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*And ye shall
know the truth, and
the truth shall make you free*

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Epistle: Romans 3:19-28

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. ²⁰For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

²¹But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it—²²the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, ²⁵whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. ²⁶It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

²⁷Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. ²⁸For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

Holy Gospel: John 8:31-36

³¹So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, ³²and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." ³³They answered him, "We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, 'You will become free'?"

³⁴Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. ³⁵The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. ³⁶So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

† Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost †

500th Anniversary Reformation Service

October 29, 2017

VERSE: Alleluia. Fear not, little flock, for it is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom. Alleluia. (Luke 12:32)

PRAYER: O Heavenly Father, through Your Spirit's Word of Truth we confess that all Your good pleasure is found in Your Son Whom You so freely gave us to be our Savior, Good Shepherd, and King forever. By Your grace alone keep us connected to Him all our days, through that faith worked by You, apart from all works of the Law. Amen.

Sermon: "Does Truth 'Follow' Or Does It Lead?" (Saint John 8:31-32)

Preacher: Pr. Matthew Johnson

Liturgist: Pr. Steven Briel

Kantor: Dr. Crystal Rossow

Prelude: Reformation Suite (S. D. Wolff)
v.7 Setting: Salvation Unto Us Has Come (Hugo Distler)

Offering: We All Believe in One True God (Hans Friedrich Micheelsen; John Karl Hirten)

Postlude: A Mighty Fortress (Helmut Walcha)

Altar Guild:		Arlene Rogge & LuAn Schutte
Choir:		St. John's Adult Choir
Brass Ensemble:	Trumpets:	Kevin Pomierenke & Ruth Droogsma
	Horn:	Gretchen Kliche
	Trombone:	Tom Eversman
Processionals:	8:00 am:	Jasmine Brockberg, Donna Toelle, Eric Toelle
	10:30 am:	Colin Vetsch, Alex Vetsch, Lucas Kiesow
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Greg Christopher
	10:30 am:	Dan Holtus
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Zach Kappel & Noelle Dolan
	10:30 am:	Naomi Schilling & Evan Pulju
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Joe Koehler, Philip Koehler, Dan Orbin, Mike Orbin, Jerry Rogge
	10:30 am:	Randall Beyreis, Marv Cummins, Tim Lodholz, Dean Noren
Money Counters:		Cindy Kiekow, <i>Scott Kulberg</i> , Mark Radintz, Bill Walters

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Glory of Christ Lutheran, Plymouth, and Pastor Jeremiah Johnson and Pastor Kyle Krueger.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for Property & Grounds Deacons Kevin Pomierenke & 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.

SCHEDULE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER: At the Reformation the Lutheran Churches celebrated the Lord's Supper "every Sunday and on other festivals" (Apology XXIV, 1). We follow this fine custom and so offer the Lord's Supper every Sunday at both morning Divine Services. Individual glasses are used in the 8:00 a.m. Divine Service on the first Sunday in the month and in the 10:30 a.m. Divine Service on the second Sunday in the month. All other celebrations use the chalice.

TWO LARGE PRINT LSB HYMNALS NOW AVAILABLE: (4 NOTE-BOOKS) Please ask the ushers about the notebooks that are now available for those who have difficulties with small print hymns.

PARENTS: We're happy you've brought your children to worship today. Jesus says, "The kingdom of God belongs to such as these." If you must leave during the service for any reason, please be aware that there are also exits at the front of the sanctuary to the left and right; that you will be able to hear the service over loudspeakers in the entrance area and in the upper room to the left of the sanctuary; and that there is a changing table in the restroom near the elevator.

THE DIVINE SERVICE The Divine Service is the time when God serves His people with His forgiving grace in Word and Sacrament. It is not a time to be entertained. To show she is not a sect or cult the Lutheran Church retained the historic liturgy as much as was possible. The liturgical service makes no attempt to meet current cultural norms or personal needs but is the time when God comes in Word and Sacrament to meet our deepest spiritual needs. The Lutheran Church uses an ordered liturgy so that God's holy "priesthood" can participate and "declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). The Augsburg Confession concludes, "It is quite clear that among us nothing in doctrine or ceremonies has been accepted that would contradict either Holy Scripture or the universal Christian Church (AC, Conclusion).

