



# ST. JOHN'S

LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

## IN THE CENTER RING

April, 2016

### “EASTER CHANGES EVERYTHING!”

“Woman,” Jesus said, “Why are you crying?”- John 20:15

A little girl frantically searches the house, looking for her father. “Daddy, where are you?” she cries. After several passes through the rooms, she curls up into a ball, sobbing.

Just then her father appears. “Hey sweetie, why are you crying?”

“I was looking for you, but I couldn’t find you!”

“Oh, honey, I just went out to the car to get something. I’m here, nothing to fear.”

Such was the scene like that on the morning of Christ’s resurrection from the dead. Mary Magdalene had gone to the tomb where she expected to find Jesus’ body, but found it empty. So she went around, frantically searching, but not finding, and was brought to tears. And then Jesus appeared, and he comforted her in her tears. “Woman, why are you crying?”

“I just went away for a little bit. I went to the cross to pay for your sins. But now I’m back! I’m here, nothing to fear. I beat death and hell by going through it for you.”

Such is the message from our Savior Jesus that we revel in at this time of Easter. Though it may seem as though Jesus went away for good upon his death on the cross, suffering hell and the punishment we deserved and though we may be brought to tears, wondering at times in our lives if Jesus is truly with us, he graciously comes back to us--the risen Savior--wiping away our tears, calming our hearts, reminding us that although he has gone away for a short time, he is still always with us. We don't have to cry. Our Savior lives!

One of the most fitting symbols for Easter and Christ’s resurrection is the butterfly. Who but the Lord could have come up with such a wonder of creative brilliance? Think of it: the church was draped in black on Good Friday but on Easter we got to see the beautiful butterfly.

The Bible describes Jesus on Good Friday in ugly terms: “a worm and not a man, scorned by men and despised by the people” (Psalm 22.) When he took all our sins on himself and suffered the cruel torture of the cross, he really died. Then he was laid in the cocoon of the tomb. After three days, Jesus emerged alive, but also changed, GLORIFIED! What an awesome transformation!

Now what about us? Imagine if you will, a bunch of caterpillars having a funeral for their dearly departed loved one. In their grief they carry the empty shell of a cocoon to its final resting place. They are all sad, with their heads hung low. If only they would look up, in the bright blue sky floats a beautiful butterfly!

Look up and be joyful! Even in the midst of death we have the assurance of life! On the last day our bodies will rise to glory as well. That’s confidence. That’s joy. That’s what Easter means to a Christian! Easter changes everything! Motivated by the love of Christ we are family that is changed! We live to GROW in the Word, GO into the world, and to GLORIFY God.

And as the triumphant Easter hymn reminds us...

***He lives to silence all my fears; He lives to wipe away my tears,***

***He lives to calm my troubled heart; He lives all blessings to impart.***

***Oh, the sweet joy this sentence gives; “I know that my Redeemer lives!”***



**The butterfly depicts new life because of Jesus’ resurrection.**

Happy Easter! –Pastor Carl Schroeder

## Official Acts

### Baptisms

Delilah Katherine Belter  
and  
Cecelia Rae Belter  
Daughters of Jeffrey and Danielle Belter  
Born February January 5, 2016  
Baptized March 6, 2016

Zayden James Shephard  
Son of Chris and Christa Shephard  
Born December 5, 2015  
Baptized March 6, 2016

## Statistical Membership Summary 2015

Baptisms (children)	6
Baptisms (adult)	0
Marriages	3
Confirmations (children)	12
Confirmations (adult)	0
Received by profession of faith	10
Transferred from sister congregation	17
Deaths (communicant member)	14
Burials	15
Transferred to sister congregations	19
Joined other Christian churches	7
Removed	26
Average weekly worship attendance	344

### Statistics as of March 8, 2016

Confirmed members	972
Baptized members	<u>225</u>
Total members	1,197

**Email Changes:** Please update your email address books for our church contacts:

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### St. John's Media Ministry



Balance February 16, 2016	\$ 4,381.26
Contributions	\$ 1,675.00
Disbursements	
WRPQ	\$ 840.00
Radio Phone Line	\$ <u>15.00</u>
Balance March 20, 2016	\$ 5,201.26

### Website

[www.stjohnsbaraboo.org](http://www.stjohnsbaraboo.org)

Our church and school website have been under repair for more than a month. We had major virus problems in early 2016 and are having to rebuild the entire site. We hope to get it up and running soon! Any questions, or if you need information, please call church, 355-3870, or school, 355-3860.

