

St. John's Church  
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## **St. John's Messenger**

### ***February, March, April, 2017***

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## **REFLECTIONS**

**As physicians we have all experienced it; one may try a lot of new approaches some don't always work; then suddenly there is light at the end of the road. Nothing differently happened, But God showed the way and allowed it to happen.**

**REAL**

**A Boy Singing to his little sister.....**

**You are My Sunshine, My only Sunshine'**

**Like any good mother, when Karen found out that another baby was on the way, she did what she could to help her 3-year-old son, Michael, prepare for a new sibling.**

**They found out that the new baby was going be a girl, and day after day, night after night, Michael sang to his sister in mommy's tummy.**

**He was building a bond of love with his little sister before he even met her.**

**The pregnancy progressed normally for Karen, an active member of the Panther Creek United Methodist Church in Morristown, Tennessee.**

**In time, the labor pains came. Soon it was every five minutes, every three, every minute. But serious complications arose during delivery and Karen found herself in hours of labor.**

**Would a C-section be required? Finally, after a long struggle, Michael's little sister was born. But she was in very serious condition. With a siren howling in the night, the ambulance rushed the infant to the neonatal intensive care unit at St. Mary's Hospital, Knoxville, Tennessee.**

**The days inched by. The little girl got worse. The pediatrician had to tell the parents there is very little hope. Be prepared for the worst.**

**Karen and her husband contacted a local cemetery about a burial plot. They had fixed up a special room in their house for their new baby but now they found themselves having to plan for a funeral.**

**Michael however, kept begging his parents to let him see his sister. I want to sing to her, he kept saying.**

**Week two in intensive care looked as if a funeral would come before the week was over.**

**Michael kept nagging about singing to his sister, but kids are never allowed in Intensive Care. Karen decided to take Michael whether they liked it or not.**

**If he didn't see his sister right then, he may never see her alive. She dressed him in an oversized scrub suit and marched him into ICU. He looked like a walking laundry basket.**

**The head nurse recognized him as a child and bellowed, 'Get that kid out of here now. No children**

**are allowed!'**

**The mother rose up strong in Karen, and the usually mild-mannered lady glared steel-eyed right into the head nurse's face, her lips a firm line.**

**'He is not leaving until he sings to his sister' she stated. Then Karen towed Michael to his sister's bedside. He gazed at the tiny infant losing the battle to live. After a moment, he began to sing.**

**In the pure-hearted voice of a 3-year-old, Michael sang:**

**'You are my sunshine, my only sunshine,  
You make me happy when skies are gray.'**

**Instantly the baby girl seemed to respond. The pulse rate began to calm down and become steady. 'Keep on singing, Michael,' encouraged Karen with tears in her eyes.**

**'You never know dear how much I love you,  
please don't take my sunshine away.'**

**As Michael sang to his sister, the baby's ragged, strained breathing became as smooth as a kitten's purr. 'Keep on singing, sweetheart.'**

**'The other night, dear, as I lay sleeping,  
I dreamed I held you in my arms.'**

**Michael's little sister began to relax at rest. Healing rest, seemed to sweep over her. 'Keep on singing Michael.'**

**Tears had now conquered the face of the bossy head nurse. Karen glowed.**

**'You are my sunshine, my only sunshine.  
Please don't take my sunshine away.'**

**The next day...the very next day. The little girl was well enough to get out of ICU..... She went home two weeks later.**

**Woman's Day Magazine called it The Miracle of a Brother's Song.**

**The medical staff just called it a miracle.**

**Karen called it a miracle of God's love.**

***Submitted by Karen***

## ***PASTOR'S NOTES***



### **Love Is Indispensable**

*<sup>5-6</sup> Love has good manners and does not pursue selfish advantage. It is not touchy. It does not keep account of evil or gloat over the wickedness of other people. On the contrary, it is glad with all good men when truth prevails.*

*<sup>7-8a</sup> Love knows no limit to its endurance, no end to its trust, no fading of its hope; it can outlast anything. It is, in fact, the one thing that still stands when all else has fallen.*

As we move into 2017, may our ambition and desire be that this amazing quality of love would be on display more and more in our life together. And that His presence would be so evident in our life together that others would be drawn to the Savior through what they see on display through us.

