

Mission Messenger!

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2020 CHURCH COUNCIL

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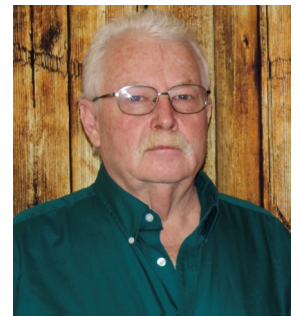
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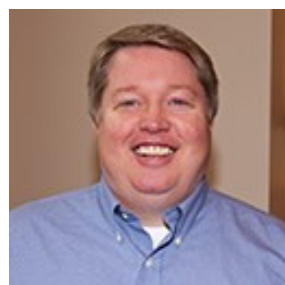
Mike McMullen
Treasurer



Gail Ryan



**The Season of
Lent
begins with
Ash Wednesday on
FEBRUARY 26TH**
Please plan to join us
for worship at 7pm.



Andrew Tobisch



Dave VanVonderen



Hospitality & Celebration



LEAVE A PUZZLE- TAKE A PUZZLE

With the cold days and long nights of winter upon us it's the perfect time for puzzles. Have a puzzle you're done with? Leave it on the shelves in the Lounge. Looking for a puzzle for you or your family to do together? Take home a puzzle from the shelves.



THRIVENT CHOICE DOLLARS

The Thrivent Choice Program allows Thrivent Financial members to choose where Thrivent distributes its charitable outreach grant dollars. In 2019, St. John received \$1,418.00 from Thrivent member's Choice Dollars! Thank you to all who have listed St. John as a recipient! Remember to contact Thrivent to indicate where you would like your Choice Dollars to go. For questions, more information, or to start designating Choice Dollars, please contact Thrivent directly 1-800-THRIVENT.



REVERSE ADVENT PROJECT



Thank you to everyone who participated in this project. We collected over 94 bags of groceries to help stock the DPCO Food Pantry!!

Have a child away at college?

We would like to let them know their church is still thinking of them. To do this, we need you to share their address! Please send an email to Pastor Cindy pastorcindy@stjohndepere.org with your child's name and address at school or write the information down and turn it into the office. Thank you for helping us stay connected!

GROUP MISSION WORKCAMP (REFRAME TITLETOWN) JUNE 14-20, 2020 OFFERS FREE HOME REPAIR TO DISABLED, ELDERLY OR LOW/MODERATE INCOME HOMEOWNERS WHO QUALIFY.

Reframe Titledtown activates Christian teens to reach out and help disabled, elderly, and low income homeowners who need basic repairs and maintenance done to their homes. These repairs can include: interior/exterior painting, weatherization, porch and wheelchair ramp construction, etc. and at no cost to the homeowner.

Youth on this mission trip strengthen and transform their faith through team building, serving others, devotions, and group worship. The teens are not the only ones transformed – most of the homeowners would attest to the fact that they benefited not only by the home repairs but also by the volunteers who truly gave of themselves and showed compassion for the homeowners. 2020 Reframe Titledtown sponsors are: Group Mission Trips, NeighborWorks Green Bay, Resurrection Lutheran Church and Trinity Lutheran Church. Co-sponsors are: The Greater Green Bay Community Foundation, Howard-Suamico School District, Kimps ACE Hardware and Menards in Howard.

If you are a disabled, elderly, or low income homeowner and would like to apply for basic home repairs at no charge to you, please contact Cindy at trinity@netnet.net or 920.437.8124 for an application. Applications are being accepted through March 2020.

