

# July 2019

## Pastor's Message:

Dear Friends in Christ,

I'm not a frequent flyer, but I'm on my way to my godson's wedding in Billings MT, as I write this. And I'm remembering how important flight attendants are on a plane! We used to call them *stewards/stewardesses*. Their job has always been to take care of the passengers! (And of course, now they also have to take care of more rules, laws, and safety concerns than ever!)

It makes me think about how we are called to take care of the people around us! *We're stewards and stewardesses for others*. If we are raising children or grandchildren, we know much about that! If we are also a caregiver, we know that too. If we help take care of a neighbor's lawn, or their need for a ride, that matters too! Near and far, there are people who need care if they are to survive and thrive.

Come to think of it, there's a bunch of people we're called to take care of: As a church we are to take care of the growing faith of the children entrusted to us. As a society, we have a special obligation to care for the least, the last, and the lost—since that is what Jesus taught us to do.

Individually, and together, we are helping take care of God's people! Thank you for every way you are able to do that! Let's encourage each other in doing that! And let's support those who have made it their life's work to provide care in a multitude of ways.

Here's a prayer from the hymnal that might help keep us focused:

*Merciful God, we call to mind before you all whom it is easy to forget: those who are homeless, destitute, sick, isolated, and all who have none to care for them. May we bring help and healing to those who are broken in body or spirit, that they may have comfort in sorrow, company in loneliness, and a place of safety and warmth, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

-Pastor Paul



## Upcoming Events

July 7-12 – Confirmation Camp

July 17 – Cookout/Campfire

July 19-27 – Youth at Sky Ranch

## May 2019 Year to Date

### +YTD General Fund

Receipts: \$ 86,052

Expenses: \$ 91,477

### +YTD Building Fund:

Receipts: \$ 51,321

Expenses: \$ 53,895

### +YTD ELCA Benevolence:

\$ 6,004 Goal for 2019: \$15,000

### +YTD Missionary Sponsorship:

\$ 2,806 Goal for 2019: \$6,000

*Thank you for your regular attendance and offerings!*

America! America!

God shed his grace on  
thee!

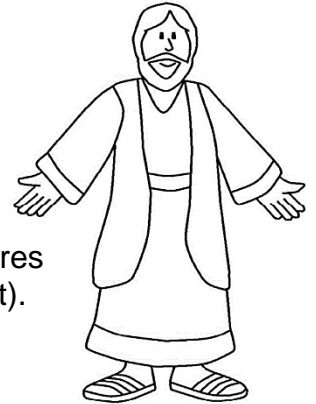


## **Confirmation Camp/Sky Ranch Youth Trip**

We have 9 students attending confirmation and youth camp at Village and Pine Lake Crossways Camps! We also have one of our grandparents going to grandparent camp with her granddaughter! In late July we have a group of youth going to Sky Ranch in Colorado! Keep our campers, Nick Abt, and Pastor in your prayers as they join other church groups! They always come back renewed and refreshed, and a bit tired!

## **Flat Jesus Travels**

We are excited to announce that Flat Jesus will be traveling with you this summer! Flat Jesus is here for you to travel with whether it is locally, at the zoo, or on a family vacation. Take a Flat Jesus from the Gathering Space, color him and then take pictures as he travels with you and email them to church office at (officestjohns@nconnect.net). We will showcase flat Jesus' travel on a bulletin board for all to see. Have fun this summer with flat Jesus and safe travels.



## **ELCA Churchwide Assembly Comes to Milwaukee! Volunteers needed!**

1,200 members and leaders from across the ELCA will gather in Milwaukee August 5-10 for our Churchwide Assembly (that takes place every 3<sup>rd</sup> year). Would you be willing to volunteer for a day or two or for the week? Here's the list of positions: Airport greeters, hotel greeters, door monitors, ushers, registration helpers, general 'runners', technology support, hospitality booth, and more! Here's the website for volunteering to serve: <http://www.cwa19.org/volunteer-positions/>.



## **Summer Cookout/Campfire**

This Summer's Cookout/Campfire will be once per month and will include a cookout, games, songs, and a campfire worship. The July Cookout/Campfire Worship is on Wednesday, July 17 at 6:00. If it's too hot for a campfire we'll get out the sprinkler. We'll provide the burgers and hot dogs, please bring a dish to pass, your lawn chair, and invite a friend!

