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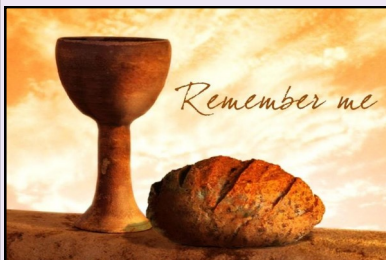
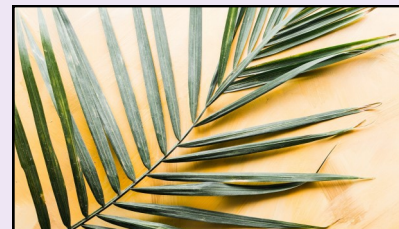
JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK 2022

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Palm Sunday April 10th

- ✝ 8:00 & 10:00 am Worship with special music from our youth and adult choirs.
- ✝ *Palm Sunday Breakfast* served 8:30-10:00 am. (proceeds benefit Youth Mission Trip 2022)



Maundy Thursday April 14th

- ✝ 6:30 pm Potluck meal and Holy Communion
- ✝ Bring a dish to share as we gather for a meal that will conclude with an anthem from our Adult Choir and the ultimate meal, Holy Communion.
- ✝ Please sign up on the Ministry Board to help with set up/clean up for this event.

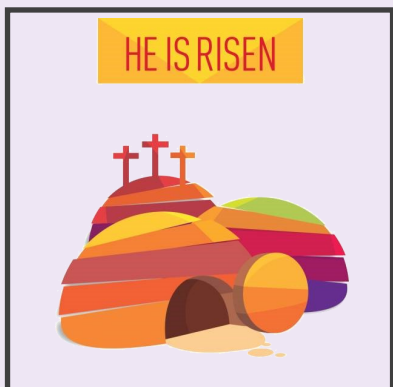
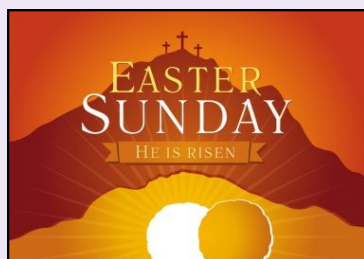
Good Friday April 15th

- ✝ 7:00 pm Tenebrae Service of Light & Darkness.
*This service will also be livestreamed.



Easter Sunday April 17th

- ✝ 8:00 & 10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion, Emerald Brass and choir.
- *The 8:00 am service will be livestreamed.



Hospitality & Celebration

In Sympathy & Remembrance

Betty Marquardt

August 4, 1933 - March 17, 2022

May God's tender mercy uphold her family in resurrection hope.



~ Meet the Council ~

The Stewardship Team thought it would be helpful for the congregation to get to know the members of Council on a more personal level.

Each month we will feature one Council person and their responses to a variety of questions.

This month we are featuring **Dick VandenHeuvel**, who began serving on the Council in January of 2021.

Dick serves as the liason for the property & grounds committee.

How long have you been a member of St. John? What brought you to St. John?

My wife Janet and I have been members of St. John for over 50 years. We bought a house in De Pere and visited St. John. One afternoon former Pastor Remmers paid us a visit and invited us to join the church.

What is a favorite book, movie or meal and why is it your favorite?

My favorite book is "Reacher" written by Lee Child. It is a seven book suspense series and deals with almost real life situations.

What is a talent no one knows you have?

I like to think I have the talent to refinish furniture. Although I may have other talents I don't know about.

What's a memory from your childhood/youth of Sunday School, summer camp, Bible School or even a mission trip that you can share?

I was born and raised Catholic and did not have the opportunity to attend summer camps.

How does your faith inform your stewardship? Or how does what you believe in God motivate you in using your time and talent?

I always thought stewardship was all about money. Now I believe that stewardship includes helping people and doing things for the church. This is a direct result of my belief in God.

What is keeping you "centered" or "sane" right now?

I think the fact that I can go out to my garage and work on projects helps me to stay "sane".

Anything else you might want to share about yourself? Family, where you are from, anything else?

My wife Janet and I are from De Pere and have 2 children and 3 grandchildren.