Worship

| SERVANT SCHEDULE | | | | | | February 2020 |
|------------------|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|---------------------|--|------------------|
| SUNDAY | GREETERS | USHERS | ACOLYTES | READER | COMM. ASST. | COFFEE |
| 02/02 8:00am | Schneekloth Family | Robb & Linda Tollefson 3 More Needed | Marissa V. | Bill Lake | Sally Campshure Carolyn VanVonderer Jaelene Wentland | Needed |
| 02/02 10:30am | 2 Needed | Bob Kruchten Mike Meyer 3 More Needed | Paige L. | Jacob Lewis | Mike Meyer Gerri Stempa 1 More Needed | |
| 02/09 8:00am | Geoff & Kristen Tlachac | Robb DeGreef Ralph & Janet Klipstine 2 More Needed | 1 Needed | Praise Band | Sally Campshure Steve & Sharon Wilmet | Holtebeck Family |
| 02/09 10:30am | Judy Beerntsen Cheryl McBride | Jim Kneiszel Bob Kruchten 3 More Needed | Cameron R. | Praise Band | Jen Holtebeck 2 More Needed | |
| 02/16 8:00am | Jim & Helen Labs | Kaitlynn Labs Robb & Linda Tollefson 2 More Needed | Connor G. | Jim Johaneck | Jim & Helen Labs Cindy Nordwig | Labs Family |
| 02/16 10:30am | 2 Needed | Bob Kruchten 4 More Needed | Ben W. | Leah Muellenbach | Lynsey Muellenbach Gerri Stempa 1 More Needed | |
| 02/23 8:00am | Dave & Lois McAllister | Ryan Usiak 4 More Needed | 2 Needed | Cassidy Baciak | Tom, Camryn & Meredith Baciak | Needed |
| 02/23 10:30am | 2 Needed | Bob Kruchten 4 More Needed | Kalli V. 1 More Needed | Sam LaMarche | 3 Needed | |
| 03/01 8:00am | Baciak Family | Robb & Linda Tollefson | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | 3 Needed | Needed |
| 03/01 10:30am | Geoff & Kristen Tlachac | Bob Kruchten 4 More Needed | Trista S. | Bob VanEnkenvoort | 3 Needed | |
| THURSDAY | GREETERS | USHERS | ACOLYTE | READER | COMM. ASST. | ALTAR CARE |
| 02/06 6:30pm | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | Lexi H. | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | Kristin Bouchard |
| 02/13 6:30pm | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | Kristin Bouchard |
| 02/20 6:30pm | 1 Needed | 1 Needed | David C. | 1 Needed | Carolyn VanVonderer | Kristin Bouchard |
| WEDNESDAY | GREETERS | USHERS | ACOLYTE | READER | COMM. ASST. | ALTAR CARE |
| 02/26 7:00pm | 1 Needed | Jim Kneiszel 3 More Needed | Andrew K. | Judy Kneiszel | 3 Needed | Kristin Bouchard |
| 03/04 7:00pm | 1 Needed | 2 Needed | 1 Needed | Kourtney Feldhausen | NA No Comm. | NA |

Worship



YOUTH MUSIC



***Youth Choir** is for any student 2nd grade and older . ***Lil Angels Choir** is for all students ages 3 & 4 and kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grade. ***All students** ages 3 & 4 and grades K, 1st, 2nd, 3rd & 4th plus the Youth Choir are in the Christmas Program

Sunday, February 2nd
8:45 - Youth Choir
10:00 - Lil Angels Choir

Sunday, February 9th
10:00 - Lil Angels Choir

Sunday, February 16th
8:45 - Youth Choir
10:00 - Lil Angels Choir
****Lil Angels & Youth Choirs sing at 10:30 service**

Sunday, February 23rd
No youth music time today

Looking Ahead:
Sunday, March 1st
8:45 - Youth Choir
10:00 - Lil Angels Choir



Any questions about Youth Music, call/text JillQ anytime - 920-360-5772

Faith Formation

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES 9:15 - 10:00AM



Grab some coffee or tea and join us in the GREAT room (or Luther room) for conversation!

Sunday, Feb 2nd “How to make stress your friend?”

Using a Ted Talk by Kelly McGonigal we’ll explore changing how we think about our body’s reaction to stress and the unique way God designed us so that stress drives us to seek out relationships with others.

