

Weekly Announcements

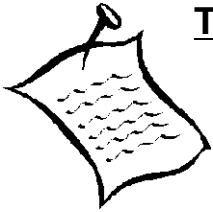
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for Bethlehem and St. John Evangelical Lutheran Churches

October 26 – November 2



This Week at our congregations

Location key: (M) = at Bethlehem in Milan
(E) = at St. John in Edgar

Today: 8:15 a.m. (M)..... Divine Service at Bethlehem
9:00 a.m. (E). St. John Sunday School (pre-K to adult)
9:15 a.m. (M)..... Bethlehem Sunday School (pre-K to 8th gr)
9:15 a.m. (M)..... Bethlehem Qtrly Voters' Assembly meeting
10:15 a.m. (E). Divine Service at St. John
2:00 p.m. (M)..... 6th Grade Confirmation class (rescheduled)

Tuesday: 8:00 p.m. (M). . . . Bethlehem Board for Evangelism meeting

Wednesday: 9:30 a.m. (E). . . . Midweek Bible Study – *book of Isaiah*
6:00 p.m. (M). . . . 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Class
7:45 p.m. (E). . . . Midweek Bible Study – *book of Isaiah*

Next Sunday: 8:15 a.m. (M)..... Divine Service at Bethlehem
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Christian Education News

BIBLE STUDY– Ongoing Bible studies continue each Wednesday, 9:30 a.m. and 7:45 a.m. at St. John. Newcomers from both churches welcome.

SUNDAY SCHOOL NOTES– Samson was the subject of this week's Sunday School lesson. Students learned that Jesus repeats and completes Samson's deeds of deliverance for us and for our salvation. When we are weak, He is strong! Consider asking, "What was the true source of Samson's strength? Who is the source of our strength?"

CONFIRMATION CLASS MEMORY WORK– for all Confirmation students, remember to work daily on your memory work.

6th graders: by next class, TODAY!, you should have the order of all the books of the Bible memorized. We will test this memory work with fun and varied games.

7th graders: by next class (Oct. 29th!), you should have memorized the Introduction and First Petition of the Lord's Prayer.

8th graders: by next class (Oct. 29nd!), you should have memorized Matthew 7:7–8 and Martin Luther's Morning and Evening prayers.

Weekly Prayer Corner

Beth./St. John Members who Need Your Prayers



Ed & Laura Mielke, Delbert & Maxine Ballerstein, Roger Ballerstein, Lois Umnus, Dorothy Wenzel, Mae Morien
✂ family of Leonard Bornowski ✂

Our Friends in Need of Your Prayers

Grant Haas ✂ Ernest Williams ✂

Remember Shut-ins with Prayers, Cards & Visits

One shut-in is listed each week to encourage us to support our fellow brothers and sisters in Christ.

Maxine Ballerstein (389-2281)

Hewitt House
11002 Main Street
Hewitt, WI 54449

Prayer Requests:

Public(at services) Call Pastor or Marge at 352-2888

Confidential (Prayer Chain) call Eunice at 352-2597

Visitations: If you desire a visit from Pastor or from Carolyn (our Parish Nurse), call the office at 352-2888. Leave a message if no one answers. You may also call Pastor Matthew at home (352-3532).

IN YOUR PRAYERS– Please also remember the family of Ernest Williams, age 68, the son-in-law of Elmer & Hilda Mueller, who passed away last week. The funeral was last Thursday at Christ Lutheran Church in Marshfield.

Other Matters of Importance



THE LORD'S SUPPER is celebrated today at both churches. The next opportunity to receive the Sacrament of the Altar will be Sunday,

November 2nd at Bethlehem and St. John.

LWML RALLY– The Fall LWML Rally will be at Trinity Medford this Tuesday, with 9–9:30 a.m.

SOUP SALE– The Bethlehem Ladies will host a Soup-by-the-quart sale (chili & chicken dumpling) on November 9th. Sign up for the quantity desired. Helped needed on Nov. 7th & 8th, 9–12 a.m.