What an amazing calling is us ours as His followers and members of His body, the Church!

In I Corinthians chapter 12, Paul reminds how indispensable each member is to the proper function of His body, the Church. Each one has gifts and talents and opportunities to help the church grow to a position of strength and maturity. And then as chapter 12 ends he reminds us that the most important element of the proper functioning of His body, the Church is love. Not just any kind of love but the kind of love that only Christ can bring to the equation. Here's how Paul expresses the importance of this love in the opening verse of I Corinthians chapter 13:

*If I speak with the eloquence of men and of angels, but have no love, I become no more than blaring brass or crashing cymbal. If I have the gift of foretelling the future and hold in my mind not only all human knowledge but the very secrets of God, and if I also have that absolute faith which can move mountains, but have no love, I amount to nothing at all. If I dispose of all that I possess, yes, even if I give my own body to be burned, but have no love, I achieve precisely nothing. I Corinthians 13:1-3*

You see, a properly functioning, Christ-honoring church family is not simply a matter of doing our part and going through the motions, but allowing everything we do be motivated and bathed in the love that flows to us through the power of His Holy Spirit at work in us. And what does that quality of love look like? Well, Paul goes on to describe that quality of love in I Corinthians 13, verses 4-8:

*This love of which I speak is slow to lose patience—it looks for a way of being constructive. It is not possessive: it is neither anxious to impress nor does it cherish inflated ideas of its own importance.*

**Pastor Bob**

# Council Minutes

November 9, 2016

**Council Members Present:** All council members and Pastor Bob were present.

Dave Swift called the meeting to order.

Pastor Bob opened the meeting with prayer and a devotional.

## **Pastor's Report:**

**\*\* Visitation:** Maynard Rannow, Joyce Karl, Lillian Nemitz, Jerry & Jettie Mickolich, Dick Swift, Cole Cameron, Shari Smith, Cody Rosales, and Darrell Dannec.

**\*\* Glen Hauk** gave the Gideon report on October 23<sup>rd</sup> and collected an offering of \$200 for their work.

**\*\* On 10/30** it was my privilege to oversee the baptism and dedication of some very special people in my life:

Keith Michael Taylor, 6-10-83 (baptism); Michelle Fay Taylor, 12-17-1987 (baptism); Laylah Christine Taylor, 10-24-2008 (baptism); Landin Jeffrey Taylor, 07-18-2016 (dedication).

**\*\* Ordered** five more brochure packets for our literature rack. It's so encouraging that people are using these resources!

The secretary's minutes were approved from the October 12<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Brenda gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$19,739.34 and the ending balance was \$21,689.60. This report was approved as given.

- Designated Funds - \$15,434.41
  - Benevolence - \$4,193.15
  - Building - \$2,980.00
  - Choir - \$943.96
  - Memorial - \$3,484.04
  - Pastoral - \$530.00
  - Sunday School/VBS - \$912.26
  - Youth Group - \$340.00
  - Cemetery Fund - \$1,911.00
  - Women's Guild Fund - \$140.00
- General Fund - \$6,255.19

Gene reported that the building fund had a balance of \$98,308.70. This report was approved as given.

## **Old Business:**

- *Building Investigation Committee* – (Doug, Jerry, Andrea, Brian, Dave) No actions taken this month.
- Constitution update– (Bob, Glen, Gene, Celine) Constitution update: Congregational meeting is set for November 20<sup>th</sup>. We will need help with minutes/ballots.
- The “handyman” tasks are near completion.