Sunday, Feb 9th “Hospice Chaplaincy”

Join hospice chaplain and guest pastor Rev. Nicole Behnke-Welke as she shares about being a hospice chaplain. Ask questions and learn what hospice and chaplaincy are about.

Sunday, Feb 16th – New Member welcome and conversation

All are invited to join in welcome and conversation with those new to our congregation. Pr. Cindy will lead this time as we explore basics of what Lutherans believe, what does it mean to be part of the ELCA and how to be involved in the life and ministry of St. John.

Sunday, Feb 23rd Are you addicted to being busy?

Using the Tedx Talk “Busy Identity”, Lexie Harvey will challenge us to face this cultural phenomenon and remind us that we are, “human beings, not human doings.”

HAPPY NEW YEAR, NEW DECADE FROM YOUTH MINISTRIES!

A few of our mission trippers got together at the beginning of the year to admire and post mission trip pictures in the youth room. Stories and laughs were shared and everyone fully enjoyed pizza and breadsticks! Stop up and check out all the great photos from Benton Harbor 2018 and Pine Ridge 2019!



UPCOMING EVENTS

CRIBBAGE TOURNAMENT - OPEN TO ENTIRE CONGREGATION!

Sunday, February 16th, 2-4 p.m.

Everyone is invited to play in the St. John Lutheran Cribbage Tournament! Teens, adults and younger kids who have the desire to play cribbage are invited to test their skills against others in this congregation-wide event. Interested, but haven't played? We'll have our "experts" available to teach as well. Food, prizes and LOTS of fun are in store! Please let Kristin know, kristin@stjohndepere.org, if you plan on participating or if you have any questions.



A TRIP TO TITLETOWN!

Sunday, March 1st, 3-5 p.m.

We're hitting the hill or the rink – the fun is up to you! Spend the afternoon at Titledown tubing down Ariens Hill or ice skating with your friends. Hot chocolate and snacks will be provided.

Unlimited Tubing - \$7/person. Ice skating - \$7/person, skate rentals - \$5/person. Volunteer parent drivers are appreciated. **This event is for 6th-12th graders.**



YOUTH-LED WORSHIP SERVICE (HIGH SCHOOL ONLY)

Wednesday, March 4th

6:15-8:00 p.m.

Our fellow teens at Suamico United Methodist Church hold a monthly youth-led service. Let's visit our friends and share worship with them – this youth group knows how to have FUN! Please RSVP to Kristin!



CONFIRMATION CLASS SCHEDULE FOR FEBRUARY

*Feb. 5th - Regular Class 6:30-7:30pm (5th-8th grade)

*Feb. 12th - Regular Class 6:30-7:30pm for 5th & 6th Grade

*Feb. 12th - Special Event 6:30-7:30 pm for 7th & 8th Grade

7th & 8th grade students are attending a special event at **Ascension Lutheran, 2911 Libal St, Green Bay**

Kristen Kositzke author of "Life in Spite of Me,"

will share her story of how she went from a happy picture perfect life to the darkness of depression. Struggling with the deaths of three friends and her grandmother in a two-year time period she was raped by a friend she thought she could trust. She spiraled into a depression that didn't seem to have an end. Then, on a cold January night at the age of 17, Kristen attempted suicide by laying down on a set of railroad tracks near her parent's home. She was run over by 33 freight train cars at 50 mph, and both of her legs were severed, miraculously, she survived!! Motivated by the difference that God made in her life, Kristen now shares her personal story and the hope that there is in Christ.

*Parents of 7th grade and older students are encouraged and welcome to attend this event with your child.

Please meet at Ascension Lutheran.

*Feb 19th Last Class 6:30-7:30pm

**8th grade watch your mail for special meeting dates and times.*

*Feb 26th 7:00 pm Attend Ash Wednesday worship with your family.

Be sure you are completing and turning in your worship notes. Remember you need to turn in 8 total and 3 of those need to be from Lenten services.

Lenten services begin Wed. Feb. 26th. Also, remember to sign up to Acolyte!! You should be volunteering at least 2-3 times a quarter.



