

**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 Peter Sternberg was born in the upper peninsula of Michigan where his father served a dual parish in Bruce Crossing, MI and Phelps, WI. In 1984 the family moved to Rhinelander, WI where he attended the grade school of Zion Lutheran Church. After graduating from Rhinelander High School in 1997, he attended Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN where he graduated in 2001. He continued his studies at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, WI, graduating in 2005. During his years at the seminary, he served as a summer vicar for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Las Vegas, Nevada. He also served a full year as vicar

We Have a New Pastor

for Our Savior Lutheran Church in Brookings, South Dakota. After graduation, Pastor Sternberg was assigned to serve as a tutor for one year at Martin Luther College in New Ulm where he did some teaching, coaching and served as a dormitory supervisor. In 2006, he was reassigned to serve as an associate pastor at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Franklin.

In 2007 he married his wife, Julie, who grew up in Zion, IL where her father was the long time principal for Our Savior Lutheran Church. She attended Shoreland Lutheran High School and Wisconsin Lutheran College. Since graduation she has worked for Referee magazine in Racine, WI where she is currently the managing editor.

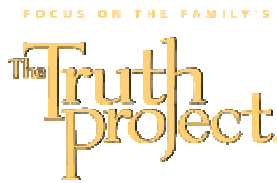
As for their family, they are currently working

through the process of an international adoption from Ethiopia and are waiting for a referral. They are also in the preliminary stages of starting a domestic adoption. They both enjoy spending time outdoors (especially traveling to the national parks), as well as watching and participating in different sports.

Pastor & Julie are looking forward to the upcoming transition and getting to know the people of St. John's and the community of Red Wing. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

**Installation
service
July 6, 4:00 p.m.**

**Snack Reception
(REBECCA Group)
Pastor/Staff Dinner
(RACHEL group)**



The Truth Project: An In-Depth Christian Worldview Experience

Worldview Experience
The worldview of people in our culture is changing right before our eyes, and not entirely for the better. This video series is designed to equip believers with a comprehensive biblical worldview. Practically and personally, we 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. We will meet downstairs at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesdays this

summer.

- **June 3—What is Truth?**
- **June 10—Anthropology: Who is Man?**
- **June 17—Science: What is True?**
- **June 24—Sociology: The Divine Imprint**

BIC

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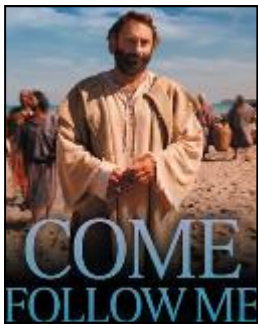
Bible Information Class Set to Begin

On June 4th we will be starting another series of Bible information classes. This class is designed primarily for non-members interested in learning what our

church teaches. Upon completion of these classes individuals are welcome to join our church family if he or she desires. Classes will be offered weekly on

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. Anyone may come, and feel welcome to bring a friend!

Come Follow Me



Our Sunday Morning Bible Class is designed around the movie Come Follow Me. The movie shares the story of Peter's call to follow Jesus, his denial of Jesus, and his subsequent restoration. The movie

and supporting resources emphasize the role of individual believers as disciples of Jesus who are part of his church's Great Commission. Just like Peter, we struggle with doubt, fear, cowardice, guilt, misunderstanding,

and feelings of inadequacy. The solution is Jesus, who assures us that we are forgiven, can be his witnesses, and that he will give us the gifts and strength needed for ministry.

