

**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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## Annual Voters' Meeting

The January Voters' meeting is coming up on Wednesday, January 29th at 7 p.m.

Elections will take place to replace our outgoing councilmen; Secretary, Board of Elders and Board of Worship. Great thanks to God for the talents and willingness he has given these men to serve our congregation.

### Annual Report—Articles and Committee Lists DUE

Annual Report articles are due on January 8th. Articles can be emailed to Annie at [a.jonas.music@gmail.com](mailto:a.jonas.music@gmail.com). Thank you!

#### Attention Committee Chairs!

Please turn in lists of committee members to be printed in the Annual Report on the Volunteer Pages. You can email them to Annie at [a.jonas.music@gmail.com](mailto:a.jonas.music@gmail.com) or put the list in her box. Thank you!



### Call Meeting ~ January 12, 2014, 7:00 p.m.

Pastor John Backus from St. Paul's in Maskego, WI has returned our call. The next call meeting is scheduled for January 12th at 7:00 p.m. Please mark you calendars!

## Sunday Morning Bible Class

### How Can They Teach That? (And Still Claim to Believe the Bible)

In six lessons this study looks at how liberal Christian church denominations can adopt doctrinal positions that go so obviously contrary to Scripture on evolution vs. creation, women serving as pastors, homosexuality, and abortion and early life issues. How can they teach that? It is not just a difference of “interpretations” of isolated Scripture passages

but a denial of the divine authority of Holy Scripture, which is replaced by human reason.

- \* January 12—A “New” Way of Looking at Scripture
- \* January 19—How Can They Teach That About Creation?
- \* January 26—How Can They Teach That About Women Serving in the Public Ministry?

- \* February 2—How Can They Teach That About Homosexuality?
- \* February 9—How Can They Teach That About Abortion and Early Life Issues?
- \* February 16—How Can We Remain Faithful to Scripture?



Sundays

9:15-10:15 a.m.

## The Truth Project

### The Truth Project: An In-Depth Christian Worldview Experience

This series is designed to equip believers with a comprehensive biblical worldview. Practically and personally, participants will be reintroduced to the truth claims of God. We discuss God’s design for living out the Christian

worldview in daily life. Most importantly, it addresses the need to marry our actions to our core beliefs.

- \* January 8—Sociology: The Divine Imprint
- \* January 15—Union Mystica: Am I Alone?
- \* January 22—The State: Whose Law?

- \* January 29—The American Experiment: Stepping Stones
- \* February 5—Labor: Created to Create
- \* February 12—Community and Involvement: God Cares; Do I?

Wednesdays

10-11 a.m.

FOCUS ON THE FAMILY'S  
The Truth Project

## A New Flag for the Cemetery

Sonny Fandrey received a flag from Daryl Duden of the American Legion, to replace the worn out flag at St. John's Cemetery.



## Children's Offering Envelopes

The children of the congregation have received a box of envelopes to bring their offering to the Lord. The purpose is to encourage the children to see they

too can support the work of the church and to establish a good habit from a young age that we should show our thanks to God. If your child did not

receive a box of envelopes, please stop by the church office and pick up a box.

## Befriend a Missionary's Child

Micah Witte, our Befriend Missionary's Child, is a student at Stevens Point. Let's fill his mailbox with Christmas

cards!! Preprinted address labels are available on the bulletin board next to the church kitchen.

His address is:  
Micah Witte  
1220 2nd St. Apt. A  
Stevens Point, WI  
54481



## Update from Pastor Westra, Mission in Morristown...

- Close to purchasing property
- Church attendance averages in the 40's
- Started a "Fun and Family" night where we cook potluck style, play

a game, and work on a community service project. Our first went very well.

Want to send a Christmas card? Preprinted labels are available on the bulletin board next to

the church kitchen. The address is:  
Pastor Matthew Westra  
1700 Lake Park Circle  
Morristown, TN 37814

## ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS



**Mr. Hansen and Grades**



### Upcoming Highlights

- Jan 2 School Resumes
- Jan 6 LES Committee 7 PM
- Jan 15 PTO Meeting 6:30 PM
- Jan 17 End 2nd Qtr
- Jan 20 NO SCHOOL
- Jan 21 School in Session  
7:45 AM-2:15 PM  
**NO AM OR PM BUSES**  
Parent Transport To and  
From School
- Jan 22 Report Cards Out
- Jan 26 K-8 Sings Both Services

### K-8 Art Fair

Judging  
on  
Friday,  
January 31

Review on  
Sunday,  
Feb. 2  
Before,  
After, and  
Between  
Worship

### Caroling

Students and residents of our community homes had a wonderful time sharing the story of Christ's birth. Thank you drivers!

### We Have the Best Volunteers!

Yes, it is true! Parents, grandparents, friends, all come together to help our school run smoothly. We would not be able to do so many fun things without your help.