### **New Business:**

- Confirmed that the Christmas Day Service will be at **10:30**. (Annual meeting stated 10:30 and Newsletter stated 9:30.)
- We received several items from the Northern Lights Baptist Church in Waconia. A co-worker/friend of Michelle Alsleben, Annie Frey, was a member there and the Church closed. Dave and Brian went to see what was remaining and brought back a trailer full. The list of items include 50 sanctuary nicely padded chairs, 20-30 folding chairs, 12' remote operated drop-down projection screen, various mic and guitar stands, exercise mats and toys, various music books and "A-frame" signs. Pam will send a thank you to her for thinking of us and how appreciative we are.
- A big thank you to Karen K. for helping with the Constitution mailing!!

### **Task list for November:**

- Draft pastor contract and review - Brenda
- Check salt supply for sidewalk – sufficient supply in furnace room
- Land rent bid – Gene will talk with Dave S.
- Review membership list – Pam will send a letter to the inactive members
- Adjust clocks and steeple timer – done
- Check bait stations

There were no suggestions in the box.

Our next council meeting will be Wednesday, December 14<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Martin /Secretary

### **Special Congregational Meeting on the Constitution November 20, 2016**

Meeting was called to order by President David Swift. Pastor Bob opened with a prayer. Dave gave the reason for the meeting was for the changing of items in the constitution. Found that there was a copy of our old constitution on file in the McLeod County recorder's office. We voted on proposed language changes in the constitution. Changing the vote 50% to 20%, with 2/3s majority vote for amending the constitution. In January we assembled a committee to look at the same sex marriage issue and draft wording to include in our constitution and policies. As a basis for this change, the committee used language provided by the CCCC. Addition no one can be elected to council, unless notified and has accepted. Cleaning up language of how church property goes to the Cemetery Board upon dissolution of the church. Two votes will be conducted, one for the constitution and one for the policies.

Motion was made by Joe Blackbird and seconded by Richard Swift,

Vote was taken for the Council is authorized to amend St. John's constitution as proposed. Yes: 48

No: 3 passed.

Motion was made by Glen Schafer and seconded by Robin Swift

Vote was taken for the Council is authorized to amend St. John's membership Policy, Building and Property Use Policy and Personnel Policy, as proposed.

Yes: 52 No: 1 Passed

Being no further business, motion was made by Annie Barth and seconded by Gene Konerza to adjourn the meeting. All in favor, meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted by

Karen Konerza, acting secretary

## **December 14<sup>th</sup>, 2016**

**Council Members Present:** All council members and Pastor Bob were present.

Dave Swift called the meeting to order.

Pastor Bob opened the meeting with prayer and a devotional.

### **Pastor's Report:**

**\*\* Visitation:** Maynard Rannow, Joyce Karl, Lillian Nemitz, Jerry Mickolichuk, Dick Swift, Margie Block, Nita Von Wald, Bill Weffel, Les Ziegler, and Alice Kaufmann.

**\*\* Recommend that Mike Norrbom be received into membership.**

**\*\* This past Sunday a number of us (17) went caroling after the dress rehearsal for the Christmas program. Those to whom we caroled: Dave & Laura Streeter, Duane & Gloria Wigern, Elaine Carrigan, Maynard Rannow, Joyce Karl, Albion Plath, Margie Block, Nita Von Wald, Lillian Nemitz, Don & Marion Patnos, and Diane Hess. We had hoped to carol for but were not home included Betty Benjamin and Alice Kaufmann.**

The secretary's minutes were approved from the November 9<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Brenda gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$21,689.60 and the ending balance was \$24,115.62. This report was approved as given.

- Designated Funds - \$16,747.42
  - Benevolence - \$4,533.15
  - Building - \$3,595.00
  - Choir - \$770.97
  - Memorial - \$3,484.04
  - Pastoral - \$530.00
  - Sunday School/VBS - \$1,193.26
  - Youth Group - \$395.00
  - Cemetery Fund - \$2,106.00
  - Women's Guild Fund - \$140.00
- General Fund - \$7,368.20

Gene reported that the building fund had a balance of \$99,093.86. This report was approved as given.

