

St. John's OCTOBER Parish Visitor

October 2025

Newsletter Article October, 2025

Are we afraid to depend on God too much? We will only give so much control over to Him. There are still parts of our life that we need to have the final say. God's desire is that we totally depend upon Him at all times and in all things.

Our comfort zones are threatened when we are totally out of control. When we are not calling the shots, we get very nervous. If we are not in the driver's seat, we just don't feel right about it. We have got to be the ones in control.

Even though He really does have the ultimate control already, our growth in faith takes place when we relinquish control over to God. We are to "let go and let God." When we confess with our lips, our hearts, and our lives, "Jesus, you really are Lord of my whole life."

It is God who is to be at work in and through us. When we push Him out and restrict His work, it is our sinful pride that kicks in and says to God that we can handle things on our own. Our calling is to drown that sinful pride-filled self, and to let God do His thing in our lives.

When we open ourselves up to this radical movement on the part of God, we have no idea where God is going to take us. That is what is scary. That is when we get nervous and tentative about this kind of discipleship. Because it may not fit into our box on the way we think God should do things, especially in our lives.

Are we going to depend upon God or not? This is a salvation question as well as a practical question. This is ultimately a Lordship question. Is Jesus Lord of my life or not? He is the one who paid for my life and soul by His holy precious blood. He has every right to every last fiber of my being, by virtue of His redeeming and sanctifying work.

O Holy Spirit, bring me to my knees daily, so that You might take control of it all: my heart, my soul, my life, my time, my checkbook, my schedule, my all. You determine the agenda for my life, O Lord. It is yours, purchased by your blood. Amen.

Learning to Surrender,

Pastor Mark G. Cutler

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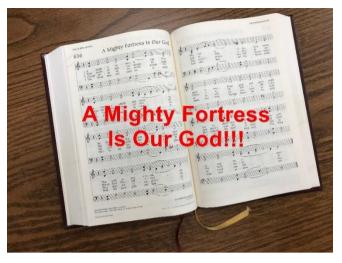
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Courtney Parker (8th grade)
Missy Travis (7th grade)
Tammy Bushke (6th grade)
Deborah Hainer (5th grade)
Jamie Schwoch (4th grade)
Faye Hazelberg (3rd graded)
Jayne Schuett (2nd graded)
Libby Schellpfeffer (1st grade)
Kerri Van Straten (5K Teacher)
Jeana Schraufnagel (4K Teacher)
Kari Smalley (SNSP Co-director)
Mikhalah Zapfel (SNSP Co-director)
Angie Hiebl (Para)
Shelly Twardokus (Aide)
Arianna Antonioni (Aide)
Tasha Wiese (Aide)
Amber Schraufnagel (SEL Coach,
Community Outreach Director)
Jean Tjepkema (Food Service Manager)



We continue our study of the Second Article of the Apostle's Creed as found in the Large Catechism in the Book of Concord (BoC).

"For when we were created by God the Father and had received from him all kinds of good things, the devil came and led us into disobedience, sin, death, and all misfortune. As a result, we lay under God's wrath and displeasure, sentenced to eternal damnation, as we had merited it and deserved it. There was no counsel, no help, no comfort for us until this only and eternal Son of God, in his unfathomable goodness, had mercy on us because of our misery and distress and came from heaven to help us. Those tyrants and jailers have now been routed, and their place has been taken by Jesus Christ, the Lord of life,

righteousness, and every good and blessing. He has snatched us, poor lost creatures, from the jaws of hell, won us, made us free, and restored us to the Father's favor and grace. As his own possessions he has taken us under his protection and shelter, in order that he may rule us by his righteousness, wisdom, power, life, and blessedness (Book of Concord (BoC), p.434)."

As Pastor Cutler put it last month, the entirety of the Christian faith and life can be summed up in the phrase "Lost and found." By the tempting of the devil, and the sinning of our ancestors, we were lost to sin in such a way that we don't even realize it. Perhaps you could consider it as being trapped in "The Matrix," being so much part of the system of sin that you don't see it until you are called out of it by the red pill of God's Word. Or perhaps you could think of it as being Stitch from "Lilo and Stitch," (now) being made for evil and not even realizing we are missing what we need (for Stitch, a family; for us, God who made us) until someone else points it out to us by God's Word. Yes, major catastrophes like the assassination of Charlie Kirk or the tornadoes we have seen in our lifetimes can shake us up and make us realize we are lost. But it is only God's Word which shows not only how lost, but also what God has done about it in order to find and rescue us.