### In the Center Ring

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### April Special Envelopes

**Endowment Fund**

**ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
**Church Council Minutes**  
**March 8, 2016**

Present: Pastor Schroeder, Jeff Thieding, Marty Brey, Dave Grant, Eric Durkee, Tom Tiedt, Craig Breitreutz, Martin Strobel, Larry Verstein, Will Underwood, Bill Giese, Tim Kiefer, Pastor Maglietto.

**Opening Prayer and Devotion:** Pastor Schroeder opened the meeting with a continuing the devotional study called God Speaks (about the Means of Grace).

**Public Comment:** Jim Dohner spoke about potential change to worship times during the summer months. He also asked council to review our handicap accessibilities.

**Financial Items:** Thieding gave an overview of the February Financial Statement. Total Operating Revenues for February were \$69,302. This compares to \$57,522 for 2015. Total Operating Expenses for February were \$81,632. This compares to \$81,668 for 2015. GTF Transfer to Operations for January was \$0 and also in 2015. We currently have a balance of \$23,529 in the checkbook. While we have not transferred any funds from GTF to cover expenses there is little or no money in these accounts to cover operating expenses. Motion/carried.

### **Old Business**

Review the vote on School Board Recommendation to hire a new teacher from MLC and to make Sarah Durkee's call a permanent half-time call. Justin Siegler received a call to Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, in New Hope, Minnesota. Motion to table school board's recommendations until a special meeting in late March or April. Motion/carried. Secretary Position. Has been filled by Ethlyn Klemm.

### **New Business**

Membership Changes this month: Acceptance of New Members: Berlaine & Robert Roth, transfer from St. Paul's, Hillsboro. Transfers: Roy Zellmer, Jr. (and Hattie) to Resurrection Lutheran Church, Rochester, MN. Releases to own spiritual welfare: Vicky Belter, Eileen Kahle, Duane Jackson, Andrea Karg (and Brad & Cody Hinze, Jared & Ella Karg),

Katie Karg, Karla Uptagraw (and Kolin Uptagraw & Ian Thomas), Brenda Mootz (and Cody Fawcett), Kevin and Cindy Martz (and Breanna & Daniel), Carl Zuch, William and Darlene Zuch (and John). Release – Whereabouts unknown: Brian Alwin. Release to join a church not of our fellowship: Kayla Zastrow, Morgan Mueller, Mike and Debbie Althen (and Katie and William). Motion/carried.

Communion Distribution Changes: Main change is to include common cup with members in parlor.

Proposed Summer Time Worship Schedule: Motion to have one 9 am Worship Service from Memorial Day to Labor Day carried.

Ladies Aid Scholarship Fundraiser request for March 24th: Motion approved.

VBS - Summer 2016: Motion to approve VBS dates of Aug 8-12, 2016. Motion/carried. At the last Endowment Planned Giving meeting a suggestion was made to have Camp Phillip give a boost to our VBS. Camp Phillip will provide two college-age summer staff and three junior staff (trained high school volunteers) for the VBS week. We will need to provide housing and cost for staff \$1,500. Endowment would contribute ½ of the cost with Pioneers/Youth Fund could leverage the rest with a VBS door offering. Motion to include Camp Phillip volunteers. Motion/carried.

Update on Proposed Property & School Budget Funding Requests for the 2016-2017: Giese and Strobel will get any requests to Thieding.

CWCC Called Worker Care Committee: Thieding looking for volunteers. Contact Jeff Thieding.

Board/Committee Requirements when Exceeding Board/Committee Spending Limits but within Budget Limits: Budget items do not need a second approval from counsel. Only items that are not part of the budget or exceed expected budget limits. We need to try and stay on budget as the budget does not have much room for additions throughout the year. Discussed meeting with our sister congregations in the area to help support our school as times have changed and sustaining a quality school is becoming more difficult to do with only one congregation.

This is something we need to follow-up on for the future (2017-2018) needs of our school.

### **Elder Reports**

Property: Property committee recommends the acceptance of Music Solutions proposal in its entirety not to exceed \$8000 as per their bid dated 2-13-16. This is a recommendation only and nothing has been formalized, half down is needed to validate the contract. No motion from council on this as we do not have the funds for this project.

Carpet Fellowship Hall: Property has received 3 bids for carpet and installation. All are in the \$14,000 range. No recommendation at this time as funding has not been raised to complete this project.

Choir Stage/Grand Piano Project: rendering has been completed and submitted to property committee.

Property approved the concept and at this time no bids have been pursued for the platform. Bidding process will take place after approval by the council of the concept drawing and then approval of the concept by the membership at the March 20th congregational meeting. Motion to collect bids for project carried.

Steam Traps-tunnels in the school: these traps were replaced approx 10 years ago. We have indications that all or some of them may need replacing again. List of Wants and Things to do at the School: John Darrow proposed a list of projects that are needed at the school. If there are members of St. John's willing to take on such projects, they should contact John Darrow or Bill Giese. The idea being the member takes on a project and follows it through completion including costs and labor.

