



## ***St. John's Lutheran Church March, 2025***

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**Monday - Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**

**Call for an appointment with Pastor Stacy.**



**Gather Grow Go**





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Greetings!

When I left my house the morning of our annual meeting, I was a bit uneasy – not about getting up in front of everyone – that doesn't bother me at all – but about the information I was going to share regarding our finances and the plans for a capital campaign for the HVAC project. What I did not expect was to leave the meeting hopeful and excited. Then, the next Sunday I was stunned to discover we'd already received pledges of \$25K and had cash-in-hand of \$20K. A week later, and we have \$30K pledged! I am in awe of the love, faith, and generosity that abounds in all of you.

During this same 2 week period, I had the pleasure of meeting with our new council, first during our February meeting and then on February 15<sup>th</sup> for a council retreat. The retreat, facilitated by Vibrant Faith coach Jim LaDoux, was enlightening and challenged us to think about the things we are currently doing and how they fit within what we see as the future vision of St. John's. Take our worship service, for example. For those that grew up in the Lutheran church it's comfortable, it's what you expect it to be. Now, think about it from the experience of the first time visitor, particularly if that visitor didn't grow up in the Lutheran church. Is it welcoming and comfortable for them? In doing what we've always done, are we making our service as user-friendly and accessible to those we want to welcome into our congregation?

If you haven't figured out where I'm going with this yet, here it is: We are going to try some new things. Some you will love, some you will loathe, but we won't know what works for us if we don't try! And whether you love it or loathe it, we want – we need - your feedback. Yes, this means things are going to get a little uncomfortable, but we are faithful and strong; we can get through this if we all work together.

If you have ideas you'd like to share, new things you'd like St. John's to try, or thoughts about what I have shared, do not hesitate to reach out to me, Pastor Stacy, or any member of council.

Blessings,

Sara Beth

# Support St. John's Capital Fund Drive for HVAC Needs

Last fall, the Buildings and Grounds team confirmed that the compressor in the rooftop HVAC unit that cools the sanctuary was no longer functioning. As the unit has outlived its 15–20-year life expectancy, the decision was made to replace it. The cost of the replacement is \$40,000.

To fund this project, St. John's is holding a capital campaign for HVAC needs. Pledges are being accepted now through March 12, 2025, and must be paid in full by February 28, 2026. Replacement of the unit will not begin until St. John's has the funds in-hand to cover the cost of the project.

To join us in supporting this need, please use the pledge card below to indicate your commitment. Payment of pledges will be noted in giving records and included in quarterly giving statements.



## St. John's Lutheran Church of Little Suamico 2025 HVAC Capital Fund Drive

Name (please print): \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

I/We am honored to pledge my support to St. John's Lutheran Church of Little Suamico and its vision for a brighter future in using our building to connect with the community and share the good news of Jesus. I/We will support St. John's HVAC capital fund drive with a pledge of (check all that apply)

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ as a one-time gift
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ monthly over 12 months
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ other (explain) \_\_\_\_\_
- I/We am unable to contribute at this time, but will continue to pray for St. John's.



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Dear Friends in Christ,

It is hard to believe we are coming upon another Lent season in just a week. I don't know which season I appreciate more, the contemplative reflection of Lent or Advent. Each season emphasizes reflection, repentance, and self-examination, calling for a deeper spiritual focus. Advent invites a hopeful waiting for the coming of Christ, while Lent invites a more penitent waiting, often marked by fasting and prayer as well as a deeper relationship with Jesus. Both seasons offer opportunities to reflect on one's relationship with God, to renew faith, and to await with expectation in the transformative power of Christ's coming. The beauty is we are always being transformed by Christ. The Church is always being transformed into something new, if we are open to the work of the Holy Spirit in us and in our communities.

As our council president, Sara Beth Holman pointed out, when there is change, sometimes we love it and sometimes we loathe it. The change the Holy Spirit moves us to is to offer us something better! Something better for our neighbors and something better for and in us. In the book of Luke, Jesus invites fishermen to be fisher of people. Andrew, James, and John, the first disciples to be called, likely had a moment of doubt stepping away from what was familiar to them. I know my call to ministry called me to step out of my comfort zone in many ways and still does.

The call to be a part of the body of Christ WILL change us. It will call us to step out of our comfort zone which means reaching out to those we don't know. Jesus' call to us will transform us and our lives, individually and collectively. Make no mistake, I understand there is grief in change, and I grieve with you. I have seen great changes in church over my lifetime. I grieve what has been, just like when we lose our loved ones and friends to a death or a relationship ends, but my faith gives me hope for what is to come and reminds me death does not have the last word, new life does.

As we enter the Lent season, I encourage you to reflect on what is going on around you. Slow down and listen to God's still voice speaking to you. People have struggled all the way back to creation and have mourned what was, but God always moved them forward into something new and often something uncomfortable. When Moses took the Israelites out of Egypt, there's no doubt they had anxiety not knowing what was to come, but God went with them.

