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Dear Friends and Fellow Members of St. John's:

*As you did it to one of the least of these, my brothers and sisters, you did it to me.* The past month has given us many opportunities to see and serve Jesus by serving those in need. As we've contributed to relief for Haiti; as we've moved a family into the parsonage for temporary housing; as you've sat with someone who is grieving a loss or discouraged about not finding a job; we've had sacred opportunities to not only serve Christ, but to represent Christ to others. That's our calling. That's our privilege. That's our reason for being the church. Thanks for noticing, caring about, praying for, reaching out to those God places into our lives! -Pastor Paul

### MARCH WORSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

We have 30 days of Lent to go. Wednesday worship at 11:00 & 7:00 will cover these *Questions for the Heart*:

March 3-"What does the Lord require of you?" Micah 6

March 10-"Where can I flee from your presence? Psalm 139

March 17-"What should we do?" Acts 2--4

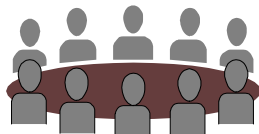
March 24-"Is there no one left to condemn you?" John 8

April 1-Maundy Thursday "Is it I, Lord?" Matthew 26

April 2-Good Friday 2:00 & 7:00 "My God, Why have you forsaken me? Psalm 22

On Sunday, March 21 the Ascension Lutheran Youth/Waukesha, will bring their performance of "The Passion" back to St. John's. Invite a friend, neighbor, or relative to attend! Visit our website for suggested Lenten readings and devotional links:

www.stjohnsjackson.net

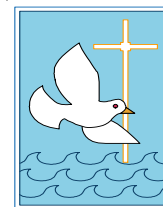


### ELCA TOWN HALL FORUM WITH BISHOP HANSON MARCH 7

At 4:00 there's an online forum with the Presiding Bishop of our church. Participants can email in questions or comments, which Bishop Mark Hanson will address. We think you'll be encouraged by his love for Christ and for the church and his ability to address a wide range of issues. Log on to [www.elca.org](http://www.elca.org) and see for yourself!

### BAPTISM: ANYONE READY TO TAKE THE PLUNGE?

The Easter Vigil (Saturday April 3, 6:00 p.m.) is a great time to celebrate baptism. Some years ago we had 7 baptisms at the vigil, from newborn to adults. If you know someone who is not baptized; someone who "hasn't gotten around to having their kids baptized", invite them to consider this. Pastor Paul will offer some age-appropriate preparation for baptism!



### SUMMER CAMP BROCHURES ARE HERE!

Great programs and great staff await all ages at Crossways. Confirmation Camp is the week of July 11-16. (*Confirmation families should get their registrations in to Wendy by March 10 in order to get a discount!*). SIXTH GRADERS are encouraged to plan on a 3-day "Faith Quest" camp to get ready as a group for confirmation classes to begin. Those dates are: August 8-11. Two of our fifth graders are attending Pine Lake the week of July 11, and others are invited to come too! Can we get several St. John's families to pick out a "family camp weekend"? Brochures are available at church or go on-line at [www.CrosswaysCamps.org](http://www.CrosswaysCamps.org)

### CLOSER TO STARTING A MOMS' GROUP!

We have 3-4 moms with little ones interested in getting together for play and fellowship on a regular basis. Would that work for you? Have you got a friend you could include? Talk with Laura Bartelt (628-2780 or [volcoordstjohns@nconnect.net](mailto:volcoordstjohns@nconnect.net)), who will convene a group shortly.



## Annual Meeting

### ANNUAL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

At our congregational meeting we elected: Ron Campopiano, Scott Novotny, Tom Spencer, and John Breest to church council; Tom Meaux and Christine Miller to our Endowment Committee; and Eileen Dieringer to our Audit Committee. We adopted a 2010 budget that has significant-and we hope temporary-budget cuts. We were updated on the "Family Promise" effort to house homeless families in Washington County, and we asked for persons interested in planning St. John's 150th anniversary celebrations (2012) to step forward.

**WOULD YOU LIKE TO KEEP RECEIVING THE LUTHERAN?** We hope you do, but we're not sending it automatically any longer as a cost-saving measure. The cost is \$8 for a yearly subscription (or if that's a hardship, we'll pay it for you). Call or email the office ASAP, if you haven't already let us know your preference.

### WHEN YOU GET RID OF YOUR HOUSE PHONE...

would you let us know your new cell #? We like to be able to stay in touch.

Any email address changes would be appreciated, too! Contact us at [officestjohns@nconnect.net](mailto:officestjohns@nconnect.net)