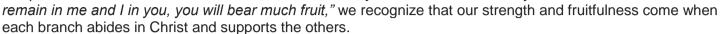
How lost were we? Lost enough that "we lay under God's wrath and displeasure, sentenced to eternal damnation, as we had merited it and deserved it." We can blame Satan that he tempted our ancestors into sinning—but he didn't make them do it, or possess them so that it wasn't really them. They did it—they, Eve and Adam who was with her, they both not only coveted but also ate the forbidden fruit. So what about *us*? It's all *Adam and Eve's* fault, not *ours*, right? "(A)s we had merited and deserved it." Every thought, word, desire, and deed outside of faith in God is condemnable. Every one of them. From assassinations to little white lies and every other thing done outside of faith leads to justifiable death. And not just death and condemnation for an hour, or a day or two, but *eternal* death and condemnation. Yet another concept that can be all but impossible for us to fully grasp here and now. We are finite beings. We have a beginning (we are not God who is eternal, we are His created creatures with a beginning) and we have (thanks to the fall into sin) a physical end: death. Things here don't last forever. So what does that even mean? What does that look like? Yet that is what we rightly merit and deserve by our sins—the sins we are aware of and those of which we are unaware.

"There was no counsel, no help, no comfort for us until this only and eternal Son of God, in his unfathomable goodness, had mercy on us because of our misery and distress and came from heaven to help us (BoC, p.434)." The Second Article is like our ministry, our faith, and our lives—it's all about Jesus! Jesus is the only One who is good. There is no common sense. There is no one who is good—all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. Only Jesus is good—because He is God. He is God the Son who came to earth, took on our humanity in His incarnation, lived the perfect life in our places, so that He could trade His perfect life for our sinful ones. Then He suffered and died on the cross to pay the price for the sin of every human of every time, including me and you. In this way He has snatched us "from the jaws of hell, won us, made us free, and restored us to the Father's favor and grace." Now we are His possessions once more (as Adam and Eve were His before Satan "stole them" through his tempting) and under His protection and shelter. Luther wrote well: "A Mighty Fortress is our God" because of the salvific work of Jesus Christ done for us; and now that God is our Mighty Fortress we rightly conclude: "It's all about Jesus!" In Jesus' name. Amen.

NEWS FROM SCHOOL

God has richly blessed our ministry with three beautiful branches—our school, childcare, and church. Each branch serves a unique purpose, but

all are united in Christ, working together to nurture faith, provide care, and share the Gospel. Just as Jesus said in John 15:5, "I am the vine; you are the branches. If you



It can be tempting to focus only on the branch we are most familiar with—parents with the school, staff with their classrooms, members with their worship. Yet, we are called to see the whole tree. When the church prays for the school, when the childcare shows love to families, when the school encourages worship attendance, we see how beautifully interconnected our ministry truly is. As Paul reminds us in 1 Corinthians 12:12, "Just as a body, though one, has many parts, but all its many parts form one body, so it is with Christ."

Supporting each other requires intention and mindfulness. It means looking for opportunities to appreciate, encourage, and uplift the work happening in every area of our ministry. A kind word from one branch can refresh the work of another; a shared event or prayer can remind us of our united purpose. In this way, our ministries model the love of Christ to each other and to the community we serve.

Let us continue to pray for one another, celebrate each other's gifts, and work side by side with gratitude. When we stand together—school, childcare, and church—we reflect the unity Christ desires for His people. May our efforts bear fruit that brings glory to God and strengthens every branch of this ministry tree He has planted.

Mr. Douglas Mageski, Principal

Upcoming Events:

- 1. The 4th graders will be leading the message at the 5:30 pm service on Sat., September 27. Hope you can join us!
- 2. October 3 is Parent's Day. We are excited to host all of our school parents to enjoy what a typical day at SJLS looks like! Chapel will take place at 8:10 am.
- 3. October 17 is the PTL sponsored Trunk or Treat event. This event is open to all and will take place in the school lower parking lot 5-7 pm. We would love any candy donations or volunteers to decorate a festive trunk for the event. The more the better! Reach out to the school office for details.
- 4. October 18 the 7th grade students will be doing their chapel message at the 5:30 pm service. We hope to see you there!

*Special shout out to our trustees: Mike Baerwald, Paul Krueger, Rick Krapfl, and Bob Schroeder. They have poured out an incredible amount of time and effort to maintain the school campus, make upgrades, and continue to look out for ways to improve our facilities for years to come. Big shout out to Rick Krapfl for his efforts in making new shelves/hooks for our lower grades students. We cannot thank you enough for what you all do!

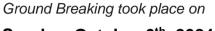
TRUNK OR TREAT Friday, October 17th 5pm-7pm

Interested in decorating your trunk?
Donating candy?
Helping? Contact the school at 920-387-4310









Childcare-Youth Center if so inclined to adopt a bill...

Adopt-a-bill Opportunities an item tag. pay in ourse office to be consider to your office. To be consider to your office, to be considered to your office.

Childcare/Youth Center Adopt a bill Opportunities On the easel in the Narthex are 'adopt a bill' opportunities for the Childcare/Youth Center. Items have been ordered from Ray's TV & Appliance. If you choose to 'adopt', please pull the tag and bring to the church office with payment, to be credited to your offering statement.

Sunday, October 6th, 2024

CHILD CARE / YOUTH BUILDING



Through our Investing in Children Capital Campaign we are well past our first goal through 159+ units!
Thank you for your continued support.



INVESTING IN CHILDREN

Investing In Children Campaign.

Totaled pledged \$1,858,952.28 167 units!

[This total does not include memorials.

Pledged only!]