Thank you to all that continue to give our school the gifts of time and talent. We are truly blessed!

### Nash Finch

We have received \$225 from Nash Finch's Our Family Labels for Learning program.

Nash Finch has also sent us \$1000 for mailing in our Econo Foods receipts.

Thank you to Darcy Gunhus for mailing these required items in for us. Jennifer Nelson will be taking over for Mrs. Gunhus.

### Basketball

Boys and girls practice at the YMCA every Tuesday and Thursday. The girls also practice at school every Monday. Our cheerleaders practice each Wednesday.

Below our January games are listed. Come and watch as we put our practices to the test! We would love it!

### Basketball Games

- Jan 6** At Goodhue  
Girls 7 PM Boys 8 PM
- Jan 17** At Sunnyside  
Home vs. Zumbrota  
Girls 6:30 PM Boys 7:30 PM
- Jan 25** A Team Tournament  
At Goodhue Time TBA
- Jan 24** At Sunnyside  
Home vs. Lake City  
Girls 6:30 PM Boys 7:30 PM
- Jan 30** At Lake City  
Girls 4:30 PM Boys 5:30 PM

*Cheering Fans are Always Welcome!*



### The Great Cookie Bake

Our cookie bake was held Monday, December 16. Thank you to the wonderful volunteers that came to help us with this super fun event! The bakers took some cookies home and the rest were used as dessert at our Christmas Dinner Friday.

The School Secretary Has a New Email ➡➡➡ It is [stjohnles@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnles@gmail.com)

### Advent By Candlelight 2013



## Gifts & Memorials

### ENDOWMENT FUND

In memory of Florine LaFournaise given by Wayne & Bonnie Dicke \$ 15.00

### GENERAL FUND

For Christian Education from Wise Penny Thrift Store \$ 500.00

In honor of Roy Thumann's 95th Birthday given by Judy Thumann \$ 950.00

### SCHOOL FUND

In honor of Wyley Harstad given by Diane Harstad for the Preschool \$ 25.00

In honor of Gene & Paulette Meyer's 50th Anniversary \$ 10.00

In memory of Lil Weckerling given by Mr. & Mrs. Erwin Jonas \$ 10.00

## Pastor's Report—November 2013

**SUNDAY CHURCH ATTENDANCE:** 1,084

**AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH:** 271 (-2 Oct '13, -28 Nov '12)

**COMMUNION ATTENDANCE:** 386 (+11 Oct '13, -27 Nov '12)

**BIBLE CLASS ATTENDANCE:** 428

**MEMBERSHIP:** 10/31/13      **BAPTIZED:** 764      **COMMUNICANT:** 597

**MEMBERSHIP:** 11/31/13      **BAPTIZED:** 770      **COMMUNICANT:** 598

### **BAPTISMS**

NAME	PARENTS	BIRTH DATE	BAPTISM DATE
Fox, Amelia Rose	Fox, Cole & Kelly	September 5, 2013	November 3, 2013
Betcher, Brayden John	Betcher, Zach & Vanessa	September 9, 2013	November 19, 2013

### **BURIALS**

NAME	DEATH DATE	DATE BURIED
Oelkers, Betty	October 31, 2013	November 4, 2013
LaFournaise, Florine	November 20, 2013	December 2, 2013

### **CONFIRMATIONS**

NAME	ADULT/YOUTH/CHILD	DATE
Hedeen, Sarah (Ethan, Evan, Elijah)	Adult	November 17, 2013

### **DIVINE CALLS**

NAME	DATE	POSITION	STATUS
Burow, Rev. Clint	November 10, 2013	Assoc. Pastor, St. John's, RW	Returned
Backus, Rev. John	November 17, 2013	Assoc. Pastor, St. John's, RW	Received

### **MARRIAGES**

GROOM	BRIDE	DATE
Darcy, Brandon	Jaeger, Elyce	November 16, 2013

### **TRANSFERS**

NAME	IN/OUT	DATE
Ibisch, Jonathan & Abigail	IN from Good Shepherd, Cedar Rapids, IA	November 17, 2013