Trying something new, for the sake of our neighbors, in a community we are comfortable in, takes great courage and I see that courage in this community of faith and our vision for St. John calls us to do just that. The beauty of the steps we take forward is that we do not take them alone. God is calling us into something new and God will be with us.

In this Lent season, I invite you to reflect and dream about what God is calling St. John community of faith into. I ask you to pray for the leadership of this congregation and for one another as siblings in Christ, that we would be open to the Spirit's work in us. Take the time to self-reflect on how you can be stepping out in a new way in the life of St. John and for the sake of the good news of Jesus in the world.

When we step outside our comfort zone, when we take the time to be in a deeper relationship with God and see Jesus in our siblings in this community of faith, and beyond the walls of St. John, we will be and are transformed as the people of God.

In Christ,  
*Pr. Stacy*



## Income & Worship Attendance Summary

January 2025

	Actual Current Month	Budget Current Month	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual vs Budget
Total Offerings	\$14,274.26	\$12,290.00	\$14,274.26	\$12,290.00	\$1,984.26
Total Revenue	\$14,943.00	\$12,290.00	\$14,943.00	\$12,290.00	\$2653.00
Total Expenses	\$17,828.56	\$16,564.75	\$17,828.56	\$16,564.75	\$1,263.81
Profit/Loss Net Cash Increase/(Decrease)	\$(2,650.37)	(\$4,274.75)	\$(2,650.37)	(\$4,274.75)	\$1,624.38
Average Weekly Attendance for January In-person attendance only)				74	

Please feel free to contact the church office for a complete financial report.

## Installation of Council Members, Sunday February 23, 2025~ Congratulations!



Welcome to our newest members of St. John's Council!



Desiree Kozlovsky



Bev Possley



### 2025 Council Information:

Sara Beth Holman- President, Stewardship Liaison  
 Amy Spaude- Vice President  
 Desiree Kozlovsky- Secretary, Outreach Liaison  
 Barb Dorn- Financial Secretary, Technology Team Liaison  
 Curt Anschutz- Building & Grounds Liaison  
 Pastor Stacy Malzhan

Michelle Marchand- Outreach Team Liaison  
 Bev Possley  
 Betty Stevens- Outreach Team  
 Rob Urbaniak- Youth & Education Team Liaison  
 Steve Larsen- Treasurer



# Worship Schedule



Wednesday, March 5, 2025  
6:30 p.m.



**Midweek Lenten Worship Services with Simple Supper**  
*Worship Details to Come!*

**Simple Supper Held in the Fellowship Hall**  
**5:45 pm**

**Worship Service Held in the Sanctuary**  
**6:30 pm**

Do not be conformed to this world



**Wednesday, March 12**  
**Wednesday, March 19**  
**Wednesday, March 26**  
**Wednesday, April 2**  
**Wednesday, April 9**

Midweek Lent 2025



Notice the emblem you will see throughout Lent and into Easter.  
Take a moment to reflect before you read on...



Do you see two hands drawing near to one another, yet, not touching? There are so many things that happen "IN BETWEEN." The beauty of our God who "created night and day and everything in between; land and water and everything in between; you and me and everything in between." We humans want to put everything into its place and not explore everything in between us, in between the spaces in our lives, the differences in our lives. The beauty of everything God has called good is also in between. In this series you will be hearing many of Jesus' parables to his disciples and to us. These parables hold nuances, complexity, and many layers of meaning, just like our lives do. It is hard for some of us that want a clear cut, black and white answer. In that thinking or that longing for something simple and easy, we sometimes miss out on meeting God in the "IN BETWEEN." Draw near to one another in a non-linear way of thinking. Be open to what the Spirit might be wanting you or needing you to hear for the sake of your neighbor, for the sake of Jesus' ministry in our community and the world God so loves.

<b>EVERYTHING [IN] BETWEEN</b>		
		<i>Scripture Reading</i>
Wednesday, March 5, 2025	Ash Wednesday	Luke 9:51-62
Sunday, March 9, 2025	First Sunday in Lent	Luke 10:25-37
Sunday, March 16, 2025	Second Sunday in Lent	Luke 10:38-42
Sunday, March 23, 2025	Third Sunday in Lent	Luke 13:6-9
Sunday, March 30, 2025	Fourth Sunday in Lent	Luke 15:1-7
Sunday, April 6, 2025	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Luke 19:1-10
Sunday, April 13, 2025	Palm/Passion Sunday	Luke 19:29-40
Thursday, April 17, 2025	Maundy Thursday	Luke 22:1-7
Friday, April 18, 2025	Good Friday	Luke 23:32-49
Sunday, April 20, 2025	Easter Day	Luke 24:1-12

# Youth & Education



## Faith Finders! (Sunday School)

Sunday School takes place following Worship until 11:00 am every Sunday. Children ages 3 and up are welcome to attend! Children are always welcome to bring a friend as well!

