

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran
Church & School**



Preacher: Pr. Matthew Moss
Liturgist: Pr. Matthew Johnson
Kantor: Dr. Crystal Rossow

Thanks to all who serve this week:

Altar Guild: Jan Stieg & Lois Anderson

Worship Assistants:

8:00 am: Jerry Rogge
10:30 am: Jack Wold

Acolytes:

8:00 am: Jenna Vogt & Isaac Vogt
10:30 am: Evan Pulju

Ushers:

8:00 am: Dana Christophersen,
Tom Gardner,
Ray Kaiser, Don Kalk,
Davey Kulberg,
10:30 am: Mike DeSplinter,
Russ Reznecheck, Craig Schutte

Money Counters:

Randy Bredenberg,
Cindy Kiekow, Nichole Schilling
Craig Schutte

Lent Midweek ~Wednesday, March 13th:

Worship Assistant:

7:00 pm: Dan Kolander

Acolyte:

7:00 pm: James Wicht

¹¹Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: [sung] Praise to You, O Christ.

The Small Catechism: *The Sacrament of Holy Baptism* p. 325

Hymn of the Day: *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God* LSB 657

Sermon: *In Times of Temptation, He Renews through Word & Spirit* (Mt. 4:1-11)

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Offering: Agincourt Hymn (John Dunstable)

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Distribution Hymn: *O Love, How Deep* LSB 544

Distribution Hymn: *O Little Flock, Fear Not the Foe* LSB 666

Canticle: *Nunc Dimittis* page 165

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Closing Hymn: *Triune God, Be Thou Our Stay* (single verse) LSB 505

Postlude: A Mighty Fortress (Aaron David Miller)

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(LCMS)

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† The First Sunday in Lent ~ Invocabit †

March 10, 2019

Pre-Service Verse, Prayer, and Music for Personal Preparation and Reflection

Tract: *He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High will abide in the shadow of the Almighty. He will cover you with his pinions, and under his wings you will find refuge; When he calls to me, I will answer him; I will be with him in trouble. With long life I will satisfy him and show him my salvation.* (Ps. 91:1, 4a, 15a, 16)

Prayer: O Lord, we are tempted day and night by the murderous, lying devil. Protect us by Your might. Teach us through Your Word. And comfort us with Your Spirit. Amen.

Prelude: I Bind Unto Myself Today (Benjamin M. Culli)

The Divine Service

Opening Hymn: *I Bind unto Myself Today* **LSB 604**

Confession & Absolution **page 151**

Introit *Ps. 91:1-2, 9-10, 13; antiphon: Ps. 91:15a, c, 16*

When he calls to me, I will | answer him;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

He who dwells in the shelter of the | Most High*

will abide in the shadow of the Al- | mighty.

I will say to the Lord, “My refuge and my | fortress,*

my God, in | whom I trust.”

Because you have made the Lord your | dwelling place—*

the Most High, who is my | refuge—

no evil shall be allowed to be- | fall you,*

no plague come | near your tent.

You will tread on the lion and the | adder;*

the young lion and the serpent you will trample | underfoot.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning, *

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

When he calls to me, I will | answer him;*

I will rescue him and | honor him.

With long life I will sat- | isfy him*

and show him my sal- | vation.

The hymn of praise (Gloria / This is the Feast) is omitted during Lent

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Salutation **page 156**

Collect of the Day

O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we

may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 3:1-21

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

He will command his angels con- | cerning you*

to guard you in | all your ways.

On their hands they will | bear you up,*

lest you strike your foot a- | gainst a stone.

Ps. 91:11-12

The Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:1-10

Working together with him, then, we appeal to you not to receive the grace of God in vain. For he says, “In a favorable time I listened to you, and in a day of salvation I have helped you.” Behold, now is the favorable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone’s way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: by great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, riots, labors, sleepless nights, hunger; by purity, knowledge, patience, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love; by truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; through honor and dishonor, through slander and praise. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold, we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, yet possessing everything.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

The Lenten Verse

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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4th chapter.

C: [sung] **Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil.

²And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. ³And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” ⁴But he answered, “It is written, “Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.”