Pastor Schroeder report action item: Wilkinson family would like to reserve St. John's fellowship hall June 18th in case of bad weather. Motion to approve Wilkinson family St. John's fellowship hall June 18th. Motion/carried.

### Items for next council meeting

Follow-up from any congregational concerns from March 20th quarterly meeting.

Adjournment: 9:00 pm Motion/carried.

Pastor Schroeder closed with prayer.

## **ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH** **Congregational Minutes** **March 20, 2016**

**Opening prayer and devotion** – Pastor Schroeder opened the meeting with prayer and read a devotion.

**Motion/2nd for membership changes this quarter:** New Members: Jesse Ellis - transfer from Good Shepherd, Omaha NE; Robert and Berlaine Roth - transfer from St. Paul, Hillsboro WI; Curtis Meyers - profession of faith. Transfers Out: Katie Bernander to Cross of Christ, Portage WI; Roy Zellmer Jr to Resurrection, Rochester, MN. Release to Own Spiritual Welfare: Lynn Coller, Tami Tangney (Lucas & Genna), Michael Heath (Haley Williams), Trent Capaul, Eileen Kahle, Vicky Belter, Duane Jackson, Andrea Karg (Brad & Cody Hinze: Ella & Jared Karg), Katie Karg, Karla Uptagraw, Brenda Mootz (Cody Fawcett), Kevin & Cynthia Martz (Breanna & Daniel), Carl Zuch, William & Darleen Zuch (John). Release to Join a Church NOT of our fellowship: Morgan Mueller, Kayla Zastrow, James Brown. Release (whereabouts unknown): Brian Alwin.

**Roll call of voting members** – 44

### **Reports of Officers and committees**

Pastor Schroeder: BIC (Bible Information Class) Starting Saturdays in May. Would like mentors (BIC buddy) to help encourage new member.

Pastor Maglietto: Website to be released shortly. Working with Spiritual Growth with delinquent members. Goal is call after 4 missing consecutive Sundays. (This is what fellow St. John's members should be helping with).

Congregational President -Thieding: Discussed current budget year 2015-2016.

Education – Durkee: VBS is set for Aug 8-12, 2016. We will be working with Camp Phillip this year with financial costs coming from Endowment and other sources. We will be seeking housing for staff. Watch for details in June.

Evangelism – Kiefer: New Member Photo Board: Work on keeping an updated board of new members. Fair Booth: Need to update the banner with the new

logo. Cost is \$150 to \$300. Advertising: Working on placing special newspaper ads to advertise Easter, Thanksgiving and Christmas services. Working on a yard sign for the Advent season with a Christmas message. Sign estimated costs is \$15 a piece. Seeking more congregational members to join Outreach. Please contact Tim Kiefer for more information.

Fellowship – Tiedt: Soup and Bread suppers went well. Easter breakfast is coming up March 27th. Church picnic is Sept 11th in Ochsner Park.

Spiritual Growth – Underwood: A primary goal of the Spiritual Growth committee is to restore the fellowship of our absent members. We seek to share in their triumphs and setbacks. They are important to us and to God and we want ensure their souls are well-fed. Over the past several months, many have been released to their own spiritual care or because we cannot locate them. Please review the names printed in the monthly newsletter or in various meeting minutes. By all means, if you see someone who you can help restore their relationship with us and with their Savior, please reach out and help. Or talk with one of our pastors, myself or any other church leader. As always, we the members of the Spiritual Growth committee ask for your continued prayers and encouragement.

Worship – Grant: Presented to members the summer only (Memorial Day-Labor Day) 9 am service. The number one reason for the single service is for fellowship. Our mission statement: Motivated by the love of Christ we are a family that lives to GROW in the Word, GO into the world, and to GLORIFY God. Questions were raised:

Q. Can we have one 9 am service each summer month? A. yes, but would that confuse members?

Q. Will Thursday service still be offered? A. Yes.

Q. Would Parking be an Issue? A. Yes, there could be parking issues.

Q. What happens to Bible Study? A. It will be after service.

Q. How does small attendance at each service affect visitors to our congregation?

Q. Can we just leave the services as is? A. Yes, but this was requested back in 2014.

After questions Dave took a straw poll. Leave the services alone 3. One 9 am service each month 2.

Memorial Day to Labor Day one 9 am service majority.

### **New Business**

2016-2017 Fiscal Year Budget. Thieding's report addresses three issues: 3 Year Fiscal Review, Budget Shortfalls, and Possible Solutions to Budgetary needs of the Church.

