With the exception of too much rain...and too little rain...and very hot and muggy days, I would say we've had a not-too-terrible summer break. But now, with August on the horizon, thoughts turn back to school—and the teaching and the learning that will be taking place. August is also the time when we dive back into the classroom here at Saint John's. Most notably, Kid's Connect resumes in August, soon to be followed by Tuesday night Bible study joining the year-round opportunities on Sundays and Wednesdays.

Being a parent, I understand that our children aren't always (or ever) going to want to participate in Christian education for any number of reasons. This being said, you are the parent and I would encourage you to consider the importance the Lord places on the teaching of His

Word to our children.

When it comes to dealing with children; do they always (or ever) want to eat what is prepared for them or go to bed when told? No, they do not. But knowing that certain foods are better for them than others, and that they need sleep, we act as parents, feeding them properly and getting them to bed at a decent hour.

It's no different where Christian education is concerned. Though it's not graded and it won't help get them into a college or land them a more lucrative job; there is no more important education for anyone to have. This because it's the only education they'll receive that deals with things eternal.

At the same time, we adults need constant refreshing in God's Word, as well as the joy of fellowship that such study provides. And throughout the year there are ample opportunities for us to join together in the study of God's Word. There are Sunday morning and Tuesday night studies. There's the Wednesday morning ladies Bible study, and we hope to see the couples Bible Study/get-togethers be re-ignited.

If you would like a Bible study to happen, go for it. We can never have too many opportunities. Because the better we know God's Word the better we know His peace and the better prepared we are to go and make disciples. God's peace be with you as you study and grow in His Word!

Pastor White

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 8/03 Richard Dickson
Brooks Joslin
- 8/05 Tina Bull
Rusty Bulloch
- 8/07 Alice Longnecker
- 8/08 Dusty Meek
- 8/12 Amy Johnson
- 8/14 David Bull
- 8/16 Mary Fields
Sam Boston
- 8/17 Alma Yarbrough
- 8/20 Dianne Geater
- 8/22 Barbara Cook
Jeff Blohm
John Blohm
- 8/26 Katie McEntire
Tim Mommsen
- 8/27 Tammy Bridges
Trey Daniel
- 8/29 Geneva Chlapecka
Louis Bunyard
- 8/31 Karen Prisolovsky
Ellen Seidenstricker

Thank you to each of you who donated "white elephant" gifts for the Bingo and Pizza Party for the Job Center Clients. It was a great success and a lot of fun.

Saint John's Ladies Aid

HAPPY anniversary

8/07 Fred & ALICE ANN HENSIEK

8/10 DANNY & KELLI SCHROEDER

8/14 LELAND & HELEN CARLE

8/20 BRYAN & GALA KIZZIRE



Timothy Fund

As the 2019-2020 school year approaches, St. John's Lutheran School will be starting its 134th year sharing the good news of Jesus Christ to the students, families, and faculty and to the community. Each year, progress is being made. This year the projected enrollment is 112 students in K-6, and 80 in the Early Childhood Center.

God continues to bless our school with a growing enrollment, excellent teachers, administration and staff as well as support from each of you. Every year the Timothy Fund has been instrumental in providing funds to allow students to attend St. John's Lutheran School. In order to honor all 9 requests for Timothy Fund during the 2019-2020 school year, \$12,163.50 is needed. Currently, the Timothy Fund has a balance of \$2600.37. The balance needed for the upcoming school year is \$9563.13

Please prayerfully consider donating to the Timothy Fund, enabling all of the requests to be honored.

"Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6



Installation Service and Reception for Teachers and Staff of St. John's Lutheran School

Please join us Sunday, August 11, 2019 during the 8:00 a.m. service for the installation of the teachers and staff of St. John's Lutheran School.

Immediately following the service, the teachers and staff will be honored at a reception in the fellowship hall.

Everyone is invited.



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS 5:30PM-7:00PM
Starting August 21

Mid - Week Programs

Kids Connect

K- 6th Grade

Confirmation

7th - 8th Grade

High School Youth

9th - 12th Grade



Principals Corner

It is time for another wonderful year! We are very pleased to announce our 2019-2020 staff:

Sally Feilke – Kindergarten
Azumi Chavez – Kindergarten Aid & PS4 Aid
Janith McGee – 1st Grade
Kim Burns – 2nd Grade
April Rodgers – 3rd Grade
Amy Erstine – 4th – 5th Literacy and Social Studies
Averie Brown – 4th - 5th Science and Math
Ashlee Hayes – 6th Literacy & Social Studies, K-6th Interventionist
Elizabeth Hoskyn – 6th Math
Melissa George – School Secretary
Becky Jones – School Aid
Bonnie White – K-3rd Religion
Katie McEntire – 4th/5th/6th Religion and K-6th PE.
Karlyn Hillman – K-6th Music
Sarah Smith – PS4 Teacher
Mary Brooks Stovesand – K-6th Art
Kathy Prislovsky – K-6th STEM
Kristian Dabbs – Principal and K-6th Spanish

I am so pleased to announce that we have 115 students enrolled in K-6 for the 2019-2020 school year!! Thank you for all that you have done for our school in the past! We are looking forward to another fabulous year!