Fragrance Awareness



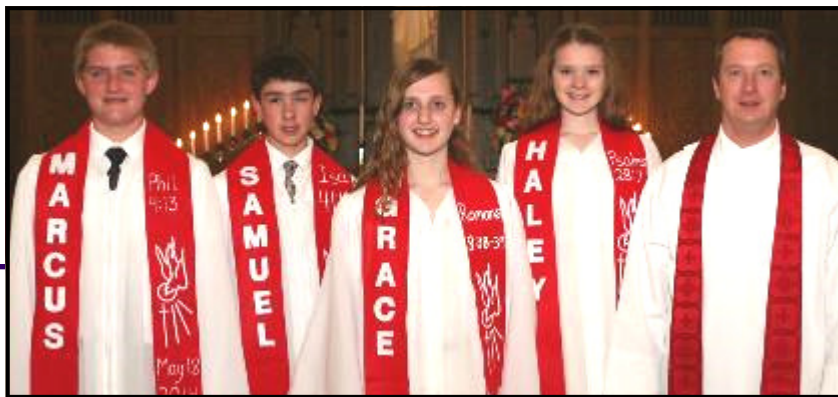
Fragrances make those who have allergies or sensitivities very ill. We would like everyone to have a pleasant worship, meeting, and socializing

experience at St. John's. We would ask that you be considerate of the difficulties (sometimes serious) that

some people have with strong fragrance. Thank you for your understanding.

2014 Confirmation Class

Left to Right: Marcus Schmidt, Samuel Engel, Grace Bain, Haley Pritchard, Pastor Engel



Gifts & Memorials

General Fund

Thrivent Choice Dollars \$ 1,112.00
 (Elaine Barnes, Paul Benidt, Jean Bruemmer, Joyce Burkel, Clarence Glander, Marilyn Glander, Harold Henn, Joan Holst, James Horn, Annette Jonas, Rebecca Mitchener, David Pearson, Bernice Schwartzau, Kurt Schwartz.)

Pastor's Report—April 2014

SUNDAY CHURCH ATTENDANCE: 1,178
AVERAGE FOR THE MONTH: 295 (+45 Mar '14, +39 Apr '13)
COMMUNION ATTENDANCE: 494
BIBLE CLASS ATTENDANCE: 338
MEMBERSHIP: 3/31/14 **BAPTIZED:** 759 **COMMUNICANT:** 586
MEMBERSHIP: 4/30/14 **BAPTIZED:** 759 **COMMUNICANT:** 586

DIVINE CALL

NAME	DATE	POSITION	STATUS
Sternberg, Pastor Peter	4/6/14	Assoc. Pastor at St. John's, RW	Received

Attention: Singers and Musicians

Children's Choir

Sing for the Blended
 Worship service on
 June 22nd.
 Rehearsals: June 8 &
 15 at 9:15 a.m.

Laudamus Ensemble

Play for Pastor
 Sternberg's Installation
 on July 6 at 4:00 p.m.
 Rehearsals: June 18, 25
 & July 2 at 6:45 p.m.

Women's Choir

Sing for Pastor
 Sternberg's Installation
 on July 6, 4:00 p.m.
 Rehearsals: June 18, 25
 & July 2 at 7:15 p.m.



YPS News

- * Youth Rally Trip to Knoxville, TN coming up at the end of June 24-29.
- * Brat Feed & Car Wash—Saturday, June 14th in the St. John's Parking Lot. 4:30-8:00 p.m.
- * Have you played soccer before? Interested in helping coach? Are you going into 8th grade -12th grade? Not doing anything August 3rd – 9th? Contact Karla Opperman for a chance to help coach at a soccer camp here in Minnesota!



ST. JOHN'S SCHOOL NEWS



Congratulations to Our Students of the Fourth Quarter

Even during this super busy final quarter of our school year, we have students that are soaring to new heights!

In Miss Karla Opperman's Kindergarten room, Camden Peterson is flying high! Camden is a hard worker with a positive attitude. He is a great listener and loves to interact with his peers. It has been a privilege watching Camden grow this year! He has grown leaps and bounds in so many ways!! It is just wonderful — there are not enough words to describe it. Camden also handles frustration well. He doesn't let it get the best of him, he asks for help instead. Excellent!!

Miss Lentz, who is moving and shaking in your classroom? It is Logan Goeman! Logan is a quiet, diligent worker who puts forth his best effort and uses his artistic ability to brighten the classroom! Nice work, Logan!

We have another Peterson soaring above the clouds in Mr. Justin Hansen's room. This time it is Camden's older sister, Kailyn. It has been a privilege to watch Kailyn grow these last three years. She is a great leader and example for the other students. Her work is always done well and on time. God has blessed Kailyn with many gifts and I know she will find a way to use them in the future.

