
❖ St. John Newsletter ❖

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BOWLING AFTER- NOON



We take to the alleys on August 8 at 2pm. Included in the cost of \$10 is a pair of shoes, pizza, pop, 10 pins, 1 alley (with or without bumpers), and your choice of bowling ball. (Sorry no partridge in a pear tree!) Such a cool deal to avoid the August heat enjoying the indoor comfort of Brunswick Zone Lanes on Lake Street. (Just take Rodenburg to Lake and turn right....easy peezy, lemon squeezey). Sign up sheet on the narthex bulletin board still has room, and last minute kegglers are welcome. Make your mark, then rack 'em up, hit your mark, and watch 'em fall. Hope to see you there.

THRIVENT CHOICE PROGRAM

Thrivent Financial members should be receiving a notice in the mail inviting them to participate in a new program that will benefit our congregation and preschool. The letter will ask every Thrivent member to designate your allotted "Choice Dollars" to an enrolled participating organization, of which St. John Ev. Lutheran Church and St. John Ev. Lutheran Preschool are 2 registered options. (Other organizations can be found in the online catalogue at www.thrivent.com)

Once chosen, your "choice dollars" will be received by electronic deposit to the church or preschool within 30 days. Please look for this correspondence in the mail. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this new pro-

gram, please contact Thrivent at 800-847-4836; send an email to mail@thrivent.com , or call the church office. This is the first time Thrivent is running this program so there may be a few glitches along the way.

BOARD OF ED MEMBER NEEDED

As Mrs. Hinz has assumed the work of Preschool Teacher, a replacement is needed on the Bd. of Ed. Meetings of this important group are usually the last Monday evenings of the month at 7 pm. They are constitutionally responsible for the work of teaching God's Word through programs such as preschool, Sunday School, VBS, and confirmation. The appointment would be from September 2010 to December 2011. If you would like more info and/or to volunteer for this responsibility please contact Lisa Bobby or Pastor as soon as possible.



PRESCHOOL OPEN HOUSE

August 12th, 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm will be the first opportunity for our new class of preschoolers and parents to gather in anticipation of the 2010-2011 school year. Mrs. Dawn Hinz, Pastor and Mrs. Lynn Bobby hope this get-together will let the children become comfortable with their classroom surroundings and one another, while parents chat and greet one another. This will also be an informal opportunity to answer any questions or concerns parents have about the new school year. There are still 3 spaces available for new enrollees, so if you know of any families in the neighborhood looking for a preschool program

this Fall, why not invite them to check at our program.

PRESCHOOL SUPPLY WISH LIST

Mrs. Hinz has a lot of great ideas for developmentally appropriate projects the children will do, challenging their creativity, imagination and fine motor skills. If you have the ability, please consider the following list of supplies while shopping in the coming weeks. Your help will increase the effectiveness of our curriculum and decrease the overall cost of consumables to the preschool budget and parents expenses.

Suggested items include magnetic tape rolls (self-adhesive on one side, magnetic on the other); Sharpie markers (fine tip please); glitter glue (any colors); white cardstock; boy dress up clothes; small paper cups (3-5 oz); small paper plates (cheap ones for craft projects); a ream of white copy paper; self adhesive Velcro strips or dots and sticky tack.

Also, if you happen to have the following books being unused on the shelf at home, or run across them in a garage sale, they would be a blessing to our library. "Froggy" books (subject); "Harry the Dirty Dog" books (subject); any books by the following authors Eric Carle, Mo Willems; David Shannon, Leo Lionni, and Tomie de Paola. Please deposit these in the collection box in the narthex the next time you worship. Thank you for your help.



PRESCHOOL FIRST DAY

Please keep our Preschool Staff and families in your prayers as we begin a new year together. Every child is God's gift to His creation with divinely fashioned talents, traits and characteristics.

They are blessed with their own unique circles of family and friends, enjoying their own distinctive blend of cultural traditions and ethnic heritages.