INTROIT Ps. 34:1-2, 11, 22; antiphon: Ps. 119:46

I will speak of your testimonies before kings, | [O Lord,]*
and shall not be | put to shame.

I will bless the Lord at | all times;*
his praise shall continually be | in my mouth.

My soul makes its boast | in the Lord;*
let the humble hear | and be glad.

Come, O children, lis- | ten to me;*
I will teach you the fear | of the Lord.

The Lord redeems the life of his | servants;*
none of those who take refuge in him will | be condemned.

**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.**

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COLLECT OF THE DAY

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

First Reading: Revelation 14:6-7

⁶Then I saw another angel flying directly overhead, with an eternal gospel to proclaim to those who dwell on earth, to every nation and tribe and language and people. ⁷And he said with a loud voice, "Fear God and give him glory, because the hour of his judgment has come, and worship him who made heaven and earth, the sea and the springs of water."

GRADUAL Ps. 48:1a, 12-14a

Great is the Lord and greatly | to be praised*
in the city | of our God!

Walk about Zion, go around her, number her | towers,*
consider well her ramparts, go through her | citadels,
that you may tell the next gener- | ation*
that this is God, our God forever and | ever.

DAILY READINGS

October 29: Deut. 31:1-29; Matt. 19:16-30; **30:** Deut. 31:30-32:27; Matt. 20:1-16; **31:** Deut. 32:28-52; Matt. 20:17-34; **November 1:** Deut. 34:1-12; Matt. 21:1-22; **2:** Jer. 1:1-19; Matt. 21:23-46; **3:** Jer. 3:6-4:2; Matt. 22:1-22; **4:** Jer. 5:1-19; Matt. 22:23-46.

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† The Feast of the Reformation †

- 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 329-340).

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: LSB 656
(v. 2 choir)

LITURGY: LSB 214ff. (Note: the Divine Service this morning follows the tradition of Luther's German Mass [1526] in which parts of the liturgy are replaced with hymns)

HYMNS:

Kyrie: LSB 942

Gloria: LSB 948

Psalm: (insert)

God Is Our Refuge and Strength

Hymn of the Day: LSB 555

(vs. 2, 4, 7 choir)

(v. 5 men; v. 8 women)

Credal Hymn: LSB 954

SERMON:

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

THE OFFERING

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT LSB 216

Sanctus: LSB 960

Agnus Dei: LSB 198

Dist. Hymns: LSB 556 (handout)

O Lord, Look Down From Heaven,
Behold (v. 2,6 women; v. 3,7 men)

POST-COMMUNION HYMN:

LSB 617

CLOSING HYMN: LSB 655

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Psalm 46, paraphrased JAB

John A. Behnke (ASCAP)

Choir: Antiphon

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Choir and congregation:

Antiphon

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Choir: We will not fear, though the earth give way
and the mountains fall into the sea,
though its waters roar and foam
and the mountains quake with their surging.
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy place where the Most High dwells. **Antiphon**

Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall;
He lifts His voice, the earth melts.
The Lord Almighty is with us,
the God of Jacob is our fortress. **Antiphon**

He makes wars cease
He breaks the bow and burns the shields with fire.
Be still, be still, be still and know that I am God.
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O Lord, Look Down from Heaven, Behold

Ach Gott, vom Himmel sieh darein

Psalm 12
 Martin Luther, 1483-1546
 Tr. *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

ACH GOTT, VOM HIMMEL
Eyn Enchiridion oder Handbüchlein, Erfurt, 1524
 Setting: *The Lutheran Hymnal*, 1941

1 O Lord, look down from heav'n, be - hold
 2 With fraud which they them - selves in - vent
 3 May God root out all her - e - sy
 4 There fore saith God, "I must a - rise,

And let Thy pit - y
 Thy truth have con -
 And of false teach - ers
 The poor My help are

wak - en; How few are we with - in Thy fold,
 found ed; Their hearts are not with one con - sent
 rid us ing; Who proud - ly say: "Now, where is he
 need ing; To Me as - cend My peo - ple's cries,

Thy saints by men for sak - en! True faith seems
 On Thy doc - trine ground While they pa -
 That shall for for bid ed. or
 And I have heard their plead - us? My

quenched on ev - 'ry hand, Thy not peo - ple mine and
 rade with we ward show, They lead fer the de - less
 might we shall pre - ward pre - And we fear - ly
 sav - ing Word shall fight

Word to stand; Dark times have us o'er - tak en.
 to and fro, In er - ror's maze as - tound ed.
 can not fail; We own no lord and mas - ter.
 sharp - ly smite, The poor with might de - fend - ing."

