St. John's Lutheran Church, ELCA

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Call The Church Office

Please call if you are ill, in the hospital, or in need of spiritual help.

Serving Today

Sermon: Pastor Bob Wilkinson
Worship Leader: Sharon Piastowski
Worship Reader: Jan Mielke
Music: Karen Schultz

AUTHOR, TAMMY BORDEN

On Monday, September 30th at 6p.m. in the Parish Hall author Tammy Borden will be here to discuss her book "Waltraud". The book is a true story of Tammy's mother's life growing up in Nazi Germany. Refreshments will be provided. Paperback copies of the book will be available to purchase for \$15. The author will also sign the book upon request.

COMMUNION

The next time communion will be offered is Sunday, July 28th at 9:30a.m. in the Sanctuary there will be coffee hour after this worship service. The next communion on a Wednesday night is, July 31st at the Veteran's Park at 6p.m.

CONFIRMATION/SUNDAY SCHOOL

The restart date for Sunday School will be September 8th. Teachers are NEEDED. The goal is to form a team so each volunteer would only teach one Sunday a month. Please contact the church office to volunteer so we can continue to offer this service to the future of the church! The restart date for Confirmation will be September 11th. You may register at: https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=33047fdf-8bd1-494d-a40f-d45bf9f49b3a by August 29th or there will be registration forms in the Great Room and you may leave the form in the office Dropbox.

CROSSWAYS CAMPING SCHOLARSHIPS

Campership Scholarships are available through St. John's to help offset 75% of camp costs. The scholarship application can be found at https://www.stjohnsmarion.org/information-forms/ or contact the church office for a paper copy. Crossways Camps also offers scholarships available to all for Crossways programs, thanks to generous supporters. Our scholarships are available for programs of any length and any age. There is no proof of eligibility required, simply complete an application at CrosswaysCamps.org/scholarship to express need. Please contact Robyn Koehler (robyn@crosswayscamps.org) with any questions regarding the scholarship process. We believe that finances should not be a barrier to camp experiences!

HANDING OUT OF BIBLES

Handing out of Bibles will occur on September 8th. If your child is turning 3 years old or is going to be in 3rd grade this year, please contact the church office by August 29th so we can ensure we have enough bibles for everyone. Please indicate which service you will be attending on September 8th as well. You may also sign up online at: https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=33047fdf-8bd1-494d-a40f-d45bf9f49b3a

PRAYERS

Please keep the following in your prayers: Becky Van Buren, Brayden Mielke, Brianna Adkins, Darla Dieck, Dave Schmidt, Denise Pamperin, Jackie Suehring, Jerome Portnoy, Jerry Zimdars, Jerry & Pat Skogen, Kristy Overman, Larry Schuster, Lee Kersten, Nancy Helms, Nathan Nick, Oliver Joren, Rachel Fischer, Tracy Narf and Will Wege. The prayer board has been changed to those who are dealing with current medical issues only. Please only add names of individuals who have approved to be on the prayer list prior to writing on the board. Remember to let the church office know when the medical issues are resolved, and you or the individual are ready to be taken off the prayer list. Thank you!

SUMMER WORSHIP

Wednesdays, 6p.m. worship will be at the Veteran's Park through August 28th. Worship is through August 25th will be at 9:30a.m. in the Sanctuary. September 1st worship will be in the Parish Hall at 9:30a.m. Wednesday worship September 4th will be in the Sanctuary at 6p.m. The following week Sunday will be split between 8a.m. and 10:30a.m.

SOUL OPPORTUNITIES: BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

On July 28th, Pastor Mark Ziemer will be leading worship with us! At this service he will talk about the BeFriender Ministry program. BeFriender Ministry is a "pastoral care" ministry that trains members in many different areas. Here are just a few: how to visit shut-ins, assisting members who are getting married or divorced, grief counseling, hospitalizations, etc. St. John's Lutheran Church is interested in becoming a trained BeFriender, please contact the church office.

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry needs for July are soup and pasta sauce. The food pantry wants are surface cleaners and paper towels. Distribution is the first and third Thursday of every month from 3-4p.m.

SCRIP CARDS

Mama's House of Hope has teamed up with St. Vincent De Paul to help ANYONE in need within the Marion/Tigerton/Wittenberg area. To help with this very worthy cause St. Vincent De Paul is doing an <u>ongoing</u> fundraiser. Ten percent of all SCRIP cards, to any SHELL station, that are being sold will be donated to St. Vincent De Paul. These cards are good for gas or anything in the store. Cards can be obtained from Jackie Suehring or the church office. If you would like several cards, please contact the church office, or Jackie Suehring.