The student Principal Benjamin Bain selected played an important



role in our school play, and did a great job! She gets her school work done, and it is done well. Her smile and laughter help make school a nice place to be. Haley Pritchard is my student of the fourth quarter. Go Haley Go!

Thank You!

Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Frazier designated our school to receive their Thrivent Choice Dollars in the amount of \$35. Thank you!

We have received \$359 from Box Tops for Education®. Mrs. Pam Klatt and Mr. Roy Thumann have graciously donated their time to make sure the box tops get redeemed. We thank them for their dedication.

Wise Penny gave \$500 to our God's Children tuition fund. Thank you very much!

We can turn around and help Wise Penny by donating good, clean, quality merchandise to "The Penny." You know, like that super fabulous pair of jeans that you are now too slim to wear. Or the nice set of china great Uncle Si gifted you, but you just don't have room for. Get those closets and cupboards rattling this summer. See what needs to be donated. Think Wise Penny. Thank you!



A Call Has Been Received

Our Principal, Mr. Benjamin Bain, has received a call to serve St. John's School in Libertyville, IL.

The call is to serve as principal/teacher at their elementary school.

Prayers have been requested as Mr. Bain deliberates the call.



The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit SMASHING!

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The Rock Slinger and His Greatest Hit...

...shook this town to the core! Hopefully many of our readers were able to take advantage of this entertaining event!

Little Blessings and our band students got the crowd in the mood with some spirited songs. Both groups knew their stuff and gave great performances. Little Blessings did have the edge on cuteness. Sorry, band members.

Then came the main event. Our play was based on the Bible story of David and Goliath. The children did a remarkable job projecting their voices and speaking clearly! They sang and performed their hearts out and gave it their all! It was absolutely superb! Everyone did an outstanding job, including Goliath, portrayed by Adam Dilks and his dad, Chad. What a show it was!



Thank You!

Thank you for the monetary gifts given in honor of Pastor Engel and Mr. Bain for their extra hard work over the past year. They received the gift along with a special award on Thursday, May 29th at awards night. We have asked them to keep us posted on what they did for fun.



SCRIP During the Summer?

Just a reminder that SCRIP \$ is available throughout the summer months. This is an excellent fundraiser for our school events/activities/materials and it's easy to obtain! Simply turn in your order to Erica Pritchard's or Margaret Hernlem's church mailbox by

Sunday morning and your SCRIP \$ will be delivered to church by the following Sunday. Need it sooner? You can order on-line and have some instantly, others will be available the following Thursday for pick-up or Sunday at church. Remember you can also receive some tuition reimbursement through

the SCRIP program. For details on how to set up your account call Lora Price, 301-0501 or Pam Klatt, 388-3575.



Planting the Seed of God's Word

Portions taken from the Truth in Love Ministry newsletter

Can you imagine the burden of guilt associated with never receiving the assurance of being fully justified and redeemed by God? Planting the seeds of God's Word can begin by sharing the joy, confidence, and assurance of knowing that we are already forgiven by God. We can ask, "Do you believe that you are forgiven by God?" A Mormon will commonly answer, "No, but I'm trying." This opens the door to share the teachings of biblical Christianity. What follows is an example of how we could explain this to our Mormon friends.

I believe God provides and answer to the question, "When can I be forgiven? The Bible teaches that Heavenly Father does not necessarily say, "Believe and you will be forgiven." Instead he says, "I have forgiven you! Believe!" God's forgiveness can be understood as a miracle, a divine invitation, a heavenly promise.

Perhaps you have often

been told of the importance of forgiving others. If you extended forgiveness to a best friend for an unkind remark, their is joy when the friend accepts it and apologized. The relationship has been reconciled and restored. Di you best friend need to do anything to receive your forgiveness? No, they are forgiven. True forgiveness doesn't expect anything in return.