Amounts received as of September 15, 2025

Total Received ~ \$1,476,488.70 Total from Pledges - \$1,411,354.26 Memorials ~ \$52,707.00;

Misc. (2024 Rummage Sale, Round up, Dime Dump,

TSB interest) \$12,427.44

St. John's Open Funds:

St. John's Church
(Activity Fund)
St. John's School *Specified
St. John's School Scholarship
Adopt a bill
St. John's Church
St. John's School *Specified
LWML (formerly Dorcas)

LCMS High School

Building Maintainance Fund

Living Trust Fund Altar Guild

Childcare / Youth Ministry Center Fund!

Please utilize the Childcare/Youth
Envelopes in your box of envelopes.
Circle if it is a memorial, pledge, or a
donation and your offering number,
name and amount given. *memorials – include the
name of deceased on envelope bottom.

If you have changed your address or have gone from a land line to a cell phone please let the church office know by either calling the church office at 387-3568, filling out the back of the communion card OR mailing a note to help keep our records up to date.

Parents—if your child is no longer living with you, please let the church office know so that updates to our computer system are kept up to date.

Please include in your phone / or some place that you are able to find the following numbers in case of an emergency:

St. John's Church: 920-387-3568
Pastor Mark Cutler 406-212-7374
pastor.cutler@stjohnsmayville.com

Pastor Joshua Frazee 920-583-0030 pastorjoshfrazee@gmail.com

BINGO FUN

Tues, October 28
4:00pm-4:45pm Fellowship Hall
ALL WELCOME to attend.

ELECTRONIC GIVING (ACH) ~

ACH is a great way to automate your regular weekly offering. Electronic giving offers individual congregation members convenience and affords much needed offering consistency for our congregation. Please contact the church office for more information OR to sign up. Contributions can be taken out the first of the month or the fifteenth or BOTH.

No offering envelopes to remember! St. John's Ministry benefits tremendously from continued support, while you are away on vacation, or unable to attend worship. *Reminder ANY

"Some to Be" weekends highlight a particular group(s)/Board(s) every month.
October will showcase LWML/Dorcas and Quilters

Changes to the ACH, must go through the

church office for computing.

These weekends are a chance for each Board and group at St. John's to say who they are, what they do, and how to join. (They're called "Some to Be" weekends based on 1 Corinthians 12, where we hear that God the Holy Spirit apportions each of us with gifts and abilities that we may be the hands, feet, and other parts of the Body of Christ.)

Informational 'periodical' email ~ to be informed on events and activities and / or important information, please make sure the church office has your email address; if you want to receive school updates please also add that to an email to

barb.haessly@stjohnsmayville.com or write it on the back of a communion card. This is extremely helpful for 'closings', 'voter's meeting reminders', and other 'need to get out quick' information.

DO WE HAVE YOUR CURRENT INFORMATION? We are always looking for your picture, cell phone, land line, marital status, address, email, etc. to keep us current. For changes or updates please email Barb in the office at Barb.Haessly@stjohnsmayville.com, or write the information on the back of a communion card and give to the usher.

St. John's Worship Opportunities

Saturday Spiritual Worship Service / Sunday "Traditional" Worship WORSHIP HOURS ~

Saturday Praise & Worship Service at 5:30pm

Sunday Worship Service at Traditional Worship 8:15am Contemporary 10:30am

Monday Evening Worship at 5:30

><> Bible Believers 9:30 (Fellowship Hal) - <>< <>> Sunday Bible Class will be each Sunday from 8:00am-8:45am ><>

><> BOLDED SERVICE WILL OFFER HOLY COMMUNION <><

Sat. October 4 5:30pm Praise & Worship Communion Sun. October 5 8:15am Traditional Communion Worship Service 10:30am Contemporary Communion Worship Mon. October 6 5:30pm Monday Evening Communion Service Sat. October 11 5:30pm Praise & Worship Communion Sun. October 12 8:15am Traditional Communion Worship Service 10:30am Contemporary Communion Worship 5:30pm Monday Evening Communion Service Mon. October 13 Sat. October 18 5:30pm Praise & Worship Service / 7th Grade Chapel message Sun. October 19 8:15am Confirmation Comm. Worship Service 10:30am Contemporary Communion Worship

Sat. October 25 5:30pm Praise & Worship Communion

Sun. October 26 8:15am Traditional Communion Worship Service

10:30am Contemporary Communion Worship pm Monday Evening Communion Service

5:30pm Monday Evening Communion

Saturday at 5:30pm; Sundays [8:15 & 10:30]; Mondays at 5:30pm

Mondays at 5.50pm

St. John's Membership 823

Our WORSHIP SERVICE is available on YouTube $\rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow \rightarrow$

The address is

Mon. October 20

Mon. October 27

<u>St John's Lutheran Church LCMS, Mayville WI | Mayville WI | Facebook</u>

Or https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsEvLuthernChurch

PRAIRIE RIDGE CHAPEL October 13
PRAIRIE RIDGE COMMUNION October 27



Sunday ~

9:30am--Bible Believers (Sunday School Program, at school) & Adult Bible Believer Class (Sept-May)