My daughter Jodi and son in law Jeff Fox live in Missouri with their daughters, Abby & Brynna.

My son, Chad and Leaann live in Little Chute with their son Alex.

Hospitality & Celebration



Presenting Treena Schepp with a framed picture of the new stained glass windows she designed.



St. John's Book Club will meet on **Thursday, April 21st at 1:00 PM** in the Luther Room. We will be discussing *An Anonymous Girl* by Greer Hendricks. (*Looking to earn some extra cash, Jessica Farris agrees to be a test subject in a psychological study about ethics and morality. But as the study moves from the exam room to the real world, Jessica finds that her behavior will not only be monitored, but manipulated.*) If you were unable to attend the March meeting, extra copies of the book are available at church.

Contact Donna Hjorth (336-5990) or Jan Vanden Heuvel (639-6987) for more information. Everyone is welcome!



Worship



Time for a Youth Music Update

Sunday April 3rd 9:00am	Youth Choir and Sunday School Choir together in Sanctuary
Sunday April 10th	Palm Sunday - Share an All-Choirs song at both 8 & 10 a.m. services
Sunday April 17th	Easter No Sunday School or music time
Sunday April 24th	8:45 a.m. Youth Choir in Sanctuary 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Choir in Sanctuary
Sunday May 1st	7:45 a.m. Youth Choir rehearsal in Sanctuary; sing at 8:00 a.m. service 9:00 a.m. Sunday School Choir in Sanctuary

If you have any questions, call/text/email Jill Quigley
920-360-5772 / JillQMUSIC1@aol.com

ADULT CHOIR

INTERESTED IN JOINING.....

Please contact Cassie Tingo at 715-965-2220 or cassie.tingo@snc.edu if you have any questions.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE IS BACK!



Children of all ages are invited to come forward during worship



WORSHIP AT HOME



CALL TO WORSHIP † *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

Holy One, we confess that we have wandered far from you: we have not trusted your promises, we have ignored your prophets in our own day, we have squandered our inheritance of grace, we have failed to recognize you in our midst. Have mercy on us! Forgive us and turn us again to you. Teach us to follow in your ways, assure us again of your love, and help us to love our neighbor. Amen.

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE PSALM 31:9-16

⁹Have mercy on me, O LORD, for I am in trouble; my eye is consumed with sorrow, and also my throat and my belly.

¹⁰**For my life is wasted with grief, and my years with sighing; my strength fails me because of affliction, and my bones are consumed.**

¹¹I am the scorn of all my enemies, a disgrace to my neighbors, a dismay to my acquaintances; when they see me in the street they avoid me.

¹²**Like the dead I am forgotten, out of mind; I am as useless as a broken pot.**

¹³For I have heard the whispering of the crowd; fear is all around; they put their heads together against me; they plot to take my life.

¹⁴**But as for me, I have trusted in you, O LORD. I have said, "You are my God.**

¹⁵My times are in your hand; rescue me from the hand of my enemies, and from those who persecute me.

¹⁶**Let your face shine upon your servant;**

*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.*

†APRIL 3RD - 5TH SUNDAY IN LENT

John 12:1-8

Judas willfully misinterprets as waste Mary's extravagant act of anointing Jesus' feet with costly perfume. Jesus recognizes that her lavish gift is both an expression of love and an anticipation of his burial.

Prayer of the Day

Creator God, you prepare a new way in the wilderness, and your grace waters our desert. Open our hearts to be transformed by the new thing you are doing, that our lives may proclaim the extravagance of your love given to all through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

†APRIL 10TH - PALM SUNDAY

Luke 19:28-40

Entrance into the final days

Prayer of the Day Everlasting God, in your endless love for the human race you sent our Lord Jesus Christ to take on our nature and to suffer death on the cross. In your mercy enable us to share in his obedience to your will and in the glorious victory of his resurrection, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

†APRIL 15TH - GOOD FRIDAY

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

Almighty God, look with loving mercy on your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, to be given over to the hands of sinners, and to suffer death on the cross; who now lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever. Amen.

Worship

DWELLING IN SCRIPTURE CONTINUED

†APRIL 17TH - RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD

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 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.

