



# The Dual-Parish Review

## St. John Harvest Dinner

Since about 1990 our congregation has done a “Beef Dinner” mostly for a fund raiser to help pay for decorating the Church. Through the years we have re-evaluated our fund raising policy and have changed doing things that interfere with Divine Worship. So, our “Harvest Supper” (on Saturday) became our way of serving a free home cooked meal to be delivered. Senior living places, home bound and families with special needs were contacted to place their orders. We also served the dining hall for a free will donation if they desired.

Our congregation donated most of the supplies and groceries. Our goal was to “break even”. Generous congregation and community support came to mean a profit. We have used this for local and other missions and some for repairs.

Through the years our “physical workers” have become less. In 2019 /80, 2020/70, 2021/54.

We realize our congregation may want to re-evaluate and explore other possibilities for our famous “Harvest Supper Beef Dinner”

### 2021 Harvest Dinner Report:

Donations: dinners, meat, and leftovers \$4,851.50  
Expenses: Containers, meat, buns, groceries and advertisement. = \$1,859.35 minus Thrivent Action Team \$250.00 = \$1,609.35 for a Profit of \$3,242.15

We have checked with our “Fund Raising” policy, and we found that we are really not able to use the profit for repairs.



**Newsletter**

**2021**

**Bethlehem**

**Lutheran Church**

233500 County Road E  
Milan, Wisconsin 54411  
**Sunday Worship at 8:00 a.m.**  
Office Secretary Email:  
secretary@stjbeth.org

**St. John “High Steeple”  
Lutheran Church**

119415 Huckleberry Road  
Edgar, Wisconsin 54426  
**Sunday Worship at 10:30 a.m.**  
*Sec. Office Hours: M, T, W, F,  
1pm to 4pm*  
Dual Parish Office:  
715-352-2888  
Office Secretary Email:  
secretary@stjbethstj.org  
Dual Parish Website:  
www.stjbeth.org

## St. John Church Council Minutes

Oct. 12, 2021 Church Council Meeting

Attending the meeting were Doug Brown, Kay Christiansen, Sharon Niemann, Cathy Schneider and Stephan Schneider. The meeting opened with prayer.

Minutes were reviewed and approved.

Elders reported that all shut in visits were done for the month of October. Bibles to be engraved with the confirmand names were approved to be ordered. Confirmation is planned for October 31<sup>st</sup>.

Outreach reported that the next blood drive is here on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of October and sign ups are already being taken.

No official report was given by the board of Ed.; but the LWML will coordinate a Christmas all church luncheon on the Sunday, December 19<sup>th</sup> following service.

This will precede the Children's program that afternoon.

The Treasurer's report was reviewed and found to be all in order. The council will propose that the current budget be moved forward into the next year as it had been recently revised.

Trustees sent a few notes and the water softener is planned to be put in soon. Also, bids are out for carpeting in the parsonage where needed. The council would like to see a bid be added for pastors' office as well.

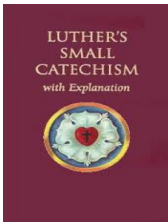
There was no old business.

New business:

Discussion was on whether to ask for funds from the undesignated memorials for the new carpets. This will be brought up to the congregation at the voters meeting on the 17<sup>th</sup>.

Motion was made to adjourn. Meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Sharon Niemann, Recording Secretary



## The Sacrament of the Altar, Part 2

### *What is the benefit of this eating and drinking?*

These words, “Given and shed \_\_\_\_\_ for the forgiveness of sins,” show us that in the Sacrament forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation are given us through these words. For where there is forgiveness of sins, there is also life and \_\_\_\_\_.

### *What is the Sacrament of the Altar?*

It is the \_\_\_\_\_ body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the bread and wine, instituted by Christ Himself for us Christians to eat and drink.

### *Where is this written?*

The holy Evangelists Matthew, Mark, Luke and St. Paul write: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the \_\_\_\_\_ when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this \_\_\_\_\_ My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.” In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup \_\_\_\_\_ the new testament in My blood, which is shed for you for the \_\_\_\_\_ of sins. This do as often as you drink it in remembrance of Me.”

### *How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?*

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the \_\_\_\_\_ written here: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever \_\_\_\_\_ these words has exactly what they say: “forgiveness of sins.”

### *Who receives this Sacrament worthily?*

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine \_\_\_\_\_ training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has \_\_\_\_\_ in these words: “Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins.” But anyone who does not believe these words or \_\_\_\_\_ them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words “for you” require all hearts to believe.

## Agnus Day by James Wetzstein



On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” When he saw them, he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went, they were made clean. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice. He prostrated himself at Jesus’ feet and thanked him. And he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus asked, “Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” Then he said to him, “Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well.”

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**A Dual Parish Voters Meeting** to call a Pastor is scheduled at Bethlehem on Sunday, November 7th at 4pm. If anyone wishing to review the information material may do so, please call the church office to arrange a time.



**Confirmation**

On Reformation Sunday October 31st, 2021

Bethlehem: Megan Kosik

St. John: Micah Schulz

Braiden Johnson

## **Bethlehem News**

Bethlehem CWIA has received a new shipment of greeting cards. These also include Christmas Cards. Come and check them out. Still only \$5.00 a box. Singles cards are \$.50.

