

ST. JOHN'S

MISSION

STATEMENT

As a family united in faith through the Holy Scriptures, we exist to give praise, honor and glory to the Triune God, to nurture and train the family of believers through God's Word and to reach out to the changing world with a changeless Christ.

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Pastor Lucht's Farewell



September 1, 2013

8:00 & 10:30 am Services

**Potluck & Program to follow
in Central Park**

(No Monday Night Service on Sept. 2)

On February 24th, Pastor Lucht announced his intention to retire from St. John's. Farewell services will be on September 1st at 8:00 and 10:30 a.m. A potluck lunch and a program will follow in Central Park.

Many, many memories have been made over the last 30 years. If you'd like to share a memory, you may write it in a letter, card or an email to a.jonas.music@gmail.com. There will be a "Memories" table at the picnic for all to write special stories and greetings.

St. John's members are asked to bring extra food beyond the norm to help feed our guests and visitors. Extra picnic tables will be available but it would be helpful if members also brought lawn chairs for extra seating.

The "Rachel" group will take care of the desserts, beverages, serving, set up and take down.

The program will begin after everyone has had a chance to get through the food line.

Questions? Comments? Please contact Annie Jonas at 651.347.9103 or a.jonas.music@gmail.com.



New Teachers Installation, August 11! See Page 2
Charles Bonow will be here, August 18-19! See Page 5

Voters' Meeting Notes from 7/24/13

Voter Notes

7/24/2013

Most discussion centered on a proposal to seek a grant for church repairs.

The voters agreed to pursue a grant from the Minnesota historical Society. Since St. John's is located within a historic district located on the National Register we can apply for a grant that would cover the repainting/tuck-pointing of our church building. If we receive this grant we must prepare for difficulties/possible changed

in our worship space from June through September 2014. The grant we are requesting is about \$200,00 and would cover repointing/tuck-pointing and steeple repair. The congregation would need to cover the cost of scaffolding rental and mortar testing amounting to around \$20,000 with the possibility of other costs arising based on the condition of the structure. Michelle Engel and Char Henn are

working on the grant application.

Voters also approved some changes in our school enrollment policy proposed by Mr. Bain.

Volunteers are needed for our entry into River City Days Parade.

Installation for New Teachers!

Lentz & Opperman

Installation

8/11/2013

10:00 a.m.

We are excited to introduce our new teachers Holly Lentz and Karla Opperman. They will be installed as St. John's School's new called workers on Sunday, August 11th at the 10:00 a.m. service.

A reception will follow to meet and greet our new teachers. The Rebecca serving group will host.



Karla Opperman
Grades Pk -K



Holly Lentz
Grades 1-2

ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS

*"Those who hope in the Lord
Will renew their strength.*

*They will soar on wings like eagles;
They will run and not grow weary,
They will walk and not be faint."*

Isaiah 40:31



Coming Soon...School Registration Night...Coming Soon

August 12 5-7 PM

Hard to believe but yet true, it's time to get organized for our school opening on September 3.

Registration night we will complete all required paperwork, get set up with cleaning dates, find out about the M-W-F lunches, purchase any books needed, and plan home visits. On that night EVERY family can either pay tuition in full or set up a payment plan. It's also a great time to see some old friends and make new ones! See you there!

Thank You to the Bain, Bruemmer, Judy Betcher, and Smith Families

Because they have designated our school as the recipient of their Kwik Trip Reward's, we received \$114. Check out Kwik Trip's website if you are interested in doing this.

Thank you to the Wise Penny

We are always grateful for Wise Penny's continued support of our school. The gift of \$500 went to our computer fund. Don't forget to shop Wise Penny when you are checking out back-to-school clothes!

Help Wanted

We need parade helpers! The River City Days Parade is August 4 and we want be a part of it! We need people to blow up balloons on August 3 at 9:00 a.m. and helpers and parade walkers on the day of the parade. Come to give away balloons before the parade at noon and walk in the parade at 1:00 pm.

