

Mission Messenger!

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LENT 2025 The Hardest Part



4 Wed. March 5th

Ash Wednesday Worship 7:00pm With Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes

† Wed. March 12th

5:45pm Soup Supper Provided by Church Council and volunteers 7:00pm Worship *Holden Evening Prayer – The Beautiful & The Terrible*



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† Wed. March 19th

5:45pm Soup Supper Provided by Confirmation families 7:00pm Worship *Holden Evening Prayer –Lament*



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4 Wed. March 26th

5:45pm Soup Supper

Provided by Book Club/Christ Care/Mission Sewing/Men in Mission 7:00pm Worship *Holden Evening Prayer—Imagination*





See you Sunday, March 9th for Praise Band Sunday 8 & 10am



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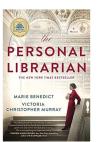
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Hospitality & Celebration



St. John's Book Club will meet on Thursday, March 20th at 1:00 PM. We will meet in the Luther Room. We will be discussing The Personal Librarian by Marie Benedict. In her twenties, Belle da Costa Greene is hired by J. P. Morgan to curate a collection of rare

manuscripts, books and artwork for his newly built Pierpont Morgan Library. Belle becomes one of the most powerful people in the art and book world as she helps create a world-class collection. But Belle has a secret, one she must protect at all costs. If you were unable to attend the February meeting, extra copies of the book may be available at church. Contact Donna Hjorth (336-5990) or Jan Vanden Heuvel (639-6987) for more information. Everyone is welcome!





On February 10, the youth packed care packages to send to 15 St. John college students. We ate pizza, chatted, and stuffed the packages with snacks, personal care items, and other fun treats

donated by the congregation.





Dear St. John's Youth what are awasome care pockage you all sent me. Thank you so much for the support, It really means a lot! I am looking soward to the late-night snacks and treats.

Thank you and God bless, Zocomm ()

St. John Lutheran Church youth,

Thank you so so so much for the care package! It definitely brightened my week finding it in the mail room. These treats will be perfect going into midterms these next two weeks! STO Emma

St. John youm,

Thank you simuch for the care package! It was a sweet surprise in the mail! Along with eating the snacks myklf, I also privignt them in the my 3rd grade class & it will be used for kids who don't have snack! Thank you! Lauren Nordwig

Worship



WORSHIP AT HOME



<u>CALL TO WORSHIP</u> † *Make the sign of the cross*. Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name. Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS OF SINS

Compassionate One, you are slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love, but our lives do not always reflect you and your love for the world. We do not show others the tender compassion you have shown to us. We do not welcome others with the radical hospitality you grant to all people. We oppress others, even though you have set us free again and again. We squander the abundant gifts of the earth. Transform our lives and guide us again in the way of the cross. Amen.

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE PSALM 63:1-8

- ¹ O God, you are my God; eagerly seek you; my soul thirsts for you, my flesh faints for you, as in a dry and weary land where there is no water.
- ² Therefore I have gazed upon you in your holy place, that I might behold your power and your glory.
- ³ For your steadfast love is better than life itself; my lips shall give you praise.
- ⁴ So will I bless you as long as I live and lift up my hands in your name.
- ⁵ My spirit is content, as with the richest of foods, and my mouth praises you with joyful lips,
- ⁶ when I remember you upon my bed, and meditate on you in the night watches.
- ⁷ For you have been my helper, and under the shadow of your wings I will rejoice.
- ⁸ My whole being clings to you; your right hand holds me fast.

Read the appointed lesson for the day. Take time to reflect and discuss its message or journal your reflections.

Let the Holy Spirit guide you.

†MARCH 2ND TRANSFIGURATION OF OUR LORD

†MARCH 9TH 1ST SUNDAY IN LENT

Luke 9:26-36, 37-43a

The conversation about Jesus' suffering and death is enclosed in a dazzling foreshadowing of the resurrection. God affirms Jesus' identity, the disciples are stunned speechless, and Jesus resumes his mission with a demonstration of his power over evil.

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, mighty and immortal, you are beyond our knowing, yet we see your glory in the face of Jesus Christ. Transform us into the likeness of your Son, who renewed our humanity so that we may share in his divinity, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Luke 4:1-13

After being filled with the Holy Spirit at his baptism, Jesus is led in the wilderness. Through his responses to the temptations of the devil, he defines what it means to be called "the Son of God."

