



# St. John Messenger

St. John Lutheran Church  
V. 26, No. 5

168 Mound St.

Berlin, WI 54923

June, 2021

I just love this time of year – especially as it pertains to the weather. Winter is definitely over. The memories of the 20 below temps and all the ice and snow have faded once again. We're in the not too hot, not too cold time of year. You don't need a jacket in the day and the nights are just perfect for sleeping. No need to run the furnace and no need to turn on the air (usually). If we could just figure out a way to bottle this weather for the rest of the year...

But this is Wisconsin and we know that this perfect weather won't last very long. Pretty soon we're going to be in the midst of the "dog days of summer." We know that the temperature and the humidity will soon start to rise. Things will get sticky and oppressive. Our AC units will have to kick in overtime just to keep us comfortable in the day and give us a chance to sleep at night. It's when the temps get into the 90's (and an occasional 100) that we start to remember the ice and snow weren't all that bad. We may even begin to silently long for the days when you needed a jacket and hat just to go and get the mail! Or, maybe you're one of those people who loves the heat and humidity and never even turns your AC on. You dread the cold and wish you lived year round in Phoenix!

I always feel a bit sorry for the folks who live "down south" during the summer. Their heat and humidity is far worse than ours. Weather forecasters label their horrific heat as "the dog days of summer," and electric bills soar along

with thermometers! They are advised to stay inside as much as possible, stay hydrated and keep cool with air conditioning and room fans. It's hot and it's uncomfortable.

King David gives a clear description of the weight of sin, using summer heat as a comparison. ***"For day and night your hand was heavy upon me; my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer (Psalm 32:4)."*** He confessed his sin and received abundant forgiveness. <sup>5</sup>***I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity; I said, "I will confess my transgressions to the LORD," and you forgave the iniquity of my sin (Psalm 32:5).***

All of us sinners know the damage sin can cause in our lives. Sin can cause to feel as if we're living in the midst of a drought where it's 110 degrees every day. Our energy is zapped and we begin to feel as if we can't go on. We only need to ask and we can also receive the refreshment that comes from confession and forgiveness. It's my prayer that all of us enjoy our time of rest and relaxation this summer. But also remember to make time to worship and receive the refreshment that comes from hearing God's Word, receiving His Sacrament, and enjoying His forgiveness. It's more comforting than drinking ice cold lemonade in a front porch swing! Have a blessed summer!



Pastor Mundinger



## +In Our Prayers

Carolyn Schmudlach

Duane Schmudlach

Mark Schubert

Ricki Schubert

Tara Schubert

Jaxson Schubert

Jaden Schubert

Minnie Blackmore

The family of Hildegard Krause

Esther Nehring – mother of Joann  
Behm and Carlton Nehring

Dolly Doan

Orville Behm

Martha Pieper – Bonnie Sperberg's  
sister

Ken Schuett

Our Shut-In and Homebound members

Gary Eggert

Joan Parsons

Janet Ryerson

Delbert & Barb Krause – 60<sup>th</sup> wedding  
anniversary

Hospitalized

Duane Schmudlach

  
Sending Our  
SYMPATHY



Hildegard Krause

Mother of Gerald Krause

Died - May 18, 2021

Funeral - May 26, 2021



 BAPTISM

May 22, 2021

Nolyn Timothy-James Stauske  
Son of Ryan and Crystal Stauske

May 30, 2021

William Vincent Rowen  
Son of Vincent Rowen and Rachel  
Kreuscher



 Welcome

Vincent Rowen and son William  
266 E. Liberty St.  
Berlin, WI





# From the President..

Friends and Members,

June 6<sup>th</sup> we will return to having one 9 AM service on Sundays. Please be considerate of others as we begin the transition back to normal worship.