### **Old Business:**

- *Building Investigation Committee* – (Doug, Jerry, Andrea, Brian, Dave) No actions taken this month.
- Constitution update– (Bob, Glen, Gene, Celine) Congregation approved new constitution and policies at the November 20<sup>th</sup> meeting – Thanks! Deed is getting updated by lawyer. The lawyer will advise on how to file the constitution/corporation. Will be updating our Church name where it is recorded wrong. Dave will get Pam the new documents when signed so she can update the policy book.
- All of the handyman tasks have been done! Thank you to everyone that took on these projects!
- Confirmed the Christmas Day service time @ 10:30.
- Reviewed membership status – letters being sent.
- M/S/A to approve the contract for the land rent - \$250/33 acres per year for a 2 year period.
- Discussed the need for two new council positions.

### **New Business:**

- Discussed the problem with the women's restroom and the toilet overflowing. Glen replaced the float/flapper assembly but that may not be the problem. Dave will check with the mound company for any other ideas as to why this may be happening.
- Council approved a request from Lea Ette to purchase new alter cloths as a memorial.
- M/S/A to have Dostal Electronics come and give us a bid on a new sound system for the church.
- M/S/A to receive Mike Norrbom into membership through reaffirmation of faith.
- The annual meeting has been changed this year to the fourth Sunday of the month to allow for the audit committees to complete their tasks. **ANNUAL MEETING IS JANUARY 22<sup>ND</sup>.**

### **Task list for December:**

- Prep for annual meeting (draft budget) – Brenda
- Sign-up sheet for alter/custodian/ushers – Karen K.
- Contact staff on pay – Dave S.
- Update records with membership changes – Pam
- Present Pastor review – *Dave H. compiled all of the performance reviews and everyone thought that Pastor Bob is doing an amazing job. He goes above and beyond what is expected of him.*

There were no suggestions in the box.

Our next council meeting will be Wednesday, January 11<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Martin /Secretary

**January 11, 2017**

**Council Members Present:** All council members and Pastor Bob were present.

Dave Swift called the meeting to order.

Pastor Bob opened the meeting with prayer and a devotional.



**Pastor's Report:**

\*\* Visitation: Maynard Rannow, Joyce Karl, Lillian Nemitz, Jerry Mickolich, Dick Swift, Les Zeigler (Bonnie Kaufmann's brother-in-law), and Albion Plath (Glen Sladek's Grandpa).

The secretary's minutes were approved from the December 14<sup>th</sup> meeting.

Brenda gave the treasurer's report. The beginning balance was \$24,115.62 with an ending balance of \$14,933.07 after all the funds were paid out for year end. This report was approved as given.

- Designated Funds - \$5,388.16
  - Benevolence - \$1,133.15
  - Building - \$0.00
  - Choir - \$770.97
  - Memorial - \$3,484.04
  - Pastoral - \$0.00
  - Sunday School/VBS - \$0.00
  - Youth Group - \$0.00
  - Cemetery Fund - \$0.00
  - Women's Guild Fund - \$0.00
- General Fund - \$9,544.91

Gene reported that the building fund has a balance of \$104,042.81. This report was approved as given.

**Old Business:**

-- *Building Investigation Committee* – (Doug, Jerry, Andrea, Brian, Dave S.) No actions taken this month. Also no discussion planned for the annual meeting. They will stay available for any direction set by the 2017 council.

-- Constitution update– (Bob, Glen, Gene, Celine) Pam will be working on updating the policy book with the new documentation. Deed has been updated and recorded. A copy was given to Gene to keep with building information. Affidavit of name change has been recorded as well as the Constitution. Still need to update names with the State of MN (will have accountant help with when doing taxes) and with Citizens bank – (will do when changing signature authority with new council).

-- Reviewed proposed budget/agenda/ and service schedule.

-- We have two open council positions for next year. We have one person that volunteered and are still in need of another. Pastor Bob will announce again this Sunday.

-- Dave S. and Chandler met with Dostal Electronics from Hutchinson and they are working up a plan to come up with a new sound system for our church. Dave volunteered to keep on top of this project even as he will be off the council. Thanks Dave for all you do!!