Prayer of the Day

O Lord God, you led your people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide us now, so that, following your Son, we may walk safely through the wilderness of this world toward the life you alone can give, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Worship

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE CONTINUED

†MARCH 16TH **2ND SUNDAY IN LENT**

Luke 13:31-35

Neither Herod's plotting nor Jerusalem's resistance to maternal love will deter Jesus from his sacrificial mission.

Prayer of the Day

God of the covenant, in the mystery of the cross you promise everlasting life to the world. Gather all peoples into your arms, and shelter us with your mercy, that we may rejoice in the life we share in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

†MARCH 23RD **3RD SUNDAY IN LENT**

Luke 13:1-9

Asked about current tragic events, Jesus turns a lesson about whether suffering is deserved into a hard call to obedience. He then tells a parable that holds out hope that the timeline for ultimate judgment will be tempered by patience.

Prayer of the Day

Eternal God, your kingdom has broken into our troubled world through the life, death, and resurrection of your Son. Help us to hear your word and obey it, and bring grace, and feed us at the table of your saving love to fruition in our lives, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

†MARCH 30TH **4TH SUNDAY IN LENT**

Luke 13:1-3, 11b-32

Jesus tells a parable about a son who ponders his father's love only after he has spurned it. The grace he receives is beyond his hopes. That same grace is a crisis for an older brother who believes it is his obedience that has earned his place in the father's home.

Prayer of the Day

God of compassion, you welcome the wayward, and you embrace us all with your mercy. By our baptism clothe us with garments of your your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

PRAYERS

Pray for the church, the world, your prayer list, the people in the church directory and anything else that the Holy Spirit places on your heart.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERING

God calls us to give generously of our hearts and gifts. How will you live and give today? Visit www.stjohndepere.org to give online.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever, and ever. Amen.

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Worship

Please join us for LENT Soup suppers at 5:45pm, Worship at 7:00pm Sign up using the appropriate QR Code below.



4 Wed. Mar. 12th Provided by Church Council & Volunteers

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Wed. Mar. 19th Provided by Confirmation families

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Wed. Mar. 26th Provided by Book Club/Christ Care/Mission Sewing/Men in Mission

Wed. April 2nd Provided by Sunday School families

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Wed. April 9th Provided by VOLUNTEERS

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YOUTH-full Joyful Noises

Upcoming Children's & Youth Choir Schedule:

Youth & Children's Choirs Rehearsals:

Mar. 2 - 8am - Youth Choir sings at the 8am service

Mar. 2 - 9:30 Children's Choir

Mar. 9 - 8:45 Youth Choir

Mar. 9 - 9:30 Children's Choir

Mar. 16 - 8:45 Youth Choir

Mar. 16 - 9:30 Children's Choir PLUS CC sings at 10am service

Mar. 23 - 8:45 Youth Choir

Mar. 23 - 9:30 Children's Choir

Mar. 30 - 8:45 Youth Choir

Mar. 30 - 9:30 Children's Choir

Reminder:

Both choirs gather in the Sanctuary. Youth Choir is open to students 2nd grade & older, and Children's Choir includes all Sunday School students. If questions, call or text Jill Quigley at 920-360-5772.



St. John Adult Choir

rehearses on the first 3 Sundays of the month at 9:00am in the choir room. Please contact Cassie Tingo at cassandra.tingo@gmail.com if you have any questions.



Confirmation Class Schedule for Spring 2025

All 5th-8th grade students:

- ⊕ On March 5th 7:00 pm Attend Ash Wednesday worship with your family.
- ⊕ During Lent attend the Soup Supper at 5:45pm followed by Worship at 7:00pm with your family.
- ⊕ Confirmation families will be providing and serving soup on

Wed. March 19th. Use this QR code to sign up!

8th grade Confirmation Information

Spring Classes for 8th Grade - In preparation for affirming your faith, (Confirmation Day) 8th grade students will meet the following dates and times:

Sunday, March 16th 5-7:30pm Class (dinner will be provided)

Sunday, April 6th 6:30-7:30 Class

In addition to meeting together, there will be work for you to do outside of class.

One to One conversations with Pastor will take place the 2 weeks before Confirmation day. I will have a sign up sheet at our first gathering for you to choose your time.

Wed. April 30th 6:30pm rehearsal

Sun. May 4th 10:00am Confirmation service.