Bethlehem will be offering a Soup Sale and Craft Sale on Saturday December, 11th. This will be for **carry out orders only**. Soup can be picked up that day from 10am to 4pm. You can place your order from December 1st - December 10th. Call Doreen at 715-680-0078 to place your order

**Fellowship is great at Bethlehem.** We offer coffee and milk after church along with some snacks. If you are able please sign up and furnish some goodies. A sign up sheet is located on the refrigerator door in the kitchen. Only one or two items are necessary. Thanks for your consideration.

## **St. John News:**

**New Members:** We welcome Larry and Sandra Hartwig transferring from Trinity Lutheran Athens.

**LWML Sunday** was on October 23rd, we collected \$169.40. Thank you to everyone who supported our mission projects.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** This year we crocheted winter hats, and scarves for the homeless. This year we also purchased winter gloves. We want to thank Greg and Linda Mueller for getting us a Thrivent card to purchase the yarn and gloves. Three of us divided up the yarn and in the end we had 95 hats, and 40 plus scarves. Plus people donated another 22 hats, 11 scarves, and 8 pair of boot socks. To God be the Glory! Thanks to everyone for their help.

**Sunday School News:** St. John Sunday School Children are making pictures for our shut-ins for Thanksgiving.

**Mark your calendars** - St. John Children's Christmas Service Sunday, December 19th at 1:30pm. The First Sunday in Advent (November 28th) the parts will be given out for the Children's Christmas Service. Rehearsals are on Sunday mornings during Sunday School. . For more info contact Traci Pehlke at 715-352-2269 or email [traci\\_p@pca\\_it.com](mailto:traci_p@pca_it.com)

## Bethlehem



### Birthdays

Becker, Jane	11/5
Thielman, Ashley	11/7
Hammel, Isaac	11/9
Schreiber, Marlene	11/11
Schmitt, Lori	11/12
Fehrenbach, Hannah	11/16
VanLuven, Halie	11/23

## Bethlehem

### Wedding Anniversaries

Alan & Lori Schmitt	11/6
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## St. John

### Wedding Anniversaries

Lloyd & Mary Schultz	11/14
Stan ,Sharon Szymanski	11/14
John & Kelly Yessa	11/15
Jonathan & Kay Schulz	11/16
Mel & Sharon Niemann	11/28

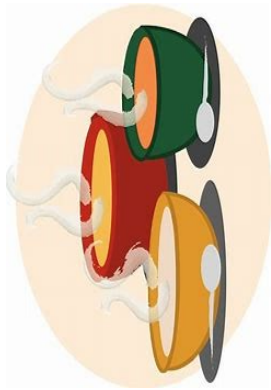
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### Birthdays

Martha Rodman	11/02
Savannah Koepke	11/03
Lloyd Schultz	11/03
Nancy Witucki	11/03
Lucas Koepke	11/05
Ronda Durkee	1/09
Amber Kroening	11/09
Stacy VanHoy	11/09
Meaghan Telschow	11/10
Peter Kroening	11/17
Roger Spindler	11/18
John Schafer	11/20
Amy Wilhelmi/Clark	11/21
Lindsey Ellis	11/21
Aaron Niemann	11/21
James Clark	11/23
Suzanne Gehrke	11/23
Rodney Held	11/23
Izabella Myszka,	11/23
Anna Koepke	11/24
Judy Ulrick	11/25
Larry Noller	11/27
Ron Hahn	11/28
Brad Wendtland	11/29

**Bethlehem Carry Out Soup  
& Craft Sale  
Saturday, December 11, 2021  
Pick up Soups between  
10am - 4pm  
Along with Craft & Bake Sale**



**Chili, Chicken Dumpling,  
Cheesy Broccoli-Cauliflower,  
Sauerkraut Chili  
MUST PRE - ORDER  
Pre - Order Date  
December 1st - December 10th  
Call Dorean at (715) 680-0078**

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the  
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## November 7

### "The Father of Solomon, by Uriah's Wife"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler  
The story of David and Bathsheba is a scandalous tale of adultery, treachery, and murder—but it also shows God's undeserved mercy for David and for us. (2 Samuel 12:13)

## November 14

### "No One Has to Face It Alone"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

## November 21

"TBD"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

## November 28

"TBD"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler

## Lutheran Hour Radio Broadcasts

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Station	City, State	Freq.	Day	Time
WDLB	Marshfield, WI	1450 AM	Sun	8:00am
WRVM	Marshfield, WI	91.3 FM	Sun	10:00am
WRVM	Medford, WI	98.7 FM	Sun	10:00am
WRVM	Wausau, WI	101.3 FM	Sun	10:00am
WSAU	Wausau, WI	550 AM	Sun	8:30am
WSAU	Wausau, WI	99.9 FM	Sun	8:30am
WAXX	Altoona, WI	104.5 FM	Sun	6:30am

You can also go on line at [www...lhm.org](http://www...lhm.org) or download the free App @ [LHM.ORG/APPS](http://LHM.ORG/APPS)

## Internet Resources:

**Worship Anew** is an online ministry put out by Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne available to view on the Internet. The current week's program can be found on their homepage at [Worshipanew.org/program](http://Worshipanew.org/program).

Moments of Comfort is an online video ministry of Worship Anew which speaks to the sufferings we face in this life with the comforting message of God's Word.

They have a list of archived programs listed on the site.



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