⁵Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple ⁶and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written, “He will command his angels concerning you,” and ““On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.”

⁷Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” ⁸Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. ⁹And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” ¹⁰Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, “You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.”

† Lent 1 ~ Invocabit †

- *Since the Lord’s Supper is testimony of our unity in the faith, the Sacrament is reserved for members in good standing of congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.*
- *Visitors from sister LCMS congregations who agree with our doctrine and practice should announce your desire to commune to a pastor before joining us at the Lord’s Table.*
- *Members may prepare by reading Luther’s “Questions & Answers for those who intend to go to the Sacrament” (LSB 329-330).*

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BOARD OF PARISH EDUCATION & YOUTH (Rich Oakland):

TEACH SUNDAY SCHOOL: We are still looking for Sunday School teachers. Please consider sharing your faith with the children of our congregation; volunteer forms can be found in the narthex. Contact tara.eder@gmail.com 763-203-4095



BIBLES & BREWS: Our next installment of theology on tap will take place on Monday, March 25th, at *Under Pressure Brewing*, 8806 7th Ave N, Golden Valley. Doors open 6:30.



Youth Group

GET CONNECTED: We have many Youth Group events throughout the year and we want to make sure YOU know about them. Keep an eye on your email, the Church bulletin and the School newsletter for info on the events. Contact Jayme Kruse with questions on how to get connected - jayme.kruse@gmail.com/612-807-6526.

YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY (grades 5-12): The STJL Youth Group program is geared towards 6th-12th graders; however, beginning this year, we have invited 5th graders to attend Youth Group Bible Study on Sunday mornings. This gives them an opportunity to start getting to know the other kids in Youth Group as well as take advantage of age-appropriate topics we discuss. Each Sunday, between services, 5th and 6th graders will meet in the Auxiliary Room and 7th-12th graders will meet in the 6th grade (Mr. Peterman's) room upstairs. We have some great topics planned, you won't want to miss it!

WHIRLYBALL MAPLE GROVE: Saturday, March 23rd, 1:00 pm (Parents transport), \$8 per person, waivers required.



CONGREGATION PRESIDENT / DEACON CHAIRMAN (Erik Preus, Chris Kruse):

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY: A Congregational Assembly will be held **NEXT SUNDAY**, March 17, 2019. The primary issues of new business on the Agenda are the consideration of the budget for the congregation's next fiscal year as proposed by the Council of Deacons and an update on the Protect Your Ministry initiative. A packet of information, including the agenda, proposed budget and proposed resolution, was distributed beginning on March 3, in keeping with the requirements of our Constitution and By-Laws. As we have done for the last few Assembly meetings, a lunch will be served immediately following the conclusion of the second service on March 17. We are working to arrange babysitting, so those with young children can attend the meeting. The Assembly meeting will commence immediately after the meal has concluded, approximately 12:15 pm. All are invited to attend this fellowship opportunity and to stay for the meeting to participate in the operation of the congregation. You must be a communicant member of the congregation, in good standing, and at least 18 years of age in order to vote at the Assembly.



† Invocabit ~ The First Sunday in Lent †

March 10, 2019

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort—Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Robert Malwitz, Alvin Cook, Diann Bates (mother of Toya Fish), Ilene Shepherd, Brigitte Miest, Tony Stadler, Raelene Fairchild, and Diane Lawrence. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

Our homebound members are Linda Bredenberg, Alvin Cook, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiede, and Ilene Shepherd.

All those serving in our Armed Forces—Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Texas), Isak Preus (home), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Germany), and Joseph Radintz (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year—The family of Dorothy Schutte, Paul & Diane Radintz (at the loss of their son Bill), John Malikowski & family (at the loss of his mother Frances), Cindy Cook & family (at the loss of her sister Jackie), the family of William Cahlander, Kathleen Cooper & family (at the loss of her father John Giguere), the family of Ron Conley, Steve Orbin & family (at the loss of his mother Vonnice), Russ Reznecheck & family (at the loss of his mother Doris), Mark Franz & family (at the loss of his mother Joyce), and Beth Giefer & family (at the loss of her father Lyle Boyd).

