



The Dual-Parish Review

Message from Pastor



ANNUAL HARVEST SUPPER

October 2, 2021 4:30 - 6:30PM
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October


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:
wwwstjbeth.org

St. John Church Council Minutes

September 9, 2021

Present: Stephan Schneider, Doug Brown, Ronda Durkee, Kay Christiansen, Jeff Werner, Mike Thompson, Mary Schultz, Doug Brown opened with prayer.

Past meeting minutes were approved after a few minor updates were noted. Ronda Durkee was at the meeting and missed in the present list. For the Outreach update the last sentence should state “land” survey, instead of just survey.

No Pastor’s report as Pastor Giebel was not present.

Elders Report: Pastor Schwalenberg will be holding Confirmation class at Trinity in Athens. This will be each Wednesday at 6pm. This will be starting on September 15th. Pastor Schwalenberg will be reaching out to the parents of the confirmands (6th, 7th and 8th graders) before this class. He also stated he will be doing a review of those students who may be ready for confirmation to confirm.

Outreach Report: Mel Niemann continues to work on getting a church sign on the corner of Highway 97 and Huckleberry Street. Cathy Schneider continues to record church services and puts them up on our website. She also continues to manage the website. The next blood drive will be at St. John’s on 10/23/2012 from 9-1PM. This notice will be put into the bulletins and newsletter.

Board of Education Report: Installation of Sunday School Staff and Helpers will be this Sunday, September 12th. Sunday School will start on Sunday, September 19th with in-person. It is noted that if you do not plan to come to in-person Sunday School to please let us know and we will continue to mail out the weekly lessons to those whom this affects. \$300 from the Sunday School Mission monies was given to the VBS Mission project. 100 school kits were created from the donations from the children and church.

Treasurer’s Report: Finances continue to show positive numbers and we will need to maintain this to prepare for moving costs for a new pastor and to keep up on maintain our current and upcoming budget(s).

Financial Committee Report: Currently have 2 counters and a possible spare counter who is looking into possibly being a back-up person.

Trustees Report: The tree in the playground will be cut down this winter. The garage windows for the parsonage will be replaced before winter. The Menard’s card tax exempt status needs to be updated and Mike will work with Sharon to get this completed. A water softener will be placed in the parsonage that will work for both the parsonage and church water. After this is completed we would need to do the monthly maintenance; filters and salt replacement, will need to be completed by church volunteers if not able to be completed by the Pastor. They continue to replace more lights with LED bulbs. They are also working on replacing the screens in windows in both the coat rack area and counting room.

No Cemetery Committee report given.

No Old Business.

New Business:

Harvest Dinner: Mary Schultz was present to discuss the Harvest Dinner. The Harvest Dinner will be Saturday, October 2nd. The dinner will be call in advance ordering only for delivery and pick-up. The profits this year will go towards repairs to church and missions. Information will be via ads in The Shopper and Record Review. MMSP to allow the Harvest Dinner to do advertising up to \$100.

9/14 – Joint Council Budget Meeting

9/19 – Joint Voters meeting to vote on Call of New Pastor. This will be at Bethlehem/Milan at 4pm.

MMSP to adjourn meeting. Meeting was closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,

Ronda Durkee, Board of Education



Bethlehem

Birthdays

Rinehart, Jayden	10/01
Cook, Randy	10/02
Rinehart, Josh	10/07
Freimund, Dee	10/08
Thomas, Tripp	10/11
Strack, Evan	10/12
Kunze, Tyler	10/18
VanLuven, Ray	10/20
Viegut, Adam	10/20
Gumz, Bruce	10/21
Schreiber, Brett	10/23
Barkow, Bradly	10/26
Cornelius, Gloria	10/26
Kirchner, Wyatt	10/26
Kosik, Megan	10/26
Johnson, Kylee	10/29
Molthen, Clarence	10/30

Anniversaries

Verlyn & Judy Wittlinger	10/2
Del & Michelle Schwarting	10/5
Tom & Lucy Geisking	10/6
Denney & Natasha Woodward	10/14
Shane & Patti Hammel	10/17
Bruce & Brenda Weiler	10/18
Russ & Sheri Bunkelman	10/20
Bruce & Geanna Denzine	10/29
Scott Deana Parker	10/31

St. John

Birthdays

Scherr, Doris	10/03
Pehlke, Christian	10/05
Brown, Janice	10/09
Schulz, Jonathan	10/12
Rathsack, Joanne	10/17
Bornowski, Doris	10/21
Wenzel, Loren	10/25
Koerner, Jill	10/28
Rodman, Cody	10/29
Rodman, Wade	10/29
Koepke, Neal	10/30
Strack, Tara	10/31

Anniversaries

David & Katie Telschow	10/21
Mike & Lisa Thompson	10/25

Bethlehem

North Wisconsin District LWML Fall Zone 10 Rally
 At Bethlehem Lutheran, Wednesday, October 13th
 Registration and Brunch 8:30- 9:00am. . The Registration fee is \$5.00.

The Rally will start at 9:30am. With a Christian Life Bible Study Sharon Niemann and others will report on the LWML Convention. There will also be a speaker from Ronald MacDonald House.

We encourage you to bring along a friend, former members or other church ladies. We are looking forward to seeing you.

St. John

HARVEST SUPPER - OCTOBER 2, 2021

* Donated items need to be at church by Noon on Friday, October 1

* To assure the availability of meals, please place meal orders as soon as possible, preferably by September 26.

