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June Birthdays, Anniversaries, Special Days,
and Upcoming Events

God's blessings to...

75th+ Birthday

June 1 Annette Truckenbrod
June 6 Norma Peasley
June 9 William Silfies
June 16 Jon Dinges
June 21 Judy Kerns

Happy Anniversary!

Steve & Carole Dancey
June 4th — 25 years

Richard & Vicki Wujek
June 8th — 45 years

Tom & Judy Kerns
June 19th — 54 years

John & Shirley Pierson
June 19th — 54 years

Frank & Lois Etheridge
June 20th — 64 years

Upcoming Events

June

2 HS Mission Trip Team cookout at 11:30am
at Don & Karen Goy's house
6 Sarah Circle at 1pm
6 Executive Team meeting at 6:30pm
6 All Teams meeting at 7pm
7 5th-8th Grade Mission Day and Lock-In begins
7 Lunch In The Park 11am to 1:30pm
7 Cancer Benefit Car Wash 10:30 to 1:30pm
8 Lock-In ends 8am-9am
8 Mission: Mendota at 8am
8 NO Chapel worship
10 Rebecca Circle - Rita Randecker's home 6:30pm
16 Confirmation Campers depart for Lutherdale
17 Vacation Bible School week begins
20 Church Council meeting at 6:30pm
25 Mission Quilt Day at 9am
27 Newsletter Assembly at 10:30am
29 NO Chapel worship

July

4 Office Closed — Independence Day
11 All Teams meeting at 7pm
14 HS Mission Trip blessing & departure
18 Church Council meeting at 6:30pm
21 HS Mission Trip Team report during worship

Pulpit Supply Information
for June

June 1st — Rev. Tammy Anderson
June 2nd — Rev. Harold Grafe
June 8th — NO Chapel
June 9th — Rev. Jeff Chubb
June 15th — Rev. Mary Bohall
June 16th — Rev. Bob Hillenbrand
June 22nd — Rev. Susan Presley
June 23rd — Rev. Jeff Chubb
June 29th — NO Chapel
June 30th — Vicar Maria Bonine

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Special items of interest:

- We hope you will join us for worship!
Saturday worship - 5pm
Sunday worship - 9am
Fellowship - 10am
- The hospital does not contact the church when you are hospitalized. Please have a family member contact us.
- St. John's offers Electronic Giving. If you are interested please contact Susan in the office.
- Volunteers are needed in June to host Fellowship Time. Sign up in Kitchen.
- Please Note: There will be NO Chapel worship on Saturday, June 8th and Saturday, June 29th.

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Congratulations to our 8th Graders who were Confirmed
on Sunday, May 12, 2019.



Pictured are Rev. Robin Brown, Landon Kreiser, Garret Zinke, Laurel Politsch, Matthew Miller, Alayna Nosalik, and Gracie Zinke.

An Update from our Seminarian, Maria Bonine



Dick Gansemer and Maria & Brent Bonine at Wartburg Seminary in May 2019.

Maria's Internship at St. John's-Evansville comes to an end on August 11th and classes resume at Wartburg Seminary on Tuesday, September 3rd. Sometime in the fall she will have her Candidacy Approval interview.

Maria will be taking classes this fall semester in Lutheran Ethics, Grief & Loss, Leadership in Multi-Point Parishes, Advanced Preaching, Capstone Seminar, Acts of the Apostles, Spiritual Practices, and Contemporary Crisis of Defining & Confessing the Gospel.

In late winter, Maria will learn her Regional Assignment, and in early Spring her Synod Assignment.

Wartburg Theological Seminary Baccalaureate and Graduation will take place in May of 2020 (probably Sunday, May 17th). Maria has hopes of receiving a first call and being ordained in 2020 as it is the 50th year anniversary of women being ordained in the ELCA. (She is the first female seminarian from St. John's Lutheran Church, Mendota.)

Maria will lead worship for us on Sunday, June 30th. She and Brent will be available during fellowship to share more about their seminary journey and answer any questions you may have. We hope that our continued support of Maria will show with packed pews and great conversation over refreshments on June 30th.

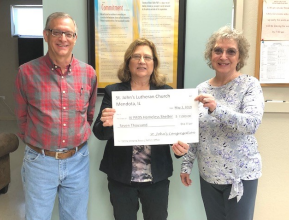
Welcome Our Summer Intern, Grace Brandner



Grace recently completed the first of two years at IVCC. She plans to transfer to Illinois State University to pursue a Bachelor's Degree in Nursing. This is her first summer internship working in the church office where she will be supporting the office staff and Youth Director, filling in for staff vacations, helping with VBS, etc. in order to get a broad view of the ministry at St. John's. We are very excited to have her with us!

St. John's Task Force Update

Our **Mission: Mendota** activity is scheduled for **Saturday, June 8th starting at 8am**. We will work on the flower garden at the pool and give Purple Park a walk-through/clean up. (Saturday, June 22nd is the rain date.) Sign-up sheets will be available until Sunday, June 2nd.



Task Force chairman, Ken Ladenburger and Susan Garner presented a check for \$7,000 to Carol Alcorn, Executive Director of IV PADS Homeless Shelter for their building expansion. These funds will be used toward creation of a family sleeping room and an executive office. A recognition plaque will be displayed in these two areas.

Church Council Highlights

The following are some highlights from the May 16, 2019 Church Council meeting.