Saint John is blessed to have many dedicated employees who have chosen to serve the Lord by working here as part of our mission to spread the Gospel,

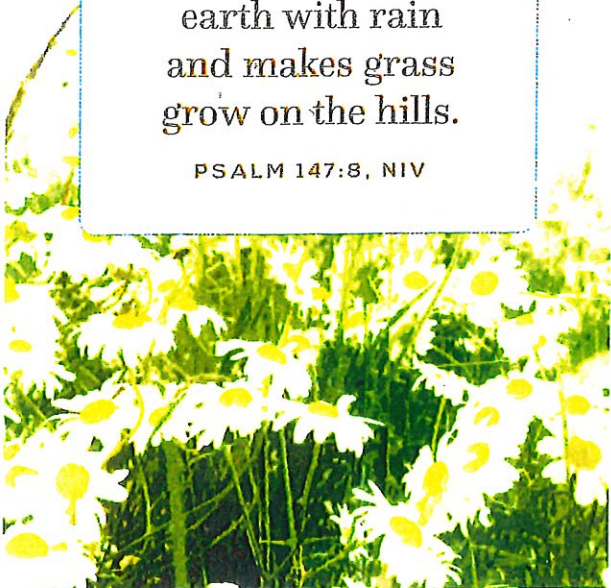
All our employees could almost certainly make more money working in the private sector or for public school systems doing the jobs they do for us. We owe them all our thanks and appreciation.

Candy Schram, our 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher, is retiring in June. I do not have the words to describe what she has meant to our School and all the kids she taught. Please make a special effort to attend our June 20<sup>th</sup> after service recognition in her honor.

Yours in Christ,  
Rich

*He* covers the  
sky with clouds;  
he supplies the  
earth with rain  
and makes grass  
grow on the hills.

PSALM 147:8, NIV



## Memorials



### IN MEMORY OF MARGARET CEMAN

For Human Care

From Family & Friends.....\$ 200.00

### IN MEMORY OF JOAN BEHM

For General Fund

From Randy & Cheryl Behm..\$1,000.00

### IN MEMORY OF KARLA JENSEN

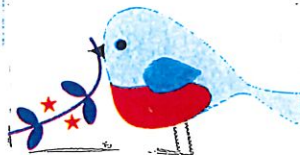
For Repair & Maintenance Fund

From Bob & Karen Wendt.....\$ 25.00

### IN MEMORY OF ED LOHELA

For St. John School

From Yvonne Gerth.....\$ 50.00



Happy  
Father's Day!





Vice President Sandy Gregor called our meeting to order with the Altar Guild Prayer on May 18th at 6:30 p.m. There were 16 members present. Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The treasurer's report was given and some dues were collected as well as mites.

In June our Sunday service will be only at 9 a.m. We were reminded not to put wafers in a plastic bag in the silver container and to load the plate with as much we can. Remember to put square cardboard on both the wafers and the cup to keep it clean.

In July we will return to the common cup. On July 25 there will again be an outdoor service in the park. There will be no communion at that service. The Jones and Cluppert graves have been decorated for the summer now.

Thank you to those who served on the Easter committee and to all who donated their flowers to make the altar so beautiful. The palms will remain up for the summer months.

The September meeting will be a pot luck to which all ladies of the church are invited as well as 6th, 7th, and 8th grade girls. It will be at 6 pm on Sept 21. Sara Chier and Judy Mehn will be the hostesses for the meeting. There will be an announcement in the bulletin as well as the newsletter about this event. Members will provide the food, beverages, and tableware.

It was decided to return to our 7 pm time for our November meeting. It will work out best for all members.

Ladies were invited to attend LWML monthly meetings on the 3rd Monday of each calendar month except July and August. The meeting begins at 6:30 pm.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted by Judy Mehn



## LWML News

The LWML met on Monday, May 17th. The LWML National Convention is June 24-27 in Lexington, KY. The National Convention is held every 2 years, it is when

officers are voted in and mission grants are selected, among other things. Bonnie Sperberg is our delegate and she will be attending.