	Holy Moly! Class	Connect Class	Special Notes
Date	Pre-k through 3rd Grade	4th & 5th Grade	
3/2/2025	The House on the Rock Lesson	Regular Class	
3/9/2025	The Sower Lesson	Regular Class	
3/16/2025	The Mustard Seed Lesson	Regular Class	
3/23/2025	Palm Sunday Lesson	Regular Class	
3/30/2025	Maundy Thursday Lesson	Regular Class	

**Sunday School Registration Forms:** <https://forms.gle/qpCVuLgxfAFkUGnp8>

Please see Miss Karie if you have any questions.



~The LYO is open to all Teens grades 6 through 12~

### LYO Bible Study



**Sunday, March 16th**

Following Worship in the Conference Room next to Pastor's Office.

Date	Description
3/5/2025	Parent/Student Meeting, following Ash Wednesday Worship
3/9/2025	Club 9 Class, 10:15 a.m. -11:45 a.m.
3/12/2025	<b>Lent Worship with Dinner</b>
3/15/2025	LYO Breakfast Club
3/16/2025	LYO Bible Study, 10:15-11:00
3/19/2025	<b>Lent Worship with Dinner</b>
3/26/2025	<b>Lent Worship with Dinner</b>
4/12/2025	LYO Breakfast Club
4/13/2025	LYO Bible Study, 10:15-11:00
4/27/2025	<b>Booyah- Set-up, Serve, Clean-up</b>
4/30/2025	Club 9 Class, 5:45 pm - 7:30 pm

**Club 9: Parent/Student Meeting, Ash Wednesday**

**Club 9 Class- Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup>**





As we close out our 2024-2025 school year, we are in need of Sunday School Teachers to lead a few classes. **YOU are the perfect person!**

We are in need of a volunteer to help teach the PreK/K class on Sunday March 16, please. POSSIBLY March 30 as well. Looking ahead to April & May- We will be in need of a teacher for the 1st/2nd/3rd Grade class to finish the year in addition to a few Sundays for the PreK/K class. I

will be able to jump in some Sundays to help by that time, but will need a teacher or two to assist me some Sundays. Please let me know if you are able to help!

**ALL Lessons are prepared for you! You simply facilitate the class!**

I'm happy to lead a class together so you have a better idea of how it works if that helps. 😊 The dates a teacher is needed are highlighted in bright yellow on the graphics below.

Thank you so much!

Miss Karie

Sunday School Teacher Rotation 2024-2025		
Sunday, February 23, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 3 Lesson 1: The Boy Teacher
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, March 2, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 3 Lesson 2: The House on the Rock
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Tammy Kissinger	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, March 9, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 3 Lesson 3: The Sower
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, March 16, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 3 Lesson 4: The Mustard Seed
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Needed	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, March 23, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 4 Lesson 1: Palm Sunday
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, March 30, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 4 Lesson 2: Maundy Thursday
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans?	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade	Dawn Brouillard	
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	

Sunday School Teacher Rotation 2024-2025		
Sunday, April 6, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 4 Lesson 3: Good Friday
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans?	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade		
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, April 13, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 4 Lesson 4: Easter Day!
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade		
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, April 20, 2025	No Sunday School- Easter Sunday	
Sunday, April 27, 2025	Teacher	Year 1, Unit 3 Lesson 5: Jesus & the Children
Pre-K/Kindergarten		
1st/2nd/3rd Grade		
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, May 4, 2025	Teacher	Lesson 1, Unit 3 Lesson 6: The Widow's Mite
Pre-K/Kindergarten	Alyssa Evans?	
1st/2nd/3rd Grade		
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
Sunday, May 11, 2025	Teacher	Lesson 1, Unit 3 Lesson 7: Man through a Roof
Pre-K/Kindergarten		
1st/2nd/3rd Grade		
4th & 5th Grade	Rob & Ann Urbaniak	
5/18/2025	Celebration Sunday!	
8/11/25-8/14/25	TRUE NORTH Vacation Bible School!	



***As you are loading your dishwasher with your child or grandchild say, "You know, the dishwasher reminds me of how Jesus washes away our sins just like the dishwasher washes away the food and grime on the dishes. Jesus' forgiveness is always available to us."***

***"You are kind, God! Please have pity on me. You are always merciful! Please wipe away my sins. Wash me clean from all of my sin and guilt." Psalm 51:1-2 (CEV)***

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**<https://faithforwardnow.org/church/stjohnslittlesuamico/>**



**Fun, Faith, Family.** Get ready to **TALK**, to **PLAY**, to **PRAY**, to be **FAMILY**

**WELCOME!**  
FREE interactive and creative resources for every family.  
INVITE and share with all parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends.

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**Free Resources For All Families!**

Welcome to the Faith Forward resource Web site. This FREE site is for everyone. We encourage you to invite and share with all parents, grandparents, neighbors, and friends. Enjoy these creative, fun activities and discussions to practically and playfully be family!

**FREE "Faith on the Go" RESOURCES**

**This Week's Download**

Come back each week or add your email to receive weekly

**Subscribe For Weekly Emails**



## The Biggest Year Ever!



We praise God that Samaritan's Purse collected a record-breaking number of Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes last year—and it all started with you! Due to your faithful partnership and encouragement, churches, groups, families, and individuals in the U.S. packed **10,574,805** of the **11,927,439** shoeboxes collected internationally.