Congregational Approval of Endowment Committee. Continue with Aaron Dix, Brent Bailey, and Eric Korthals. Motion/Carried.

Review and Discussion of Conceptual Picture of Music Area within Sanctuary: Positive feedback so far. This is still a concept drawing - nothing set in place. Property needs to meet with members who would use the space most. Property would like feedback from members. Motion to explore the conceptual drawing more carried. At this time this is not a special project, just a concept.

Think Tank Session: Ways to Join with Sister WELS Congregations to support St. John's School Programs. Currently St. John's has about ~20 students from sister congregations. Current estimated cost per student to educate is \$5,000. Sister congregation share is about \$2,000. Bottom line is St. John's is having a harder time covering the \$3,000 difference while supporting it's called workers. Ideas were called out: Need to educate them on the actual cost to educate each student. Possibly create a Faith Federation to keep St. John's School growing. Other congregations could support a teacher salary. Each sister congregation would have someone on school board. Give the sister congregation the actual cost to educate a student and have them decide how to split the payment with the family.

Items for next voters meeting, June 26: review Durkee call, approve 2016-2017 church budget.

Motion to adjourn carried. Pastor Schroeder closed with prayer.

Submitted,  
Marty Brey  
Secretary

***Motivated by the Love of Christ we are a family that lives to  
... Glorify God ...***

***Focusing on Our Mission***

In the last few newsletters, we have been focusing on key words in our mission statement. I shared some thoughts on the words "GROW" and "GO" and provided a brief recap of some of St. John's strategies we take up (and hope to expand on) to carry out our mission.

This month, we come to the final of our three "G's" in our mission statement: "GLORIFY GOD." When I think of the word "GLORIFY" I think of the word "glow." Our mission is to do what Jesus says: *"let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father in heaven."* (Matthew 5:16)

This means we have Christ in us and we shine with his light. Our character reflects his character. As Christians we strive to glorify God with every thought, word, and action. Christ's love for us motivates and guides our own love for one another. *"We love because he first loved us"* (1 Jn. 4:19). Christ's heart is always bigger, but our love for others takes the same shape as his for us. Jesus' love us and so he put us first. Christian love urges us to do the same.

Love is the defining characteristic of Christians! *"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another"* (John 13:35.)

What is the character of a disciple of Jesus all about? In a nutshell, Jesus inspires us to be what he has made us. We are blessed to live for his glory. So sparkle with illuminating light!

Here are just some ways that we as a church and school have been improving and building a "GLORIFY GOD" mindset for our mission work.

- Pastor Schroeder



*Glorify God by teaching His timeless Truth to today's people that, by God's Grace, all may grow in faith and share tomorrow's eternity.*

***Part Three: GLORIFY GOD - What does this mean?***

- In this St. John's family our attitude has changed from "Lord, we don't know how we're going to do this" to a more Christ-like thinking attitude that prays, "Lord, I can't wait to do this with you leading this family together." By the good works we carry out, we proclaim to all people our Christian relationship with God. When we are at our brightest, it brings true praise to God. We use our time, talents and treasures to bring honor to him. This involves keeping up the property (church and school building and grounds) providing for our Called Workers and staff, and recognizing that service is our responsibility (not just for those who hold church positions but it's every Christians privilege, too. *But there's more to do!*)
- We are eager to do what expects Christians to do. As Christians we support and pray for the success of our Church and School efforts including: our witnessing, the broadcasts of church services, our children's education, the weekly Bible classes, the fellowship events, and the nourishment of our whole flock. *But there's more to do!*
- We look for ways to share our faith with others and do so, quite unafraid, for Jesus is always beside us. We speak well of our church and school even in a world that doesn't share the same conviction of God's truth and often suffer ridicule for the faith. *But there's more to do!*
- We support the musical efforts, athletic events, and other fellowship activities at our school
- We encourage everyone to get involved in service teams like Youth Group, Mary Martha, Ladies Aid, Heart to Home, Men's Bible Study, Divisions, TAC, Parents Teacher Organization & "Mom's & Kid's in Christ Preschoolers Playgroup, etc. continuing to provide services like Highway Clean Up, Fall Yard Raking, Funeral Luncheons, Meals on Wheels, donations to the Food pantry, volunteer ministry in our community, overseeing transportation needs, providing monetary assistance for families in need, and providing child care, etc. *But there's more to do!*
- There is no way to list all we do (or can do) as stewards of God's gifts. But the point is to give God all the glory.

*Here's what is undeniable & inspiring at the same time- in the years ahead, we can certainly **GLORIFY God even more!***

## St. John's Lutheran School News



**COMING SOON:** The **Wizard of Oz** will be showing Friday May 20 and Saturday May 21 at 7:00 p.m. at the newly renovated Al Ringling Theatre! Practice is underway and show time will be here before we know it!