9:30am-Bible Class (Fellowship Hall) "The Gospel of John" (Pastor Frazee)

9:30am- Pastor Cutler's "Men at Work"

Mondays ~ 7:30am "The Work of the Holy Spirit" in the choir room, led by Pastor Behnke

9:30-11-30am Starting Sept. 8, The Chosen Season 4; Cutler's home for more information 406-212-7375 (Joann Cutler)

Tuesdays ~ 6:00pm WWW The WORD, Women and wine Ladies Bible Class (May to Sept.)
6:30pm "Judges" starting Tuesday, Sept. 9 at St. John's Browns Comers with Pastor Behnke

Wednesday ~

6:00am- PAP [Power at Prayer] (Fellowship Hall) 10:00am-"Bible Class" "JAMES" (Fellowship Hall)

JOYFUL JOURNEY ~

(Journey One Year for U Lord) Is a DAILY Bible reading, that gives you an Old Testament, New Testament, Psalm and Proverb reading.

The 'One Year Bible' is available in the church office for only \$15; or "the One Year Chronological Bible" is also available for the low cost of \$15.

Call a friend and take that daily walk together.

Your JOYFUL Journey will begin in Genesis and continue all the way through the Bible.

OR Daily Bible Readings can be picked up in the church office or in the Narthex for you to read cover to cover with only a few chapters at a time...

"Every Day" ~ One Year Bible / Chronological One Year Bible

ONLINE SERVICES— Our site is: "StJohnsLutheranMayvilleWI" YouTube page on which to upload our services They will now be under Posts in St John's Facebook page. Here are the links for our new YouTube page and the Posts page of our Facebook page

(https://www.facebook.com/StJohnsEvLutheranChurch, scroll down and on the right side—look for the dates at the end of the titles).

We are looking for an Administrator to oversee this through the help and guidance of Pastor Frazee, if you are willing to assist with this please contact the church office / Pastor Frazee

St. John's website is www.stjohnsmayville.com Visit the website to see current school and church activities and events. Parish Visitor Newsletters, Events Calendars, SCRIP forms... [if you prefer a printed version of the Parish Visitor, limited copies available in church office and the Narthex]



LWML "Women in Missions"

Who Are We - The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) with a membership of over 250,000 is the official women's organization of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. The LWML focuses on **affirming each woman in her relationship with Christ** to enable her to be in **ministry** among the people of the world. For over 60 years the organization

has been encouraging and equipping women to live out their Christian lives in active mission ministries and to financially support global missions.

St. John's is part of the **South Wisconsin District**. The District is divided into groups called Zones, with about 6 churches each. Each church has a society organization that is affiliated with the LWML. We participate in Spring and Fall Rallies and host on a rotation basis with the other churches in our Zone. The District hosts the Fall Retreat, Young Women's Retreat and SWD Convention.

WEB PAGE: (www.swd-lwml.org).

FOR MORE LWML INFORMATION check out the purple bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall

MEETING NIGHT - 2nd THURSDAY of each Month! -



Challenge

Fill aMITE BOX

You are encouraged to continue to 'fill a Mite box' all year through. The Mites collected from each of the LWML groups are used for many missions throughout the year.



Sharing God's Love throughout the World!

Don't forget to grab a MITE BOX... find that spare, lost or extra change to help others through the MITE BOX Missions.

We would also "WELCOME" any new members to the LWML Dorcas Ladies. We meet on the 2nd Thursday

of each month at 6:00 pm from September thru May.

After a devotion, we discuss ongoing LWML activities in the area, as well as District and National Events.

Please attend a meeting to see what the LWML Ladies are all about.

LWML Weekend will be celebrated October 4th & 5th

The wonderful quilts lovingly made by our quilters' group will be displayed on the pews.

Thank you to all who donated for the school kits...131 kits were assembled.

LWR pick-up October 2nd at St. Paul, Mayville

LWML Fall Rally (Immanuel River Church) ~October 11th

St. John's Chili Dinner ~ November 9 MORE DETAILS TO FOLLOW

LWML MEETING NIGHT ~ the 2nd THURSDAYS of the month at 6:00pm! (all women invited to attend)

BOXED Greeting Cards ~ Sympathy, Birthdays, Anniversary, Wedding, Confirmation, Easter, Graduation, Thinking of You, ...\$5.00 in the church office. Buy 10 cards from either rack in office or fellowship hall and get 2 FREE...

RADA CUTLERY ~ available for purchase, (located in the Fellowship Hall) Made in the USA! Great gift ideas, for Showers, Birthdays, Christmas, EVERY DAY use! *Available through the Church Office or the Dorcas Society. (Sportsmen knives are also available!) GREAT ANYTIME GIFTS, including Shower gifts, Bingo prizes...

We encourage you to fill a Mite box whenever possible!

Birthday Blessings / Anniversary Celebrations

Birthdays are special days. Whether you are celebrating a milestone birthday or a regular good ole' birthday, each of us have been blessed with this special day, the day our Heavenly Father blessed your parents with YOU!