Lots of laughs at Comedy City!

We laughed. We clapped. And some of us even got up on stage!! Close to 30 kids from our youth group attended the Family Show at Comedy City on Friday night. We had a great time!!



Faith Formation

PARENT/TEACHER SUNDAY SCHOOL MEETING

Please join us at 11:30 am, Sunday, February 23rd as we have a conversation about our Sunday School program. What's working, what's not and hopes and dreams for the future. Thank you for caring about the faith formation of our children.



BIBLE STUDY GROUPS

CHRIST CARE

meets at 1:00pm, in the Luther Room the first and third Wednesday of the month. Our next meeting is February 5th. If you have questions, please call Carlyn Cooper at 920-983-0327.

WOW

Meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 6:30-8:30pm. Please contact Jen Holtebeck, 562-2754 or Tammy Lewis, 366-8377 with any questions.

MEN IN MISSION

meets on the third Wednesday of the month. On February 19th, please join us at 9:00am, Julies Cafe, then back to church for bible study with Pastor Cindy.

Mission & Service



MISSION SEWING

Come and have some fun, treats and laughs. We meet every Thursday 9am until noon. Come for the morning or as long as you can. You can help with ironing or guiding the Syble Hoppe or west De Pere students in quilting. Thursday not work for you? Take a bag of squares home to sew and bring back to the sewing room. Hope to see you there. Judy Beerntsen

WE PRAY:

**"Praise the Lord:
praise God our savior!
For each day he carries us in his
arms." Psalm 68:19
John Grom, Michael Johank,
Rick Johnson and Seth Meinel**



St. John's Book Club will meet at 1:00 PM on Thursday, February 20th to discuss Julie and Romeo by Jeanne Fry. Books are available through the Brown County Library. For more information contact Donna Hjorth (336-5990) or Jan Vanden Heuvel (639-6987). Hope to see you there.



Mission & Service



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 clpdckm@twc.com. We will get your requests out to our faithful prayer warriors.

"Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls."

Matthew 11:28-29

~~WOMEN'S SPRING EVENT APRIL 18~~

The Green Bay Conference Women of the ELCA's Spring Event will be Saturday, April 18 at Peace Lutheran just west of Green Bay. The theme is "For the Beauty of the Earth" with keynote speaker Venice Williams. Williams is a frequent contributor to *Gather* magazine and the Executive Director of Alice's Garden Urban Farm in Milwaukee. The event is open to all women and childcare will be provided. Watch for a poster and registration forms soon. For more information, contact Shirley at spaulson1949@gmail.com.



OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE - FEBRUARY



DE PERE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH THRIFT SHOP - S. 6TH AND BUTLER ST. IN WEST DE PERE

is looking for friendly, dedicated individuals to **JOIN THEIR TEAM** to help make a difference and further our mission! Volunteer opportunities available at the Thrift Store are Intake/Distributor, Sorters and Dressing Room Attendants. If interested please contact Amy Murphy (Operations Manager/Volunteer Coordinator) at 920-655-5758 or 920-339-1060 Amurphydpc@outlook.com.

The hours of operation are 10-3 Mon-Fri and 9-12 on Sat., Wednesdays until 7:00pm.

WOODSIDE SENIOR COMMUNITIES - 1040 PILGRIM WAY, ASHWAUBENON

St. John volunteers for 10:00am chapel services (arrive at 9:30) every Thursday and 5th Sunday (the next one is March 29th). Call Marlene, 336-7472, to share a ride if needed. Check out their FB page!

Click on link: <https://www.facebook.com/woodsideseniorcommunities/events>

NEW COMMUNITY SHELTER - 301 MATHER ST, WEST GREEN BAY

Volunteers from St. John prepare and serve the evening meal on the first Saturday of each month – Our January meal was prepared and served by Marlene Bergum, Kevin, Linda, Nick, Ben & Gabby Pawlak. Desserts and fresh fruits were donated by Beth Challe, the Pawlak Family & Marlene Bergum. Thank you to all who helped this ministry happen.