**ON SALE NOW:** Theatre Box Seats on sale now at the school office. Only **\$20.00** a box (**4-5 person MAX cap. per box**). See Tana for seating chart and reservations! **ALL** proceeds go to the musical fund to help defray the cost of the theatre and other expenses! **NO CHARGE** for regular seating!

**THANK YOU:** Thank you to all who took a "Trip Around the World" with our 5th and 6th grades at the Social Studies Fair! It was a great success with over 100 visitors! The kids worked hard on their displays, wore awesome costumes and treated everyone to delicious food and treats from many different countries!

**LPS:** Our 7th & 8th grade girls and boys basketball players participated in a co-ed tournament at Luther Prep. ALL our 7th & 8th graders also went to the theatre production of "My Fair Lady" presented by LPS. A good time was had by all.

**TUITION ASSISTANCE FUND:** If you would like to donate to the Tuition Assistance Fund, please stop in at church or include a donation with your offering. We need funds for next school year. The fund currently has only \$1,133. Thank you for your continuing support.

**SPRING BREAK:** St. John's students were on Spring Break March 28 – April 1. Classes resumed on April 4.

### **DEADLINE APRIL 1ST ~ FILL OUT FORMS:**

Please stop at the office and get an application for enrollment for each child and a review copy of the school handbook w/form to sign for the next school year! We ask that **all** families, **old and new**, fill out a new application and let us view **your child's birth certificate, we will not keep a copy**. We need the application, birth certificate and handbook form signed and returned to school **by April 1st** to guarantee your spot for next year. Enrollment approval letters for the 2016-2017 school year will be sent out shortly after the April 4th School Board meeting.

**SCRIP:** Don't forget to order your Scrip cards! Scrip will be sold on **Monday and Wednesday mornings from 7:45-8:00 a.m.** and **Friday mornings (7:45-8:00) and afternoon at 3:00**, by the office at school. SCRIP is also sold each Sunday at church between services. If you order SCRIP on Monday **BY 8:00 A.M.**, you will get it the **same** week. If you order SCRIP on Wednesday or Friday, you will get the **following** week. We only order once a week. Any questions, please call.

### **WIZARD OF OZ PROPS LIST:**

Fruit boxes or crates to be full of eggs or something similar (NOT berry boxes) (2)

Bicycle for Miss Gulch (old-fashioned)

Basket for Toto

Satchel for Professor Marvel

Rocking chair

Knitting supplies

Broomstick (old looking)

Oil can (old, metal)

Hourglass

Wooden or old looking metal bucket

Extra straw

Small towel

Small table and 2 chairs

Small bouquets of silk flowers



## Ladies Aid

St. John's Ladies Aid met on Thursday, March 3 at 1:30. Pastor Maglietto gave a short description of the woman Rehab Journal in Hebrews, Chapter 11.

Margaret Heitmann opened the meeting reading the Ladies Aid prayer. The secretary's report was read and approved. The treasurer's report showed a balance of \$879.04 and was accepted. The sunshine report showed a balance of \$32.93. The following cards were sent: 9 birthday, 2 anniversary, 2 get well, 3 sympathy, 4 baby, 1 thank you note was sent and 1 note was received.

Pat Kingery gave the visiting report. Lorene Belter reported on the LWMS. The Spring Rally will be at Faith Lutheran in Reedsburg on April 21 at 10:00 am. All the ladies of the congregation are LWMS members. Tom Hall, of Northside Ministries, Milwaukee will be the speaker. We will have a door offering on March 13 after services.

The National LWMS Convention will be held at St. Charles, IL, on June 23-26. Pastor Schroeder had a discussion in regard to the Passover meal.

Five cards were sent to our missionaries.

Visitor for March will be Lorene Belter. Hostesses for April will be Betty Prothero and Pat Dosier. Happy Birthday was sung to Jean Smith. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer. Lunch was served by lone Deich and Donna Brooks.

Donna Brooks, Secretary



### From the Church Library



***AND She Was a Christian*** by Peter Preus

A Christian wife and mother ends her own life. The family grieves...and questions. What do I, as a friend, say to comfort them?

The author ponders the heart and the awareness of the victim at the time of suicide and looks to the scriptures for answers about afterlife. This book can be found on the Christian Living shelf in St. John's library.