-- Dave S. met with Mid MN Septic Systems regarding our toilet/flooding issue. They cleaned the effluent filter and recommended that we do it on a regular basis. Pam will add to the task calendar so it is not forgotten.

**New Business:**

- The treasurer's PC has been updated and runs much better. Thanks Chandler!! (We may need to budget for a new one in the next couple of years).
- The Youth Group will be having their Lenten Fair February 26<sup>th</sup>. Dave S. will talk to Andrea to submit any bills to the council for reimbursement.
- M/S/A to move \$8,000.00 from the general fund to the building fund.

- Dave S. read a letter to the council with regard to a scholarship consideration. Council will continue future discussion.

Task list for January:

- Annual Meeting – *Council reviewed budget/agenda/service times*
- Establish budget – *Council will propose as presented*
- Set date for confirmation – *May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017*
- Usher/Custodian/Guild list – *Is up on board and will be passed around at Annual Meeting to fill in.*

There were no suggestions in the box.

Our next council meeting will be Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Pam Martin /Secretary

## **Annual Meeting Minutes January 22, 2017**

President David Swift called the meeting to order. Pastor Bob Taylor opened the meeting with a prayer.

Clipboard was passed around for those in attendance to sign-up for ushering/custodial/altar guild duties.

David Swift read the minutes from the 2016 Annual Meeting, in the absence of Secretary, Pam Martin. The minutes were approved as presented.

**Review of the Annual Reports were given and approved for the following by Brenda Schaefer with Brian Alsleben helping her:**

**General Fund**                      **Congregational Direct Giving**

**Memorial Fund**

**Benevolence** report was given by David Swift in absence of Julie Karl

**Building Fund** was given by Gene Konerza

**Women's Guild** report was given by Mavis Mielke

**Sunday School & Youth Group** report was given by Robyn Field

**Membership & Attendance Record** –Karen Konerza

One correction was noted and changed, one birth was forgotten, it was Lucille Barth 9/30/2016 daughter of Annie (Senske) & Anthony Barth.

**Financial Review** was given by Jon Block. He stated that the review committee found the financial records for 2016 were accurate and in good order.

**Building Committee** report was given by David Swift. He said things are on hold at the moment and if anything comes up the members will be informed as such.

Pastor Bob left the meeting as the budget/salaries were discussed.

Brenda Schaefer explained the operating budget. The budget stayed about the same as last year except for Pastor Bob's salary. He was given a 5% increase. It was felt he is a part-time pastor doing a fulltime job and then some. David Huebert did a performance review of Pastor Bob with several church members. Based on comments that he received back, everyone is very pleased with Pastor Bob. Gene Konerza made a motion to accept the budget with the 5% increase for Pastor Bob and Elaine Carrigan seconded the motion. Vote was carried. No other wages were increased.

David Swift went over the 2017 proposed service times, the only difference was Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday, so we will have 10:30 a.m. service and our regular Christmas Eve service at 5:00p.m. Doug Block made a motion to accept the service times and Alice Kaufmann seconded it. Motion carried.

### **Volunteers/ Staff/Elections**

**Council 2017** Terms were up for David Swift and Brenda Schaefer. David Huebert nominated Glen Schaefer and David Sanken. No other nominations came up. Jon Block moved that nominations cease and was seconded by Randy Knick. Congregation approved of Glen Schaefer and David Sanken becoming new council members. A big Thank you went out to Dave Swift for his service and to Brenda Schaefer for service as church Treasurer.

**Financial Review Committee\*** will remain the same, Jon Block, Celine Swift and Roger Trimbo.

**Ushers, Custodians, Altar Guild** – Clipboard was passed around to members present. Sign-up sheet will be placed on the back bulletin board if you are able to help.

**Ice Cream Social** –June 8<sup>th</sup>, Committee members are: Brian & Michelle Alsleben, David Swift, Pastor Bob, and Mavis Mielke .