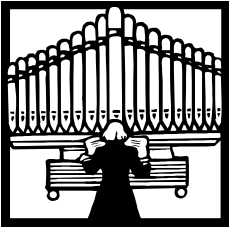
Every year our Preschool welcomes the opportunity to help children and families grow and develop in physical, emotional, intellectual and spiritual ways that provides a solid foundation for a lifetime of worldly learning, earthly serving and spiritually trusting in their heavenly Father. It's a huge task. It's a lot of work. It is fantastically fun. Ask the Almighty for His favorable grace and mercy that our preschool will be a lifelong influence and eternal benefit to all. Thank you

RALLY DAY

Rally Day is Sept. 12th. At the 10:30 am worship service, Sunday School Students will be publicly recognized for attendance faithfulness and 1st year Confirmands will officially profess their intent to undertake the two year confirmation process. This year, Mr. Reichel asks all students and families to attend and celebrate the day by wearing their attendance pins with all their accumulated bars, circles and wreaths.

CONFIRMATION START UP

Parents of all 7th and 8th grade confirmands can plan on Tuesday Sept. 14th at 6:30 pm being the first day of Confirmation Classes. The beginning week is set by the curriculum schedule leading up to Palm Sunday Confirmation Day April 17, 2011. Hopefully Tuesday evening meetings will avoid any extra-curricular activities during the coming 2010-2011 school year. If there are any potential irreconcilable conflicts, please don't wait until September, but contact Pastor immediately with concerns.



ORGAN DEDICATION

Yes, we have already been enjoying our combination pipe/digital organ during worship for many months. But it's time to celebrate the long hours of hard work and sacrifice it took with a special service. On Sunday September 26th at 3 pm Organ Scholar Mr. Zachary Rygiel will offer classic pieces by Bach and Widor, as well as other composers. Congregational hymns and our own St John Adult Choir will fill out the afternoon.

We will invite the whole community to come and offer up thanks to God for this wonderful gift that will provide wonderful music as we worship Him whose grace and mercy is revealed in Jesus Christ crucified and raised. Please reserve the date now, so you can attend this rare, shall we say, once in a lifetime occasion.

TRACTS AVAILABLE

The tract rack has a wonderful assortment of readable topics that are informative to the faith, helpful to the heart and just good things to know about. You are invited to pick one up and take it home, or share it with a friend. Please use these resources as needed. If you are interested in a particular subject that isn't on the rack please ask. Thank you.

THANKS FOR BAILING US OUT!

Thank you to John, Nels, Barb, Bill, Karen and Kathy for drying out the gym, kitchen and youth group rooms after the Lord granted us 5 inches of rain in the overnight downpour last week. While we surely needed the precipitation, we just as surely didn't need so much of it at

once. But we give thanks that the Lord gave us one more opportunity to share our time and talents together. By our mutual sufferings in the kingdom of God's grace at St. John we can rejoice with un-dampened spirits that once again, the only place water flows is in the bathrooms, kitchen, sump pumps and Baptismal Font.

SERVING GOD'S PEOPLE IN WORSHIP IN AUGUST

ELDERS:

8:00 a.m.— Al Bobby
10:30 a.m.— Andy Dailey

USHERS:

8:00 a.m.— Al Bobby
Mel Wille
Rheine Grischow
10:30 a.m.— Nels Anker
Matt Stearns

ACOLYTES:

8/1— 8:00 a.m.— Tim Piepenbrink
10:30 a.m.— Kyle Bruns
8/8— 8:00 a.m.— Andrew Hardt
10:30 a.m.—Angela Reitz
8/15—8:00 a.m.— Kimberly Lasocki
10:30 a.m.—Annalies Bugajny
8/22—8:00 a.m.—Cheyenne Pfeiffer
10:30 a.m.— Eric Sutherland
8/29—8:00 a.m.—Danielle Reptowski
10:30 a.m.—Sarah Barts

ALTAR GUILD:

Betty Northcutt
Janice Martin

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