At the convention they have in-gatherings and Gifts from the Heart has selected 3 different recipients to receive donations during the convention. We have decided to support *Food Bank Support – Concordia Seminaries Fort Wayne and St. Louis*. On Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> we will take a door collection. With the money received we will purchase gift cards in the requested denominations for the seminary food banks. We are requesting monetary donations because the gift cards we purchase will be much easier for Bonnie to travel with to KY. Thank you in advance for your donations to this project.

There is a Young Women's Event on August 14<sup>th</sup> at Trinity Lutheran Church in Wisconsin Dells. It will run from 10am to 1pm. You can attend in person or virtually. There is a full sheet in the newsletter with more information. If you are interested please contact a LWML member for more information, Cynthia Schuett, Kelli Mundinger, Deb Schrader or Bonnie Sperberg.

Our Fall Retreat will be in Oshkosh on September 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>. More information will be coming in the next few months.

Our next meeting will be Monday, June 21st at 6:30pm at church. We are very informal and meet in the conference room closest to the side door on the north side of the church. We start with a Bible study and then have our business meeting.







## ***OUR HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES***

**Isaac Lueck** lettered in academics and participated in cross country, basketball, and track during his time in high school. His freshman year he was on the school record breaking, state qualifying 4x800 meter relay team; repeating this feat his sophomore again with the 3200 relay breaking the record and this time finishing 3<sup>rd</sup>, making the podium at state. His junior year he made it to the state meet in cross country. He is now working towards hopefully making another state track run before finishing his high school career and moving on to continued running with UW-Oshkosh while studying with an undecided major in the science/biology field.

**Brooklyn Ballard** was involved in Cheer & Stunt and also Dance Team throughout high school. She has been on the superior and high honor roll all four years of high school. After graduation Brooklyn will attend Moraine Park in the fall for Radiography.

**Sydney Radke:** During high school, I made it a priority to make honor roll each trimester. I was also deeply involved in Key Club all four years, becoming Lieutenant Governor of Division 13 which is district level and also Vice President on the club level the following year. I was also a part of other clubs throughout high school such as Sources of Strength and Wordsmiths of Berlin. Lastly, I was inducted into National Honors Society this month. I will be attending Moraine Park Technical College beginning this summer for Administrative Coordinator.

**Ashley Ryckman:** While in high school, I was involved in athletics and a variety of clubs. I played four years on the girls varsity soccer team as well as three years on the girls varsity basketball team. I was a member of the National Honors Society, Student Council (Secretary), Power Pals, LINC Crew, and a Class Officer (Treasurer). I kept academics as my top priority throughout high school and was named the Salutatorian for Berlin's Class of 2021. This fall, I will be attending the University of Wisconsin River Falls to major in Criminology and/or Psychology with a minor in Spanish.

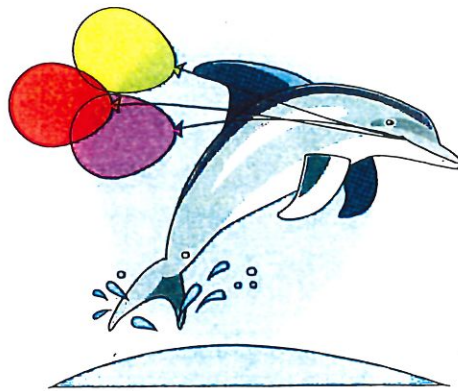
**Cavin Oppor:** Cavin maintained high honors all 4 years of high school. He will attend Ripon College in Computer Science and Math.

**Corrin Ewald:** Corrin plans to attend UW-Oshkosh in the fall and will be majoring in Sonography. She plans to become an Ultrasound Technician.