- The Task Force presented the Ministry Enhancement to the PADS shelter for their expansion for families;
- The Wired Word small group study will meet during the summer months led by Mitch Mays;
- Saturday evening Chapel worship will continue during the summer months;
- Council approved use of the church building for a junior high overnight lock-in on Friday, June 7th.

Finance Report Year To Date thru April 2019:

Budgeted Income \$127,465 Actual Income \$135,711
Budgeted Expense \$123,337 Actual Expense \$98,514
Behind Budget on Regular Offerings by -\$7,404
Special Offerings - Good Friday Ecumenical Service \$408;
Disaster Relief \$400

Northern Illinois Synod Assembly June 14-15, 2019

We thank our delegates, Steve Florschuetz, Carol Dilbeck, Richard Althaus, and Leslie Althaus (alternate) who will be representing our congregation at the Northern Illinois Synod Assembly on June 14th and 15th at Augustana College.

Congratulations to our College Graduates!



Amy Devitt graduated from the University of Illinois with an Advertising major and Public Relations minor. She will join Kerry Ingredients in Beloit, WI as a Meat, Seafood & Appetizer Marketing Specialist.



Jared Fritz will graduate from North Central College in June with a degree in Finance and Economics. He plans to work for a financial firm in Chicago.



Joseph Meyer graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in Law Enforcement and Justice Administration. He plans to work in the criminal justice field.



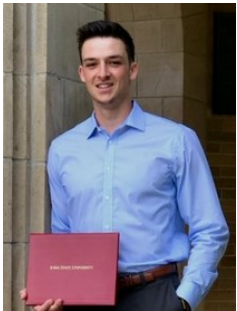
Paige Simonton graduated from Southern Illinois University in December with a degree in Behavior Analysis and Therapy. She will be relocating to Chicago.



Brock Sutton graduated from Bradley University with a degree in Civil Engineering. He plans to work at Fehr-Graham in Rochelle as a civil engineer.



Bethany Wohrley graduated from Illinois State University with a double major in Agronomy Management and Agribusiness. She is employed as an Agronomy Technology Specialist for Evergreen FS in Bloomington.



Mark Zimmerman graduated from Iowa State University with a degree in Marketing. He will move to Kansas City to join Avenue Logistics in a sales role.



St. John's Youth News

"Growing Together in our Faith as we Serve Others"



Be The Light

Plans are underway for our first **Jr. High Mission Event/Lock-in on June 7th**. Youth in 5th-8th grades are invited to participate in all or part(s) of the event as interest and schedule allows. Friends may also be invited. Check-in at the church at 9:30am on Friday, June 7th. Youth will spend the day serving throughout the community in a variety of settings beginning with Lunch in the Park and a possible Cancer Benefit Car Wash for high school student Michael Heiting's family to assist with financial need as he undergoes his treatment. We will travel in small groups with adult chaperones to Nightengale's Closet, Quest, Stonecroft, Lutheran Home, city parks, etc. as

numbers and weather allow us to serve. As the serving portion ends, we will begin an evening of fun events and food including bowling, glow-in-the-dark activities and games, crafts, cooking, and movies. The lock-in event will end on Saturday, June 8th. Students should be picked up from the church between 8-9am. High school students and adults from our congregation are invited to participate to help create a fun and safe time. Let Karen Goy (815-228-2391) know if you have questions or would like to help with set up, any portion of the event, or with clean up. Special thanks to Jeni Holland for all of her help in planning & promoting the event and to Vicki Wujek for securing a Thrivent grant. It is sure to be a great time!!

Join Us For Lunch!!

St. John's Youth will be serving Lunch in the Park on Friday, June 7th from 11am-1:30pm. In case of rain we will plan to serve lunch from our Parish Hall. We will be serving hot dogs, brats, burgers, and pork chop sandwiches along with an assortment of chips, desserts & beverages. Donations of drinks, ice, chips and individually wrapped desserts are needed. There is a sign-up sheet on the information booth in the Parish Hall or you may let Karen Goy (815-228-2391) know what you'd like to contribute. High School and Jr. High youth should let Karen know how they plan to help. We hope you'll grab a friend, neighbor or co-worker and enjoy lunch with us that day. (Prayers for a beautiful sunny day are more than welcomed.) All proceeds will support our mission trip and many other youth events.

...Off to Camp!

We hope you'll be at worship on Sunday, June 16th to participate in the send-off blessing for our four Confirmation youth. *Jace Baird, Haden Shakespeare, Garret Zinke, and Gracie Zinke* will be leaving that afternoon for a week of Confirmation Camp at Lutherdale Bible Camp in Elkhorn, WI. We hope you will keep them in your prayers throughout the week as they get away from their routines and join other Jr. High youth in this amazing setting to enjoy, learn, stretch, and grow in their faith. They will be sharing bits of their experiences during the worship service on June 23rd - so plan to join us!

Congratulations to all of our Graduates!



Peyton Baird will attend St. Francis University and major in Accounting and Finance while playing on the volleyball team.



Katie Beetz will attend St. Ambrose University. Her future plans include becoming either a physician's assistant or a nurse practitioner.



Gabrielle Brown will leave for US Army Reserve basic training and job training at Fort Jackson, SC on June 18th. In January, she will attend Illinois State University to major in journalism.



Abby Phalen will attend Augustana College and will double major in Spanish and Biology while playing on the volleyball team.



Katherine Wohrley will attend Northern Illinois University to major in accounting

Congratulations to our 8th grade graduates

Landon Kreiser, Matt Miller, Alayna Nosalik, Laurel Politsch, Garret Zinke, and Gracie Zinke.