***Thank you!***



*First Holy Communion  
Workshop*

**Saturday, March 29, 2025  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.  
Fellowship Hall**

**First Communion will be celebrated  
on Sunday, April 13, 2025**

**Please contact Pr. Stacy with any questions.  
RSVP with Karie in the office.**

**Children grades First and Older are Welcome to attend!**

**[First Communion Workshop Registration Form](#)**



Our St. Mary's Hospital Medical Center Surgical Services department is starting a monthly collection for our hospital's St. Clare's Closet. This is a clothing closet for patients or anyone who enters the hospital in need of clothing replacements due to weather, soiling or being cut off for emergency care.

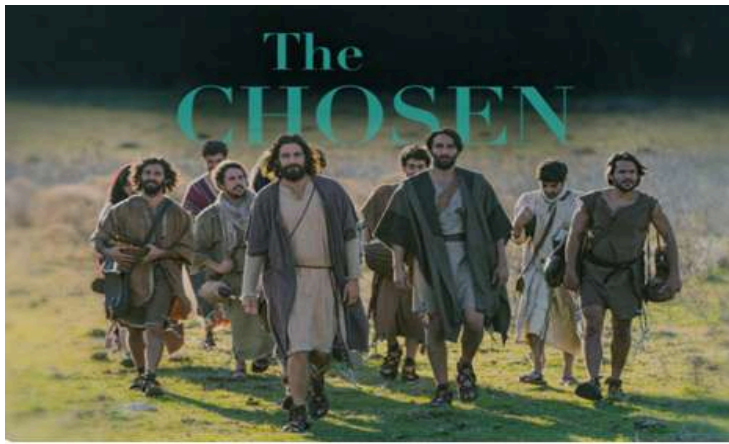
The need is for new or gently used cleaned men's and women's sweatpants, sweatshirts, basic socks and easy to wear shoes.

We are also collecting backpacks and carry bags for those who may need to contain their personal items.

Items can be dropped off at the church for Shellie Virtues to pick up and distribute until March 23. Please put your donations into the Toys for Tots box.

Thanks,  
Shellie Virtues





## The Chosen Series Dinner Study

St. John's Lutheran Church  
1253 County Road J • Little Suamico

Taking place the 3rd Monday of each month  
at 6:15 p.m.

Enjoy a soup dinner and fellowship while we dive  
into a study of the popular Christian series  
*The Chosen*.

Contact Sindi Anschutz, Pastor Stacy or the Church Office  
with any questions.

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## Ecumenical Partnership for Housing



*"Give Them Roots and Create Wings"*

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

To help clean a housing unit for the  
Ecumenical Partnership for Housing  
THURSDAY MARCH 6, 2025  
4:30pm in Green Bay

Please call or text Betsy Russell at 920 438-9147  
if you can help. Thank you!



# Join us for Fellowship at Krumrei's Sugar Shack!

## THE SUGAR SHACK

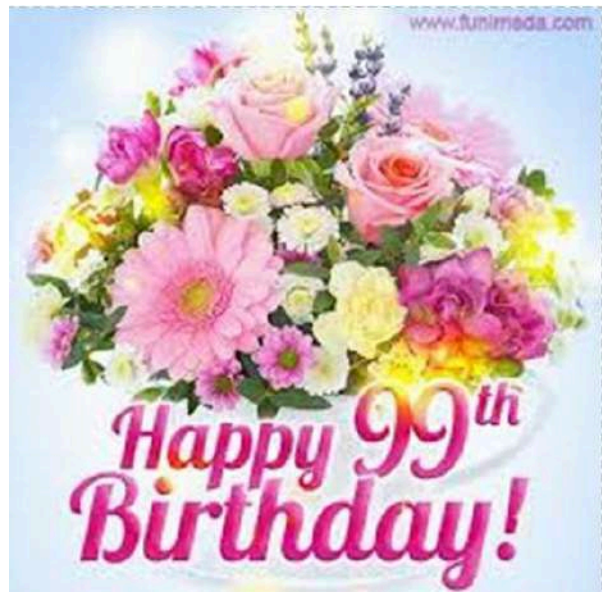
Sugar Fest will take place following Worship on Sunday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at  
Tracey & Pamela Krumrei's Sugar Shack  
1675 Fox Road, Little Suamico  
(5 minutes from church)

*Faith Finders Families- Join in the fun following class!*

Food • Fellowship • Fun  Learn how maple syrup is made!

