



Saint John Lutheran Church

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NEWSLETTER

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Greetings, dear friends in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

*But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they went to the tomb, taking the spices they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body of the Lord Jesus. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel. And as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen" (Luke 24:1-6a). **He is risen! He is risen indeed, Alleluiah!***

LWML: The Lincoln Zone of LWML will hold their annual Spring Rally on Sunday, April 7 at Immanuel Lutheran, Ellsworth. The LWML will hold their National Convention in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania from June 27-30th. Our own Janet Dowlin will be our zone delegate this year. We thank Janet for serving us as a delegate. We also want to encourage our young women to join LWML and discover all the wonderful work our ladies do to fund mission projects around the world and to bring the gospel to those who do not yet know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Thank you ladies!

WDS: The Weekday School year is fast coming to a close as April 24th is our last day for classes and our annual picnic. The Week day kids will sing in worship next Sunday, April 7, and then will go bowling in Salina for the afternoon. We are blessed to have Sonja and our volunteer teachers to teach our children and thank them for their work. We are blessed to have so many children who attend our weekday school as well. We congratulate this year's confirmands: Nathan Feldkamp, Brittany Friedrichsen, Trenten and Tyler Hachmeister, Elisabeth Katlyn Rojas-Hopper, Bjorn Jonsson, Alissa Knight, Tanner O'Bannon, and August Walter. We pray God will bless these young people in their walk of faith.

Youth Group: The Youth Group once again completed a very busy and successful year. We thank the youth for hosting our Easter Sunrise service and breakfast this morning. This year we went skiing and snowmobiling in Monarch, Colorado. The kids also did some sight-seeing as we spent time viewing the Royal Gorge, as well as relaxing at the Princeton Mountain hot springs. The kids also completed mission work for "Project Angel Heart" in Colorado Springs. Angel Heart prepares and serves lunches for families who are enduring serious illnesses and cannot work or care for themselves or their children without help. As is usually the case the kids were most moved and touched by the mission work they do. We thank God for our young people and invite any incoming High School students to join our Youth Group. And finally, I wish to thank Lana for all her help along with Sonja, Allison Aufdemberge, and David and Krista Ulrich who served as sponsors on the trip.

Dorcas Society: I just want to put a little plug in for our Dorcas Society. We are a small group of ladies (Except myself, I'm all man) that work behind the scenes. The Dorcas Society meets the first Wednesdays of most month, 1:30pm. Our Dorcas Society ladies are involved in various projects ranging from altar and funeral committees, quilting, providing gifts to the community, as well as hosting wonderful holiday meetings and meals throughout the year. (These ladies can cook!) We invite any of our ladies young and not so young to join our Dorcas Society as well.

Early Risers: The Early Risers continue to meet the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month at 6:00am for a time of devotion and Breakfast goodies. The Early Risers men's group is designed to encourage our men as husbands and fathers. We embark on mission projects throughout the year as well as hosting marriage/family seminars and fundraisers both at St. John and in the community. We invite any of our men and boys to join us for meetings or our Saturday mission projects.

Elder/Council Meetings: The elders continue to meet with Pastor and Sonja on the second Sunday of the month after worship. If you have any concerns or needs you may contact Pastor, Sonja, or one of the elders. The elders are: Royce Oppliger, Stanley Walker, Bob Heinze, and Art Wagoner. The Church Council will meet on Sunday, April 14, 7:00pm.

Adult Classes: Wednesday evening Bible Classes will resume after Easter on Wed. April 3, 8:00pm. And New Member Classes will begin Monday, April 22nd, 7:00pm. If you know of anyone who is interested in becoming a member of St. John please let Pastor know.

St. Louis: Pastor and Lana will be traveling to St. Louis to celebrate the 50th wedding anniversary of our dear friends, Grant and Joyce Glatt. We will be leaving Thursday, April 18 and return Sunday, April 21st unless otherwise noted. Pastor Pralle from Salina will be leading worship for us on that day.

Finally we invite everyone to worship with us: Sunday School Classes, 9:30, Worship 10:30am.

Calendar of Events

- Monday, April 1, 10:00/2:00pm Women's Bible Study/Jonsson Bible Study
- Wed. April 3, 1:30/3:40/7:00/8:00pm Dorcas Meeting/WDS/Choir/Bible Class
- Friday, April 5, 8:30am. Mission of Love Workday
- Sat. April 6, 9:00am. Early Risers Workday
- Sun. April 7, 10:30am WDS worship service/Bowling
- Sun, April 7, 2:00pm. LWML Spring Rally, Ellsworth
- Mon. April 8, 10:00am/2:00pm Women's Study/Jonsson Study
- Tuesday, April 9, 6:00am Early Risers/9:00am Pastor's Meeting (Hays)
- Wednesday April 10, 3:40/7:00/8:00 WDS/Choir/ Bible Class
- Friday, April 12, 8:30 Mission of Love Workday
- Sunday, April 14 12:00pm/7:00pm Elders/Council Meetings
- Monday, April 15, 10:00/2:00 Women's Study/Jonsson Study
- Wed. April 17, 3:40/7:00/8:00pm WDS/Choir/Bible Class
- Friday, April 19, 8:30am. Mission of Love Workday
- Monday, April 22, 10:00am/2:00/7:00pm Women's Study/Jonsson Study/New Member Class
- Tuesday, April 23, 6:00am Early Risers
- Wednesday, April 24 3:40pm, WDS BBQ/Choir/Bible Class