Kristian K. Dabbs
Principal





MID-WEEK KICKOFF! We will be starting our Mid-Week program August 21 at the John Cain City Pool from 5:30-7:30 pm. The Mid-Week program is for any child from kindergarten-High School. Our regular meeting times after August 21 will be every Wednesday from 5:30-7 pm with dinner provided. Please text or call Katie with any questions.

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS TO HELP WITH OUR MID-WEEK PROGRAM! Here are some ways you can help:

Pray for a successful year and that we touch the kids that come the message of God's truth.

Volunteer to provide a meal. We usually serve about 25 kids and adults!

Volunteer to HELP! We can use assistants for the classes or someone to help clean the kitchen after the meal. We can find a place for you!

Please contact Katie to volunteer. We are so excited about our Wednesday night program.

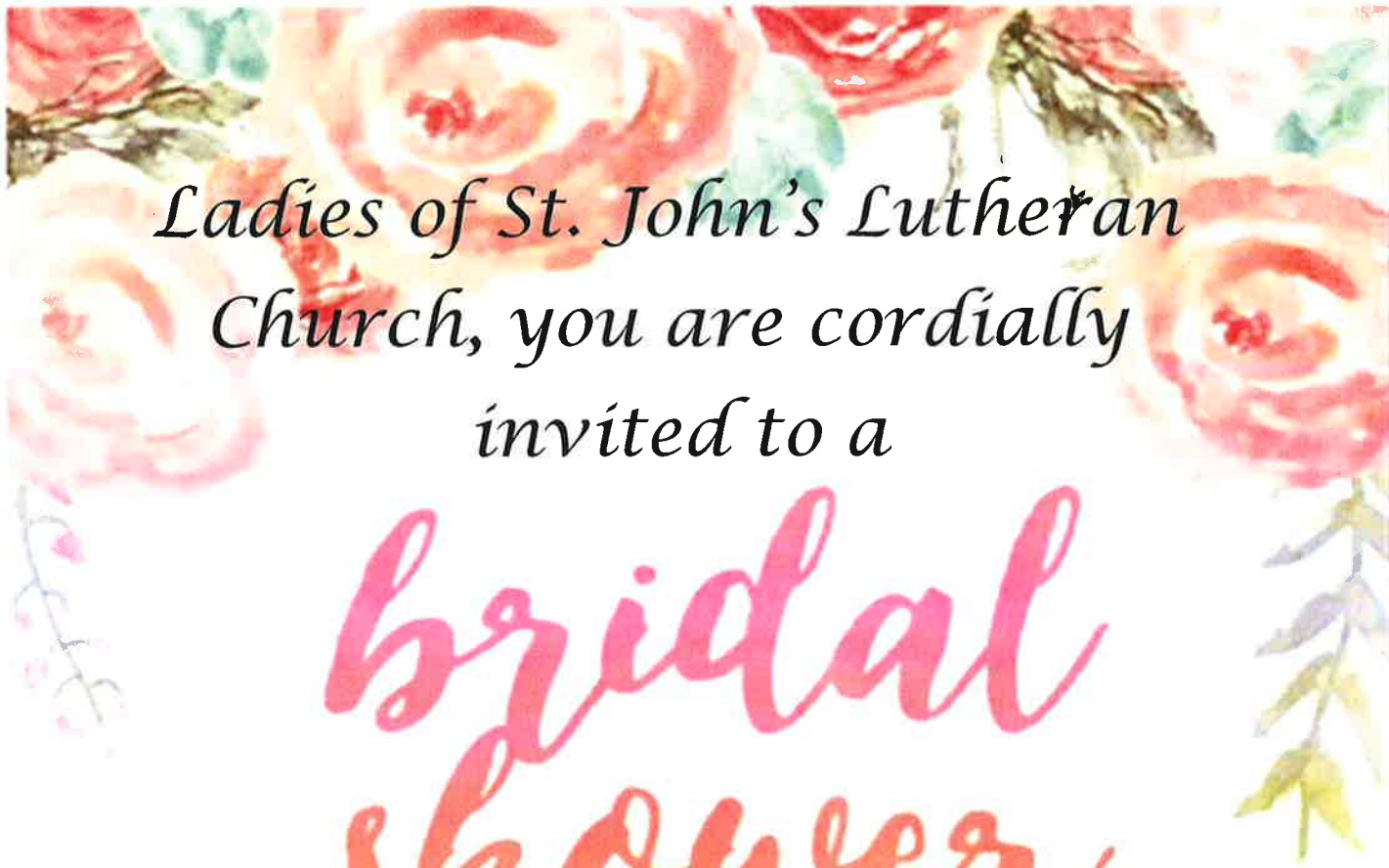
Bible Study and games for 4-6th grade on Sunday, August 25 from 1-2:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Bible Study and games for Jr High on Sunday, August 25 from 2:30-4 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

High School Youth will have Bible Study on Wednesday, July 31, August 7, and August 14 from 5:30-7 pm in the Youth Room.