How are you doing on completing
Sermon notes? Remember the
expectation is that you complete
2 per month through May. Be sure
and email, or bring them with you
to put in Pastor's mailbox.



<u>3yr old - 4th grade Sunday School</u> <u>February Lessons</u>

9:00am in classrooms 9:45am pick up your child in the sanctuary



Mar. 2nd Transfiguration Luke 9:28-36

Youth Choir sings at 8am service



Mar. 9th
Tempted
Luke 4:1-13



Mar. 16th
God's Promise to Abraham
Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18
Children's Choir sings at 10am service



Mar. 23rdParable of the Fig Tree
Luke 13:1-9



Mar. 30th The Prodigal Son Luke 15:1-3, 11-32

Faith Formation



Over 100 youth and adults met at Imago Dei Village for our synod youth gathering, "Journey with Jesus: Inescapable Love." Through workshops, talks, games and activities these young people built relationships, formed faith, played, created, and served. Thanks be to God for these beloved people and those who accompany them!



















~BIBLE STUDY GROUPS~

CHRIST CARE Christ Care meets the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month 10:00am. Questions? Please call Carlyn at 929-983-0327

Men in

The next meeting of the Men in Mission Bible Study will take place on Wed., March 19th. We Wilssion will begin with breakfast at Nicolet Restaurant at 8:30 am. After that we'll be off to church for

Bible study with Pastor Cindy.

Scriptures: Isaiah 55:1-9, Psalm 63:1-8, Luke 13:1-9

If you have any questions call Jim Johanek @ 920-323-0833.



March Sunday 9:00am Adult Education Opportunity

Grab your coffee and treats, bring your bible as we gather in the Luther room to take a closer look at scripture and deepen our Lenten journey! Judy Koeune-Brown has volunteered to lead on March. 9th , 16th and 23rd.

On March 30th join us for a time of meeting and welcoming those new to St. John.

Faith Formation



SAVE THE DATE! New Member information session Sun. March 30th 9:00am Let Pastor Cindy know if you'll be attending!



Middle school youth! You are invited for a game & movie night Sunday, March 9th from 5-7pm. RSVP to Tammy at youth@stjohndepere.org





Palm Sunday Breakfast

Calling all 8th-12th Grade Youth! Sign up to volunteer on Saturday, April 11th or Sunday, April 12th for the Palm Sunday Breakfast using the QR code here. Parents and friends are welcome as well! Sarah will be signing volunteer forms. Volunteer for one or more time slots as you are able! RSVP using these QR Codes:

Donate Food





Setup Saturday or serve Sunday



Hey Dungeons & Dragons Lovers! Join us Sunday, March 9th at 11am for our next campaign! Next month's campaign is on April 6th.

Mission & Service





This Lent season help us take ordinary items like towels, soap, toothbrushes, combs and nail clippers — and turn them into extraordinary gifts of God's love.



Please bring supplies now through Palm Sunday, April 13th.





St. John congregation, thank you for all of your donations to the Teen Leadership Homeless Shelter Hygiene Drive. Because of all of you, we were able to combine the church collection with other collections, ultimately collecting hundreds of hygiene products that will impact so many lives of people in need. Thank you so much for contributing to this great cause! -Cassidy Baciak



De Pere Christian This month's focus for the FOOD PANTRY DPCO Food Pantry is Spaghetti

The Food Pantry could still use more PAPER **BAGS.** Thanks to the generosity and support of the community, the food pantry was able to feed 393 households in January which includes 656 adults and 462 children averaging 90 families a week!! This is incredible and we appreciate all the help!

community

CELEBRATION AND OUTREACH

NEW COMMUNITY SHELTER
301 MATHER ST., GREEN BAY

Volunteers from St. John serve and/
or provide deserts for the evening meal on the <u>first Saturday of each month from 4:30 - 6:00pm</u>.

Thank you to the Lokken family who served and to Donna Hjorth, Jennifer Hansen, Amy Ray, Julie Lokken, & Gail Ryan who provided the deserts on February 1st. Please check the ministry board at church for a time that works for you to volunteer or sign up using the QR code. Not

able to help serve? You can donate desserts for the meal. If you have any questions, please contact Carole Basak at 920-339-6246.



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WE PRAY:

Susan Armstrong, John Grom, Shannon Johnson, Carole Tobisch, Jim Marquardt, James Sucha, and Debbie Meunier.