## Church Cleaning Groups

<b>1/4/2014</b> <b>Group #2</b> <b>*Avery, Kevin</b> Amyx, Candy Amyx, Elwin Amyx, Terry Amyx, Wanda Arndt, Brad Augustine, Lavon Avery, Adam Bain, Ben Bain, Tricia Kutschied, Scott Miller, Mike Pederson, Erin Ibisch, Abigail Ibisch, Jonathan	<b>1/11/2014</b> <b>Group #3</b> <b>*Betcher, Mark</b> <b>*Birk-Betcher, Julie</b> Banitt, Justin Banitt, Sara Berg, Jason Buck, Derrick Buck, Tyler Barnes, Elaine Barnes, Thomas Sr. Bauer, Gwen Bauer, Nicholas Benidt, Paul Betcher, Aaron Betcher, Keshia Betcher, Megan Betcher, Zach Schulz, Brent Schulz, Heather	<b>1/18/2014</b> <b>Group #4</b> Birk, Janice Born, Marvin Born, Virginia Bremer, Lorraine Bremer, Raymond Bruemmer, Dolores Bruemmer, Donald Brusehaver, James Brusehaver, Linda Buck, Dallas Buck, Jessica Buck, Judy Buck, Matthew Horn, Audrey Horn, Jim Jaeger, Chelsea Jaeger, Elyce Jaeger, Quinn Jaeger, Whitney Schutz, Mickie	<b>1/25/2014</b> <b>Group #5</b> <b>*Church, Ed</b> <b>*Church, Kathy</b> Budensiek, Susan Callstrom, Alice Callstrom, Carl Callstrom, Richard Carlson, Dean Carlson, Diane Degener, Evan Mickelson, Stephanie Perkinson, Cheryl Perkinson, Christi Perkinson, Perk Opperman, Karla	<b>2/1/2014</b> <b>Group #6</b> Dankers, Carol Dankers, David Dankers, Dennis Dankers, Marlene Deden, Niles Deden, Ross Deden, Susan Dilks, Stacy Verdugo, Debra Verdugo, Mark Gronseth, Chris Gronseth, Claire Gronseth, Darren Shannon, Sara Lentz, Holly
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## Attention Young People



### 2014 WELS International Youth Rally University of Tennessee, Knoxville

[www.wels.net/events](http://www.wels.net/events)  
[youthrally@wels.net](mailto:youthrally@wels.net)  
#welsyouthrally

Facebook: WELS International Youth Rally

It is time to get ready for the WELS International Youth Rally! June 25-28, 2014 at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville. Sign up sheets and information are on the back table. Also go to [www.wels.net/events](http://www.wels.net/events) for more information. **Sign up ends February 16.**



### January means SNOW TUBING TIME!

Watch the bulletins for announcements regarding date and time.

# January 2014

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>5</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>Worship</b> 9:15 am Bible Study Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>6</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Worship</b> 7:00 pm Basketball Game at Goodhue 7:00 pm LES Committee Meeting	<b>7</b> 8:00 am Moms' Bible Study	<b>1</b> 8 Annual Report Articles DUE 8:00 am Chapel 10:00 am Bible Study 3:30 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	<b>2</b> School Resumes	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 8:00 am Cleaning Group #2 11:00 am Private Baptism
<b>12</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b> 9:15 am Bible Study Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b> 7:00 pm Call Meeting	<b>13</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b>	<b>14</b> 8:00 am Moms' Bible Study 7:00 pm Ladies Guild	<b>15</b> 8:00 am Chapel 10:00 am Bible Study 3:30 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> 6:30 pm Basketball Game vs. Zumbrota at Sunnyside	<b>18</b> 8:00 am Cleaning Group #4



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<b>19</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>Worship</b> 9:15 am Bible Study Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>20</b> No School <b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>21</b> 8:00 am Moms' Bible Study	<b>22</b> 10:00 am Bible Study 3:30 pm Catechism Class 5:00 pm Elders' Meeting 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b> 6:30 pm Basketball Game vs. Lake City at Sunnyside	<b>25</b> 8:00 am Cleaning Group #5  Goodhue Basketball Tournament
<b>26</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b> Grades K-8 Sing (A-I) 9:15 am Bible Study Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> <b>Worship with Communion</b> Grades K-8 Sing (J-Z)	<b>27</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Worship with</b> <b>Communion</b>	<b>28</b> 8:00 am Moms' Bible Study 4:00 pm Special Communion 4:30 pm Worship at the Cross (Krause)	<b>29</b> 8:00 am Chapel 10:00 am Morning Bible Study 3:30 pm Catechism Class 7:00 pm Voters' Meeting	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> School Art Fair	<b>1</b> <i>Sneak</i> Peak Info February  8:00 am Cleaning Group #6
<b>2</b> <b>8:00 am</b> <b>Worship</b> 9:15 am Bible Study Sunday School <b>10:30 am</b> <b>Worship</b>	<b>3</b> <b>7:00 pm</b> <b>Worship</b> 7:00 pm LES Committee	<b>4</b> 8:00 am Moms' Bible Study 5:00 pm Basketball at Cannon Falls	<b>5</b> 8:00 am Chapel 10:00 am Bible Study 3:30 pm Catechism Class 6:30 pm Women's Bible Study	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 6:30 pm Basketball Game vs. Goodhue at Sunnyside	<b>8</b> 8:00 am Cleaning Group #7  B Frozen Basketball Tournament

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## January 2014

### 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.

**EVENING SERVICES** during the year are at 4:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. (Check the calendars and website for service times or call the office at 388.2149)

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