

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Mission Statement: We are called by God to be the light of the world. We are to go forth and show Jesus' love and forgiveness through loving care for all God's creation.

Weekday School



On Sunday, May 2 at the 9:30 AM service Weekday School students will be singing. Student attendance awards and teacher appreciation will also be a part of this special service.

After the service the Board of Education will be having a hamburger and brat fry from 11:00 AM-2:00

PM at the Picket Fence.

Come on over, get some lunch and do some shopping at the Picket Fence tent sale!



Weekday School Fun night will be Wednesday, May 5 at 6:30 PM. This will be the last night for Weekday School.

Prayer Service

The ladies organizations of St. John invite you to join them for a Prayer Service led by Pastor Ader. There will be two dates to choose from. Attend the Ladies Aid Service on Thursday, May 6 at 1:30 PM or the Ladies Evening Guild Service on Thursday, May 27 at 7:00 PM. All are welcome. Bring a friend!

Mother-Daughter Banquet

Plans are being made for the Mother-Daughter Banquet which will be held on Wednesday, May 12 at 6 PM.

To make your reservations please call Mona Heindl

423-3962, Judy Ontl 325-1703, Fran Kostyn 424-0797 or Jean Zeaman 421-5243.

Tickets will be sold at the door.



Evangelism

Day after day, wherever we go, we are continually coming into contact with people whom God is pursuing.

Jesus is standing at the door of their heart and knocking; awakening them to His existence, offering the freedom of forgiveness, inviting them into the safety of His love.

What an incredible miracle!

Great Shepherd, teach us to walk with You today.

Open our ears to hear our call to those around us.

Open our eyes to see those You are seeking. May we joyfully join You as You seek to save the lost.

Ascension Service at St. Luke's

"HE'S RISEN! HE'S RISEN, INDEED!
HALLELUJAH!"

Oh, we know that
mighty shout well!
But, what happened
next? A lot!! Jesus
was busy, as He
tried over the next



40 days to get some last minute teaching
done, before going home to His Father.
Imagine that homecoming! Try to feel the joy
and excitement!

Some of that excitement will be captured on
Thursday, May 13, as Immanuel, St. Luke's,
and St. John's Congregations join their hearts
and voices in worship, at the celebration of
the ASCENSION OF OUR LORD. The ser-
vice will begin at 6:15 P.M., at St. Luke's this
year, and will focus on a review of the church
year. A choir from each congregation will sing
a seasonal anthem. Children will participate!
Then the choirs will combine voices to trium-
phantly celebrate, "The Lord Is Lifted Up!"
Set this very special evening aside, to COME
AND CELEBRATE!

Evening Guild Cookout

The Ladies Evening Guild will be having a
cookout on Saturday, May 22 at Wal-Mart
starting at 10:00 AM. Take a break from your
shopping and enjoy lunch or order take out for
later with your family. Thanks for your
support!

Thanks For Helping

Thank you to all the members of St. John
congregation who baked items for the Bake
Sale at the Steve Timm Memorial Benefit on
Saturday, April 10. Special thanks to those
who helped set-up, man the sales, and clean
up the sales area. The Bake Sale netted
\$1,329.00. The Ladies Evening Guild added
\$71.00 to "round-up" the congregation's
donation to the Memorial Benefit to \$1,400.00.
Your support to members of our church family
is greatly appreciated.

Thank You

We would like to thank all of you for the cards,
prayers, and well wishes through my illness
and a special thank you to Pastor Ader for his
hospital visit. We would also like to thank
everyone for their cards, prayers, and comfort
at the loss of my sister Leona Hansen and
Dorothy's sister Betty Wulf who both passed
away in March. It means a lot to us and
we wish to share our appreciation. Thank you
again--Fred and Dorothy Zimmerman.

Thank You St. John Congregation

We would like to thank all the members of St.
John for all the delicious baked goods donat-
ed, the ladies of the Evening Guild for all your
help with the baked goodies and all the basket
donations, Susan Ader for the beautiful quilt,
the Ladies Aid for their contribution, and all the
"kids" for their coin collection. Also, for all your
prayers, your hugs, and your concerns. What
an outpouring! All of this made Steve's
Memorial Benefit a very huge success. This is
something the Timm family will never forget
and we want you to know it was greatly
appreciated. In Christ's Love—The Steve
Timm Family.

Vacation Bible School

Vacation Bible School will be June 14-June 17
from 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM. This year's theme is
Camp Creation. We have lots of great
activities and projects planned. Registration
forms are available in the narthex. Please
return them to the church office by June 1.

Youth volunteers needed for helpers or if any-
one wishes to donate time please contact
Brenda Prange 213-
6923 or Kylie Swen
213-5555.



Invitation and Items Needed

“Every Kid to Camp” Ministry Auction

Silent and live auction items are needed for the annual “Every Kid to Camp” (EK2C) Ministry Auction, ‘Bids-for-Kids.’ This event will be held on Saturday, September 11, 2010, at The Rose Garden in Wausau. Cost is \$25/person for the evening. A table of eight costs \$200. You are invited to attend. Please mark your calendar for an evening of food, fun and fellowship.

The EK2C auction task force needs 125 silent auction items and 25 live auction items for the event. Silent auction items include items with a value of around \$50. Items could include: theme baskets, artwork, small items of value around your home, handmade items, jewelry, paintings, plane rides, photography...anything that has some value. Live auction items have a value around \$75 or more: Packer tickets, guide services for hunting/fishing, use of your cottage, artwork, travel tickets, time shares, quilts, bikes, automobiles, boats, special dinners, services (planting your flowers, raking your lawn, washing your windows, boat rides, etc.). If it has some value, we’ll sell it.

Your help is appreciated. Our awesome purpose is to help kids build a stronger foundation of faith in Jesus Christ through a summer camp experience. We want to raise enough money to send one hundred twenty-five 3rd – 8th grade kids, who have never been to a week of summer camp at Camp Luther, to a week at no cost to their parents. Last year we sent 103 kids to camp for free through the auction. What an awesome blessing for kids and their families! Would you help us out? Please contact Sandi at the District Office if you have an item or two that you would like to donate:

sandy@nwdlcms.org or 800-333-2421 or 715-845-8241, ext. 23. Thank you very much.

Lee Belmas, Director of the “Every Kid to Camp” Ministry.

Challenge Progress

To see the progress of the “Foundation Challenge” and to pick up a donation envelope stop by the display in the narthex. Thank you to all who have made donations so far and remember for every two dollars donated by the congregation the ladies organizations will donate one dollar up to \$1,500.00. Help rebuild a firmer foundation one stone at a time.



Prayer Vigil

You are invited to attend a Prayer Vigil at St. Paul Lutheran Church and School, 1919 Wyatt Ave., Stevens Point, 715-344-5664 on the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 6, 2010 from 6:00 AM to 8:00 PM. (Come for as long as you wish, a few minutes or several hours) Refreshments served all day.

“Chicken Soup for the Soul” (and sandwiches) served from 11:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Free Will offering for Mission India. Everyone is invited!

Bethesda Thrift Shop

The Bethesda Thrift Shop in the Rapids Mall has several special offers for you in May. The Senior discount continues on Wednesdays. Due to the opening of the VA clinic across the hall, we will have a 25% Veterans discount every Wednesday as well – just show your card. On Mondays and Tuesdays beginning May 10, we will have a 50% discount sale on BLUE tagged clothing. The store is full of great items – come and enjoy your shopping.