PASTOR OUT OF OFFICE– Pastor Matthew will be in Green Bay on Thursday and Friday for the annual Church Workers' Conference of the North Wisconsin District of the LC–MS.

LCEF– Notices from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund are available in the back. If interested, pick one up today.

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS:

Soup & Pie Sale, St. John Withee
October 29th, 4:00 – 7:00 p.m

Germanfest, Zion Stratford
Sunday, Nov. 2, 11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Pancake Supper, Trinity Athens
Friday, Nov. 7th, 4:00 – 7:30 p.m.

Items for Bethlehem members

IN SERVICE TODAY: October 26, 2008

Greeters: Nate Sprotte; Virgil Swacker

Acolyte: Joseph Marier

Organist: Gloria Cornelius

Elder: Joe Cornelius

IN SERVICE NEXT WEEK: 11-2-08

Greeters: Donna Solchenberger;
Sharon Schraufnagel

Acolyte: volunteer

Organist: Gloria Cornelius

Elder: Adam Viegut

VOTERS' ASSEMBLY REMINDER: our quarterly meeting is TODAY!!!! immediately after service.

Bethlehem Centennial Service DVD– The June 15th centennial service will be made available on DVD by order only. If interested in purchasing a DVD at a cost of \$10, please sign up. Bethlehem members can sign up at the back of church and St. John members can sign up at the church office. All monies need to be paid at the time of ordering. Make checks out to Bethlehem Lutheran Church. Orders must be placed no later than Monday, November 10th. Questions can be directed to Randy Reynolds (257-1316).

BETHLEHEM WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT – from 10-19-08. Needed each week: \$1,207, received last week: \$1,191. Short Year-to-date: \$8,725.

Items for St. John members

IN SERVICE TODAY: October 26, 2008

Greeters: Charles & Thea Hamann; Ralph & Mary Hamann

Acolyte: Ray Yessa

Ushers: Don Pilgrim, Mel Niemann

Elder: Ron Hahn

IN SERVICE NEXT WEEK: 11-2-08

Greeters: Karl & Karen Heidern; Dale & Sue Karl

Acolyte: Amber Kroening

Ushers: Carrie Callies; Roger Ballerstein

Elder: John Yessa

COFFEE AND FELLOWSHIP HOUR– every Sunday morning in the narthex (by the carport) before church. Please join us. Also, sign up if you wish to bring treats to go along with coffee some Sunday.

ST. JOHN WEEKLY FINANCE REPORT– 10-19-08

General Fund: needed per week to get our deficit caught up by year's end: \$1,978. Given last week \$1,220. Amount behind YTD: \$5,205.

Missions: needed per week.\$317. Given last week \$143. Amount behind YTD \$3,110.

ANNUAL ELECTION RESULTS: new officers will be installed on Sunday, January 4th for three-year terms. Elected last week at our Voters' Assembly meeting— President: Sharon Niemann; Financial Secretary: Jeff Werner; Elders: Mike Thompson and Dennis Telschow; Trustee: Perry Wolff; Evangelism: Janice Brown; Education: Traci Pehlke

SINCERE THANKS– from the Leonard Bornowski family for the prayers and support from our church family. Also a special thank you to the Prayer Shawl Ministry for the beautiful shawl.

"BRING-A-FRIEND TO CHURCH" SUNDAY– is NEXT WEEK!!! Now is the time to invite someone unchurched (or someone who



belongs to a church, but fails to attend) to be your guest as this special Visitor-friendly service. We will celebrate God's gifts to us, give thanks for the **centennial of the church building**, and finish up with

light refreshments after. Remember, we are God's tools for growing His kingdom. May God bless you in your inviting work.

Next Week in our Worship Service:

SERMON THEME will be "*The Truth of a Cross*," based on John 8:31–36.