Snow/Weather Date: Sunday March 30<sup>th</sup>





*Arlene Matuszewski is celebrating her 99th Birthday on March 6<sup>th</sup> this year!*

*Let's shower her in love and birthday wishes as she celebrates this very special day.*

*If you would like to send a Birthday Card or other Special Message to Arlene, please feel free to do so!*

*Arlene Matuszewski  
St. Paul Elder Service  
312 E Fourteenth Street, Apt 124  
Kaukauna, WI 54130*

## IRS Book Club

(Indigenous Readers of the Swamp)

**EVERYONE is WELCOME!**

*New Members are welcome at any time.*

*Please join us!*



**Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m.**  
**St. John's Lutheran Church Narthex**

*We will be discussing the book, The Frozen River by Ariel Lawhon.*

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • GMA BOOK CLUB PICK • AN NPR BOOK OF THE YEAR • From the New York Times bestselling author of *I Was Anastasia* and *Code Name Hélène* comes a gripping historical mystery inspired by the life and diary of Martha Ballard, a renowned 18th-century midwife who defied the legal system and wrote herself into American history.

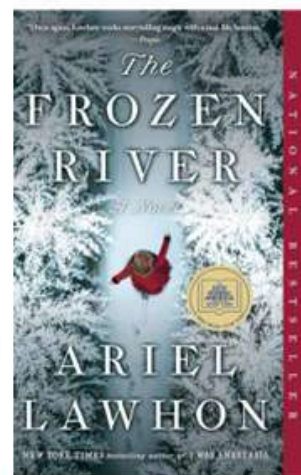
"Fans of *Outlander's* Claire Fraser will enjoy Lawhon's Martha, who is brave and outspoken when it comes to protecting the innocent. . . impressive."—*The Washington Post*

Once again, Lawhon works storytelling magic with a real-life heroine." —*People Magazine*

Maine, 1789: When the Kennebec River freezes, entombing a man in the ice, Martha Ballard is summoned to examine the body and determine cause of death. As a midwife and healer, she is privy to much of what goes on behind closed doors in Hallowell. Her diary is a record of every birth and death, crime and debacle that unfolds in the close-knit community. Months earlier, Martha documented the details of an alleged rape committed by two of the town's most respected gentlemen—one of whom has now been found dead in the ice. But when a local physician undermines her conclusion, declaring the death to be an accident, Martha is forced to investigate the shocking murder on her own.

Over the course of one winter, as the trial nears, and whispers and prejudices mount, Martha doggedly pursues the truth. Her diary soon lands at the center of the scandal, implicating those she loves, and compelling Martha to decide where her own loyalties lie.

Clever, layered, and subversive, Ariel Lawhon's newest offering introduces an unsung heroine who refused to accept anything less than justice at a time when women were considered best seen and not heard. *The Frozen River* is a thrilling, tense, and tender story about a remarkable woman who left an unparalleled legacy yet remains nearly forgotten to this day.



*~If you have any questions about book club, please ask Jo Ann Risso.*



Give from  
the heart.

Donate blood and  
help save lives.



**St John's of Little Suamico  
Blood Drive**

1253 County Rd J

**Monday, March 3, 2025  
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Walk-ins Welcome!

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit  
RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code: stjohnlittlesuamico

You can save up to 15 minutes when you donate blood by using RapidPass! Visit  
RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass for more information.

Give in March for a \$10 Gift Card by email & successful  
donations get A1C testing. rcblood.org/March



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March donations have  
**DOUBLE** the benefit!



\*Restrictions apply, see amazon.com/go/legal



# Cabin Fever Painting Class

With the Funky Craft Junkie!

Saturday, March 8<sup>th</sup>

10:00 a.m.

Ready for a little escape? Join us for a relaxing morning!  
Create a unique project for  
yourself or for someone special!

St. John's Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall  
1253 Co. Rd. J • Little Suamico

All materials are provided  
Several Projects to choose from  
Refreshments included

Class Fee: \$30

Open to Everyone!

Register by calling St. John's Lutheran Church at  
(920) 826-7785

You will need to let us know your project choice when you register.

Choose from these fun projects!

#1



#3



#5



#2



#4



#6



# In our Community



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In the months of March or April.

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Learn more at  
[ECSWLaySchool.org](http://ECSWLaySchool.org)

*For more information,  
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## "53rd" DANISH ABELSKIVER FESTIVAL AND BAZAAR



**SATURDAY, APRIL 5, 2025**



**Our Redeemer's Lutheran Church**  
**(3 miles east of Suring on County HWY M)**  
**11005 Cty Rd M, Suring, WI 54174**  
**Suring, WI 54174**

**Serving from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.**  
**Doors open at 9:30a.m.**

**Tickets:**  
**\$12.00 Adults**  
**\$5.00 Children 5-12**  
**FREE UNDER age 5**

**Menu:**  
**Abelskiver, maple syrup, cheese**  
**pork sausages, applesauce,**  
**Kringle, pastries, milk, & coffee**

**Baked goods, Kringle and crafts for sale at the Bazaar**



## St. Maximilian Kolbe Parish

6051 Noble St, Sobieski WI (Off of Cty. Rd. S)

**Doors open at 11:00 a.m.**

**Bingo starts at 12:30 p.m.**

- Saturday, January 11th & 25th, 2025
- Saturday, February 8th & 22nd, 2025
- Saturday, March 8th & 22nd, 2025
- Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 2025

Bingo will be held in the church basement with elevator access.

\*\*\*Food and Beverages – Concessions will be available for sale.

