

“Council Corner”

Sue Cooley, President

I am busier than ever with all the wonderful things going on at church. We have such a vibrant and involved congregation. We can continue on for a while without Pastor at our side, ONLY a while though. We have interviewed two candidates for interim, but we found that they would not be a good fit for us. We must really work on our Profile so the synod can more quickly match us with some candidates for Pastor. If you are involved in this please make every effort to attend the meeting and finish this as soon as possible. Associate Bishop Asher is anxious to help us and he would like to help you begin this process. Besides this we are beginning the work on the steeple. Curt has been talking to the company and the shingles and louvers are ready to go. They should begin work in the next week.

As we continue to all do our best to make this the great church it has always been and will continue to be, please help in any way you can: contacts with those who cannot come to church or may need help, working on projects, giving and participating in worship. Thank you all for all the work you have done. I really saw this in our celebration of Pastor Dan. Please call church with any needs or suggestions, I will get the messages.

Upcoming events include Rally Sunday in September, Blessing of the Backpacks and many other events (I am sure I have forgotten-sorry). Please stay involved and participate, it is actually a great way to see God's love.

Thanks again-Sue Cooley

Council Members. Here is a list of Council Members. Please contact them with any concerns or issues you may have. Council meets once a month and welcomes input from the congregation.

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Council Meeting Minutes. Copies of the minutes from the most recently held Council meeting are by the mailboxes. Please feel free to pick up a copy. If more are needed, please contact the church office.

Rally Sunday, Blessing of the Backpacks, and Ice Cream Social! Our annual education kick-off will be **Sunday, September 12th**! Pastor will bless backpacks belonging to parishioners of all ages for anyone that brings one to worship. Following the service will be an ice cream social during fellowship and a craft for the Sunday school kids to complete.

Snack Donations for Maine Elementary. Our Sunday school is collecting snacks to donate to Maine Elementary. Not every student has the resources to bring a daily snack to school. Donations will be collected until Rally Sunday, September 12th. Maine asks that snacks are individually packaged, nut-free, shelf-stable and not covered in sugar/chocolate.

Back to School Food Drive

Sunday, September 12th - Sunday, September 26th

Please bring non-perishable food items and help us

“Fill the Cart – Fill the Shelves”

Our goal is to get the grocery cart OVER FLOWING!!

Thank you in advance for your support of outreach programs

that help so many in our community!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lane Bahr

“Keep some room in your heart for the unimaginable.”

-Mary Oliver

Homebound Parishioners. The following parishioners are no longer able to consistently attend worship services. I visit them to remind them that they are loved by God and loved by their community of faith, St. John. Sometimes it is helpful to hear those reminders from someone in addition to me.

Harriet Wanner
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Wausau, WI 54401

Carol Fitzke
237227 N. 120th Ave.
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Harley Goetsch
Rennes Health/Rehab Ctr.
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Florian Kolbe
540 E. Thomas St.
Apt. 108
Wausau, WI 54403

Don & Carol Prochnow
235775 N. 80th Ave.
Wausau, WI 54401

Financial Report for June, 2021

Income Received	July \$9,964.87	Year-to-Date \$84,110.75
Expenses Paid	\$10,590.80	\$81,705.83
Difference	(\$625.93)	\$2,404.92

Attendance Report

	2021	2020
Average Weekly/July	42	75
Average Weekly/Year-to-Date	86	108

“If you want the peace that passes understanding, you’re going to have to give up your right to understanding. It’s called trust.”

-Bill Johnson

VISION FOR ST JOHN

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, Village of Maine, Wausau, WI is a country church with an average Sunday worship attendance of about 100 folks. We are affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Yet, more than numbers or affiliations, we are a congregation which welcomes all who seek meaning and hope in their lives through all the possibilities of a connection to the love of God in Jesus Christ. At our core, we value and nurture relationships.

We Value and Nurture Relationships With our God

- “He (Jesus) said to him, ‘You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind.’” (Matthew 22:37 NRSV)

We Value and Nurture Relationships with Each Other

- “I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.” (John 10:10 NRSV)

We Value and Nurture Relationships with our Community

- “I give you a new commandment, that you love one another. Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.” (John 13:34 NRSV)

We Value and Nurture Relationships with Ourselves

- “For this reason...we have not ceased praying for you and asking that you may be filled with the knowledge of God’s will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding...” (Colossians 1:9 NRSV)

September Birthdays

9-2 Nancy Frostman
9-2 Sue Harris
9-2 Sam Young
9-3 Tyler Bunge
9-4 Croy Sala
9-6 Easton Voigt
9-7 Greg Grunenwald
9-10 Harriet Wanner
9-12 Brian Nowak
9-12 Tre Swemke
9-15 Greg Melander
9-16 Chad Walter
9-18 Mike Preisig
9-20 Eleanor Grueneberg
9-20 Pete Hirn
9-20 Jayne Rowe
9-22 Karla Schuett
9-23 Roger Knight
9-23 Mitch Lubecke
9-23 Fritz Poeske
9-23 Kelsi Seubert
9-24 Doug Doede
9-27 Hunter Landrath
9-27 Kathie Reissman
9-29 Dale Nass
9-29 Zachary Voelker
9-30 Sharon Kilinski
9-30 Tyler Tabaka

September Anniversaries

9-5 John & Sue Rakow
9-8 Eugene & Kelly Dehnel
9-8 Mike & Sharon Kilinski
9-14 Tim & Ann Ohrmundt
9-18 Jerome & Debbie Klug
9-18 Louie & Kathie Reissman
9-19 Joshua & Brooke Howe
9-20 Mike & Tara Pasholk
9-21 Jacob & Jessica Pierschalla
9-23 Jason & Jodie Wilhelm
9-24 Dale & Kay Knapp
9-26 Bill & Jennifer Schwede
9-28 Roger & Susan Knight
9-29 Brec & Rachel Ohrmundt