## READ THROUGH YOUR BIBLE IN THREE YEARS

### April 2016

April 1	Matthew 22:1-14
April 2	Matthew 22:15-46
April 3	Matthew 23:1-22
April 4	Matthew 23:23-39
April 5	Matthew 24:1-31
April 6	Matthew 24:32-25:13
April 7	Matthew 25:14-46
April 8	Matthew 26:1-16
April 9	Matthew 26:17-29
April 10	Matthew 26:30-56
April 11	Matthew 26:57-75
April 12	Matthew 27:1-14
April 13	Matthew 27:15-31
April 14	Matthew 27:32-50
April 15	Jeremiah 27:51-66
April 16	Jeremiah 28:1-20
April 17	Jeremiah 26
April 18	Jeremiah 27, 28
April 19	Jeremiah 29
April 20	Jeremiah 30:1-31:26
April 21	Jeremiah 31:27-40
April 22	Jeremiah 32:33
April 23	Jeremiah 34
April 24	Jeremiah 35
April 25	Jeremiah 36
April 26	Jeremiah 37, 38
April 27	Jeremiah 39-41
April 28	Jeremiah 42, 43
April 29	Jeremiah 44, 45
April 30	Jeremiah 46, 47



### LWMS Spring Rally

Thursday, April 21  
Faith, Reedsburg  
Registration begins at 10:00 a.m.

## Morning Doves Theme Baskets



The Morning Doves would like to thank all who made our 2016 Theme Basket Fund raiser a success. We thank the individuals and various church groups who created and made a variety of baskets for the pleasure of young and old alike. We thank all who purchased tickets. We made over \$1,000.00. Combined with our Cookie Walk money, we are able to help with the Eighth Grade trip to Chicago, the school musical which is held at the Al Ringling Theater, and help with painting the school gym and two bathrooms. You make these non-budgeted projects possible for our school. Thank you.

### 2016 Winners of the Theme Basket Fund Raiser:

Let's Go Out to Eat-Ken Bochler  
Bath Time-Tim & Carol Quinn  
Packer Party-Hannah Braun  
Movie Night-Jody Neuman  
Let's Eat Meat-Sig Nimmow  
Family Fun Night-Conner Dix  
Wild Bird Basket-Pam Karg  
Healing for Every "body"-Janet Vertein  
Warm up with a Hot Beverage-Tim & Carol Quinn  
Kitchen Gadgets-Sue Dohner  
Breakfast Time-Jean Smith  
Stella & Dot Jewelry-Brandie Grob  
Pretty Nails-Karin Sefkar  
Build A Bear-Angie Cowling  
Garden Flags for all Seasons-Pat Kingery  
Tastefully Simple-Forrest Bailey  
Greetings-Jim Allen  
Doc McStuffins-Caitlynn Breitreutz  
Movie Basket-Jim Allen  
Bear and a Movie #1-Samantha Johnson  
Bear and a Movie #2-Frank Walter  
Mexican Fiesta-Jean Rogers  
Dinner and a Movie-Jody Neuman



# Confirmation

Our **Confirmation Review** classes begin later this month.

*Here are some key events to note:*

### Wednesday, April 27 at 5:30 p.m.

**Presentation of Essays:** At 5:30 p.m. the confirmands will present their essays to their families and others from the congregation as a way to express how God has moved their hearts.

**Professional photos:** At around 6:30 p.m. a professional group photograph of the confirmands will be taken for church records. You may order group and individual shots from the photographer, Mr. Fred Galley, or take your own photo that night.

**Rehearsal:** At around 7:00 p.m. Pastor will do a run through of the confirmation Sunday events, so the teens are familiar with what to expect during the Sunday Service.

**Reception Time:** Beverages, sandwiches, and treats will be provided by Morning Doves in the Fellowship Hall.

### Confirmation Day is Sunday, May 1

**Confirmation Examination:** The 2016 Confirmation Class will be examined at 8:45-9:30 a.m. (the usual Bible study time) This is a chance for them to publicly share the truths they have learned about the Christian faith at St. John's (This will replace the 15-minute interview examinations that were held a few years ago.) Confirmands should be here by 8:30 and be seated in the front of church for the examination.

**Confirmation Ceremony:** The confirmation ceremony will take place during the 10:00 a.m. service. Please have on your gowns by 9:45 and be ready to walk in with pastor during the ringing of the bells. The confirmands will be the only ones communing during this service.