### ***Verse to Remember***

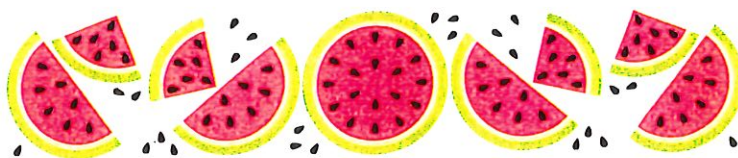
*"I am the way, and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me."*

—John 14:6



# JUNE BIRTHDAYS

Brenda Oppor	6/03	Laura Stertz	6/16
Erich Lueck	6/04	Jean Manske	6/17
Kaylie Merrick	6/04	Harrison Johnson	6/18
Wayne Williams	6/04	Bonnie Schumacher	6/18
Melanie Arthurs	6/07	Cliff Strey	6/18
Matthew Kobishop	6/08	Todd Henriksen	6/19
Alex Mittelstaedt	6/08	June Richter	6/20
Annie Schuster	6/08	Duane Schudlach	6/20
Millie Schuster	6/08	Wade Kaufman	6/21
Steve Bolen	6/09	Matthew Bruss	6/22
Brian Drews	6/09	Trevor Dawson	6/22
Matthew Larson	6/09	Brianne Hess	6/22
Delores Clark	6/10	Jaxson Jaeger	6/22
Brooklyn Ballard	6/12	Blake Mertens	6/23
Warren Ewald	6/12	Brenda Podoll	6/23
Andrew Bruss	6/13	Ramona Hrebik	6/24
Garrett Krueger	6/14	Brian Freimark	6/25
Mitchell Krueger	6/14	Allisson McCormick	6/25
David Hardel	6/15	Jayne Beier	6/26
Teddy Phelps	6/15	Doria Disterhaft	6/26
		Gary Fay	6/28
		Brookelynn McCormick	6/30







## CHOIR NEWS

Do you love to sing? Have you been interested in singing in the choir, but unable to make a long-term commitment? We can use you!

A special worship service will be held Sunday, July 25, at Riverside Park. The choir will sing "The First Song of Isaiah". **We need singers of all voices, ages & abilities!** Rehearsals for this special service will be on Sundays, June 27, July 11 & 18, after the 9 am worship service. If you cannot make it for all the rehearsals, that is OK.

Please prayerfully consider joining us to praise our gracious Lord for His continued blessings on St. John. If you have any questions, please call Cindy Schuett at 920-203-6763.

**See you at choir!**

### Church Picnic

**Sunday, July 25**

**At Riverside Park**

**North Shelter House**

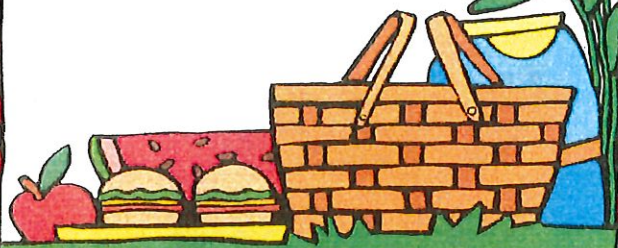
**10:30 am church service**

**Picnic to follow**

*Bring a dish to pass.*

*Bring you own lawn chairs  
if you'd like*

**See you there!!**



JUNE  
ANNIVERSARIES

June 6, 1976 - Stan & Josie Hartzke  
June 7, 1986 - Brian & Debra Thiel  
June 7, 1986 - David & Tammy Wood  
June 8, 2013 - Mike & Tina Markowski  
June 11, 1977 - Peter & Melanie Arthurs  
June 15, 1963 - Ken & Shirley Keenlance  
June 15, 2019 - Evan & Lisa Schuster  
June 16, 1962 - Tom & Liz Butterbrodt  
June 16, 1989 - Ken & Jane Mittelstaedt  
June 19, 1976 - Bradley & Candace Joram  
June 19, 1982 - LeRoy & Gloria Larson  
June 19, 1966 - Wilfird & Carolyn Polk  
June 24, 2006 - Richard & Rita Weisjohn  
June 25, 1988 - Terry & Maria Krueger  
June 27, 1965 - Don & Donna Dretske  
June 27, 1981 - Curt & Julie Snow  
June 28, 1985 - Gary & Jackie Eggert  
June 29, 2019 - Taylor & Caitlyn Ramsey  
June 30, 2007 - Gordon & Jackie Lewis





# From St. John Lutheran School



Greetings from your school. Welcome to summer. It is always amazing how quickly the school year comes to a close. It seems like only yesterday that the students were bring in school supplies and claiming their desks for the year. My, how time flies (especially when you are getting older).