## **Sheets needed for Quilting**

The quilting group has been hard at work sewing, knotting, and putting together quilts for Lutheran World Relief. Thank you to everyone who's been sewing squares to keep the group busy! We are in need of more new or gently used sheets, any size. Please set them on the counter near the old kitchen or leave them in the office and we'll make sure they get them.

## **Family Fun Night – August 1<sup>st</sup>**

Mark your calendars! Thursday, August 1<sup>st</sup> we'll have a fun night at church starting with a cookout at 6:00 followed by games and an outdoor movie! We'll supply the meat, please bring a dish to pass, your lawn chair or blanket and invite a friend! We'll move inside if it rains.

**FAM·i·LY**  
*fun night*

## **Veterans**

We are forming a Veterans Group at St. John's. For those interested we will meet (coffee & doughnuts) on Tuesday, July 9<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am at St. John's. Feel free to bring a Veteran friend along as well. If you have any questions, E-mail Roy Glocke at [royglocke@aol.com](mailto:royglocke@aol.com). Looking forward to seeing everyone!

## **Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride – Sept. 7, 2019 – Ride for a Cause!**

Start recruiting your teammates and get ready for the 2019 Outreach for Hope Family Bike Ride. Registration opens at [ofhbikeride.com](http://ofhbikeride.com) on June 21. Choose from three ride locations: Waukesha, Ozaukee, or Racine/Kenosha County. Visit the website for more information.

How will you participate this year?



- Family riders – enjoy an out and back of your own distance on a trail
- Avid bicyclist – various trail and road rides available.
- Virtual riders – make it fun as you raise awareness and funds to support OFH-funded ministries
- Volunteer for event day – visit [ofhbikeride.com](http://ofhbikeride.com) for details and to register
- Visit the website to learn about ways to raise funds and have them multiply!
- Ride day includes T-Shirt, light breakfast and picnic lunch
- Your donation uplifts lives – support a team or rider [ofhbikeride.com](http://ofhbikeride.com)

Visit the website often for updates and registration information: [ofhbikeride.com](http://ofhbikeride.com)

## **Church Picnic**

Mark your calendar for our church picnic on Sunday, September 15<sup>th</sup>. We'll kick off fall with a morning of food, fun and fellowship. Watch for more information coming soon! If you are interested in helping to plan this event contact Wendy Wolf in the church office at 262-677-3176 or [officestjohns@nconnect.net](mailto:officestjohns@nconnect.net).

## **God's Work, Our Hands**

Save the date! Saturday, September 21 is the day to get involved in this year's God's Work, Our Hands day of service. "God's work. Our hands." Is an opportunity to celebrate who we are as the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA) – one church, freed in Christ to serve and love our neighbor. "God's work. Our hands." day of service provides us a chance to serve our neighbors in new ways and with new partners. It also provides an opportunity to gain new insights, to be renewed in faith and to gain fresh strength for serving in all our daily callings.

**What can you do now?** We are collecting food for the "All People's Church" food pantry. Here is a list of items you can start bringing now. Canned vegetables, tuna, chunky soup, canned ravioli, hamburger/tuna helper, oatmeal, cereal, pancake mix, box potatoes, mac & cheese, rice, spaghetti, ramen noodles, cream of mushroom soup, canned fruit.

**Lutheran World Relief Health Kits:** Bath Towels, Sturdy Combs, Nail Clippers, Bar Soap

**Elevate Inc. of Washington County (based out of Jackson)**

Are in need of personal daily care items, in brand new condition, such as toothbrushes, tooth paste, shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, soap, combs, brushes.

We'll deliver all these items in September. Anything you can donate will help!