## EASTER DONATIONS AND MEMORIALS

### Plants given

#### In loving memory of:



Ed & Lorna Brecka by Nancy Jenewein  
Tony & Doris Brecka by Nancy Jenewein  
Al Jenewein by Nancy Jenewein  
Mother, Edna Hanson by Ron & Dixie Marquardt  
Frank & Irma Riley by Bonnie, Nancy, Janell & Sharyn  
Parents, Ralph & Helen Marquardt by Ron & Dixie  
Marquardt  
Delores Brandt & JoNelle Marquardt by Melvin Brandt  
Family (2 flowers)  
Oliver Christiansen who would have been 92 on  
April 3 by Hope Christiansen  
Our Dad, Clifford Klemm, and Our Grandparents by  
Timm, Tana and Riply Klemm  
Logan Klemm by Ron, Josh, and Luke Lestikow  
Logan Timothy Klemm by Mom, Dad and Riply  
Logan Klemm by Grandma and Grandpa Cox  
Raleigh F. Prothero by his wife, Betty E. Prothero  
Jim Quandt by the Quandt Family  
Flower Committee (6)

#### Monetary Gifts for Media Ministry

##### In Honor of:

Helen Wick by Susan & Daniel Sprecher & Family

##### In Loving Memory of:

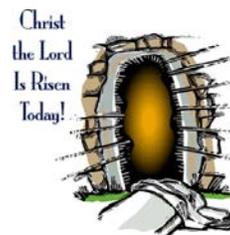
Clarence Wick by Susan & Daniel Sprecher & Family  
Our loving parents, La Vern and Elnora Schultz by  
Connie Mae & Kathy Schultz  
Our loving grandparents, William and Lydia Kuball  
by Connie Mae & Kathy Schultz  
Grandparents, Stanley & Carrie Hanson by Ron &  
Dixie Marquardt  
Grandparents, Emil & Amanda Debeck by Ron &  
Dixie Marquardt  
Grandparents, Howard & Celia Marquardt by Ron &  
Dixie Marquardt  
Donna Green, Lillian Green & Steve Luther by the  
Green Family  
Daniel Licht by Judy, Andy, Kari, Mike, Aiden &  
Taylor  
Arthur & Dorothy Schubring by Their Family  
Kathy Jauch by Phil Jauch  
Chris & Rose Jauch by Phil Jauch

Virginia G. Klemm by Virgil Klemm Sr. & Family  
Virginia Klemm by Ethlyn Klemm  
Rudy & Mark Peterson by Rudy & Judy  
Peterson

Janette Gurgel by Martin Gurgel  
Bill and Chris Luethy by Lois Luethy  
Alfred Lehman by Lolita Lehman  
David Seymour by Betty Seymour  
Eugene Deich by Ione Deich  
Loved Ones by Janice Cafilisch & Family  
Gordon Cafilisch by his Wife, Janice  
Fred Krueger by Gerry and Tina Krueger  
Elmer and Elva Wischman by Gerry and Tina  
Krueger  
Our Parents and Janet A. Long by Sig & Barb  
Nimmow  
Lenora Bochler and Wolfgang & Margaret Bochler  
by Ken & Mark Bochler  
Walter Ruda whose birthday would have been on  
Easter Sunday for the first time by Selma Ruda  
Our parents, Ed & Betty Borski, Donald & Lorraine  
Rogers; & sister Judy Rogers Kacynski by Don &  
Jean Rogers  
Loved ones by John and Barb Earl  
Arthur Puttkamer by La Von Puttkamer  
Boyd Cuff by Marilyn Cuff & Family  
Marge Vomhof by Erv Vomhof  
Loved Ones by Don Schaefer  
Jim Quandt by Wife & Family  
Clara Page by Bill Page

#### Monetary Gift to Flower Committee

In Memory of Our Family by Eugene & Martha Phelps



**Thank you** to everyone who donated Easter plants including the flower committee and to the ladies who so beautifully arranged the flowers. A huge thank you to all who gave monetary donations to the Media Ministry. Thank you to our Lenten soup supper helpers, Easter breakfast helpers, Christian Passover meal volunteers, those who donated palm branches for Palm Sunday, and all who assisted with our Holy Week worship services.

## Christian Passover Meal

Maundy Thursday, March 24, 2016

Our first Christian Passover Meal was very well-received with over 80 people attending. It was a great experience and could not have happened without the terrific support of many:

Mary Martha Circle: Mona Burton, Pam Karg, Kathy Voss, Nela Stacy (who made a very special lamb cake)

Ladies Aid: Donna Brooks, Ione Deich, Jan Lynch, Mary Kasten, Pat Dosier

LPS students (current & next year's) & families: Nolan Brown, Grace Underwood, Noah Schroeder, Jodi Halvorson, Kaitlyn Bochler, Bryce Underwood, Josie Frazier, Hannah Schroeder

Music provided by Jodi Halvorson and Kathy Underwood.



### Watertown Luther Prep Girls Softball Uniforms



Jodi Halvorson and her girls' softball team are trying to raise enough money to buy new uniforms so they do not have to wear the boys' old baseball uniforms anymore. This is a non-budgeted item so they are on their own to get the funding. If you feel you could help with a small contribution please contact Lori Halvorson at 608-963-0318. Thank you.