If you, a loved one, or a friend would like to have prayers, please call Karen Cota at 920-632-2015 or e-mail Carlyn Cooper at clpdkcm@twc.com. We will get your requests out to our faithful prayer warriors.

Mission Sewing

Hi from Mission sewing, If anyone is interested in seeing what we do are would like to join the sewing group, we meet every Thursday from 9am until



noon. If you can't be there the whole time, just come for as long as time permits or If you cannot make it, you could take a bag of squares home to sew and bring the finished top back to church and put it in the sewing room. We have treats and a lot of laughs, so we hope to see you there!

Judy Beerntsen



Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family of Jim Johnson who died February 17, 2025.



SUPPORT SLEEP IN HEAVENLY PEACE

It's time again to build more beds!

When: Saturday May 17, 2025 8am- noon Use this QR Code to sign up!

We are also hoping to raise \$4500 to finance the build. Checks can be put in the offering with a note for "Sleep in Heavenly Peace" or "Bed Build"





St. John Lutheran Church Council Meeting January 21, 2025 7:00pm

1. Attendance:

Present: Pastor Cindy, Sean Day, Tom Baciak, Mike McMullen, Jen Holtebeck, Kim

Ronsman, and Ryan Usiak

Absent: Susan Van Asten, Katie Schneekloth, and Lin Reichstadter

- 2. Call to Order: Sean called the meeting to order at 7:02 pm.
- 3. Scripture study, discussion, and prayer: Scripture selection from Luke 4:14-21 read by Ryan. Following discussion, Mike led the prayer of the day.
- 4. Approval of Agenda: Sean asked for a motion to approve tonight's Agenda or for any changes. The motion was made by Kim; second by Ryan. Motion carried.
- 5. Approval of Consent Agenda: Sean asked for a motion to approve tonight's Consent Agenda or for any changes. The motion was made by Ryan; second by Kim. Motion carried.

Discussion Agenda

New Business

Old Business

- 6. RIC Update. Sean thanked everyone for filling out the RIC survey. This will give the committee background information and help determine the direction of congregation education. Leslie Ann-Novitski has agreed to form a committee to continue the work. The committee will meet monthly. An important part of the work is keeping the congregation informed.
- 7. Land Use Update. The UW-Extension has informed Ryan that there is no longer a need for St. John to host a community garden. After discussion, it was decided that during the congregational meeting Sean will ask if there is someone interested in leading a congregational/pollinator garden ministry.
- 8. Out-going council. Sean thanked Ryan, Jen, and Lin for their service to the council.

Ministry/Committee Reports

(For a complete copy of the minutes, please contact the office)

Adjournment: Since no further business was evident, Sean asked for a motion of adjournment. The motion was made by Kim; second by Tom. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 7:55pm concluding with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Council Meeting: February 18, 2025 7:00pm

Minutes submitted by: Jen Holtebeck, Council Secretary

Mission & Service

St. John Lutheran Treasurer's Report Statement of Cash Flow January 31, 2025

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	Nicolet Bank Savings Balance 1/31/25				\$ 22,341.37				
	PCM Savings			9	27.41				
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FOR YOUR CONTINUED
FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO
THE MINISTRY
OF ST. JOHN

8am - Worship 9am - New Member 9am - Sunday School 10am - Worship	8am - Worship 9am - Adult Education 9am - Sunday School 10am - Worship	8am - Worship 9am - Adult Choir 9am - Adult Education 9am - Sunday School 10am - Worship 5pm - 8th Grade Conf.	8am - Worship 9am - Adult Choir 9am - Adult Education 9am - Sunday School 10am - Worship 11am - D & D Campaign 5pm - MS Game Night	8am - Worship 9am - Adult Choir 9am - Fellowship 9am - Sunday School 10am - Worship	8
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3	9am - Mission Sewing	20 9am - Mission Sewing 1pm - Book Club	9am - Finance Mtg 9am - Mission Sewing	9am - Mission Sewing	Thu 27
4	28	5:30pm - Wedding Rehearsal	14		Fri 28
5	29	1pm - Hartwig/Thyssen Wedding	9am - HS Baking Event	8	Sat 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1

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WORSHIP TIMES
Sunday's 8:00 & 10:00am
Join us Online Anytime

Office Hours

8:00am – 3:00pm
Mon - Thurs
Hours may vary.
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