STAY TUNED FOR INFORMATION ON A JOINT TRIP TO BIG ROCK FUN PARK IN AUGUST!

Keep updated on youth pictures and activities with the Facebook Page- St. John's Youth ARCO



*Ladies of St. John's Lutheran
Church, you are cordially
invited to a*

*bridal
shower*

HONORING

Mallory Schroeder

and

Stuart Seidenstricker

Saturday, September 14, 2019, 9:00am

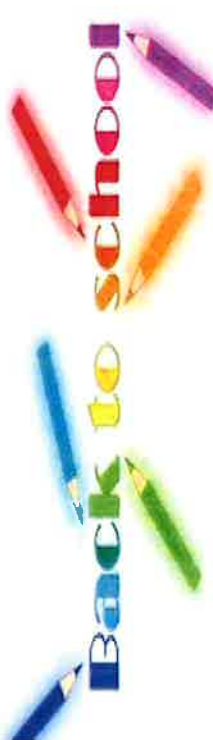

Registered at Amazon, Bed, Bath and Beyond, The Container Store, Polka
Dots, Target & Belk's

Wedding website to view all information! <http://theknot.com/malloryandstuart>

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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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4 Holy Communion 8:00am - Worship 9:15am - Sunday School 10:30am - Worship	5 CLARA KLEIMANN 6:00PM ELDERS 7:00PM	6 	7 9:00am WBS	8	9 PASTORS DAY OFF	10 PASTORS DAY OFF	10
11 8:00am - Worship 9:15am - Reception for Teachers 10:30am - Worship Teacher and Staff Installation 8:00am	12	13	14 8:15am Opening Chapel 9:00am WBS OFFICE 9-11 	15 OFFICE 9-11	16 CLOSED PASTORS DAY OFF	17 PASTORS DAY OFF	17
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AUGUST

DUTY CALENDAR

	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	READERS	USHERS	COMM. ASSIS	ALTAR GUILD
SUNDAY AUG 4	8:00am CLAIRE MCENTIRE 10:30am COOPER MEEK	8:00AM THE SOWELL FAMILY 10:30AM M/M MOLDENHAUER	8:00AM STEPHANIE PRISLOVSKY 10:30AM VICKI MAREK	8:00am DOUG ABLE, STUART SEIDENSTRICKER, EMIL SCHEIDERER 10:30am DALE NEWKIRK, MARK MAREK, SCOTT SNOWDEN, RICHARD HEIEN	8:00AM MICHAEL SOWELL, MATT MCENTIRE 10:30AM DALE NEWKIRK, DALE LEDER	COMMUNION (GREEN) ASHLEY DANIEL
SUNDAY AUG 11	8:00am ANNA KATE BULLOCH 10:30am JEFF HENSON	8:00AM M/M SAM BOSTON 10:30AM M/M DALE NEWKIRK	8:00AM SHIRLEY BOSTON 10:30AM LYNDA STATON	8:00am SAM BOSTON, BRICE BOSTON, JASON SCHEIDERER 10:30am JIM WORSTELL, MIKE OLTMANN		GREEN
SUNDAY AUG 18	8:00am KAYLEE LOGSDON 10:30am COOPER MEEK	8:00AM M/M LOUIS BUNYARD 10:30AM M/M DALE LEDER	8:00AM RON RHEIN 10:30AM RAY VESTER	8:00AM SCOTT MEINS, JIMMY JOHNSON, 10:30AM BRAD NEWKIRK, MARK MAIER	8:00AM MICHAEL SOWELL, MATT MCENTIRE 10:30AM DALE NEWKIRK, DALE LEDER	COMMUNION (GREEN) ASHLEY DANIEL
SUNDAY AUG 25	8:00am LUCAS GIBBS 10:30am JEFF HENSON	8:00AM THE DANIEL FAMILY 10:30AM M/M MIKE HERRING	8:00AM BRICE BOSTON 10:30AM PHIL SMITH	8:00am SAM PRISLOVSKY, MICHAEL SOWELL 10:30am PHIL SMITH, STEVE STILLWELL, DOUG BLOHM		GREEN
						