**Benevolence Committee** – Julie Karl, Elaine Carrigan, Robyn Field

**Records Keeper** – Karen Konerza

**Nursery Committee** – June Knick, Dawn Norrbom, Kathy Trimbo, Ashley Alsleben, Robin Swift.

**Building Committee** – Jerry Wright, Doug Block, Andrea Wigern, Brian Alsleben, and David Swift.

**Same Sex Policy Committee** – Pastor Bob, Glen Sladek, Celine Swift, and Gene Konerza were thanked for their work on this project, which is now completed.

### **Other New Business:**

Motion was made by Gene Konerza to authorize the council to purchase a new sound system for the church for up to \$7,000 from Dostal electronics. There was discuss on it and then seconded by David Huebert. Carried

Being no further business motion was made by Jon Block to adjourn the meeting seconded by Joe Blackbird. Carried.

Pastor Bob closed the meeting with a prayer.

Respectfully submitted,  
Karen Konerza, Acting Secretary

## Sunday School Happenings

*This year in Sunday School the 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade is studying Bible Prophecy for Kids – Revelation 1-7.*

*The book of Revelation reveals how God and Jesus triumph over Satan and evil. As we study Revelation 1-7, we discover some action packed wants, unusual creatives and mind – boggling sights. We see things like....*

- What heaven is like*
- What God says to some special churches and to you*
- Some exciting things that will happen in the future*
- And the fantastic rewards of knowing Jesus are!*

*We are working hard to discover the mysteries in a book that most adults never read.*

*No Sunday School on April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup>*



## Sunday School Christmas Program







# St John's Youth Page

## What we've been doing:

- October 30<sup>th</sup> the youth group went out for pizza after church and then treating the shut-ins with pumpkin muffins that we made.



- November we boxed 31 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you to all who helped out by donating supplies or towards shipping.



- December we painted on canvas nativity scenes.
- January we discussed ideas and plans for the upcoming Lenten Fair.

- The youth Bible Study has done a couple of studies from Faith Commander (Duck Dynasty group) that we have enjoyed. We have also discussed Godly and ungodly behavior.

### **Looking Ahead:**

- February 1<sup>st</sup> we are tentatively planning to package Food for Kids in Stewart.
- February 11<sup>th</sup> the youth group will go ice fishing. More details coming.
- Flower sales will be mid-February thru mid-March.
- February 15<sup>th</sup> will be our last Bible Study for a while.
- February 26<sup>th</sup> will be the Lenten Fair. There will be a potluck lunch following church then many activities for members of all ages. Guests are welcome. We are looking for youth and adults to help with activities that day. Please sign up at church if you want to help or participate.
- April 8 we will set up for Palm Sunday.
- April 9<sup>th</sup> we will serve Palm Sunday breakfast from 9 to 10.
- May 3<sup>rd</sup> will be flower delivery day. More details coming.

\*There will be no monthly youth group meetings or Bible Study during lent so we can attend church and fellowship each Wednesday.



## St. John's Youth Page continued:



For more information about the youth group contact: Andrea Wigern at 320-234-6454 or Roxanne Sladek at 320-455-7218.

## Church Happenings...

Remember when it was this outside ????



## Family Fall Fest Day



Jaden, McKayla, Madison, Carter, & Holden



Dawn & Zachary



**Getting the sound system ready for Family Fun Day & Sunday School program. Thanks Mike!!**



**Hannah Wignn**



**Robin, Isaac, Jessica, Grace and Chandler**





**Lillian Nemitz**



**Nita Von Wold**



**Bridget Block**



**Choir**

**Time to get ready for the coming of the birth of Jesus!**



Newsflash! If anyone is interested in a glass plate with the photo of St. John's when it was known as St. John's Church Evangelical & Reformed contact Lea Ette. She has three extras.

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

February 12<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Sunday School/VBS meeting after church. If you have questions or comments, but can't make it please let, Andrea, Brenda or Jodi know.

The Women's Guild will be packing Valentine Plates for our shut-ins etc. on Sunday, Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>, after church. Any church member may donate 1 doz. of cookies or if you are interested in delivering one of the plates and visit a shut-in please contact Julie Karl. Thank you.