All orders **MUST** be placed by 4:00 pm Friday, October 1

* When handing out Harvest Meal tickets, Please remind people that all meals must be called in by Friday, Oct.1, by 4:00pm. **This applies to Both Pickup and Delivery.**

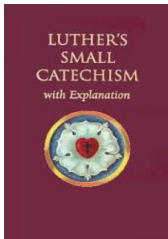
♦ Please bring paper grocery bags with handles to church by Sunday, September 26, or no later than Friday, Oct.1.

Blood Drive Saturday, Oct. 23 9am - 1pm

Appointments encouraged, Refreshment's and food available.

Sunday School News: Sunday School children will be studying "The Fearless Shepherd " and "The Faith -Full Friends" in September, In October we will study "The King of Glory," "The Wise King." The Unwise King," and will spend some lessons on Martin Luther and the Reformation the Children will be singing on Oct 31. To plan ahead our Children's Christmas Service will be Dec. 19th at 1:30 pm. An Advent/Christmas lunch will be served after church.

Bethlehem - St. John Confirmation Students will be joining the confirmation classes at Trinity Lutheran on Wednesday nights at 6pm to 7 pm. Until we get our new Pastor.



What is Confession?

Confession has two parts. First, that we _____ our sins, and second, that we receive absolution, that is, _____, from the pastor as from God Himself, not doubting, but firmly believing that by it our sins are forgiven before God in heaven.

What sins should we confess?

Before God we should plead _____ of all sins, even those we are not aware of, as we do in the Lord's Prayer; but before the pastor we should confess only those sins which we _____ and feel in our hearts.

Which are these?

Consider your place in life according to the Ten Commandments: Are you a father, mother, son, daughter, husband, wife, or worker? Have you been _____, unfaithful, or lazy? Have you been hot-tempered, rude, or quarrelsome? Have you hurt someone by your _____ or deeds? Have you stolen, been negligent, wasted anything, or done any harm?

What is the Office of the Keys?

The Office of the Keys is that special _____ which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of _____ sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

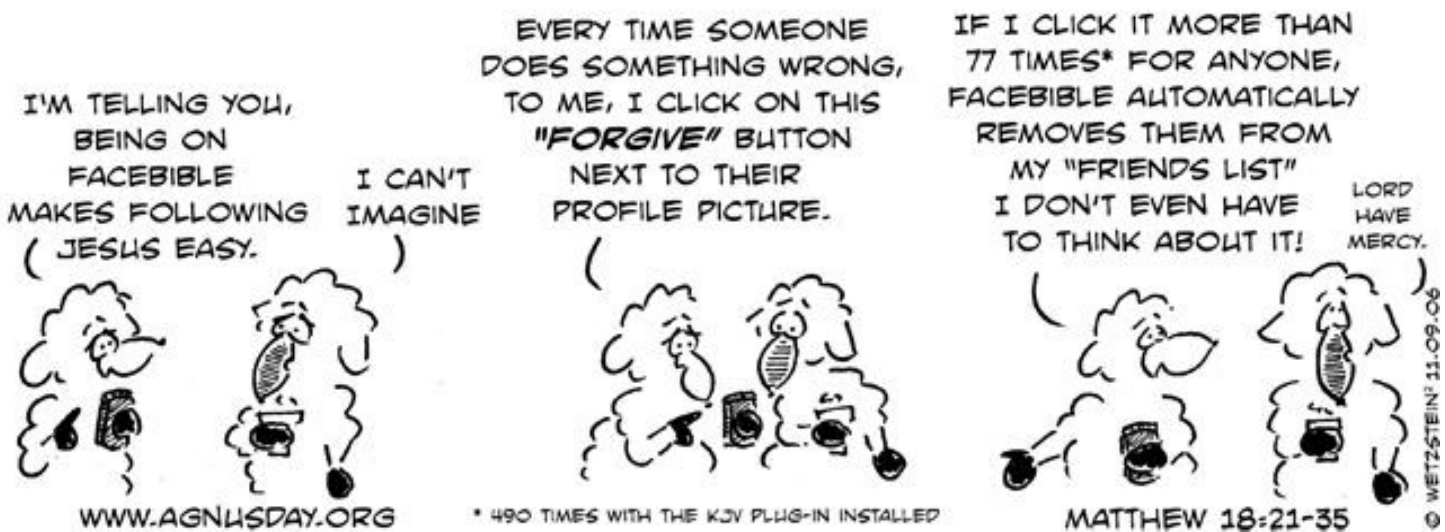
Where is this written?

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you _____ anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not _____." *John 20:22-23*

What do you believe according to these words?

I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they _____ openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and _____ those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us _____.

Agnus Day by James Wetzstein



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Lutheran Hour Sermon Schedule

October 10

"Giving God Our Garbage"

Guest Speaker: Dr. Harold Ristau
Everything belongs to God and there isn't anything anyone could possibly give Him that He doesn't already have. And yet, there is one thing He desires: our garbage—our sins, our shame, our guilt—that He might put it all on Jesus.
(1 Samuel 2:1-10)

October 17

"Dead Man, Walking"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(1 Samuel 3:18)

October 24

"He will Take It"

Speaker: Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler
(1 Samuel 15)

October 31

"TBD"

Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer
Reformation Day

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 or download the free App @ 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.

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.

Issues, Etc. is a ten-hour weekly syndicated radio talk show and podcast.

The program features expert guests, expansive topics, while extolling Christ. The program is hosted by Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod [Pastor Todd Wilken](#) and produced by [Jeff Schwarz](#).



**St. John
Lutheran Church
Edgar
Blood Drive
Saturday, Oct. 23
9:00am - 1:00pm**

**Appointments encouraged,
Refreshment's
and food available**

Have A Heart
To donate blood, you must:
Be in good health
Weigh at least 110 lbs.
Have a photo ID
with your birth date.
Be at least 17 years old
(16 yrs. old with parental
consent),

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