Why not honor your birthday age, with a gift to the church?

What an awesome statement of your faith, by thanking God through St. John's with a monetary gift.

These moments of celebration, are just that....
CELEBRATION of each person that God has shared with us.

MEET YOUR ELDERS ~
On the wall of the elevator we have pictures of our current Elders.
You can now match a name with a face.
If you have concerns or questions, we encourage you to reach out to an elder.

Gentlemen **

Gentlemen ~ Is the Lord calling you to help in the Elder ministry? Please contact one of the Pastors, or one of the elders for more information.





Life Chain Announcement – October 5

One of the greatest tragedies in our country, that continues to impact us in our community, state, and nation is the scourge of abortion. Unborn human babies are being slaughtered. You might ask, as I often do: What can I really do about it? My answer is simple: you can vote out the people that promote and condone the killing, you can pray for an end to the Holocaust, and you can give witness to your position on life. Life Chain

is a national movement for communities and individuals across the country to stand, pray, and give witness to the sanctity of human life. On the first Sunday of October (October 5th) from 2:00 to 3:00 p.m., I invite you to stand with me at the crossroads in Mayville, (the corner of 67 and 28) (At the big Mayville sign) to give witness to the community and to those passing by, that we are a people that stand for life, remembering those who have died through abortion, and also desiring for the plague to end in our state and community. I will have pro-life signs that speak about what you are doing, if you so desire to hold one. Standing, boldly witnessing to the public, and praying for one hour a year is one thing I can do. Will you join me in giving witness? *Pastor Mark Cutler*

Join St. John's RaiseRight Scrip Program!

- It's Easy—Using gift cards to pay for everyday expenses is the easiest way to earn rebates to SUPPORT CHURCH / DEFRAY TUITION.
- It's Effective—Brands automatically give up to 20% of each gift card purchase back to you through rebates. Earn reabtes of \$1,000 or more per year. Family can help! Sign up aunts, grandparents etc.
- It's Flexible—With on-site purchases, eGift cards and a mobile app available, it can happen virtually anywhere, anytime.

How does it work?

You buy gift cards..



You get the full value — no extra charge for cash or check orders.

Buy gift cards and eGift cards from hundreds of popular brands and local businesses.

The brand gives back..

A percentage of every gift card purchase goes back to you in the form of a rebate automatically.

Use the cards as payment..

Pay for your everyday purchases with cards or e-scrip instead of cash or credit cards.

Rebates go toward..

The rebates are distributed to participating families as decided on their scrip agreement form.

- towards next year's SCHOOL TUITION
- as a **DONATION** to the church/school
- as a CASH REBATE to you

(Any combination of these options is available. All are encouraged to support St. John's mission of Reaching, Teaching, & Sharing the Gospel with a donation to the church/school.)

10% of rebates are kept in the scrip account to run the program.





Rebates on the go with the Raiseright App

- Shop for and purchase gift cards anywhere, anytime. Pay with connected checking account (29¢), debit card (1%)/credit card (3%).
- Instantly access your eGift cards & scan them at checkout while shopping, directly from your account Wallet.
- Add funds to reloadable gift cards

anytime. Every time you add funds, you get a rebate!

Purchase Physical Gift Cards

- In the Church office M-Th 7 a.m. − 4 p.m. & some Friday mornings. Cash/Check accepted.
- Send an order and payment to school with your child. These are returned on Thursdays.
- Order non-stock items online, in app or in office by Thursday afternoon and they will be shipped to our program with our weekly order with a usual Tuesday arrival.

Get Started Today!

- Fill out an Agreement Form It tells us how to distribute your rebate. Pick up at church or school.
- Join the Program Come into the church office to purchase scrip and/or sign up at RaiseRight.com/Enroll with a secure account.

For more information including the enrollment code, contact our program coordinator: Kathy Dobbratz MomD1964@gmail.com – 920-382-2816

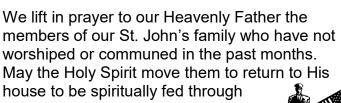


January 2025 ~ Tuition \$778.23 St. John's \$702.70 February 2025 ~ Tuition \$742.93 St. John's \$727.56 March 2025 ~ Tuition \$616.40 St. John's \$519.10 April 2025 ~ Tuition \$1,303.91 St. John's \$934.11 May 2025 ~ Tuition \$1,092.71 St. John's \$778.62 June 2025 ~ Tuition \$1,071.25 St. John's \$838.18

July 2025 ~ Tuition \$981.97 St. John's \$785.50 August 2025 ~ Tuition \$920.10 St. John's \$ 1,266.72

OUR Homebound:

LaVern Gubin, Marie Pusateri,



His Word and Body and Blood. We pray for our St. John's family's members

and all those who are serving our country in the military: Timothy Behnke (Army), Andrew Behnke (Coast Guard),

> Jessica Sullivan (Air Force National Guard), Anthony Blum, (Marines bootcamp) Ayden Juech (Marines bootcamp) and others who are in any branch of service.

> We thank God for these men and women who willingly serve our Country.