Contact Principal Bain if you can help out at principalbain@stjohnsredwing.org or 651.388.2611.

Summer Basketball Camp

When: Through August 14 Wednesdays 7-8:30 PM
(weather permitting)

Where: St. John's School

What to Bring: Water, snack, sunscreen, basketball
(not necessary)

Who: All LES students entering grade 4-8 next fall.
Come whatever playing level you might be.
Boys and girls will practice separately.

Any questions, or in need of a ride to camp, please call:
Lora Price 651.301.0501 or
Kandi Kirchner 651.212.3866

Thank you from Miss Opperman

*To the congregation of St. John's,
I want to send a huge thank you to all who came and helped me move. I cannot tell you all how thankful I am for all your help. You made me feel welcomed! Thank you for all the help! In Christ, Karla Opperman*

LWMS Convention

**LWMS
Convention**
\$134,318.10
given to Missions

The 50th annual Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) convention was held June 27-30 in La Crosse, WI. LWMS comprises women dedicated to serving Jesus by increasing awareness and support of WELS Missions both in the United States and abroad. LWMS mission projects offerings presented at the convention totaled \$75,221.36.

Convention worship services offerings totaled \$59,096.74.

LWMS has grown considerably over the last 50 years from 256

attendees at the first convention to 1,756 this year—the largest convention in LWMS history— 448 of those being first-time attendees.

Hali Dessecker, vice president of LWMS Board of Directors, says, "Everybody talks about how it [LWMS] is only an organization for little old ladies; it's not. Women of all ages are interested in missions and every woman can raise awareness for missions." There are 880 member congregations in LWMS, organized into 60 circuits. "If your congregation is a member, then as a

woman member of that church, you are automatically a member of LWMS," explains Dessecker.

As presenters share their experiences in the mission fields—their struggles and blessings—attendees are reminded of how important their prayers and offerings are in raising awareness to further WELS mission work.

Members attending the rally this year included Shannon and Amy Bohme, Becky Mitchener and Janet Gehlhar.



Benefit for
Obi Christenson
Sunday, August 4
2-8 p.m.
American Legion
LaCrescent

Benefit for Obi Christenson

Join family, friends and neighbors at a benefit for Obi Christenson on Sunday, August 4 at the American Legion in LaCrescent, 2-8 pm.

Events: Live & Silent Auction, Bake Sale, Food/Beverages, Kids Games, LIVE MUSIC

To volunteer/donate contact Rose Albrecht at 507.895.2930.

On June 12, I went to the doctor to find out why I had been having pain in my hip. The doctor felt something in my abdomen and I had to have a CT scan. They found a tumor. Two days later I had surgery but they couldn't take out the tumor. They told me I have neuroblastoma cancer. I have to have a lot of chemotherapy and surgery and radiation and other stuff too. Thanks for praying for me.

Obi is the son of Pastor & Liz Christenson of LaCrescent.

Pastor's Report—June 2013

SUNDAY CHURCH ATTENDANCE:	1,474	
AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH:	294 (-8 May '13, +1 June '12)	
WORSHIP AT THE CROSS: 6/25 (Krause)	15	
COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:	424 (-21 May '13, +41 June '12)	
BIBLE CLASS ATTENDANCE:	126	
MEMBERSHIP: 5/31/13	BAPTIZED: 793	COMMUNICANT: 622
MEMBERSHIP: 6/30/13	BAPTIZED: 793	COMMUNICANT: 621

BAPTISMS

NAME	PARENTS	DATE BORN	DATE BAPTIZED
Anderson, Avery Grace	Anderson, Kelsey & Mitch	October 19, 2012	June 16, 2013

BURIALS

NAME	DATE DIED	DATE BURIED
Miller, Betty	May 29, 2013	June 3, 2013
Harding, Dorothy	June 5, 2013	June 8, 2013
Wright, John	June 25, 2013	June 28, 2013