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones—Dick Rau & family (at the loss of his sister Helen Kalthoff), Dorothy Cooper & family (at the loss of her sister Millie Schumacker), Kristine Eversman & family (at the loss of her father Richard Wild), the family of Vivian Schutte, and the family of Bruce O'Hern.

All Missionaries especially our pastor Emeritus, Rev. Briel and his wife Katy as they travel to Kenya for his semester teaching future pastors at the Lutheran seminary in Matongo, Kenya.

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Redeemer Lutheran, Robbinsdale, and Pastor Doug Minton.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for Property & Grounds Deacons Kevin Pomerence & Dan Holthus and the Board Members, and our Maintenance Manager John Draskovich, and also for our Kitchen Managers, Heather Bursch & Lynn Schutte, along with all of the lunch helpers.

THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is available the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary (and by appointment any time with your pastors). Take advantage of this opportunity to hear God's Word of forgiveness spoken to you individually in Jesus' Name. "If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

† Announcements †

FROM THE PASTORS:

SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: *no special feast days this week.*



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: "We do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places (Eph. 6:12)." The world is very evil and Christ came to subdue the devil. During Lent we will study demon possession and spiritual warfare both in the biblical texts and in the history of the Church (including present manifestations of that darkness).

March 10- Introducing Angels, Demons, and Spiritual Warfare
Video Recordings Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lutheranbiblestudy>

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: Our study of the *Book of Proverbs* continues this week. We meet on Tuesdays in the Auxiliary Room at **9:45 am**. You can also watch live online using Facebook Live; just go to St. John's Facebook page. We are starting the final section of the Book where Solomon includes wisdom from other wise people.



BAPTIZED following this morning's 10:30 am Divine Service is Castle Henry Kemna, infant son of Paul and Laura Kemna. May our Lord Jesus bless Castle as he is nourished in the faith by his parents so that he may join us at the foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom. "May this child, Your mercy sharing, in Your arms be shielded ever, Yours on earth and Yours forever...Write the name we now have given; write it in the book of heaven!" (LSB 592)



AFRICA MISSION NEWS: Two students whom Pr. Briel instructed in Hebrew and the Old Testament Studies were accepted at Ft. Wayne seminary. Pr. Briel is very excited about this news! Now they just need to raise funds for their studies now. Pr. Briel sends his greetings. Gods peace and blessings from Kenya. (More details in print-out from Pr. Wokoma.) ~Pr. and Katy



LENT MID-WEEK SERVICES:

Wednesdays (March 13-April 10): 1:30 pm Matins & 7:00 pm Vespers



DURING LENT the Wednesday evening schedule will have an earlier start, 5:30 pm, for Public School Catechism (March 6—April 17).

This Week at St. John's Lutheran

TODAY		Daylight Saving Time Begins
	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	4:00 pm:	Adult Open Gym Basketball
MON:		
TUES:	9:45 am:	Adult Bible Study
	6:30 pm:	PTL Meeting
WED:	1:30 pm:	Lenten Matins Svc/Chapel~Student Instrumentals
	5:30 pm:	PS Catechism
	6:00 pm:	Rehearsals~ Brass: Music Room; Choir: Sanctuary
	7:00 pm:	Lenten Vespers Service
THUR:	7:00 pm:	Deacons Council Meeting
	7:00 pm:	Table Tennis
FRI:		
SAT:		
SUN:	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
		Assembly Meeting Lunch; Congregational Assembly
	4:00 pm:	Adult Open Gym Basketball

Those Serving This Week. Wednesday (Lent Midweek). March 13th:

Worship Assistant:	7:00 pm:	Dan Kolander
Acolyte:	7:00 pm:	James Wicht

Those Serving Next Week. Sunday. March 17th:

Altar Guild:		Jan Stieg & Lois Anderson
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Kevin Pomeranke
	10:30 am:	Dan Holthus
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Andrew Wandersee & 1 needed
	10:30 am:	Diana Schilling & Naomi Schilling
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Dana Christophersen, Thomas Gardner, Ray Kaiser, Don Kalk, Davey Kulberg
	10:30 am:	Mike DeSplinter, Russ Reznecheck, Craig Schutte
Money Counters:		Ruth Droogsma, <i>Scott Kulberg</i> , Paul Radintz, Mark Schutte