Giving, Loving & Living

Are you or a loved one facing a difficult time: an illness, a death, loss of a job, or some other challenge in your life that is overwhelming?

Please call the church office at 387-3568 and make an appointment with Pastor Cutler or Pastor Frazee for them to offer encouragement, help with guidance and share in prayer.

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We pray for strength and healing for those undergoing medical testing, procedures, treatments, those hospitalized, those recovering, and those with on-going health conditions

We welcome into our church family through the waters of Holy Baptism:

Those called HOME We remember in our prayers the family and friends of Mark Koepsell September 9, 2025

OUR MEMBERS LIVING IN OR RECOVERING AT NURSING OR ASSISTED LIVING FACILITIES:

<u>Clearview</u> – [198 County D F, Juneau] ~ Karen Liebenow,

Hope Assisted Living – [475 Grove St., Lomira] ~ Phyllis Ewert (201), Elinor Zahn (105), Jerry Barker (126) Gloria Rassmann (104), Barb Maas (122)

Prairie Ridge, [1175 Breckenridge St. Mayville] ~ Joyce Wucherer (25), Phyllis Mueller (6), Margareta Toepfer (17), New Perspective – [2130 Continental Dr. West Bend] Betty Christian (139)

MAILINGS for Dale Rindfleisch - [Dale c/o David Rindfleisch N53W35240 Lighthouse Ln. Oconomowoc, WI 53066] TO VISIT DALE – Riverside Lodge 420 N Main. St. #122 Dousman WI 53118

Patriot Place – 609 Broadway St. #40, Berlin, WI 54923 ~ Eunice Okon [mailings should go to W4318 Chappa Rd. Berlin WI] Adelaide Place – 478 W. Arndt St, Fond du lac, WI 54935 #204 ~ Jeanine Streblow [mailings should go to c/o Deb Liegl, PO Box 368 Brownsville WI, 53006

Prairie Ridge Chapel Service October 13 10:00am

Prairie Ridge Communion Service October 27 10:00am

St. John's Membership 823 **Communicant Members 708** St. John's MONTHLY Food Mission Focus for the MAYVILLE FOOD PANTRY

October ~ 'Spice it up with the baking STAPLES'

Flour, Sugar, Salt, Spices, Pepper, Seasonings...

November ~ SMILE, 'YOU' look marvelous! *Toothpaste, Mouthwash, Floss, Toothbrushes, Shampoo, Conditioner...*

<u>December</u> ~ 'Baby, it's cold outside!" Baby Products, food, diapers, wipes, formula, cereals...

Please note <u>ALL food items</u> are needed and appreciated through-out the year, the focus for the 'monthly' specialties are to aid the Mayville Food Pantry in helping to stock their shelves for those in need.

ALL DONATIONS are appreciated through-out the year.

Ladies ~ Feminine Hygiene Products are appreciated.

Another help to the FOOD PANTRY: Hats, Mittens, Scarves, Gloves, Socks also collected.

HERE ARE VERY IMPORTANT "OTHER" ITEMS NEEDED FOR FOOD PANTY, so please keep these also in mind:

MILK & BUTTER (there are lots of donations of Mac & Cheese, but milk and butter are also needed).

BOXED MILK (lots of donations of cereals, boxed milk is a treasure)

CANNED FOODS, should be popped topped or donate can openers for the other canned items.

OIL is a luxury SPICES, SALT & PEPPER are a real gift SUGAR & FLOUR are treats

TEA BAGS & COFFEE are caring gifts TUNA & CRACKERS is a great lunch

Hamburger Helper goes nowhere without GROUND BEEF.

SANDWICH BREAD, (they get a lot of peanut butter & jelly but need something to put it on)

BUTTER and MARGERINE

EGGS are a commodity!

CAKE MIX & FROSTING makes it possible to make a child's birthday cake.

DISHWASHING DETERGENT is very expensive and always appreciated

FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS are a luxury

STOVE TOP STOVING is always a favorite.

CASH makes it possible for the Food Bank to buy what's missing and buy in bulk.

Childcare / Youth Ministry Center Fund! Please consider this in giving memorials or 'thanksgiving' gifting. Reminder in your offering envelope box are 'Investing In Children' envelopes; please feel free to use them when donating to the Childcare/Youth Center. Please circle whether it is a Pledge, Offering or in Memoriam, include your offering number, name and amount.

Running out of those special envelopes? We have

many more in the office, please ask for some.





STEWARDSHIP SERMONS

October 12th and 19th, we will be looking at stewardship through the eyes of the 10 lepers that were healed. (Luke 17:11-19) The one that returned to give thanks to Jesus for His healing is what we will be specifically giving attention to. We will be using the same text for both Sundays. May God speak His lordship over every arena of our lives.

YouCan

Shoes for Belize

St. John's collects shoes: and a 'shoe' box is located in the Fellowship Hall.

We appreciate your donations, please only drop off gently used / clean shoes sandals and footware.







KEEP COLLECTING!

We take shoes all year long, Container located in Fellowship Hall!

"YouCan" make a difference! Please consider donating new or gently used pairs of shoes for Belize.