CONFIRMATIONS

NAME	ADULT/YOUTH	DATE
Swarthout, Tammy	Adult	June 21, 2013

DIVINE CALLS

NAME	DATE	STATUS	POSITION
Martin, Pastor Micah	June 16, 2013	Received	Pastor at St. John's, Red Wing

MARRIAGES

GROOM	BRIDE	DATE
Klug, Evan	Mitchener, Chelsey	June 8, 2013

TRANSFERS

NAME	DATE	IN/OUT
Lentz, Holly	June 13, 2013	IN from St. John's, Mukwonago, WI

Charles Bonow, Organist

Sunday, Aug. 18—8:00 & 10:00 a.m. & Monday, Aug. 19—7:00 p.m.

Organist Charles Bonow will present his new worship service concert, "Our Life In Christ" here in our church. This service concert will begin with a devotion based on the Word of God followed by Scripture readings entwined with organ solos and congregational singing of our well-loved hymns of faith. Please plan to attend. Charles Bonow, a former parish pastor in our Wisconsin Synod, now has as his ministry the presentation

of his service concerts in our churches each Sunday in all parts of our country. The presentation of these service concerts is Charles Bonow's life's work and the means of support for himself and his family. A free-will offering for the Bonow family will be received following the service.



Thank you from Mrs. Danell

Dear Members and friends of St. John's,

As my son so well said on the special Sunday: I thank God for giving me the ability to teach and the opportunity to serve. I thank the congregation for

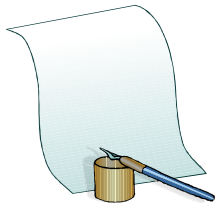
allowing me to teach at St. John's, and the support and prayers you offered for my family and me. Thank you all for the gift you gave me. It is difficult today not being busy planning for the coming school year.

I pray the members will seriously consider the opportunity they have as they look at the option the council will present concerning this current facility. I encourage all to take a step of faith and move forward.

Again, thank you all. I ask God to continue to bless and keep you all faithful to His Word.

*Yours in Christ,
Mrs. Danell*

Poem by Mrs. Danell



Thank you for celebrating with me
I was happy as can be.
My favorite people were here—
You and my family.

The service in the morning
Made my heart sing with joy
What a way to praise God
As did each girl and boy.

The potluck was delicious
The ladies did so well
The rain didn't stop our enjoyment
The visiting was swell.

I thank everyone for their work
The story of OZ was Super.
The skit, all the music, and songs
Turned out to be super-duper!

The Lord has been so good to me
There are no words to write or say.
I just continue to be blessed
Today and every day.

If you ever come to Michigan
I know I would have room
To have you stay and chat with me
I hope that happens soon!

Thank You from the Dorothy H Johnson Family

We wish to thank all who extended their love and support at the time of the death of our mother, Dorothy H. Johnson. She appreciated the care, support, and camaraderie offered by the members of your congregation and the school staff during her nine year attendance at church

and volunteering at the school.

We are grateful to all who came to the funeral, visited and offered words of support during this difficult time. This love and friendship has helped us cope with the loss we feel in our hearts and home.

A special thank you to Mrs. Danell, Audrey Jonas, Edna Rundquist and the families of the students our mother worked with as a volunteer. She spoke often of the students and teachers and the joy working at the school brought to her. She prayed for the students and their families nightly.

Thank you again for the thoughtful notes, gifts, prayers and support offered to our family during this emotional time.

May God bless each of you.