Could we not expect to receive the same forgiveness from Heavenly Father who provides the greatest example of perfect love and mercy? God initiates full forgiveness. Faith responds by acknowledging our sins, receiving His invitation, and being fully restored and reconciled as a worthy child of God. His love and mercy is so perfect, that he not only forgets our sins (Hebrews 10:17), but he doesn't require additional sacrifice (Hebrews 10:18). Jesus' death on the cross paid in full our debt of sin. Faith takes ownership of Christ's sacrifice on our behalf.

God desires for us to trust his eternal promise



of true and full forgiveness. Believe that Jesus has already mediated a full pardon for you by paying off your debt on the cross. The benefit of trusting God and taking Him at his Word is receiving joy, peace, and assurance of our status of being forgiven right now.

By no longer fearing rejection by God, we are prompted by love and gratitude to be faithful and obedient. A relationship that is reconciled motivates us to remain faithful in that relationship, because it is prompted by love. That knowledge breaks guilt's stranglehold and replaces it with assurance of being already worthy and acceptable to God.

God want you to have the blessing of joy right now. He wants you to have the assurance that you will live with him for all eternity. That is why his message for you is "Forgiven!" Believe this eternal promise and experience true joy.

**Point Mormons
to one of our
outreach
websites:**

beyeperfect.org
or
hishealingnow.com

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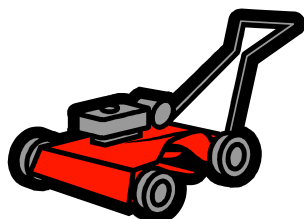
Church Cleaning Groups

6/7/2014	6/14/2014	6/21/2014	6/28/2014	7/5/2014
Group #6	Group #7	Group #8	Group #9	Group #10
Dankers, Carol	*Dicke, Pat	*Fandrey, Sonny	*Benidt-Grave, Sarah	*Henn, Lora
Dankers, David	*Dicke, Todd	Gehlhar, Janet	*Grave, Gene	Bohme, Amy
Dankers, Dennis	Dicke, Bonnie	Gehlhar, Jeff	Buchholtz, Amy	Bohme, Shannon
Dankers, Marlene	Dicke, Jared	Gehlhar, Rachel	Gadient, Braham	Gerken, Alice
Deden, Niles	Dicke, Justin	George, Gary	Glander, Clarence	Gerken, Anthony
Deden, Ross	Dicke, Tyson	George, Margery	Glander, Marilyn	Gerken, Marc
Deden, Susan	Dicke, Wayne	Gernentz, Barbara	Goelzer, Linda	Gilbertson, Darlene
Dilks, Stacy	Diercks, Arlen	Gernentz, Timothy	Goelzer, Mark	Henn, Char
Verdugo, Debra	Diercks, Audrey	Shaw, Jenny	Goeman, John	Hernlem, Christian
Verdugo, Mark	Diercks, Glen	Shaw, Paul	Gran, Lowell	Hernlem, James Jr.
Gronseth, Chris	Diercks, Lynn	Fox, Cole	Grave, Aaron	Hernlem, James Sr.
Gronseth, Claire	Diercks, Suzanne	Fox, Kelly	Grave, Alicia	Hernlem, Margaret
Gronseth, Darren	Diercks, Terry	Gunhus, Adam	Hadler, Corey	Hernlem, Veronica
Shannon, Sara	Nelson, Darrell	Gunhus, Ben	Hadler, Katelyn	Holst, Joan
Lentz, Holly	Nelson, Jennifer	Gunhus, Darcy	Hase, Helen	Jagusch, Paul
Hedeen, Sarah	Hofius, Dan	Gunhus, Gun	Hatfield, Trevor	Jagusch, Pauline
Deden, Claire	Hofius, Val	Gunhus, Hannah	Mauel, Katie	Johnson, Jessica
Wright, Tanner	Hofius, Wyatt	King, Kelli	Quade, Jeremy	Johnson, Rhonda
		King, Scott	Quade, Lori	Johnson, Sean
				Kuehni, Ruth
				Reese, Paul
				Reese, Richard