From Mid - February thru Mid- March Youth Group will be taking orders for flowers!

## Lenten Fair coming up!!

Sunday, February 26, 2017 is the date for the Lenten Fair at St. John's. It's a fun event for all ages. There will be a potluck after worship followed by the Fair from 12 -3 p.m. The Fair consists of a wide variety of activities for all ages, things to make and take home.... all helping to prepare us to celebrate the Lenten season and Easter. You can participate in all activities or as many as you'd like. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board. Plan to attend and invite your friends!

- ❖ Resurrection Biscuits!
- ❖ Easter Gardens!
- ❖ Handmade Wooden Crosses with String Art!
- ❖ Fun and Fellowship for all ages!

Ash Wednesday begins March 1<sup>st</sup>. Worship service at 7:00 p.m. with lunch following. Sign up sheet is on the bulletin board.

**No Sunday School on April 9<sup>th</sup> and April 16<sup>th</sup>!!**

April 9<sup>th</sup>, Youth's Palm Sunday Breakfast from 9-10 a.m. all welcome  
Good Friday Service is April 14<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.  
Easter Worship is April 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 a.m.

May 3<sup>rd</sup> flowers will be delivered!!

Let's remember these members with a card or note;

Joyce Karl      Birthday 11/15  
Harmony River Living Center -Room 229    Phone # 320-552-2171  
1555 Sherwood St. S.E.  
Hutchinson, MN. 55350

Jerry Micholichuk    Birthday 8/27  
448 California St. N.W.    #49  
Hutchinson, MN. 55350

Maynard Rannow      Birthday 11/5  
Cedar Crest of Silver Lake    #114  
1401 Main St. W.  
Silver Lake, MN. 55381

David Streeter    Birthday 2/01  
14508 Pheasant Rd.  
Hutchinson, MN. 55350

## ***CHURCH LEADERS FOR 2017***

### **PASTOR**

Rev. Bob Taylor ..... 763-420-6800  
Cell: ..... 612-644-0628

### **COUNCIL**

President: David Huebert .....864-4724  
V. Pres  
Secretary: Pam Martin..... 320-510-0493  
Treas.  
Fin. Sec. Randy Knick..... 320-296-5649  
Bldg.Fund Gene Konerza .....320-510-2180

### **WOMEN'S GUILD 2017**

President Julie Karl.....587-7702  
Vice Pres Lea Ette Peters .....864-3282  
Sec. Susie Blackbird.....583-1025  
Treasurer Brenda Schaefer .....864-6745  
Sunshine Chairman: Elaine Carrigan 864-3330

### **CEMETERY BOARD**

Jeremy Field ..... 320-582-0319  
Jerome Karl ..... 320-587-7702  
Warren Kaufmann ..... 320-587-5676

### **BENEVOLENCE COMMITTEE**

Julie Karl .....587-7702  
Jon Block..... 320-296-4417  
Elaine Carrigan.....864-3330

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS & SUBSTITUTES 2017**

#### **Preschool-1st**

Dawn Huebert, Brenda Garoutte

#### **K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade**

Jodi Sanken, Andrea Wigern

#### **3rd-5<sup>th</sup>**

Bridget Block, June Knick

#### **6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade**

Susie Blackbird

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## **Job Sign-ups 2017**

### **CUSTODIANS**

January.....Sladeks  
February..... Swift  
March..... Knick.  
April.....Schaefer  
May.....Alsleben  
June .....Mavis & Elaine  
July.....  
August..... Senske  
September ..... Block  
October .....Garoutte  
November ..... Wright  
December 3rd..... Trimbo  
10<sup>th</sup> ..... Trimbo  
17<sup>th</sup> .....  
24<sup>th</sup>Christmas Eve .....  
JANUARY 2018 .....Sladek