The Family of Dorothy H. Johnson

Church Cleaning Groups

8/3/2013	8/10/2013	8/17/2013	8/24/2013	8/31/2013
Group #16	Group #17	Group #18	Group #1	Group #2
*Smith, Kevin	*Taylor, Heidi	*Voth, Bonnie	*Engel, Todd	*Avery, Kevin
*Smith, Trisha	Steffenhagen, Darrell	Adler, Jennifer	Adams, Cara	Amyx, Candy
Hanson, Liz	Stern, Judy	Gold, Sara	Adams, Robert	Amyx, Elwin
Plitzuweit, Jerald	Strusz, Alberta	Mahoney, Brian	Ahrens, Brian	Amyx, Terry
Plitzuweit, Lois	Strusz, Harold	Mahoney, Nikki	Ahrens, Melanie	Amyx, Wanda
Salter, Mike	Taylor, Linsey	Pomeroy, Jason	Alms, Jean	Arndt, Brad
Schlichting, Keith	Taylor, Mitchel	Pomeroy, Jessie	Alms, Marlys	Augustine, Lavon
Schlichting, Lori	Thoms, Aaron	Rundquist, Amanda	Alms, Mary	Bain, Ben
Schmidt, Dan	Thoms, Andy	Rundquist, David	Alms, Robert	Bain, Tricia
Schmidt, Thomas	Thoms, Lori	Strauss, Aimee	Alms, Roger	Kutschied, Scott
Schwartz, Deb	Thoms, Matt	Tipcke, Marie	Alton, Linda	Miller, Mike
Schwartz, Kurt	Thoms, Steven	Van Deusen, Charlene	Engel, Michelle	Pederson, Erin
Seipel, Aaron	Thumann, Judith	Van Deusen, Steve	Hansen, Justin	
Seipel, Judith	Tri, Cassandra	Vieths, Darla	Hansen, Rachel	
Seipel, Kim	Wagner, Patrick	Von Bargaen, Julie	Kamps, Brooke	
Shelstad, Nikki	Walther, Ronald	Von Bargaen, Larry	Kamps, Tony	
Shelstad, Wade	Weckerling, Alex	Voth, Althea	Lutjen, Brittney	
Smerud, Lynette	Weckerling, Lisa	Voth, Martin	Lutjen, Richard	
Smith, Marissa	Weckerling, Mitchell	Zemke, Jason		
Smith, Travis	Wegner, Luke			
Smith, Trenton	Wegner, Stacy			
Smythurst, Sylvia	Wilson, Frederick			
Steele, Beverly	Wilson, MaryLou			
Steele, Michael	Wilson, Rodney			



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August 2013



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
18 8:00 am Worship—Special Guest, Charles Bonow 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship—Special Guest, Charles Bonow	19 7:00 pm Worship— Special Guest, Charles Bonow	20 Reporter Articles Due 5:00 pm Chapel of the Air Radio Recording	21	22	23 9:00 am Mailing Committee	24 8:00 am Cleaning Group #1
25 8:00 am Worship with Communion 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship with Communion	26 7:00 pm Worship with Communion	27 4:00 pm Special Communion 4:30 pm Worship at the Cross (Lucht)	28 Little Blessings Preschool Open House 4:30-5:30 pm 3-Year Olds 6:00-7:00 pm 4-Year Olds 7:00 pm Sunday School Teachers Meeting	29	30	31 8:00 am Cleaning Group #2
1 Sneak Peak Into September 8:00 am Worship—Pastor Lucht's Farewell Service 9:15 am Bible Study 10:30 am Worship—Pastor Lucht's Farewell Service Potluck and Program to follow in Central Park Rachel Serving Group	2 7:00 pm LES Committee NO Monday Evening Worship	3 First Day of School 8:00 am Opening Service	4 3:30 pm Public School Catechism Class	5	6 5:30-7:30 pm Family Fun Night, Location-TBA	7 8:00 am Cleaning Group #3

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August 2013

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

(September through May)

WORSHIP: 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

MORNING BIBLE CLASSES: 9:15 a.m.

MONDAY EVENING WORSHIP: 7:00 p.m.

(Excluding Advent & Lent)

SUMMER HOURS

(June through August)

WORSHIP: 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 a.m.

BIBLE CLASS: 9:15 a.m.

MONDAY EVENING WORSHIP: 7:00 p.m.

ALL EVENING SERVICES during the year are at 7:00 p.m.

COMMUNION is served on the
SECOND and **LAST SUNDAYS** of the month.