

August 2023 Newsletter



St. John's Lutheran Church

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Our Mission

To celebrate the Gospel in Word and Sacrament which challenges us to cultivate ourselves and our community for Christ.

Deadline for the September Newsletter is 8:00 pm on Monday, August 21st.

Do you have something for the September edition of the Newsletter?

If so, there is a box located on the bookcase by the church office door. Simply place your announcement in the file folder labeled "Bulletin/Newsletter Announcements" or send an email to the church with NEWSLETTER in the subject box. stjohnsalmond@gmail.com



Pastor Dave Ficken

from Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Plover is our Circuit Counselor. If you need pastoral guidance while we await a new pastor to come to St. John's, please feel free to contact him.

715-498-0093 or email
pastor@bsavior.onmicrosoft.com

In Service to our Lord

Elders: James Cesar and Alan Pagel

Communion:

Greeter:

Ushers:

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace."
1 Peter 4: 10*

Please consider volunteering for any of the above positions for the September services by contacting Betty Daberkow (715) 335-4176. Thank you!

Altar Flowers

If you have flowers to donate or wish to purchase flowers for the altar, please notify Dianne Schultz by phone (715) 366-8077 or drop a note in the church mailbox located in the fellowship hall.



Heart Warmers



God's help
is nearer
than the door.

--Irish Proverb



HARRISON RE-ELECTED LCMS PRESIDENT

The Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison, having received 52.32% of the votes cast, is the president-elect of The Lutheran-Church-Missouri Synod (LCMS) for the fifth term of office, 2023-2026.

On your birthday, remember that you were wonderfully made by God and rejoice in his love.

Blessings on Your Birthday.

August Birthdays



8/2 Brooke Anderson	8/9 Lyndsay Schwartzman	8/25 Matt Lemke
8/2 Emily Gerding	8/11 Heather Schulke	8/27 Diane Roeske
8/2 Breeley Warzynski	8/17 Marissa Meddaugh	8/28 Betty Daberkow
8/5 Kristy Pleet	8/18 Braden Potts	8/28 Daniel Kenowski
8/5 Wesley Schulke	8/20 Austin Caves	8/30 Jackson Bacon
8/7 Darron Potts	8/21 Denise Anderson	8/31 Jade Heise
8/8 Craig Newby	8/21 Jacob Bacon	

*Your love and devotion to God are the reason why you are so blessed in life.
Keep inspiring others, stay devoted and happy together.*

Happy Anniversary!

August Anniversaries

8/5 Dianne & Ed Schultz	8/15 Carmen & Art Pagel	8/26 Jacinda & Mike Cole
8/13 Nicole & Dusty Huntington	8/16 Jean & Rodger Erdman	8/27 Carly & Sean Buelen
8/14 Ashton & Thomas Evertson	8/23 Audra & Jason Hennes	8/31 Holly & Andy Louis

If your Birthday or Anniversary is not listed or is printed wrong please let us know. Put a note in the folder labeled, "Bulletin/Newsletter Announcements" outside the Church office.

Memory Verse Challenge

The church is encouraged to "Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly ..." (Col. 3:16).

Psalm 1 teaches us to meditate on God's Word day and night. It is our great opportunity and joy to read and study God's Word.

Week of August 6	Ephesians 4:29	Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear.
Week of August 13	Ephesians 4:32	Be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ forgave you.
Week of August 20	2 Thessalonians 2:16-17	Now may our Lord Jesus Christ himself, and God or Father, who loved us and gave us eternal comfort and good hope through grace, comfort your hearts and establish them in every good work and word.
Week of August 27	Titus 3:4-6	When the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior.



DID YOU KNOW?

Contributions for the NW District covers district-only missions:

- Where Most Needed, resources for the district’s most urgent mission and ministry needs at present.
- Labor of Love Church Worker Debt, help to grow the NWD Worker Debt Relief fund
- Camp Luther, Build up the ongoing ministry and Godly Legacy of Camp Luther in Three Lakes

- Peru Ministry, Support the ongoing mission work of the LCMS in Lima, Peru.
- Campus Ministry, Impact college students’ lives for Christ (part of budget).
- Future Church Worker Scholarships, help young men and women afford their training for lifetime service in the church.
- Veterans Ministry, support our full-time LCMS chaplaincy at the Wisconsin Veterans Home in King (part of budget).
- Disaster Response, assist us in being Jesus’ hands and feet to those affected by natural disasters.
- Future Church Student Scholarships
- Hearts for Jesus
- Hmong Missions
- French African Ministry

ST. JOHN’S MONEY MATTERS 2023 SECOND QUARTER TO DATE

Financial support received from:

- Amazon Smile \$71.74
- Thrivent Choice Dollars \$1304.00

Financial commitments paid to:

- North Wisconsin District \$300.00
- Ashley Lehr LCMS Missionary Partnership \$600.00

THANK YOU

Thank you to the “Garden Angels” that have been busy weeding the small flower bed by the back door of the church, for pulling weeds all around the church building and also for whacking weeds and tall grass around trees and other obstacles in the church yard. You are a Blessing!



Ladies Aid Tidbits :



LWML CONVENTION

“CELEBRATE THE LORD OF THE NATIONS”

Betty Daberkow and Lynne Johnson both attended and volunteered at the National Convention in Milwaukee. They shared their experiences at the July Ladies Aid meeting. Over 3,500 people were at the 40th biennial convention. The Lutheran Women in Mission voting body adopted a \$2,350,000 mission goal for the 2023-2025 biennium. This goal, by the grace of God, will fund 31 mission grants, as women and men respond in prayer and mite offerings during the next two years. See the LWML bulletin board in the narthex hall for District and National mission information throughout the year.