### Baraboo Food Pantry

April  
Canned Vegetables

May  
Canned Fruits

# thankyou

Dear Heart to Home members,

Jeffrey and I wanted to say thank you so much for taking the time to make us dinner. It was so nice not to have to cook and just focus on the twins. Thanks for everything.

Jeffrey & Danielle Belter

To All Who Donated: Mary Martha Circle would like to extend a big thank you to everyone for their generous donation to the Transitional Center. It was appreciated by us for all your support and by the center for helping them help people less fortunate.

Sincerely,  
Mary Martha Circle

### Campbell's Labels for Education:

After 42 years, the Labels for Education program is ending. Examples of the participating companies include: Pepperidge Farms, Prego, V8, Swanson's, Franco American, and Campbell's.

St. John's School will continue to collect these labels until Friday, May 20. Please bring in any labels you may have laying around at home before Friday, May 20, so that we can submit them and use the points to acquire items for the school. Thank you for your support of St. John's Lutheran School in this way.



### New Member Bulletin Board

Take a look at the photos on the bulletin board above the porch table. If you are a recent member and your photo isn't here yet, please talk to pastors or church office about getting one taken.

# St. John's Lutheran Church

## Operating Statements

For the eight months ending February 29, 2016 and 2015

Month of February			Fiscal Year to Date		
2016	2015	Difference	2016	2015	Difference
<b>Operating Revenues</b>					
<b>Church Revenues</b>					
\$48,706	\$36,602	\$12,104	\$397,761	\$390,832	\$6,929
0	0	\$0	170	11,255	-11,085
5,840	11,414	-5,574	34,119	37,859	-3,740
<u>\$54,546</u>	<u>\$48,016</u>	<u>\$6,530</u>	<u>\$432,049</u>	<u>\$439,946</u>	<u>-\$7,896</u>
\$8,774	\$4,731	\$4,043	\$144,738	\$109,173	\$35,565
<u>\$5,982</u>	<u>\$4,776</u>	<u>\$1,206</u>	<u>\$39,309</u>	<u>\$29,613</u>	<u>\$9,696</u>
<u>\$69,302</u>	<u>\$57,522</u>	<u>\$11,779</u>	<u>\$616,097</u>	<u>\$578,732</u>	<u>\$37,365</u>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>					
<b>Church Expenses</b>					
\$12,813	\$14,438	-\$1,625	\$102,923	\$105,479	-\$2,556
4,145	4,360	-\$215	17,163	26,475	-9,312
3,750	3,333	\$417	30,000	26,666	3,334
3,685	4,305	-619	28,768	38,252	-9,484
<u>\$24,394</u>	<u>\$26,436</u>	<u>-\$2,043</u>	<u>\$178,853</u>	<u>\$196,872</u>	<u>-\$18,019</u>
<b>School Expenses</b>					
\$40,303	\$40,757	-\$454	\$347,099	\$317,395	\$29,704
7,488	10,427	-2,938	31,702	50,521	-18,819
4,168	406	3,762	22,295	13,677	8,618
<u>\$51,959</u>	<u>\$51,590</u>	<u>\$369</u>	<u>\$401,096</u>	<u>\$381,593</u>	<u>\$19,503</u>
<u>\$5,279</u>	<u>\$3,642</u>	<u>\$1,637</u>	<u>\$35,907</u>	<u>\$29,624</u>	<u>\$6,283</u>
<u>\$81,632</u>	<u>\$81,668</u>	<u>-\$36</u>	<u>\$615,856</u>	<u>\$608,089</u>	<u>\$7,767</u>
<u>-\$12,330</u>	<u>-\$24,146</u>	<u>\$11,815</u>	<u>\$240</u>	<u>-\$29,357</u>	<u>\$29,597</u>
<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$7,792</u>	<u>\$6,442</u>	<u>\$1,350</u>
<b>Assets</b>			<b>Balance</b>		
Checking Account @ BNB			\$23,529	\$8,863	
MM1 @ BNB					
GTF Undesignated			\$1,651	\$1,636	
Capital Improvement Fund			\$6,323	\$6,253	
Called Worker Fund			\$10,759	\$6,128	
Total MM1 @ BNB			<u>\$18,734</u>	<u>\$14,017</u>	
MM2 @ BNB					
Gift Trust Balance			\$0	\$2,626	
Church Projects			\$17,541	\$46,273	
School Projects			\$14,209	\$38,842	
Scholarship Projects			\$3,287	\$30,971	
Total MM2 @ BNB			<u>\$35,037</u>	<u>\$118,712</u>	
Endowment @ ICF			\$252,927	\$275,538	
Eschenbach Fund @ ICF			\$204,256	\$221,720	
Investments-Bequests			\$12,019	\$22,061	