Those Serving Next Week. Wednesday (Lent Midweek). March 20th:

Worship Assistant:	7:00 pm:	Todd Haag
Acolyte:	7:00 pm:	Sophia Beck

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):

Reminders concerning weekly offerings/contributions:

Offerings received through weekly offering envelopes without contribution designations on the face of the envelope will be directed to the General Fund, to pay the ongoing expenses of the Church and School.



Ways to Give ~~~

In Person...

Place checks or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate as it goes by.



Text... St. John's New "Text to Give" # 763-225-2689

Set up a one time or recurring donation by texting the amount you wish to give. ***



Giving App...

Download the 'GivePlus Church' app to set up one-time or recurring donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone! ***



Online...

Visit www.stjlutheran.org to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts. ***



***you can use the printed "I Give Electronically" cards to place in the offering plate during services.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK Sunday, March 3rd~ CT: 328 CM: 245

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Last Week 03/03/19 *Year-to-date* since 07/01/18

Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 27,787	\$ 1,065,913
Amount Needed	\$ 22,466	\$ 1,249,092
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ 5,322	\$ (183,179)
% Ahead (-Behind)		-15%



Current Building Mortgage Balance (February 28) \$538,384

Important Notes:

Amount Needed above includes the prior years' cumulative deficit of \$131,500 at June 30, 2018, plus the pro-rated portion of the \$53,217 Congregation-approved deficit for the current budget year beginning July 1, 2018.

Please contact Board of Admin Deacons Mike Gaffer (mtgaff@comcast.net) or Tom Eversman (Theversman@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

BOARD OF EDUCATION (Stu Glock, Dan Kolander):

SCHOOL ADMINISTRATOR:



God has blessed St. John's Lutheran Church and School for over 150 years. He has graciously provided eager students, committed parents, faithful pastors, talented teachers, and strong leadership to operate our Pre-Kindergarten through 8th grade school.

Gary Volberding has served us well as Administrator for many years and Interim Administrator the last two years, and we thank him for his dedicated service to our school and the Lord. We know God has amazing plans for St. John's Lutheran School, and it is our pleasure to announce new leadership for 2019/20 and beyond...

Gretchen Dolan will lead our school as Administrator & Teacher. She is a called worker who has been serving here at St. John's as our junior high Language Arts teacher. Throughout her time as a teacher, as well as a volunteer on numerous boards and committees, Gretchen's many talents have been discovered and she is recognized as a leader. The Deacons, Board of Education, and Gary recommended Gretchen for the Administrator role, and she has graciously accepted the Call.

Suzanne Haag will continue to serve as Admissions & Communication Director. Her role will be full-time, and she will be taking on additional administrative responsibilities to support the school.

It is important to note this is not an interim plan. Our extensive search for an Administrator the last three years has taught us a lot about our school's strengths and opportunity areas. We are confident, with God's help, this leadership structure will further enhance a standard of excellence for our students and families. Gretchen and Suzanne will work with the pastors, teachers, Board of Education, Deacons, and more to carry out the mission of our school.

Please join us in congratulating Gretchen and thanking her for stepping into this new role which will be effective July 2019. School families should watch for more information soon, including an invitation to an event to meet Gretchen and discuss the future of our school. Feel free to contact her at Gretchen.Dolan@stjlutheran.org or 612-219-6896.

In His service,
Pastor Moss, Erik Preus (Congregation President), Chris Kruse (Deacon Chair), Brian Callahan (Board of Education Chair), and Senell Jaster (incoming Board of Education Chair)

GALA SURVEY: In an effort to improve our planning activities and your experience, we hope you will give us your feedback. The survey link below will take you to the survey - which will take just a few minutes to complete. We'll be sharing the results with the 2019 Gala Committee. <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YJLPHZQ>



LENTEN SUPPER: Each Wednesday evening during Lent, we will be serving supper from 5:15-6:45 pm as a fundraiser for our 8th grade Wash DC trip. "Pick any 2": soup, salad, sandwich for \$5, or all "3" for \$8. 2 soup and 2 sandwich choices will be available each week. Beverage and dessert included - no reservation required. Hope you can come join us!

**BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP, EVANGELISM, WORSHIP,
and ALTAR CARE (Mark Ellinger, Phil Schutte):**



CROSS...FOOD NEEDS: Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **MARCH** are: Condiments (ketchup, mayo, mustard, etc.) and Laundry Detergent (16oz or smaller). Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.

MARCH IS MN FOOD SHARE MONTH: Great matching opportunity to stretch your gifts to Cross. MN FoodShare Campaign provides a percentage dollar match for every pound of food and every \$1 donated to CROSS during March.



DERBY DAYS GOLF: Another event for CROSS, Sunday, May 19th, Golf/Cart/Dinner: \$80. Pheasant Acres Golf Course, 10705 Cty Rd 116, Rogers, MN. Register now: Elizabeth@CROSSservices.org



LUTHERAN WITNESS: If you would like to get the monthly Lutheran Witness magazine, please sign up with the Usher or fill out a form at the narthex table. A magazine will be placed in the church mailbox for each family that signs up.



PRO-LIFE SEWING: Saturday has been rescheduled for March 30 from 9am to 3pm in the fellowship hall. This is for all ages elementary age and up, men and women. Lunch will be provided. Come all day or part of a day. If you wish to sew, bring your machine. Everyone bring scissors. Our circuit churches have been invited. For questions call Diane Haag or LeAnn Cummins.



MISSION RALLY: The Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML), a RSO of the LCMS, has their circuit-wide mission rally on Saturday, April 6, 2019, at Grace Lutheran Church, 6810 Winnetka Av N, Brooklyn Park. Registration and coffee from 8:30 - 9 am. Brunch at 9:00. Presentation starts at 9:45 am. Tickets \$8. Speakers are Dr. James Seeman, ministry coordinator for the MN South District, and John Henderson, founder at CROSSING HOME, a faith-based ministry that restores hope to those recently released from prison. For a list of Gifts from the Heart see posters. Get a ticket from Gretchen Kliche or at the door.



PRICE BREAK FOR BACH SOCIETY TICKETS: The Bach Society of Minnesota is presenting Bach's poignant and pathos-filled St. John's Passion **THIS FRIDAY**, March 15th, 7:30pm at Sundin Hall, Hamline University, 1536 Hewitt Av, St. Paul. For adults and seniors, purchase your tickets online and use the code SJP10 to get the rate of \$10 per ticket. Student tickets are \$5; children 12 and under are free. (This rate only applies to the St. Paul concert, not Winona or Rochester.) Consider this as a wonderful and artistic part of your Lenten preparations.



BUS TO BACH CONCERT: Glory of Christ is taking a bus to the March 15th Bach concert in St. Paul. They have extended their deadline to **TODAY** Sunday, March 10th. If you wish to reserve a seat on their bus, the sign-up sheet is on the narthex table.



THE CHRISTUS CHORUS of Concordia University, St. Paul, Minnesota will present "Saved By Grace," a concert of sacred music sharing God's salvation of the world in Christ. The concert will be at St. John's on Friday, April 5th at 7:30 p.m. The tour program covers a wide variety of styles, from classical literature to hymns, contemporary pieces, film scores, spirituals, and gospel music. The choir is grateful for the opportunity to perform some of the great music of the Church and to witness through music as an expression of faith. All members of the congregations are invited to attend and bring friends. The 90-minute concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken to support the choir's music ministry. Find copies of the full 2019 Christus Chorus Itinerary in the narthex.

CHOIR/BRASS REHEARSALS: Choir and Brass Ensemble will rehearse 6-6:50 during Lent. Brass will meet in the Music Room; Choir will meet in the Sanctuary.