First of all, I would like to thank Mrs. Schram for her years in service of the Lord. She started teaching here at St. John in 1981. Mrs. Schram will retire at the end of this school year. She will be greatly missed. She has touched the lives of hundreds of students and their families over the years. We will recognize her years of service and retirement on Sunday, June 20 following the 9:00 am worship service. (We are switching to only one service during the month of June.) There will be a door collection and a reception in the narthex with cake and punch.

We congratulate our eighth-grade graduates, Taviah Fredenburg, Aliyah Johannes, Dominick Nechkash, and Kaylee Vergin. (The last are also resent confirmands.) We pray God's richest blessings on them as they continue their educational journey and their Christian walk in the Lord. We wish them well and hope they will continue to build on the foundation provided here at St. John.

We would like to thank everyone who supported our Mother's Day plant sale and the Little Caesars pizza sales. They were both very successful events. I would also like to thank the students and adult volunteers who helped unload the truck, sort the orders, and haul them out to the cars.

Speaking of volunteers- I would like to send a special thank you out to Mrs. Oppor and Mrs. Billington for the many days and hours that they have given to our school and our students over the past school year. They help with library, recess, classroom, AR testing and other areas of service. The teachers very much appreciate the assistance.

We thank the Lord for keeping us all safe at school this year. We have finished the year with no positive COVID test among our student population and only one positive test on the staff. There are not too many schools that can say that. I would also like to thank Mrs. Fibiger and Mrs. Schrader for all the extra cleaning and sanitizing that they have performed all year.

As of this writing, our plan for the last day of school, May 28, is to go to the Mine Shaft and Menomonee Park in Oshkosh. We are hoping that the weather does not force us to cancel the afternoon in the park. We were not able to do Wisconsin Dells this year due to COVID precautions.

We will be working on accreditation during post-school faculty meetings and over the summer. We are supposed to have our sight verification visit next spring. Many site visits have had to be postponed over the past two years due to the pandemic which has cause a big backlog. We will stay in contact with the accreditation association to see if we will get a team. I will keep you posted on our progress.

Have a great June and the rest of the summer. I am yours in Christ's service.





# Creation Corner

From the Bi-Monthly Journal

*"Does God Exist?"*

A regular feature of the journal *"Does God Exist?"* is a section entitled *"Dandy Designs."* Here are various examples from God's creation pointing to the undeniable existence of our Creator.

## The Incredible Spider

In a previous "Dandy Design", we have had some discussion of the properties of spider webs and how the material is designed for specific jobs. Studies of spider webs have led to miracle fabrics and a variety of modern materials that have been useful in industrial applications. Experts say that the silk of an orb spider is so strong that a strand of it, if it were as thick as a pencil, could stop a jumbo jet in flight.

Most of us have a form of arachnophobia (fear of spiders), and yet these creatures do wonderful things for humans. The most obvious is the removal of insects from our homes and gardens. All spiders are meat eaters, and they are equipped in a unique way to find and destroy massive numbers of insects. Most spiders have eight eyes that are arranged in a way to detect the primary insects they



are programmed to remove from the population on Earth. Spiders taste and smell through sensory organs on their legs.

This enables them to identify their prey without having to bite into it. Spiders hear by sensing vibrations through the hairs that cover much of their body. Spiders are so sensitive to vibrations that they can tell the difference between a moth and a honeybee hitting their web. Spiders can regrow a lost leg. They have bristled hooks on the ends of their feet that allow them to grasp their webs without getting stuck.