†APRIL 24TH - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Luke 15:1-3, 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 grace, and feed us at the table of 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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God's work. Our hands.

Faith Formation

~BIBLE STUDY GROUPS~



WOMEN OF THE WORD

WOW will be meeting on Tuesday, April 26th at 6:30pm at church in the Luther room. We are reading "Women of the Bible Speak" by Shannon Bream. Please contact Jen Holtebeck at 562-2754 or Tammy Lewis at 366-8377 with questions.



CHRIST CARE

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



MEN IN MISSION

Men in Mission meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month @8:30am. On **April 20th** we will be meeting at Oak Street Cafe and back to church for Bible study with Pastor Cindy. If you have any questions call Dick Vanden Heuvel @336-7157.

Adult Bible Studies

**SUNDAY 9:00 AM
IN THE LUTHER ROOM**

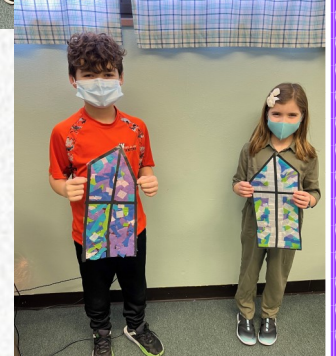


Sunday, April 3rd -
our Last Lenten reflection
and conversation.

Sunday April 10th & April 17th -
No class

Sunday, April 24th -
Hear an update from the team working
with Afghan refugees.

Sunday School students designing
their version of our new stain
glass windows!



HERE'S WHAT'S HAPPENING!

PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST IS HAPPENING!!

The Palm Sunday breakfast will be held on **Sunday, April 10th** **between our church services at St. John from 8:30-10:00 a.m.**

Please sign-up to volunteer here <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B094AA5AC2EA0F94-palm> as all monies raised will go towards our summer mission trip!

Our youth prepare, serve and clean-up a pancake breakfast for anyone in our congregation and community to attend. This is the first time we've had it in **TWO YEARS** so get excited! We ask for a free will donation from everyone attending.



Mission Trip Updates

We have opportunities for your son/daughter to raise some money for their own trip through the **Sunday morning livestream**. Our 8:00 a.m. service is livestreamed on YouTube each Sunday. We have a super-easy-to-use audio visual set-up in our balcony that requires someone to (literally) press a few buttons to run each week. **Each time you volunteer your time from 7:45am-8:45am on Sundays, you will earn \$10 towards your trip.** Please let Kristin know if you are interested and we will set-up time for a short training. A parent or another adult needs to be with you.

A Mission Trip Meeting for teens and adult leaders only, will be held on **Sunday April 24th from 7:00 8:30 p.m.** (this is IN PLACE OF the May 1st meeting). It's really important that your teen attend these meetings, but if you are unable too, please let me know. We'll start talking about the trip, how we will serve and spend some time getting to know each other!

We Escaped! Kind of...

Our Youth Group trip to Green Bay Escape was a blast! Some of us escaped in our 60-minute timeframe and some of us did not. All of us used our brains and critical, ingenious thinking to find and figure out clues. It was so much fun! Thanks to everyone who could make it!



Faith Formation

CONFIRMATION UPDATES



Confirmation Class for April

All 5th-8th grade students should plan to attend Lenten services and complete 2 Sermon Notes each month.

7th & 8th grade students- You are expected to sign up to acolyte two times per quarter using this link. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/508084CAEA728A0FD0-acolyte>

Class for 8th Grade

In preparation for affirming your faith, (Confirmation Day) 8th grade students will meet the following dates and times.

- ★ Sunday, April 3, 5-8pm Class
- ★ Thur. April 7, 6:30-7:30 Class
- ★ Wed. Apr 20 6:30-7:30 Class
- ★ Thur. May 12th 6:30pm rehearsal
- ★ Sun. May 15th 10:00am Confirmation service.