CONTINUED EDUCATION SUPPORT

Please provide the name and address of any young adults from the congregation who are currently attending school, post high school. The LWML group strives to pray for these young people and send encouragement throughout the year, no matter where they may reside.



FUNERAL ASSIST

The Ladies Aid would like to extend their thoughts and prayers to the family of Mae Bertotto. A luncheon was served following her funeral at St. Johns on July 13th.

JOSEPH HOPE FOOD PANTRY

Six members worked at the Mobile Food Pantry on July 21 at New Life Church located in Plainfield. Primary duties were bagging frozen food products. This mobile food pantry is the only one serving our local area currently. Anyone is welcome to join us!



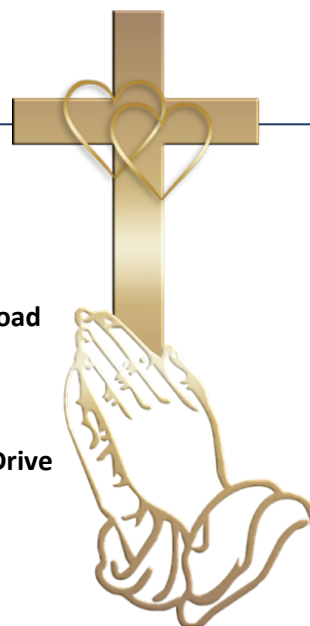
“Stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy servant Jesus.”
 After they prayed, the place where they were meeting was shaken. And they were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke the word of God boldly. Acts 4:30-31 (NIV)

Heavenly Father, we come to you in praise and prayer for courage, grace, faith, and healing within your will for:

Bob Edmonds	Allan Erdman	Stan Hall	Jan Meyer	Matt Weiss
Amy Shaw	Ida Frizzell	Lisa	Isabel Urban	Bonnie Wellens
Judy Fenske	Gayle			

We also pray for the leadership of St. John’s as they pursue options for our future,
 a secretary for our church, and
 for the missionaries serving God’s Kingdom thru the LCMS:

Ashley Lehr in Puerto Rico - - - Cindy Zirbel Wrucke in the Czech Republic



**Please remember our shut-ins throughout the year
 with a card, note of cheer, or prayers.**

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 Whispering Pines - #108
 Plover, WI 54467

Isabel Urban N5480 Mount Morris Road
 Wild Rose, WI 54984

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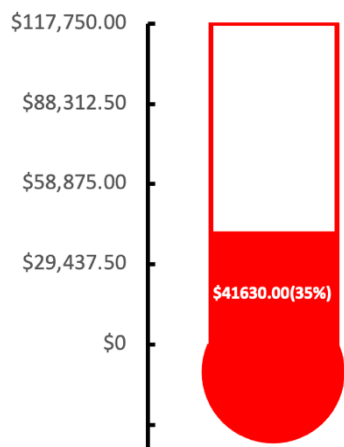
Bonnie Wellens 10599 Big Arbor Vitae Drive
 Arbor Vitae, WI 54568

Allan Erdman 9576 County Road P
 Plainfield, WI 54966

FOR PRAYER REQUESTS: If you have a request for the prayer chain team please e-mail or call Bonnie Warzynski. She may be reached at 715-966-3995 or mike-bonnie@hotmail.com.

Thank you to all who continue to support St. John’s!

**THE NEW BUDGET NUMBER FOR 2023 IS
 \$117,750.00**



- As of July 22nd, our balance is \$41630.22.
- Our givings need to average \$2,264.32 per week.
- This budget was projected to include the cost of a full-time pastor as well as operational expenses.



Putting the “Ha” in Hallelujah!

Jesus and Moses are golfing. Jesus says, “Watch this drive. It’ll be just like Tiger Woods.” He hits the ball and it lands in the lake.

Moses says, “I’ll get it.” He goes down to the lake, parts the water and retrieves the ball.

“Okay,” Jesus says, “This time, it WILL be just like Tiger Woods.” He hits the ball and again, it lands in the lake. Moses goes down, parts the lake and retrieves the ball.

“Third time is a charm,” Jesus says. “Watch, just like Tiger Woods.”

And for the third time he hits the ball into the lake.

Moses says, “This time, you can get it yourself!”

As Jesus is walking on the water looking for the ball, a crowd has formed. One guy says, “Who does he think he is, Jesus Christ?”

“No,” Moses says, “He thinks he’s Tiger Woods.”



August 2023

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

		1	2	3 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	4	5
6 Divine Communion Worship 8:30 am with Pastor Lueck Fellowship following Service	7	8	9	10 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	11	12
13 Divine Worship 8:30 am with Pastor Weden Fellowship following Service	14 Golden Needle Quilters 6:00 p.m.	15	16	17 Bible Study 9:00 a.m. Ladies Aid 7:00 p.m.	18	19
20 Divine Communion Worship 8:30 am with Pastor Weden Voter's Meeting and Fellowship following Service	21	22 Quilting 9:00 a.m.	23	24 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.	25	26
27 Divine Worship 8:30 am with Pastor Schwanke Fellowship following Service	28	29 Quilting 9:00 a.m.	30	31 Bible Study 9:00 a.m.		

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