There are 38,000 species of spiders in the world. They range from the size of a basketball to the size of the dot at the end of this sentence. After they hatch, spiderlings drift away from the mother spider on a silk filament. We all know that spider bites can be nasty, but these creatures were created by God to control the insect populations on Earth. The technical knowledge needed to design such a creature is beyond human ability.

Source: *Animal Encyclopedia* published by National Geographic, © 2014, page 62.

Divine Love:



Human Care

In an article about influential people and their impact upon our lives, the late Charles Schulz and Gary Amirault once suggested that we take a quiz in which we name the five wealthiest people in the world, the last five Heisman trophy winners, the last five winners of the Miss America contest, 10 people who have won the Nobel or Pulitzer prizes, the last half dozen Academy Award winners for best actor and actress and the last 10 winners of the World Series.

It's not too easy, although I am sure you can name a few. I came up with Jeff Bezos, Bill Gates and Warren Buffett for the first question. I don't know if they rank in the top five wealthiest people in the world. But they're probably close, although when you read this, they may be dead. I may be dead, for that matter. I have no clue about the last Heisman Trophy winner. I have no idea about the Miss America winners. I don't know who won the Pulitzer Prize recently. I know President Obama was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize years ago as was Myanmar's Aung San Suu Kyi. The Academy Awards were several weeks ago. Do you remember any of the winners?

Do you care? The point is, very few of us remember these people who made headlines for a while, and then faded from view.

Now, Schulz and Amirault suggest, take a different type of quiz.

- Name a few teachers who aided your journey through school a long time ago.
- Name three friends who have helped you through a difficult time.
- Name five people who have taught you something worthwhile.
- Think of a few people who have made you feel appreciated and special.
- Think of five people you enjoy spending time with.
- Name half a dozen heroes whose stories have inspired you.

I bet you were able to do much better answering those questions! Here's my question: Are you on someone else's list?

*Prayer: O God, thank You for the people who have helped me on my life's journey. Make me a person who likewise can be a blessing to others on their pilgrimages. In Jesus' name. Amen.*



## "I Care About My Church" Group

Bob Wendt has offered to work with a group of volunteers who would like to assist the Trustees by working on some maintenance projects that need to be accomplished in and around the church property. They include the following:

1. Replace the deteriorating cap on the south west retaining wall of the church.
2. Pour a concrete border on the east wall of the church.
3. Repair exterior outlets.
4. Remove landscaping stone on west side of the church and move it to the south side under the bridal wreath.
5. Replace cloth weed barrier on the west side of church with plastic and top with new stone.
6. Replace a couple bushes on the west side of church.
7. Remove evergreen tree on the south-west corner of the church.
8. Remove the big maple tree behind the teacher's house.
9. Repair fence and clean the area on the east side of south parking lot.

These projects will be addressed during this coming summer and fall. Volunteers may come and go as their schedules allow. Please consider volunteering to help with these necessary projects. You may sign up to work on a particular project or just come and help whenever you have some free time.

Work will be done on Wednesday evenings from 5-9pm and Saturdays from 8 until done. Lunch will be provided on Saturdays.

Some of the items needed are a bucket tractor, forming material, wagon to move stone, reinforcing rod, wire.

The church belongs to us all; lets assist in keeping everything in tip-top shape. If you would be willing and able to help with this project, please call Bob and let him know. 920-361-3622. **THANK YOU**





**You are Invited!!!!**  
**-To A-**  
**Day of Relaxation and Fun for the Whole Family**

Hosted by the Young Women of the LWML

Moms bring the kids (and Dad too) and join us in for a few hours of  
servant events and spiritual growth.

Verse: "...my hope is in You all day long." Psalms 25:5

**SERVANT EVENTS:**

- Lap Blankets for local nursing home residents
- Cards/bookmarks coloring for local nursing home residents
- Witness bracelets for MOST Ministries.