If you are able to help, PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE MINISTRY BOARD IN NARTHEX.

DE PERE CHRISTIAN OUTREACH FOOD PANTRY - CHICAGO AND LIBAL ST. IN EAST DE PERE

Behind St. Anne's Episcopal Church) Current FOOD items in need are: *pancake mix, tuna, oatmeal & baked beans*. Donations can be placed on the baker's rack in the narthex. Contact Marlene at 336-7472 if you have questions. Thank you for your faithful support of the Reverse Advent Project. The Food Pantry is also looking for a volunteer office assistant to work 1-2 hours three days/week.

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE who helped in anyway with our Outreach Programs throughout 2019. You are all special!! God's blessing for a Happy Healthy 2020. *Marlene Bergum*

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|--|--|--|---|---|--|-----------|
| <p>26</p> <p>8am - WORSHIP 8:45am - Youth Choir 9:15am - Adult Ed. 9:15am - Sunday School 10am - LII Angels Choir 10:30am - WORSHIP</p> | <p>27</p> <p>12pm - Office Closed 5pm - Irish Dance</p> | <p>28</p> <p>6:30pm - Scouts Planning 7:15pm - Scouts Comm Mtg</p> | <p>29</p> <p>1pm - Christ Care 6:30pm - Confirmation</p> | <p>30</p> <p>9am - Mission Sewing 9:30am - Woodside Chapel 5pm - Irish Dance 5:30pm - Stewardship Mtg 6:30pm - WORSHIP 7:15pm - Adult Choir</p> | <p>31</p> <p>9am - DPCO 4pm - NEW Comm Shelter</p> | <p>1</p> |
| <p>9</p> <p>8am - WORSHIP 9:15am - Adult Ed. 9:15am - Sunday School 10am - LII Angels Choir 10:30am - WORSHIP</p> | <p>10</p> <p>5pm - Irish Dance</p> | <p>11</p> <p>6:30pm - Finance Team 6:30pm - WOW</p> | <p>12</p> <p>6:30pm - 7th-8th 6:30pm - Confirmation 5th-</p> | <p>13</p> <p>9am - Mission Sewing 9:30am - Woodside Chapel 5pm - Irish Dance 6:30pm - WORSHIP 7:15pm - Adult Choir</p> | <p>14</p> | <p>15</p> |
| <p>16</p> <p>8am - WORSHIP 8:45am - Youth Choir 9:15am - Adult Ed. 9:15am - Sunday School 10am - LII Angels Choir 10:30am - WORSHIP 2pm - Cribbage Tourney</p> | <p>17</p> <p>5pm - Irish Dance 7pm - Council Meeting</p> | <p>18</p> | <p>19</p> <p>9am - Men In Mission 1pm - Christ Care 6:30pm - Confirmation</p> | <p>20</p> <p>9am - Mission Sewing 9:30am - Woodside Chapel 1pm - Book Club 5pm - Irish Dance 6:30pm - WORSHIP 7:15pm - Adult Choir</p> | <p>21</p> | <p>22</p> |
| <p>23</p> <p>8am - WORSHIP 9:15am - Adult Ed. 9:15am - Sunday School 10:30am - WORSHIP 11:30am - SS Parent/Teach.</p> | <p>24</p> <p>5pm - Irish Dance</p> | <p>25</p> | <p>26</p> <p>7pm - Ash Wed Serv</p> | <p>27</p> <p>9am - Mission Sewing 9:30am - Woodside Chapel 5pm - Irish Dance 7:15pm - Adult Choir</p> | <p>28</p> | <p>29</p> |

Worship & Contact Info


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NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

FEBRUARY 15, 2020

Send submissions to
newsletter@stjohndepere.org

WORSHIP TIMES

Thursday Service

6:30pm

Sunday Service

8am & 10:30am Service

Education - 9:15am

OFFICE HOURS

8:00am – 3:00pm

Mon-Thurs

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