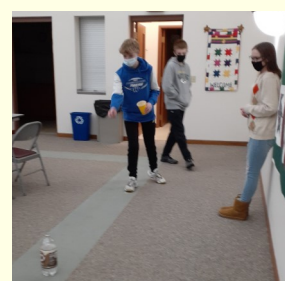
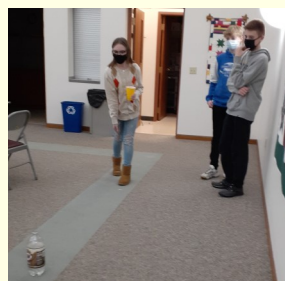
FIRST COMMUNION FOR 3RD GRADE STUDENTS

First Communion class will be offered on **Thursday May 5th 6:00-8:00 pm** for all 3rd grade and older students who have not yet participated in Holy Communion.

We will celebrate your First Communion on Sunday, on May 8th. You may choose to attend the 8:00 or 10:00am service. Letters will be mailed to homes mid April.

CONFIRMATION CLASS CELEBRATION WAS A BLAST!

Games, a reminder of our Lutheran theology and tie-blanket making...a perfect way to end formal confirmation classes and begin the Lenten season!



Choose Your Own Activity Event @St. John Lutheran!

Spoiler alert. There was just one, super popular activity



that EVERYONE wanted to do at the Choose Your Own Activity Night. What was it?!? Hide and seek! Love it And another tie-blanket was finished to donate to a local homeless shelter! Special thanks to Stacy Zieske for hosting the event at church, and for being a really good "hide-er!"

ANXIETY, QUESTIONS, CONCERNS



We are here for you to ask questions, share concerns and celebrate success.

PLEASE call myself or Pastor Cindy any time you need a listening ear. We'd LOVE to talk with you, pray for you and support you and your families in any way we can. Prayers make such a difference, and so does asking for help. Please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Cindy or call/text Kristin at 920-360-6045 or email at kristin@stjohndepere.org.

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU!

Mission & Service

CELEBRATION AND OUTREACH



FOOD PANTRY

In 2022, St. John will be focusing on collecting the following items each month for the DPCO Food Pantry.

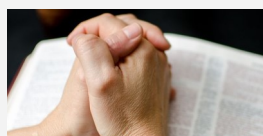
APRIL	SPAGHETTI SAUCE
May	Boxed pudding/jell-o
June	Cereal
July	Baked beans
August	Mayonnaise/salad dressing
September	Peanut butter
October	Canned spaghetti
November	Thanksgiving Food Drive
December	Reverse Advent Calendar

NEW COMMUNITY SHELTER 301 MATHER ST, WEST GREEN BAY



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

Thank you to Dave & Lois McAllister and the Holtebecks who served and to the Demske, Meyer and McAllister family who and provided the deserts on March 5th. Please check the ministry board at church for a time that works for you to volunteer. If you have any questions, please contact Marlene Bergum at 336-7472.



WE PRAY:

Please hold in healing prayer,
Larry Armstrong, John Grom,

Fianna Kaye, Jennifer Leonard, Seth Meinel,
Sophia Meinel, Charlotte Schink, and Linda Johaneck.

Prayer Requests

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

Mission Sewing

ALL ARE WELCOME to meet with us every Thursday from 9am until noon. Anyone interested in joining or just learning about how we put



the quilts together are welcomed. Remember when doing your spring cleaning that if you have any fabric, gently used sheets or mattress pads we will take them to make the quilts. If you cannot make it on Thursdays you could take a bag of squares that the Sybal Hopp students have sorted and bagged home to sew and bring back to church. We also have chocolates to enjoy while sewing! We hope to see you there. Hope everyone will be able to enjoy the warmer weather that is coming.

Judy Beerntsen



OUTDOOR SPRING CLEAN UP DAY AT ST. JOHN

**SATURDAY,
APRIL 23RD
8:00 - 11:00AM**

**"MANY HANDS MAKE
SMALL WORK"**

Mission & Service

DPCO PANTRY updates:



**De Pere
Christian
Outreach**

Caring for the Community
506 Butler St. • De Pere • 920.339.1060

Through the generosity and support of the volunteers and community, the Pantry was able provide vital assistance to over **122 households** (213 adults and 87 children) in February. Extended hours!!! DPCO is now open on Tuesday's until 6:30!