**EVENT DATES:** April 17, 2021 -or- August 14, 2021

**TIME:** 10am-1pm (both dates)

**LOCATION (both dates):**

#1: In-Person at Trinity Lutheran  
728 Church St, Wisconsin Dells, WI 53965

#2: Attend via Zoom-  
Meeting link will be sent after registering  
**You will need to buy supplies for servant events**

**CONTACT:** Amy Tikkanen at 608-369-2059 -or- atikkanen.lwml@gmail.com



South Wisconsin  
District

\*\*\*Registration due one week prior to event \*\*\*

April 10 or August 7

Please contact Amy if after these dates



Newsletter page from the church Rob Schrader  
will be serving after his July Ordination and Installation.



## Pastor Robert Schrader (Pastor Rob)

After nearly 2 and half years of looking for a pastor, sorting through dozens of pastor information forms, and conducting countless interviews, the Call Committee talked about another option: going back to school. Each year, men from all over the country graduate from the seminaries and are placed in churches all across the country and world. The proposal was brought to the

congregation and it was approved to proceed with looking to the seminaries for a pastor while continuing to look from the field.

In January and February, Pastor Kyle and Mark Sbrocco (Head Elder) conducted interviews with five men who were scheduled to graduate at the end of May and be placed in congregations. The Call Committee was able to sit in on those interviews using Zoom.

After the interviews were conducted, the Call Committee gathered together in the middle of February to talk about each candidate and submit our list of men who we felt best fit the needs and ministry of St. Paul. Two names quickly stood out above the rest. We submitted those names and all the necessary paperwork to the district office and placement committees at the seminary and then we waited.

On April 27, during the Congregation Meeting, we were pleased to put the meeting on hold and watch the Call Service at Concordia Theological Seminary - Fort Wayne, IN. During that service it was announced that we would be receiving a pastoral candidate named **Robert Schrader**. "Rob" grew up in Berlin, WI and attended UW Lacrosse, WI where he earned a Bachelor's degree in Social Studies Education. After spending a year and half teaching history in Holcombe, WI, Rob felt the call to become a pastor. After two years of class work, Pastor Schrader was assigned to do his vicarage in Norman, OK at Trinity Lutheran Church. In July of 2020, he married Paige Jones, who is a math teacher from Coon Rapids, MN. Robert was the first choice of the Call Committee and we are super excited to welcome him as Associate Pastor.

Robert's Ordination and Installation will take place on July 11 at 3:00 PM, followed by a meal and opportunity to get to know Pastor Rob and Paige in the Fellowship Hall. We look forward to the ministry and blessings that he will bring to St. Paul and it's members, as we work together on the mission that God has given us of "Connecting People to Christ".

WELCOME PASTOR ROB

## St. John Lutheran Church Council Meeting

Date: May 18, 2021

The May meeting was called to order at 6:12 pm by Adam Ewald. Pastor Mundinger opened with prayer.

Present: Rich Wallner, Amy Radliff, Debra Thiel, Kevin Koch, Pastor Mundinger, Bob Radliff, Curt Snow, Bill Brooks and Adam Ewald.

### Secretary's Report by Amy Radliff

Motion by B Radliff/Koch to accept April minutes. Motion approved.

### Financial Secretary's Report by Bob Radliff

	<u>April 2021</u>	<u>April 2020</u>
General Fund	\$57,995.65	\$40,202.94
Children's Fund	\$ 1,568.66	\$ 1,223.71
Elderly Fund	\$ .00	\$ .00
Memorials	\$ 2,683.70	\$ 106.81

Attendance	247 per week	0 per week
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- 2020 attendance numbers reflect Covid-19 restrictions.

Motion by Koch/Brooks to accept the Financial Secretary's report. Motion approved.

### Treasurer's Report by Debra Thiel

#### Square Account April 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$1,360.42	Income:	\$ 479.22
Expenses:	\$ 479.22	Ending Balance:	\$1,360.42

#### Hot Lunch Account April 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$3,601.88	Income:	\$1,679.04
Expenses:	\$2,390.37	Ending Balance:	\$2,890.55

#### Elderly Fund April 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$6,702.28	Income:	\$ .00
Expenses:	\$ .00	Ending Balance:	\$6,702.28

#### Children's Fund April 2021:

Beginning Balance:	\$77,698.19	Income:	\$ 1,568.66
Expenses:	\$ .00	Ending Balance:	\$79,266.85

Motion by B Radliff/Brooks to accept Treasurer's report. Motion approved.