2019 MISSION PROGRAMS: St. John's currently supports the following mission programs: Synod, Issues, Etc., Japan/Jastrom, Lutherans for Life, and Nigeria/Wokoma. (These are the same programs designated in 2018.) Other or undesignated mission program contributions will be divided between all of the currently-supported mission options except Issues, Etc., which has a fixed annual contribution limit set by the Board of Stewardship.

BOARD OF TECHNOLOGY (Sam Kulberg):

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FROM THE CONGREGATION AT LARGE:

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**BOARD OF PROPERTY & GROUNDS (Kevin Pomeranke,
Dan Holthus):**

BUILDING PROJECTS / NEEDS / NOTICES:

Roof Replacement Project ... We have a comprehensive plan to replace the aging school roof over the next 7-10 yrs. The SE section of the building is in the worst shape, and we would like to replace that portion next summer; estimated cost \$60,000. If we do not proceed with this replacement schedule, the damage repair cost could be even greater. *Funds are needed to start this project; please consider a special contribution to the St. John's Improvement Fund.*



New Windows ... funding has been used to purchase and install new windows for the parsonage.

FROM OTHER CONGREGATIONS:



WEST LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL: Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser, re-scheduled as an egg bake breakfast **TODAY** Sun. Mar 10th, 9:45 am. Mission trip fundraiser for the Western Accents held at Cross of Christ Lutheran, Coon Rapids. Free-will donation; previously purchased tickets may be used as a donation as well.

gbaures@westlutheran.net or (763) 509-9378 ext. 22.

MAYER LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL in Mayer, MN is searching for our next Life Science teacher for the 2019-2020 school year and beyond. We are searching for an individual who is passionate about opening the eyes of students to the Life Sciences and connecting this content to the amazing design determined by the Creator. This individual must love working with high school students and have enthusiasm for mentoring students as they become Christian leaders. For more information about the position or to submit the name of a candidate for the position, contact Kevin Wilaby (Mayer Lutheran High School Principal), 952-426-8496 kevin.wilaby@mayerlutheran.org



GLORIA CHRISTI MUSIC CAMP 2019 will be Mon-Fri, July 15-19 in the mornings at Glory of Christ Lutheran Church in Plymouth. Led by experienced music educators, this unique half-day camp is designed to develop children's singing voices and musicianship through choir, Orff instruments, chimes, and games. We aim to foster joyful, faithful, and skillful proclamation of God's Word through music, and the culminating activity will be the campers' participation in the Divine Service at Glory of Christ on Sunday, July 21. Contact with questions: Alyssa Burdick at alyssa.burdick.mezzo@gmail.com.



FROM THE SECRETARIES:

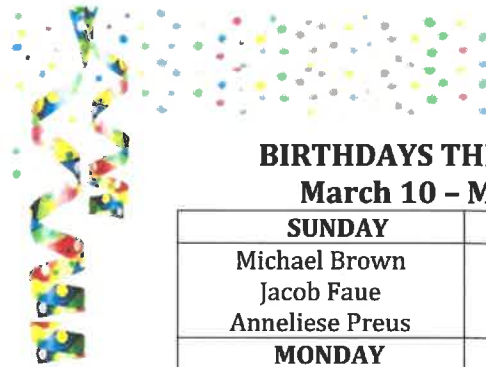
EACH QUARTER: FIVE COPIES OF LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER will be available to share with those who need this magazine in larger print.

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SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S:

Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event; all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar. Thank you! 763-420-2426 Julie A.: secretary@stjlutheran.org

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Items received by midnight Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Kindly please submit your request timely to ensure your announcement gets published as needed. Ruth D.: secretary2@stjlutheran.org



**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF
March 10 - March 16**

SUNDAY	THURSDAY
Michael Brown Jacob Faue Anneliese Preus	Patricia Hansen
MONDAY	FRIDAY
Pam Kothrade	Kara Beck Rachel Cooper
TUESDAY	SATURDAY
Marian Tillmann	Gerald Anderson Alicia Monson Kate Orbin Paul Schlueter
WEDNESDAY	
Charlene Abraham Curt Besel Faith Grant Kurt Kanarski Dan Koehler Mason Philipp	

If you notice an update is needed, kindly advise the church secretary to make sure we have the correct information to publish.

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