If you know someone who would be interested helping Make a Difference or would like to join our team, please contact Amy Murphy at 920-655-5758 or Amurphydpc@outlook.com



**Update
your
info!**

Moved, dropped your land line or changed your email address?

Please notify the office at 920-336-1082 or by email, office@stjohndepere.org. **THANK YOU**

**HE IS NOT HERE
FOR**
He is Risen

MATTHEW 28:6



SUPPORT OUR SYNOD ASSEMBLY SERVICE PROJECT



Each year at our annual assembly part of the work together as a church is a service project. This year we are partnering with the Oshkosh chapter of *Sleep In Heavenly Peace*. As you may know from our work with the De Pere chapter, SHP builds and donates new twin size beds and bedding to children without beds in the community. You can support this service project through financial gifts made out to St. John marked "Synod Assembly project" or by purchasing new twin size bedding and bringing it to church by Sunday, May 8th. *Elected delegates attending the assembly this year along with Pr. Cindy are Carol Grom and Beth Challe.



DE PERE CHRISTIAN
OUTREACH
CHRISTMAS STORE

Stop in at Culver's of De Pere (Lawrence Drive) on Monday, May 2nd from 4:30-7:30pm. 10% of the sales will be given to the DPCO Christmas Store



**SCOOPIE
NIGHT!**



Culver's

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div>27</div> <div>8am - Worship</div> <div>9am - Adult Educ.</div> <div>9am - Sunday School</div> <div>9am - Youth & SS Choir</div> <div>10am - Worship</div> <div>5pm - 8th Grade Conf. Class</div>	<div>28</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div> <div>10am - Christ Care</div> <div>7pm - Lenten Worship</div> <div>7:30pm - Adult Choir</div>	<div>31</div> <div>9am - Mission Sewing</div> <div>6:30pm - 8th Grade Conf. Class</div>	<div>1</div>	<div>2</div> <div>4:30pm - NEW Comm Shelter</div>
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<div>10</div> <div>PALM SUNDAY</div> <div>8am - All Choirs Sing</div> <div>8am - Worship</div> <div>8:45am - Pancake Breakfast</div> <div>9am - Sunday School</div> <div>10am - Worship</div>	<div>11</div>	<div>12</div> <div>9am - Finance Mtg</div> <div>5:30pm - Trust Fund Mtg</div>	<div>13</div>	<div>14</div> <div>9am - Mission Sewing</div> <div>6:30pm - Maundy Thure Service</div> <div>7:15pm - Adult Choir</div>	<div>15</div> <div>7pm - Good Friday Service</div>	<div>16</div>
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<div>24</div> <div>8am - Worship</div> <div>8:45am - Youth Choir Rehearsal</div> <div>9am - Adult Educ.</div> <div>9am - Sunday School</div> <div>9am - Sunday School Rehearsal</div> <div>10am - Worship</div> <div>10:45am - Worship & Music Mtg</div> <div>7pm - Mission Trip Mtg</div>	<div>25</div>	<div>26</div> <div>6:30pm - Wow Women's study</div>	<div>27</div>	<div>28</div> <div>9am - Mission Sewing</div> <div>7:15pm - Adult Choir</div>	<div>29</div>	<div>30</div>

Worship & Contact Info

St. John Lutheran

Church Council Members

Contact via: office@stjohndepere.org

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Travis Schreurs - President

Ryan Usiak - Vice President

Jim Johanek - Secretary

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Sean Day - Worship & Music

Bill Lake - Worship & Music

Rick Johnson - Celebration & Outreach

Dick VandenHeuvel - Property

Karla Roth - Stewardship

Jen Holtebeck - Faith Formation

HOLY WEEK

Maundy Thursday - 6:30pm

Good Friday Service - 7:00pm

Easter Sunday Services

8:00 & 10:00am

OFFICE HOURS

8:00am – 3:00pm

Mon-Wed.

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WORSHIP TIMES

Sunday's 8:00 & 10:00am

Join us Online Anytime

NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:

April 15, 2022

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and visit our YouTube channel for weekly worship by following this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCl1cjRdeaDr3N5fYKeuRUw>