5 As silver tried by fire is pure

From all adulteration,
 So through God's Word shall men endure
 Each trial and temptation.
 Its light beams brighter through the cross,
 And, purified from human dross,
 It shines through ev'ry nation.

6 Defend Thy truth, O God, and stay

This evil generation;
 And from the error of its way
 Keep Thine own congregation.
 The wicked ev'rywhere abound
 And would Thy little flock confound;
 But Thou art our salvation.

A paraphrase of Psalm 12, this hymn was written in 1523, the same time as many of Luther's other psalm-hymns. It was published in the first Lutheran hymnal, the so-called *Achtliederbuch* of 1524. Luther's version of the psalm reflects much of his own experience in the early days of the Reformation. Though several different tunes were used for this text with various levels of success, the present tune dates from 1524 and is possibly by Luther himself.

**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF
October 29– November 4.**

SUNDAY	
MONDAY	THURSDAY
Duane Esterly Gail Lieske	Justin Bermel Daniel Bussing Jr. Diana Cahlander Paul Dolan Peter Stockfisch
TUESDAY	FRIDAY
Conrad Koehler Lisa McFerrin Karen Nelson Jason Pruhs Levi Stein-Renner	Megan Hebert Sam Schutte
WEDNESDAY	SATURDAY
Alanna Robinson John Robinson Summer Stockfisch	Kyra Klockziem Ryan Maurer Patty Picotte Everett Radintz

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

Jr./Sr. High Youth

GET CONNECTED: Are you in 6th-12th grade? Are you a parent of a youth in 6th-12th grade? If you answered yes to either of those questions, then I want to hear from you! We have many youth group events throughout the year and I want to make sure YOU know about them. Please email me (Jayme Kruse) so that I can put you on the email list and keep you informed throughout the year! - jayme.kruse@gmail.com Also, be sure to request to join the "St. John's Youth Group" private group on FB!

RANDOM RAKING: Join us as we do some fall cleanup TODAY Sunday, October 29th. Leaving St. John's at 12, back by 3. Bring a snack/lunch and a rake!

**Please lock all doors before leaving this building.
If you unlock to enter, please lock as you leave!**

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Items received by the end of the day on Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. If there is an accompanying flyer or insert, kindly provide the information by the Monday beforehand to allow appropriate processing time to accommodate your posting. Thank you!!

SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S! Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event! The Secretary keeps a main calendar and all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar!

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SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: *All Saints (November 1) and Commemoration of the Faithful Departed (November 2) will be celebrated on Sunday, November 5.*

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort— Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Tony Stadler, Bill Radintz (son of Paul & Diane), Bill Wacker, Dorothy Schutte, Gail Ledstrom, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Bruce O'Hern, Dana Rossow, and Doris Gangelhoff. 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, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Alex & Audrey Hansen, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiede, Ilene Shepherd, and Bill Wacker.

All those serving in our Armed Forces— Drew (Virginia) and Rachel (Texas) Ellis, Agena Hamilton (Oklahoma), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Texas), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Hawaii), Joseph Radintz (home), Marty Schiltz (home), and Andrew Zupfer (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year—Laurie and Randy Bredenberg (at the loss of her youngest brother), Lynn Slauson and family (at the death of her mother Ella Fritz), Jeri Bennett and family, the family of Francis Rol, Jane Kothrade and family (at the loss of her father Loren Zander), Karen Orth (at the loss of her mother Elaine Larson), Tim Kanz & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Harold Bauermeister, Lori Kaiser & family (at the loss of her father Raymond Kinzler), Ed Kemna & family (at the loss of his brother Ted), the family of Marcella Faue, the family of Elaine Underdahl, Katy Briel & family and Erik Preus & family (at the loss of their mother Donna Preus), Dan Kolander & family (at the loss of his father Donald), Marv Cummins & family (at the loss of his brother Larry), Gloria Burns & family (at the loss of her mother LaVonne Richert), and the family of Caroline Christophersen.

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones— Mark Coombs & family (at the loss of his father Paul).

THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is available the first Thursday of every month in the sanctuary from 6:30 until 7:00 pm or by appointment. 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)

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

"LUTHERAN HOUR" this week on WCCO 830 AM at 6:00 a.m., WWJO 98.1 FM at 7:30 a.m., and KRWC AM Buffalo at 9:30 a.m.

MISSION: See Pastor David Preus's Summer Newsletter on the narthex table for the latest updates. Remember also the Rev. Daniel Jastram and his wife Joan who have been deployed to Japan and the Rev. Charles Wokoma in Nigeria. Your regular financial gifts are desperately needed by these missionaries; with your prayers and financial gifts you take part in our Lord's great commission to make disciples of all nations.

† Announcements †

ALTAR FLOWERS are provided by the Schaefer Family in memory of loved ones.

DEACON UPDATE: The new deacons selected at the fall 2017 Congregational assembly meeting were: Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer, Stu Glock, and Dan Holthus. Tom Eversman and Mike Gaffer will serve on the Board of Administration, Stu Glock will serve on the Board of Education, and Dan Holthus will serve on Property and Grounds. Rich Oakland has been appointed to fill out Barron Cate's term, and Dan Kappel will fill the role of Deacon Secretary. I would like to thank Philip Koehler, Ross Meyer, Barron Cate, Rich Oakland, Scott Kulberg and Randy Beyreis for their service.

~Greg Christopher, Deacon Chair

YEAR BY YEAR IN THE LIFE-WORK OF MARTIN LUTHER: In this 500th Anniversary year of the Lutheran Reformation (October 31, 2017) we will examine the background, history, main characters, and major events in the life and work of Martin Luther, moving year-by-year starting with 1517. If you have ever wondered how such an amazing event as the Reformation of the Christian Church could have come about or how Luther developed in his theology and what he actually wrote/taught or what all of this means for today come to the adult class in the Fellowship Hall between services each Sunday. This week "No Turning Back"—1521-1522

Next week "Singing & Chanting"—Luther 1523

INSTALLATION service for our new pastor, the Rev. Matthew Moss, will be on **Sunday afternoon, November 12 at 3PM.** This will be a communion service with Pr. Moss officiating as the new pastor. A reception and catered meal will follow the service. Pastor Briel will be the preacher, Pastor Johnson the liturgist, and President Nadasdy the

officiant for the rite of installation. Mark your calendars for this exciting and special event in the life of our congregation!

Please note also that due to the afternoon service of installation and communion, we will have only **ONE** Divine Service that morning at **9AM.** Also, there will be no Bible Class or Sunday School that day. *"Send, O Lord, Your Holy Spirit on Your servant now, we pray; let him prove a faithful shepherd that no lamb be led astray. Your pure teaching to proclaim, to extol Your holy name, and to feed Your lambs, dear Savior, make his aim and sole endeavor"* (LSB 681, vs. 1).

RSVP via the insert in the bulletin OR online here: <http://tinyurl.com/PastorMossEvent>

GUEST CHOIRS NOV. 12th: The Concert and Chamber Choirs from Anoka Ramsey Community College will present sacred works from before and after the Reformation, including Bach's Cantata No. 79. Come hear them at our 9am service!

This Week at St. John's Lutheran

TODAY:	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
	5:00 pm:	Robotics (Conf Rm-Upper Level)
MON:	all day	No School~Teacher Accreditation Workshop
	8:00 am:	Robotics (Conf Rm-Upper Level)(8am-8pm)
TUES:	9:00 am:	Adult Bible Study
WED:	6:00 pm:	Public School Catechism
	6:15 pm:	Brass Practice (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm:	Choir Practice (Sanctuary)
	7:00 pm:	Gala Meeting (Aux Room)
THUR:	7:00 pm:	Table Tennis (Music Room)
FRI:	8:00 am:	Chapel~Second Grade Sings
	9:00 am:	Band Encore Ensembles Festival
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
	4:00 pm:	Annual German Dinner
	5:00 pm:	Robotics (Conf Rm-Upper Level)

Those Serving Next Week, All Saints Sunday, November 5th:

Altar Guild:		Deb Koehler
Processionals:	8:00 am:	Luke Walton, Mitchell & Madelyn Schmidt
	10:30 am:	Ashlee Eder, Kaitlyn Eder, & Donna Toelle
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Erik Preus
	10:30 am:	Ed Kemna
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Jenna Vogt & Sam Vogt
	10:30 am:	Gabriel Lodholz & Kristian Lodholz
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander, Matt Kolander, Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland
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PROPERTY AND GROUNDS UPDATE The previously seldom used "Good Shepherd light" has been converted into an efficient LED light with a photocell that will turn on every night at dusk. This light will illuminate our beautiful stained-glass windows and increase visibility and security around the north parking lot and entrance to the church and school. **AND...**An efficient LED light with a photocell that will turn on every night at dusk has been installed on the east side of the building. This light will illuminate and highlight the large window and steeple area and increase visibility and security to that section of the building.