\*\*\*Free Popcorn

\*\*\*50/50 Raffle

\*\*\* Scrip will be available for sale

**COME OUT FOR FUN AND BE A WINNER!!**

## RACIAL JUSTICE

**APRIL 5, 2025** Conference

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

@ Ascension Lutheran Church, 2911 Libal St., Green Bay

Registration Fee: \$20 - includes lunch and morning refreshments  
50% Discount for Students (Learn more, email [ecsw@ecsw.org](mailto:ecsw@ecsw.org))

This conference features the Rev. Angela !Khabeb and Vance Blackfox, two nationally known speakers plus others to help participants learn more about the history of harm and ongoing effects caused by racism and what we can do to act for racial justice. Learn more: [www.ecsw.org/upcoming-events](http://www.ecsw.org/upcoming-events)



**The Rev. Angela !Khabeb**  
*Preacher of the Day*

### Breakout Sessions

Living Out Justice in a Purple Context  
What We Can Do: Call to Allyship



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**Vance Blackfox**  
*Indigenous Theologian  
Citizen of the Cherokee Nation*

**Keynote and Breakout Sessions**  
Indian 101, Missing and Murdered  
Indigenous Women and Girls,  
Indigenous Thought and Theology

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# SUPPORT GROUP

We are here to help

**DO YOU CARE FOR A FRIEND OR FAMILY MEMBER W/ DEMENTIA OR MEMORY CONCERNS?**



*A place where caregivers can share their journey, in a safe, supportive environment and find out they are not alone.*

- ✓ **Keshena:** 4th Mon./month @ 1-2pm at the FACE Center-Omaeqnomenewak Wetohkatikamek
- ✓ **Shawano:** 4th Wed./month @ 1-2pm at The Daily Drip ~215 Main Street
- ✓ **Oconto Falls:** 1st Mon./month @ 10-11am at the Oconto Falls ADRC
- ✓ **Lakewood:** 1st Wed./month @ 2-3pm at Lakes Country Public Library
- ✓ **Virtual:** 4th Mon./month @ 3-4pm 1-929-205-6099 Zoom Meeting ID: 821 5813 7137 Passcode: 532212

FOR MORE INFORMATION



1-855-492-2372 Ask for Ericka or Johanna

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Wisconsin has 580,000 family caregivers across the state

*Are you one of them?*



Get access to FREE online educational resources to help caregivers:

- Develop essential skills
- Learn about health issues
- Manage care for loved ones
- Take care of yourself

Register at [wisconsincaregiver.org](http://wisconsincaregiver.org)



## Golden Girls

(60 & Over)

**Come Join Us for Coffee & Support**

**Tuesdays, 1:30 – 3:00 pm**

**At the Rainbow House Domestic Abuse Services, Inc.**

**Meet new Friends**

**Talk about Concerns**

**Have Questions Answered**

Any Questions, please contact Joette at 715-735-6656



Support Groups Offered at Rainbow House Shelter

Domestic Violence Support Group Every Tuesday 10:00am - 11:00am

Golden Girls Elder Abuse Support Group Every Thursday 1:30pm-3:00pm

One on One Personal Support Offered by appointment

Children/Youth Group Offered by appointment



## The Empowered Caregiver Education Series

No one should have to face Caregiving Alone The Empowered Caregiver Education series will help you navigate the challenges of caring for someone with dementia. Register by calling 715-526-4708.

- Monday, Monday Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> 1:00pm-2:30pm 10 Warning Signs of Alzheimer's Disease.
- Thursday, Feb. 27<sup>th</sup> 2pm-3:30pm Understanding Alzheimer's and Dementia.
- Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> 1:00pm- 2:30pm Building Foundations of Caregiving:
- Thursday, March 13<sup>th</sup> 9:00am – 10:30am Supporting Independence:
- Monday, March 17<sup>th</sup> 1pm- 2:30pm Communicating Effectively
- Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> 2:00pm- 3:30pm Responding to Dementia Related Behavior
- Monday, March 31<sup>st</sup> 1:00pm-2:30pm. Exploring Care and Support Services



\*All classes will take place at the ADRC of the Wolf River Region, Oconto Falls office: 229 Van Buren St. Oconto Falls\*

alzheimer's association

800.272.3900 | alz.org







For questions, contact Johanna Brandenburg 715-526-4708

OUR VISION: A world without Alzheimer's disease.