### Board of Trustees Report by Bill Brooks

- Church sign on Hwy 49N has been installed.
- Ron Gehrke was recognized for 20 years of service.
- 2021 Summer Project list has been updated. Plans are in place to illuminate the Church's north side entrance and sidewalk. Other projects include general repair and maintenance of playground fencing, painting classrooms and exterior building as needed and cleaning up area around storage shed and garage.
- Council agreed to entertain a cost study for larger scale projects to upgrade sign on northwest corner of school property and canopy in front of Church entrance.

Motion by Thiel/Koch to accept Trustee's report. Motion approved.



## Board of Elders Report & Pastor's Report

### Official Acts:

Baptism – Ollin Draeger, child of Megan and Ryan Draeger.

Affirmation of Faith – Megan Draeger and children Gwendolynn and Lenora.

Non-Member Funeral – Virginia Dittmann. Member of Emmaus-Poy Sippi.

Transfer Out – Peter Schrader, to Living Word Lutheran, Jackson, WI.

**Communicant Members 475**

**Baptized Members 559**

**Church Families 295**

- Sunday services will change to one service at 9am beginning June 6<sup>th</sup>. Thursday's service will continue to be at 6:30pm.

Motion by A Radliff/B Radliff to accept the Board of Elders Report. Motion approved.

## Board of Education Report by Kevin Koch

- All tuition payments are current as we end the school year.
- Retirement reception for Mrs. Schram is planned for June 20<sup>th</sup> following the worship service.
- Emergency Assistance for Non-Public Schools (EANS) funds have been granted to St. John School as part of COVID-19 relief. Funds are to be used for PPE, supplies or equipment to operate safely, educational support and other services as established through the CESA catalog of services.
- 3K classes for 2021-2022 are being explored. A final decision will be based on state government and CDC guidelines. The board is continuing to track any developments and will communicate to the council accordingly.
- Allie Henke has been accepted to fill the vacancy on the Board of Education beginning in June.

Motion by Wallner/Thiel to accept the Board of Education report. Motion approved.

### Old Business:

- Budget for 2021-2022 Fiscal year was approved at the April voters meeting.

### New Business:

- Flowers have been placed on the Cluppert grave in keeping with the family's request.
- Worship service in the park has been scheduled for Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup> at the North Shelter House beginning at 10:30 followed by picnic lunch.

**Meetings next month:** Trustees – Monday, June 14<sup>th</sup> -6:30pm. Board of Education – Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> - 6pm.  
Elders – Tuesday, June 8<sup>th</sup> - 6pm. **Council – Tuesday June 15<sup>th</sup> – 6pm.**

Motion by Snow/B Radliff to adjourn. Meeting adjourned at 7:03 pm. Meeting closed with The Lord's Prayer

*Respectfully submitted,*

*Amy Radliff, Secretary*

*\*\*Note: These minutes have not yet been reviewed by the Council and are subject to revision and correction at the next meeting.*

### *Verse to Remember*

*"By this everyone will know that  
you are my disciples, if you have  
love for one another."*

—John 13:35



Father's Day!

# June 2021



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 9:00 Worship/HC	7	8 6 pm Bd. of Ed. 6 pm Bd of Elders	9	10 6:30 Worship/HC	11	12
13 9:00 Worship/HC	14	15	16	17 6:30 Worship/HC	18	19
20	21 6:30 Trustees	22 6:00 pm Council Mtg.	23	24 6:30 Worship/HC	25	26
27 9:00 Worship/HC Recognition for Mrs. Schram's retirement	28 6:30 LMWL Mtg.	29	30	6:30 Worship/HC		
9:00 Worship/HC						