CROSS...FOOD NEEDS: Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of November are: Hamburger Helper & Cake Mix/Frosting. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated. **ADDITIONALLY** all during the month of November, we will be collecting for a special FOOD DRIVE. To donate, please drop your nonperishable food items in the paper bags provided in the narthex.



RSVP WANTED Seating is limited and space is filling up for the **4th Annual St. John's Gala**. If you're looking for an enjoyable night out, join us on Friday, November 10th at beautiful Rush Creek Golf Club for an evening filled with games, music, and prizes... all to support St. John's. This year's gala will help raise funds to upgrade our church & school's technology as well as support our tuition assistance program. A cocktail hour and silent auction will be followed by dinner, drinks, a performance featuring Bjorn Briel, and a live auction with fabulous items to bid on including; 6 lift passes to Vail resorts, a golf outing at Hazeltine National Golf Club, a Speed Queen washing machine and dryer set delivered and installed, and a "vintage" STJ scoreboard for any guy's man cave...and more. Check out some of the items already on display in the narthex or entryway. Registration is easy; simply fill out the RSVP card mailed with your invitation, or go online to the St. John's Church website and click the Gala tab. The deadline to register is NEXT Sunday, November 5th; don't miss this fabulous event!

DONATIONS REQUEST: The Gala committee is currently seeking and graciously accepting donated items for the silent and live auctions at this year's event. Creative ideas like these and others are greatly appreciated as donations:

- Vacations (airline tickets, condo rentals, hotels)
- Day Trips
- Electronics
- Sports or Horseback Riding Lessons
- Services (auto repair, car wash, home svcs, etc)
- Gift Cards or tickets (restaurants, theater, sporting events)

Contact Liz Glock (612-247-4794) with any questions or if you or someone you know would like to donate. Table sponsorships are also available, plus all businesses that donate or sponsor will be recognized through emails, handouts, flyers, and throughout the evening of the event! All donations are tax deductible. Please submit all donations by November 1st for recognition in our programs. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

ANNUAL GERMAN DINNER: Sunday, November 5th from 4-7pm here at St. John's. The 7th and 8th graders will be serving a German Dinner to raise money for their Washington D.C. trip that they take in the Spring. The menu is roast pork, German potato salad, mashed potatoes and gravy, red cabbage, sauerkraut, roll and choice of apple kuchen or German chocolate cake and a beverage. Tickets will be available starting next Sunday October 22nd. Prices are: Adults \$12, Seniors (55+) \$10, Children (5-12) \$5 and Under 5 are Free. For questions email Nichole Schilling at spicefamily6@gmail.com. Also, please look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex for ingredients needed for the event, to be posted soon. Your donations are greatly appreciated and help make the German Dinner a huge success.



PLEASE HELP: support new mothers and babies in need of basic items. Some Twin Cities new mothers, and fathers too, rely on pregnancy centers to help them. Not only do they receive material blessings, but also spiritual through weekly Bible studies. Our donated items will go to City Life Center in Minneapolis and Women's Source in Anoka. Please add your donations to the play pen in the narthex. Items needed:

City Life Center

- baby blankets
- diapers (any size)
- baby wipes
- onesies
- bibs

Women's Source

- baby blankets
- boy clothes (any age)
- bottles of pre-mixed formula
- car seats
- 2T & 3T coats, hats, sweaters, mittens

For mothers

- deodorant
- toothpaste
- shampoo/conditioner
- mouthwash
- bar soap

We are also accepting "gently-loved" Bibles that will be distributed to new families as well.

FRIENDLY SAFETY REMINDER: Please do not drive or park in the small lot located between the church/school building and parsonage during the school day. This is a fire lane, plus our students use the area for recess. Quick pick-ups for ESP after school are ok. Thanks for your help!