# March 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 6pm AA Meeting
2 8:00am, EOF Rehearsal 9:00am Worship Service 10:15am Fellowship Faith Finders! Building & Grounds Mtg	3 Noon - 5:00 p.m. American Red Cross Blood Drive  American Red Cross	4 10:00am, Gentle Fitness Level 2 10:50am, Senior Fitness	5 Ash Wednesday  6:30 pm, Ash Wed. Worship Club 9 Meeting	6	7 Office Closed	8 10am, Cabin Fever Painting Class  6pm AA Meeting
9 <b>DST Begins</b> 8:00am, EOF Rehearsal 9:00am Worship Service w/EOF 10:15am Fellowship Faith Finders! WELCA Meeting Club 9 Class 	10 5:30pm Worship Team Meeting	11 10:00am, Gentle Fitness Level 2 10:50am, Senior Fitness 6:30pm Council	12 5:45pm, Midweek Lenten Simple Supper (fellowship hall) 6:30pm, Midweek Lenten Worship Service (sanctuary)	13	14 Office Closed	15 LYO Breakfast Club! 6pm AA Meeting
16 9:00am Worship Service 10:15am Fellowship Faith Finders! LYO Bible Study	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:00pm, IRS Book Club 6:15pm, The Chosen Series Dinner Study	18 10:00am, Gentle Fitness Level 2 10:50am, Senior Fitness	19 5:45pm, Midweek Lenten Simple Supper (fellowship hall) 6:30pm, Midweek Lenten Worship Service (sanctuary)	20 Articles for Newsletter Due 	21 Office Closed	22 6pm AA Meeting
23 9:00am Worship Service 10:15am Faith Finders! Sugar Fest Fellowship at the Krumrei's Sugar Shack	24	25 10:00am, Gentle Fitness Level 2 10:50am, Senior Fitness	26 5:45pm, Midweek Lenten Simple Supper (fellowship hall) 6:30pm, Midweek Lenten Worship Service (sanctuary) 5:30pm, Y&E Team	27	28 Office Closed	29 First Communion Workshop 9am-1pm 6pm AA Meeting
30 9:00am Worship Service 10:15am Fellowship Faith Finders!	31					

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

## MARCH

- Mar 3 Jeffrey Virtues
- Mar 4 Andy Dorn, Sandy Heitzkey,  
Lauren Wijas, Laknox Scharenbroch
- Mar 5 Brayden Possley
- Mar 6 Arlene Matuszewski
- Mar 7 Pat Bastian, Therese Poradek
- Mar 9 Alyssa Cooper, Gracyn McDermid,  
Kelly Stellmacher
- Mar 11 Katie Krupp, Kelsey Kutska
- Mar 16 Elijah Chapman
- Mar 19 Vincent Cahoon-Draus
- Mar 21 Lillian Bloom, Skyla Wilson
- Mar 22 Khristian Harper
- Mar 23 Kimberly Mahr
- Mar 28 Todd Holman, Lynne Wirtz
- Mar 29 Jo Ann Risso, Jacqueline Haid
- Mar 31 Susan Mittelstaedt

# Monthly Fellowship Groups- 2025

## **January** Nancy Valentine

Eric & Mary Ellen Hansen  
Lorna Koch  
Michelle Marchand  
Nancy Moes

Bev & Dennis Possley  
Renee Possley  
George Zahorik

## **February** John & Mary Warren

Ashley Bloom  
Len & Diana Brickett  
Doug & Jenn Cassel  
Scott & Tammy Kissinger

Fran Miller  
Dennis & Peg Mueller  
Paul & Terri Poradek  
Erin Willis

## **March** Curt & Sindi Anschutz

Mike & Beth Babik  
Paul Delzer  
Tim & Julie Eichman  
Darrin & Alyssa Evans  
Vic & Sandy Heitzkey

Mark & Joanne Risso  
Shari Seidl  
Cheri Stage  
Rick & Nikki Yedica

## **April** Doug & Helen Malueg

Donn & Marie Behling  
Dan & Kelly Deau  
Jake & Nicole Dembroski  
Shaun & Alana Eder

Brett & Holly King  
Tom & Barbara King  
Todd & Roxanne Kissinger  
Scott & Amy Spaude

## **May** Pam & Tracey Krumrei

Jerry & Sara Arndt  
Tina Bergh  
Darrell & Carol Brehmer  
Dan & JMarie Freis  
Arlene Giese

Pam Giese  
Ralph & Judith Kleczka  
Desiree Kozlovsky  
Lisa Rosenberg  
Rick Rosenberg

## **June** Tim & Brenda Bloom

Brian & Natasha Chapman  
Nick & Kim Dunks  
Jan Francies  
Janet Heider

Bruce & Betsy Russell  
Kevin & Wendy Smith  
Larry & Lynne Wirtz

## **July** Tim & Karen Heimerl

Clayton & Brenda Kutska  
Robert & Melissa Luedtke  
Riley & Chuck McDermid

Chad & Kelly Stellmacher  
Greg & Tammy Yager  
Ken Yost

## **August** Duayne & Pat Rosenberg

Pat Bastian  
Travis & Renee Falkowski  
Stephanie Hakkila  
Brooke Hilbert

Todd & Sara Beth Holman  
Steve & Angie Larsen  
Dave Zimmerman

## **September** Dave & Ginny Burkart

Joe & Lauri Cahoon-Draus  
Bill Foster  
Rob & Nancy Gleffe  
Wendy Hertwig  
Bill & Kelly Heier