The shoes will be distributed at schools and in villages in Belize by a mission team from this area who is partnering with local leaders there. Belize is a small,

developing country in Central America where shoes are very expensive and often a challenge to get. Any sturdy casual footwear appropriate for a tropical climate is accepted and would be greatly appreciated. Tennis shoes and flip-flops for males (Toddler 12 – Men's Size 9) and females (Toddler 10 – Women's Size 7) are especially needed. As you're considering your donation, please understand it costs almost \$3 per pair to ship. Shoes should be in good

enough condition to make that investment worthwhile. If possible, please rubber band or tie shoelaces together. New, never been worn socks, and/or monetary donations to help cover shipping expenses are also welcome and encouraged for this effort. Please email info@youcanmissions.org for more information. Be a part of this mission and spread the word!

September 2025 Childcare/Youth Center Progress Report

There has been significant progress in both exterior and interior construction. The exterior siding is over 50% complete, and the property grading, drive definitions, and curb installations are complete. Landscaping efforts, including the planting of various flora, have commenced. Internally, the drywall, texturing, and painting on both levels are complete. Cabinetry has been installed on the upper level, doors are in place, and the ceiling grid is set up. Electrical and plumbing fixtures, including lighting, outlets, switches, and plumbing for toilets and sinks, have been installed. Flooring, cabinetry, and fixture installation in the bathrooms and kitchen is in progress. The installation of the elevator has been finished, and it now awaits testing and inspection. General flooring preparation for the upper level is complete, with installation expected within a couple of weeks, following the installation of door hardware and window trim. The HVAC system is back on schedule, awaiting the completion and cleaning of other building elements to minimize dust levels, before testing the system. Spectrum has provided temporary phone service, with permanent service installation anticipated within the next couple of weeks. Blacktopping of the drives and parking area is scheduled for the week of September 22nd. Thanks to the significant efforts of Bill Muche & Town & Country for all their work in landscaping and improving the area East of the building, including the railway area. I want to acknowledge the volunteer help of Chubby Puls and Bob Goodman who have assisted Bob Schroeder with the installation of the cabinetry. Robert Haessly who volunteered to water plantings. Terese Schroeder and Kindra Muche for their help in cleaning and disposing of trash. THANK YOU! Robert Haessly has volunteered to water planting. If anyone is available, assistance with watering would be

appreciated, contact me for more information on what's involved.

I would also like to thank the people who have adopted a bill from the list of appliances.

Building Committee Chair Ken Oechsner



september

16. Ezekiel 34-36 1. Jerem. 40-42 17. Ezekiel 37-39 2. Jerem. 43-46 18. Ezekiel 40-42 3. Jerem. 47-49 19. Ezekiel 43-45 4. Jerem. 50-52 5. Lamentations 20. Ezekiel 46-48 6. Ezekiel 1-3 21. Daniel 1-3 7. Ezekiel 4-7 22. Daniel 4-6 8. Ezekiel 8-11 23. Daniel 7-9 24. Daniel 10-12 9. Ezekiel 12-14 10. Ezekiel 15-18 25. Hosea 1-4 26. Hosea 5-7 11. Ezekiel 19-21 12. Ezekiel 22-24 27. Hosea 8-10 13. Ezekiel 25-27 28. Hosea 11-14 14. Ezekiel 28-30 29. Joel 15. Ezekiel 31-33 30. Amos 1-3

october

17. Matthew 12-15 1. Amos 4-6 18. Matthew 16-19 2. Amos 7-9 3. Obadiah + Jonah 19. Matthew 20-22 20. Matthew 23-25 4. Micah 1-4 5. Micah 5-7 21. Matthew 26-28 6. Nahum 22. Mark 1-3 7. Habakkuk 23. Mark 4-6 8. Zephaniah 24. Mark 7-10 25. Mark 11-13 9. Haggai 10. Zacha. 1-5 26. Mark 14-16 11. Zacha. 6-10 27. Luke 1-3 12. Zacha. 11-14 28. Luke 4-6 13. Malachi 29. Luke 7-9 14. Matthew 1-4 30. Luke 10-13 15. Matthew 5-7 31. Luke 11-17 16. Matthew 8-11

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1. Luke 18-21 16. Acts 23-25 2. Luke 22-24 17. Acts 26-28 3. John 1-3 18. Romans 1-4 4. John 4-6 19. Romans 5-8 5. John 7-10 20. Romans 9-11 6. John 11-13 21. Romans 12-16 22. 1 Corin. 1-4 7. John 14-17 23. 1 Corin. 5-8 8. John 18-21 24. 1 Corin. 9-12 9. Acts 1-2 10. Acts 3-5 25. 1 Corin. 13-16 26. 2 Corin. 1-3 11. Acts 6-9 12. Acts 10-12 27. 2 Corin. 4-6 13. Acts 13-14 28. 2 Corin. 7-9 29. 2 Corin. 10-13 14. Acts 15-18 15. Acts 19-22 30. 2 Corin.14-16

december

1. Galatians 1-3 17. James 4-5 2. Galatians 4-6 18. 1 Peter 1-3 3. Ephesians 1-3 19. 1 Peter 4-5 4. Ephesians 4-6 20. 2 Peter 5. Philippians 21. 1 John 1-3 6. Colossians 22. 1 John 4-5 7. 1 Thessalonians 23. 2 John 8. 2 Thessalonians 24. 3. John 9. 1 Timothy 1-3 25. Jude 10. 1 Timothy 4-6 26. Revel. 1-4 11. 2 Timothy 27. Revel. 5-8 12. Titus + Phile. 28. Revel. 9-11 13. Hebrews 1-4 29. Revel. 12-15 14. Hebrews 5-8 30. Revel. 16-19 15. Hebrews 9-13 31. Revel. 20-22 16. James 1-3