### **USHERS**

January..... Sladek  
February..... Swift  
March..... Blackbird  
April.....  
May..... Alsleben  
June..... Konerza  
July .....  
August..... Huebert  
September ..... Block  
October ..... Garoutte  
November ..... Wright  
December 3rd ..... Trimbo  
10<sup>th</sup> ..... Trimbo  
17<sup>th</sup> .....  
24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve.....  
January 2018 ..... Sladek

### **ALTAR GUILD**

January..... Sladek  
February..... Swift  
March .....Blackbird  
April .....  
May..... Alsleben  
June.....Lea Ette.  
July .....  
August .....Alice K.  
September .....Block  
October ..... Garoutte  
November ..... Rose  
December 3rd ..... Trimbo  
10<sup>th</sup> ..... Trimbo  
17<sup>th</sup> .....  
24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve.....  
JANUARY 2018 ..... Sladek



## February 2017

| Sun  | Mon       | Tue          | Wed             | Thu | Fri          | Sat                  |
|--|-----------|--------------|-----------------|-----|--------------|----------------------|
| Flowers can be ordered through Youth Group |           |              | 1 Dave Streeter | 2   | 3 Isaac S.   | 4                    |
| 5 Communion                                | 6         | 7 Austin F.  | 8               | 9   | 10           | 11                   |
| 12   | 13        | 14 Shelby S. | 15              | 16  | 17           | 18 Desiree S.        |
| 19   | 20        | 21           | 22 Roxanne S.   | 23  | 24 Jettie M. | 25 Gloria W. Mark W. |
| 26 Potluck & Lenten Fair                   | 27 Deb F. | 28           |                 |     |              |                      |

## March 2017

| Sun  | Mon | Tue          | Wed                               | Thu          | Fri | Sat         |
|--|-----|--------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|-----|-------------|
| Flowers can be ordered through Youth Group |     |              | 1 Mary G. Ash Wednesday 7 p.m.    | 2 Hannah W.  | 3   | 4 Sharon M. |
| 5 Communion Robin S.                       | 6   | 7            | 8 Lenten Service 7 p.m.           | 9            | 10  | 11          |
| 12   | 13  | 14           | 15 Lenten Service 7 p.m.          | 16           | 17  | 18          |
| 19 Angela K.                               | 20  | 21           | 22 Lenten Service 7 p.m.          | 23 Kelsey F. | 24  | 25          |
| 26 Randy R.                                | 27  | 28 Morgan S. | 29 Jerry B. Lenten Service 7 p.m. | 30           | 31  |             |

## April 2017

| Sun   | Mon          | Tue                    | Wed                                    | Thu                         | Fri  | Sat           |
|---|--------------|------------------------|--|-----------------------------|--|---------------|
|   |              |                        |  |                             |  | 1             |
| 2 Communion   | 3            | 4 Brenda S.            | 5 Lenten Service 7 p.m.<br>Lea Ette P. | 6 Celine S.                 | 7 Sandy W.   | 8             |
| 9 Palm Sunday<br>Breakfast 9-10a.m.<br>No Sunday School | 10 Marley S. | 11 Kari E.<br>Tyler M. | 12 Jenna T.                            | 13 Allan B.                 | 14 Good Friday<br>Service 7 p.m.<br>Jeremy M.<br>Margie B. | 15            |
| 16 Easter Service 9:30 a.m<br>No Sunday School.         | 17           | 18                     | 19                                     | 20 Glen Schaefer<br>Jodi S. | 21   | 22 McKenna S. |
| 23  | 24 Mike M.   | 25                     | 26 Harrison M.                         | 27 Laura S.                 | 28 Mason M.  | 29            |
| 30 Kathy T.   |              |                        |  |                             |  |               |

***“Opportunity may knock once,  
but temptation bangs on the front door forever!”***

### **NOTE FROM THE EDITOR**

Information for the next newsletter will be due April 25th, you can bring your input to me at the church, or mail it to me (821 Baxter Ave, Glencoe) or email me at [secretary@stjohnscccc.org](mailto:secretary@stjohnscccc.org) or [chubbers67@gmail.com](mailto:chubbers67@gmail.com) *Karen Konerza*