## Called to Serve

### **Readers**

#### **(8:00 Service)**

7/7 Eileen Mack  
7/14 Jackie Gauger  
7/21 Joel Heidtke  
7/28 Dee Johnson

#### **(9:45 Service)**

7/7 Susan Heidtke  
7/14 Reuben Heidtke  
7/21 Sam Eisenhauer  
7/28 Sharon Boldt

### **Ushers**

#### **(8:00 Service)**

7/7 Dianne & George Liberatore  
  
7/14 Irv & Ben Brandt

7/21 Joel Heidtke, Kevin Gierach  
7/28 Kevin & Mary Bukovic

#### **(9:45 Service)**

7/7 Keith Heidtke  
Don Meyerpeter  
7/14 Reuben Heidtke  
Judy Henrichs  
7/21 Dick Uhlig, Gary Zirtzloff  
7/28 Rich & Cindy Uhlig

### **Communion Assistants**

#### **(8:00 Service)**

7/7 Sandy Lippold, Eileen Mack  
7/14 Jenny Brandt, Joel Wolf  
7/21 Darleen Wanta, Amy Reid  
7/28 Staci & Cassidy Bohling

#### **(9:45 Service)**

7/7 Duane Plath, Peter Uhlig  
7/14 Rick & Tracey Corlett  
7/21 Gary & Kathy Zirtzloff  
7/28 Lindsey Stern  
Judy Henrichs

### **Greeters**

#### **(8:00 Service)**

7/7 Joel & Wendy Wolf  
7/14 Roger & Donna Lamberg  
7/21 Lisa & Ty Brennan  
7/28 Pam & Paul Stahl

#### **(9:45 Service)**

7/7 Joel & Wendy Wolf  
7/14 Roger & Donna Lamberg  
7/21 Gale Loehrl, Linda Susnik  
7/28 Pam & Paul Stahl



## July Anniversaries!

July 7 Ken & Janet Hansen – 63 years  
Jason & Jamie Stoecker – 12 years  
July 9 Skip & Laura Bartelt – 36 years  
July 12 Gary & Sue Kielisch – 44 years  
Paul & Beth Mittermaier – 39 years  
Bryan & Laura Scheunemann – 32 years  
July 22 Jack & Lindsey Stern – 2 years  
July 24 Butch & Sue Callum – 54 years  
July 30 Scott & Mary Novotny – 25 years  
July 31 Ken & Carol Jacobs – 48 years

## July Birthdays!

July 4 Amy Meyers  
Aaron Abel  
July 7 Connor Stoecker  
July 8 Chuck Heer  
Dave Gardipee  
Susan Hollister  
July 10 Randy Hellesen  
Ty Brennan  
Kiarta Siegert  
July 11 Rick Corlett  
Jessica Artz  
July 12 Lisa Drost  
Janelle Lisko  
Kristy Young  
Samantha Pietenpol  
July 13 Ella Pickart  
Owen Pickart  
July 14 Sam Eisenhauer  
July 15 Gary Zirtzloff  
Mary Glocke  
Pete Kutzora  
Staci Benz  
July 16 Brett Abel  
July 18 Ashley Liebner  
July 19 Betsy Lauterbach  
Hanna Bertucci  
Monica Bertucci  
July 20 Robert Hertzfeld  
Warren Dhein  
Karla Mozdzen  
Olivia Micksch  
July 21 Sharon Adametz  
July 22 Bob Bernau  
Clint Corwin  
Mike Starzman  
July 23 Dennis Liebl  
Nadea Oestreich  
July 24 Samantha Kreis  
July 25 Laurie Matthews  
Jamie Hamlin  
Leah Wagner  
Karlie Binversie  
July 27 Jaxton Goodman  
July 28 Sue Schroeder  
Heather Anders  
Nicole Seatz  
Isabella Weninger  
July 29 Dennis Leist  
Jamie Stoecker  
July 30 Barb Miller  
Lona Skyles  
July 31 Heidi Kressin  
Tracy Weninger

If we missed your special day please let us know.

St. John's Lutheran Church  
2881 Division Rd.  
Jackson, WI 53037



At St. John's we're privileged and challenged to *Welcome, Worship, and Witness* in Christ's name. Thank you for being part of this faith community and for the serving you do to the glory of God!

Visit us at [www.stjohnsjackson.net](http://www.stjohnsjackson.net)  
Like us on Facebook [www.facebook.com/stjohnsjackson](http://www.facebook.com/stjohnsjackson)  
Pastor Paul Mittermaier  
262-677-3176

Office hours: M-F 9:00am-1:00pm  
Worship Services: Saturday 5:00pm, Sunday 8:00 am & 9:45 am  
Sunday School 9:00 am  
Holy Communion is celebrated every weekend.