St. John's Adopt a Bill Program ~ OVER \$ 235,312.67



(since Nov. 2004) What IS St. John's Adopt a bill program? And how does it work? In the Narthex on the wall, we have our 'Adopt-a-bill' Program with the graphics of Noah's ark, and helping "St. John's 'keep a'float". On the wall are miscellaneous bills that can be 'adopted' by those who would like to help out with some of our bills not necessarily covered by our 'ministry financial plan'. Most (if not all) of the bills to be 'adopted' are less than \$100. There are 'adopt-a-bill' envelopes to put your name, envelope number and selected bill and payment into. [bills 'adopted' will then be credited to your offering statement under 'adopt-a-bill]. Checks should be made out to St. John's Church [not to the recipient on the bill]; cash is also welcomed.

Our 'adopt-a-bill' program was started in 2004 and since then we have over **\$235,000.00** of donations credited to miscellaneous bills.

January 2025 ~ \$391.70 March 2025 ~ \$1,145.31 May 2025 ~ \$693.33 July ~ \$556.89 February 2025 ~ \$1,960.90 April 2025 ~ \$651.11 June 2025 ~ \$566.84 August 2025 ~ \$341.54

FAMILIES with school aged children ~ Please make sure the church office has YOUR CHILD'S information, including SCHOOL, GRADE ETC...

This helps up keep current with ministry activities such as 3rd Grade Bibles, Confirmation Classes etc...

MAYVILLE BUSINESS DOWN TOWN TRICK or TREAT

Business Trick or Treat is Thursday October 23 starting at 6:00pm until 7:30pm, St. John's 'Taking it to the Streets' ministry will set up downtown in front of the old D & L Resale Shop.

<u>Volunteers are needed</u> to help set up, hand out candy, goodies and information about St Johns.

<u>Candy donations</u> are needed for the 'Taking it to the Streets Ministry' for the Business Trick or Treat.

Please have them either sign up in the office or call me at 920-960-4347. (Marie Feucht) They can also call me with any additional questions.

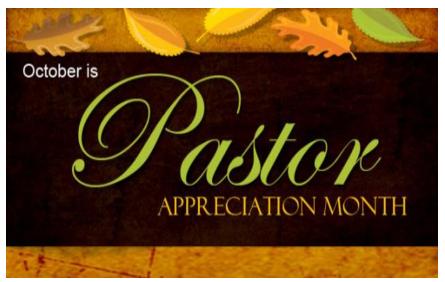
*Please mark donated candy either 'Taking it to the Streets', and can be brought to the church office.



OPEN INVITATION TO ALL CONFIRMED WOMEN MEMBERS OF ST. JOHN'S:

"Let none hear you idly saying, "There is nothing I can do," while the lost of earth are dying, and the Master calls for you; take the task He gives you gladly; let His work your pleasure be; answer quickly when He calls you, "Here am I, send me, send me."

The Lord and your faith are "calling" you to join our Altar Guild in "service" to Him and our congregation. Our annual Guild meeting will be at 5:00pm on Oct 7th..... please come and find out what our duties are, how it all works, get your questions answered and enjoy a meal with other "like-minded" sisters in Christ. More ladies are appreciated to complete established teams allowing only to be on the schedule one week out of every 12. Feel free to contact me anytime about the opportunity you have before you. In His Name, Bev Christian 920-517-5004 Did you know our Altar Guild's actually the largest volunteer group in the congregation? Come, be a part of it!



If you would like to show your appreciation to our pastors for shepherding St. John's Church through cards, gift cards, or monetary gifts, please send them directly to the pastors.

Pastor Mark Cutler

N7146 Cty Rd. TW, Horicon WI 53032

Pastor Joshua Frazee

41 Main St. Mayville WI 53050

To directly show your appreciation [cash & (checks - must be made out to the directed person) only]

A card box for Pastor Cutler and for Pastor Frazee will be available in the Narthex. (for other pastoral addresses please contact the church office)



October Memory Verse:

"I will also speak of your testimonies before kings and shall not be put to shame." Psalm 119:46





"Reaching, Teaching, and Sharing the Gospel"



Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 7:00am-4:00pm; FRIDAY 7:00-11:00 am

[to avoid any inconvenience and to better

ahead 387-3568 [If you need assistance, after posted hours please call 387-3568 so arrangements can be made]

NO SCRIP will be available on Fridays