WLHS TRAP TEAM CULVER'S NIGHT FUNDRAISER:

Mark your calendar to join us on Monday night, November 6th at Culver's in Maple Grove for Butterburgers, French Fries, Custard, and FUN! Please come out and support our West Lutheran High School Trap Team; take the night off from cooking, and let our high school trap team members serve you!



DISCUSSIONS THAT ENCOUNTER: An open conversation about race and awareness in America, this forum is facilitated by Rev. Arthur Agnew of Bethesda Missionary Baptist Church, Lou Schoen, Rosalind Sampson and Bill Keatts. The event is open and free to the everyone. **ALL ARE WELCOME:** Sunday, October 29, 1:00 – 3:00 in St. Thomas Becket Commons - 4455 S. Robert Trail, Eagan

ETERNAL HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH is hosting their 13th Annual Bazaar on Friday, Nov 3rd from 2pm to 6pm and Saturday, Nov 4th from 9am to 3pm. Shop handcrafted items and quilts, many fresh baked items, honey and outside vendors. Bonus this year-- 2 Specialty High End Machine Quilted Blankets. Door prizes awarded each day. 10508 Douglas Drive N., Brooklyn Park. For more information visit <http://www.eternalhopelutheran.com> or 763-424-8245.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK Sunday, October 22nd: 8:00 am: CT: 154 CM: 129
10:30 am: CT: 123 CM: 92

FINANCIAL UPDATE	<u>Month-to-date</u>	<u>Year-to-date</u>
	10/22/17	since 07/01/17
Offerings Received	\$ 16,932	\$ 215,183
Amount Needed	\$ 13,635	\$ 231,795
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ 3,297	\$ (16,612)
% Ahead (-Behind)	24%	-7%

Please contact the Church Treasurer Chad Brown (763-276-4736) if you have any questions on St. John's financial condition.

**St. John's Lutheran
Church and School
Annual German Dinner
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 5TH, 2017
4PM-7PM**

**TICKETS AT THE DOOR
OR PRE SALE
\$12.00 ADULT
\$10.00 SR.55+
\$5.00 CHILD 5-12
UNDER 4 FREE**



**Willkommen
Menu**

**Roast Pork
German Potato Salad
Saurkraut
Mashed Potatoes and Gravy
Dinner Roll
Apple Kuchen
German Chocolate Cake
Milk and Coffee**

Bake Sale! Crafts!

**9141 COUNTY ROAD 101
CORCORAN MN. 55340
763-420-2426**

**7th & 8th
Washington
D.C.
Fundraiser!**



As a welcome gift to Pastor and Katie Moss, we will be collecting gift cards to make a gift card bouquet. Gift cards can be given in any amount, centered around any theme. Any time one relocates, there are lots of expenses! You might consider gift cards to the following:

- Home improvement stores, such as Lowe's, Menards -- these folks are going to need at least a shovel--maybe a snow blower!!
- Home decorating stores—Home Goods, TJ Maxx, Kohl's, Sherwin Williams-- any place that allows them to freshen up their new house they are purchasing
- "The Basics"- gift cards to Target, Cub, etc. for all of the daily needs of re-stocking a pantry
- Fun in the Twin Cities-- gift cards to places that you think they might enjoy that are special to you and your family-- Maybe you have a great date night idea!
- Foodie Cards- Any gift cards to restaurants for those nights when they realize that their Crock-Pot is still in a moving box ☺.

If you feel compelled to donate a gift card, please drop it at the office during the week or give it to a member of the Safety Team on Sunday morning. Please turn in cards no later than Monday, November 6th. We'd like to have time to assemble the gift card bouquet in time for their installation celebration. Any questions? Ask or email Dawn Rolf, dawnrolf@gmail.com.



Pastor Matthew V. Moss

For Planning Purposes

RSVP:

Family Name: _____

Attending: _____

Please place RSVP in the collection box in the narthex by November 6th

*You are cordially invited to attend the Installation Service
and Celebration Dinner of Pastor Matthew Moss.*

*St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
9141 County Rd 101
Corcoran, MN 55340*

*Sunday, November 12, 2017
Installation Service: 3:00 P.M.
Dinner and Program following*

Kindly reply by November 6th for planning purposes:
763-420-2426 or secretary@stjlutheran.org

Please fill out the back to RSVP
or go to <http://tinyurl.com/PastorMossEvent>