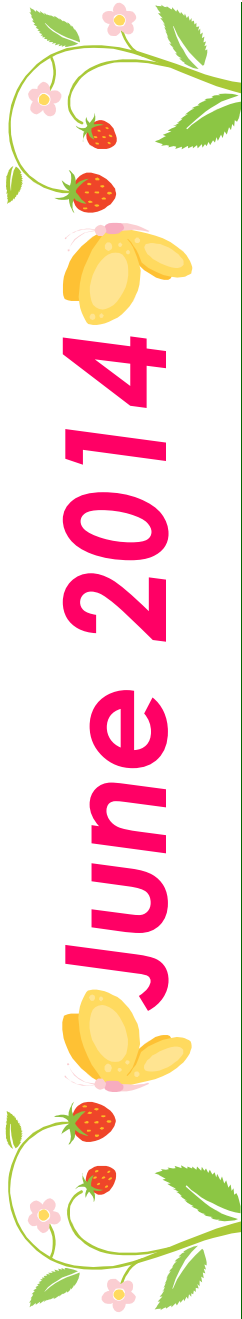
Lawnmowers Needed

A sign up sheet to mow the church lawn is on the bulletin board in the hallway. Questions? Contact Kevin Smith at 380.6494.



Luke 6:38 (NIV)

³⁸ Give, and it will be given to you. A good measure, pressed down, shaken together and running over, will be poured into your lap. For with the measure you use, it will be measured to you."



June 2014

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship LES Grades K-8 Sing 11:00 am Basement Reserved-Linnell	2 7:00 pm LES Committee Meeting 7:00 pm Worship	3 6:30 pm The Truth Project	4 6:30 pm Bible Information Class	5 6:30 pm Softball Game, Field 1	6	7 8:00 am Cleaning Group #6
8 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am Bible Study Children's Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 2:30 pm Installation at Goodhue for Pastor Justin Gosch	9 7:00 pm Worship with Communion	10 6:30 pm The Truth Project 7:30 pm Softball Game, Field 2	11	12	13	14 8:00 am Cleaning Group #7 4:30-8:00 pm YPS Brat Feed and Car Wash
MN District Convention in New Ulm—June 10						
15 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study Children's Choir Rehearsal 10:00 am Worship 1:30 pm Pastor Learman Farewell (Lincoln)	16 7:00 pm Worship	17 9:00 am Worship Committee 6:30 pm The Truth Project 6:30 pm Softball Game, Field 1	18 6:30 pm Bible Information Class 6:45 pm Laudamus Ensemble 7:15 pm Women's Choir	19 5:30 pm Elders' Meeting 7:00 pm Church Council	20	21 8:00 am Cleaning Group #8



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22 8:00 am Blended Worship Children's Choir Sing 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Blended Worship Children's Choir Sing	23 7:00 pm Worship	24 Reporter Articles Due 4:30 pm Worship at the Cross (Kuznicki) 6:30 pm The Truth Project	25 6:45 pm Laudamus Ensemble 7:15 pm Women's Choir	26 8:30 pm Softball Game, Field 1	27 9:00 am Mailing Committee	28 8:00 am Cleaning Group #9
Youth Rally in Knoxville, TN ~ June 24-29						
29 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship with Holy Communion	30 7:00 pm Worship with Communion	1 Sneak Peak Into July 6:30 pm The Truth Project 7:30 pm Softball Game, Field 2 8:30 pm Softball Game, Field 2	2 6:30 pm Bible Information Class 6:45 pm Laudamus Ensemble 7:15 pm Women's Choir	3	4	5 8:00 am Cleaning Group #10
6 8:00 am Worship 9:15 am Bible Study 10:00 am Worship 4:00 pm Installation of Pastor Sternberg (Snack Reception-REBECCA Pastor/Staff Dinner-RACHEL)	7 7:00 pm LES Committee 7:00 pm Worship	8 6:30 pm Softball Game, Field 1 6:30 pm The Truth Project	9 6:30 pm Bible Information Class	10 6:30 pm Softball Game, Field 1	11	12 8:00 am Cleaning Group #11

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June 2014

SERVICE SCHEDULE

(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.

(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)

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

COMMUNION is served on the 2nd & **LAST SUNDAYS** of the month.