

News and Notes

- From the week of September 1 –

Worship Schedule: Starting September 8 we will resume our Fall-Spring schedule with services at 8am and 10:30am and Family Bible Hour between services starting at 9:15am.

New Sunday Morning Bible Study beginning Sept 8 - “These Words are Written”; how the bible came to be

In this New Bible study, we will be studying the story of the Bible from the Bible itself. The Bible has a lot to say about when, why, and how it was written. Starting in the Old Testament and continuing through the New Testament, we will study what the Bible says about itself. As we do, we’ll be encouraged by the truthfulness and faithfulness of God’s Word and grow in our faith in Jesus as our Savior, because “these words are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name”

Women’s Bible Study: “Letting God Speak”; The right way to interpret the bible – Thursdays at 9:30am

“That’s just your interpretation.” Have you heard people say that? It seems like there are all sorts of different ways to interpret the Bible today. How can we know what’s right and true? We hope you can join your sisters in faith on Thursday mornings for, “Letting God Speak: What’s the Right Way to Interpret the Bible?” You’ll grow in your confidence in God’s Word and your understanding of the truth from Jesus.

Men’s Bible Study: “Escaping the Death Traps” – Saturdays at 8am at El Mexcian

“Why do there have to be so many different kinds of churches?” “Does it matter that churches teach different things?” “Is it okay to worship with Christians from other churches?” “Can I pray with those Christians?” Join a group of Christian men for good coffee, delicious breakfast and great discussion as we read and study this book for energy and encouragement to answer these questions about “Church Fellowship.”

God + Me Course - Monday’s 6:30pm Beginning Sept. 16

This class explores the basic truths of the Bible and briefly compares some differences between religions and various Christian denominations. Most importantly, it answers the questions every person needs to know in life...who am I?... what’s my purpose in life?... how can I get to heaven?... how can I be certain I am loved and forgiven?... how does the Bible apply to me? This class can serve as a membership class or simply a good spiritual refresher and a further step to understanding God and self. To learn more or to register, please go to: www.stjohnslutheran.com/god-and-me/

Sunday School begins next Sunday – Sept 8!

Visit our website or SCAN the QR code to register for Sunday school. Sunday School begins September 8th. **On Sunday, September 8th, St. John’s will present Bibles to our 3rd Grade Sunday School class (and any new students in grades 4-6) during both the 8 am and 10:30 am services. Students will be invited forward during the service for this gift!**



2024 Garage Sale - September 12-14 (Thursday, 9am-4pm; Friday 9am-4pm; Saturday 9am-noon)

BAKERS and GARDENERS - Garage sale shoppers enjoy buying baked goodies and garden produce. Your donation of something from the oven or garden will be greatly appreciated. You may bring items to the church before the sale days or Thursday/Friday of the sale.

GARAGE SALE HELP - Additional workers for the garage sale are welcome to come and help where needed; work time is flexible. If you are willing to help, come to the gym on any or all of the sale days. If questions, contact Sandy Fiedler, 715-262-5480.

CARDBOARD BOXES – Do you have any extra empty cardboard boxes? We could use them at the garage sale!

Teen Night Sept 22 - Youth Group Photo Scavenger Hunt

The teens from Salem, St. John's and Christ the Lord are getting together on Sunday, September 22nd for a photo scavenger hunt! All 7th-12th graders are invited to join us. We'll meet at Christ the Lord in Cottage Grove at 4:00pm for a brief Bible study and then head out in groups for the scavenger hunt. We'll meet back at CtL by 6:00 for food, photos and prizes. Invite your friends to join us! We will also need a couple of adults to volunteer as drivers. Hope to see you on the 22nd!

Fellowship Event - Hobby Fair

Our congregation is filled with talented people with a wide variety of interests. St. John's Hobby Fair will give our members a chance to share their talents and interests on Sunday, October 6 at 1-3 PM. All members, all ages are invited to bring a display/demonstration of your favorite hobby, lifelong passion, or current obsession. This multi-generational event is an opportunity to mingle, learn something new, or pass along skills from a lifetime of experience. More details to follow, but now is the time to craft creative plans for this fun event.

Flooring Fund Update

The carpet project including painting has been paid for at a total cost of \$31,899.72 (carpet replacement and asbestos removal \$26,874.72; painting \$5025). Total offerings to the flooring fund, as of July 31st = \$28,520 leaving a negative balance of -\$3,379.72 in the flooring fund needed to pay for the project. Thank you to all who have contributed to make this improvement possible.

This week at St. John's:

Today:	8:45 AM	Bible Class
	10:00 AM	Communion Service
Tuesday:	12:00 PM	Leisure Club
Wednesday:	6:30 AM	Grow Group – Dunn Bros.
	1:00 PM	Grow Group – Bierstube
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
Thursday:	9:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
Saturday:	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study @ El Mexican
Next Sunday:	Fall Schedule	Begins!
	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Upcoming Greeters –

Sept 1: Henry & Jean Hoeft (10am)

Sept 8: Deb Grenstein & Kristi Murtaugh (8am); Rita Bremer & Charlotte Pierce (10:30am)

Sept 15: Larry & Julie Rosenow (8am); Tony Johnson and OPEN (10:30am)

Upcoming Ushers –

Sept 1: Henry Hoeft & Dorothy Wiltermuth (10am)

Sept 8: Deb Grenstein & Randy Wills (8am); Myron Milbrandt & Carrol Tammen (10:30am)

Sept 15: Larry Rosenow & OPEN (8am); Tony Johnson & Charlotte Pierce (10:30am)

Upcoming Junior Ushers –

Sept 1: Oliver Wirth (10am)

Sept 8: Cora Schweich & Lyla McClellan (8am); Mya Bauer (10:30am)

Sept 15: Finn Larson & Lily Herrmann (8am); Riley Klebe (10:30am)



Scan the QR code for the full schedule and to sign-up for other serving opportunities!