Michael & Kim Mahr  
Susan Mittelstaedt  
Bob & Linda Slaby  
Kathie Surges

## **October** Pat & Shellie Virtues

Peggy Bennett  
Dennis & Dawn Brouillard  
John & Dawn Demeny  
Doris Fleck

Sharon Schultz  
Betty Stevens  
Brian & Anne Virtues

## **November** Jerry & Michelle Cooper

Andy & Barb Dorn  
Robin Schmit Dorn  
Roger & Cheryl Lambert  
Tim & Karie Peters

Diana Sefcik  
Mark & Barbara Seiltz  
Doug & Tess Smith  
Beth Wentz

## **December** Roger & Eunice Redlin

Jessy & Jacqueline Haid  
Jim & Joni Holtz  
Bill & Kay Kissinger  
Keith & Karen Kolstad  
Bruce & Jan LaSota

Megan Raymaker  
Sam & Brenda Walkowiak  
Keith Werner  
Janet Wiegman

## Faithful Servants for March

**Worship Assistants are Needed for March Services.**

**Please see the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.**

	<b>Sunday March 2</b>	<b>Sunday March 9 DST Begins</b>	<b>Sunday March 16</b>	<b>Sunday March 23</b>	<b>Sunday March 30</b>
<b>Acolyte</b>	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>	<i>Needed</i>
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Nancy Gleffe Bev Possley <i>Two Needed</i>	Ginny Burkart <i>Three Needed</i>	<i>Four Needed</i>	Shellie Virtues <i>Three Needed</i>	<i>Four Needed</i>
<b>Communion Steward</b>	Nancy Gleffe	Ginny Burkart	Lorna Koch	Shellie Virtues	Helen Malueg
<b>Greeters</b>	Pat Rosenberg Nancy Valentine	Ginny Burkart Pat Rosenberg	Tim & Karie Peters	<i>Two Needed</i>	<i>Two Needed</i>
<b>Reader</b>	Bev Possley	Amy Spaude	Scott Spaude	Rob Urbaniak	Lauri Cahoon-Draus
<b>Scrip Volunteers</b>	Steve & Angie Larsen  Susan Mittelstaedt	Steve & Angie Larsen  Susan Mittelstaedt	Steve & Angie Larsen  Susan Mittelstaedt	Steve & Angie Larsen  Susan Mittelstaedt	Steve & Angie Larsen  Susan Mittelstaedt
<b>Ushers</b>	Andy Dorn John Warren Fran Miller	Tracey & Pamela Krumrei Pat & Shellie Virtues	Jerry & Michelle Cooper Family	John Warren Lorna Koch	Steve & Angie Larsen Dave Zimmerman
<b>Technology Team</b>	Rayce Kissinger	Doug Malueg	<i>Needed</i>	Barb Dorn	Nikky Urbaniak
<b>Welcome Center</b>	Pat Rosenberg	Beth Wentz	Eunice Redlin	<i>Needed</i>	Nancy Valentine
<b>Offering Counters</b>	Barb Dorn* Rob & Nancy Gleffe	Barb Dorn* Dave & Ginny Burkart	Kelly Stellmacher* Julie Eichman	Doug & Jenn* Cassel John Warren	Barb Dorn* Rob & Nancy Gleffe

**Please let Karie Peters know if you would like to join any Worship Assistant rotations for upcoming services.**



*Have you seen our New Nametags???*

*Check out the beautiful magnetic name tags now available for everyone thanks to the generous donation of several congregation members! And- if you notice that one was missed or one should be removed or changed, please let the office know! Thank you!*

# From the Church Office

## Do We Have Your Email Address?

Are you missing out on important news from St. John's simply because we don't have your email address? At St. John's, we send out one brief weekly email message called **"This Week at St. John's"** to keep you informed of all the important activities here at church. Occasionally we send a weather-related cancellation or an urgent request for help, but we DO NOT send jokes, chain letters, advertisements or forwarded messages. We don't give out your email to anyone outside of church. You won't end up on any random mailing lists as a result of subscribing. So... please send us an email so we can add your name to our list!

Send it to: [stjohnsls@stjohnlittlesuamico.org](mailto:stjohnsls@stjohnlittlesuamico.org).

Remember, you can be taken off our list at *anytime* if you change your mind.



## Update Your Information

Now that the Lighthouse is sent online, make sure to update your email with the church so you don't miss any of the important information going out to members.

Please either write your information on one of the green cards located in the pews or send an email to the church office.



**All Announcements are Due to the Office NO LATER THAN THE WEDNESDAY PRIOR TO YOUR ANNOUNCEMENT DATE.**



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Simply scan the St. John's QR Code and complete your mobile donation in minutes!



There are PRAYER CARDS in the Narthex beneath the nametags and in the pews. If you have a special prayer request, please complete the form and place it in the offering plate or place it in the office mailbox. Your prayer will be added to the Prayer List and will remain there for 3 weeks. If you wish to have the person's name continue to be listed, you must notify the church office in writing on a prayer card or by email. Be sure to let us know when someone may be removed from the prayer list as well. If you have questions, please contact the church office.

**Please be sure to send your April Lighthouse submissions to the church office no later than March 20<sup>th</sup>. God Bless!**