



## ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY NEWS: Week of April 18, 2010

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# Christ Is Risen!

## THIS WEEKEND: St. John's Music Series Presents...

The 33rd Illinois Volunteer Regiment Band

Sunday, April 18, 3:00 PM, Sanctuary

Please join us for the Music Series' last program of the season. Members of the band wear uniforms authentic to the 1860's and play the same type instruments as those used by the bands of that era. They perform for civic and school events, parades and re-enactments throughout the Midwest. A reception will follow and will allow time to see these interesting band instruments up close. *This is a program for the entire family--it is free and open to the public, so invite a neighbor or friend and join us!*

## THIS WEEK: Roasted Chicken Carry-out Dinner

*Let Work Camp Provide Dinner for You!*

Thursday, April 22, 4:45-7:00 PM, Fellowship Hall entrance

Tickets will be sold after worship services this weekend (April April 17/18). During the week, tickets may be purchased at the church office. *Please support this final Work Camp 2010 fundraiser!*

\$8/ticket includes a 1/2 roaster chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn and a dinner roll, made fresh and packaged to order with curbside service.

## Ladies' Spring Salad Supper Potluck

Thursday, April 29, 6:15 PM, Parish Life Center

Guest speaker: Alice Craig, "Artistic Memories by Alice." As the audience views her drawings, she candidly shares the stories that helped birth each of her illustrations and discloses what God has been and is teaching her through both the difficult times as well as the humorous times in her role as woman, wife, and mother.

*Please join us!* Bring your mother, aunt, daughter, grandma, sister, cousin, or friend. Enjoy an evening of food and fellowship. Bring a dish to share for the meal. Sign up at Welcome Centers so we can save a place for you, or call the church office.



## Prayers & Blessings

*Submit prayer announcements to the church office, fill out a blue Prayer Request card located at Welcome Centers, or visit St. John's web site and click on "Need Prayer?"*

### Keep in prayer...

Diane Russell, Janet Klinzing, Janet Erickson, Lanette Tommerdahl, Curt Fink, Muriel Heit, Bruce Bertsche, Cheryl Kelley, Lorene Anderson, Tim Reedy, Dev Gordon, Ernie Swartz, Susan Mason

### Condolences to...

Dave and BJ Anderson following the death of BJ's brother, Tom Cobb.

Gary and Toni Braun following the death of Gary's father, Albert Braun.

Mary Tjelmeland following the death of her husband, Wayne Tjelmeland.

### Prayers for those in the Military:

Ben and Drew Mueller, Dave Lehr, Jeff Kaiser, Kelly Jacobs, Erik David Petersen, Andrew Roberts, Shawn Willis, Matthew Ormond, Caleb Ploense

### Altar Flowers Given...

In memory of departed loved ones, given by Ralph and Nola Johnson.

## This Weekend

**Saturday Evening Fellowship Group** - Saturday, April 17, 6:15 PM, Kep's Country Kitchen. No reservations required.

**Construction Update--Take a Look!** Progress continues on *A Church Alive!* facility remodeling and expansion. The barrier on the Balcony has been removed and the upstairs gathering area can now be seen. Although the area is not finished and there is much cleaning up to do, you can get some perspective on the progress.

## Sr. High

*Sr. High contact info: Steve in the church office or [steve@stjohnsbloomington.org](mailto:steve@stjohnsbloomington.org).*

**THIS WEEKEND: Faith 404** - Sunday, April 18, 2:00-4:00 PM. All graduating seniors and their parents are invited to an afternoon of exploring and sharing at the new Faith 404. We will be revisiting Faith 101 when they were freshmen and have presentations by Cindy Musick and one of the college students about faith after high school. This is a great way to begin preparing and celebrating your graduating teen.

## This Week

**Kaffehuset** - Wednesday, April 21, fellowship at 10:00 AM, program begins at 10:30 AM, Fellowship Hall, "Duties of the Office" presented by Beth Kimmerling, McLean County Coroner.

**Men's Bible Study** - Friday mornings, 7:00 AM, Room 421. All men are welcome!

**Spring Grounds Clean Up** - Saturday, April 24, 9:00 AM - Noon. If you have an hour or so to spare, bring a friend and help us rake leaves, pick up sticks, mulch, and trim. Please bring any landscaping tools you have. Needed are: rakes, wheelbarrows, shovels, pruning shears, hedge trimmers, extension cords, buckets and window washing supplies. Please sign up with Sandy in the church office.

**Blood Pressure Screening** - Saturday, April 24 (every 4th Saturday of the month), 4:30 PM, Atrium. Screenings will continue after the SES service as needed. The next screening will be on Sunday, May 2 (every 1st Sunday of the month) at 9:00 AM on the Balcony.

**Primetimers "Get Your Game On" Night** - Saturday, April 24, 6:15 PM, Fellowship Hall. RSVP by *Wednesday, April 21* to Russ and Joan Higgins at 452-4595.

## Looking Ahead

**Discovering St. John's ("DSJ")** - Sunday, April 25, 2:00-5:00 PM, Fellowship Hall. For anyone wanting to know more about St. John's. Contact info: Gudrun in the church office or [gudrun@stjohnsbloomington.org](mailto:gudrun@stjohnsbloomington.org).

**St. John's Quilters** - Tuesday, April 27, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall. Come any time between 9:30 and 11:30 AM. If you can tie a knot or straight pin the edge of a quilt, we can use your help. Also needed are home sewers to zig zag the pinned edges of the quilts. Contact info: Florence Conway, 663-6058. Next Quilters date: May 4.

### **"Celebrating People in Action" Volunteer**

**Appreciation Reception** - In appreciation for all you do, please join us on Saturday, May 1 following the Saturday Evening Service in the Atrium, or on Sunday, May 2 from 9:00 AM - Noon on the Balcony and the Atrium.

## Servant Opportunities

**Coffee Help Still Needed** for May 16. Sunday morning coffee cannot be provided without the help of St. John's member volunteers. Contact info: Susan Mason, 662-3597.

**Saturday Evening Service Communion Assistants Needed** - Contact Julie Williams, 662-3305 to help

**Saturday Evening Service Lectors Needed** - Contact Jan Dosen, 662-0166 to help.

**Needed:** Gently used sheets (any size) for St. John's Quilters. Drop sheets off at the church office.

**Mission Ecuador 2010 "Buy a Brick"** - Provision of funds is needed through our "Buy a Brick, Build a Church" campaign to help purchase supplies for the building process. To date, \$2,279 has been received toward the goal of \$15,000 to build a church in Huigra, Ecuador. If you have put off making your donation, please consider doing it soon. Money that is collected is immediately sent to Ecuador to purchase materials so that volunteers there can begin construction. In July, the 19 members of Team Ecuador will go to Huigra to help complete the building, conduct Bible school, and provide medical assistance. Make checks out to St. John's Lutheran Church with the designation "Ecuador Buy a Brick" on the memo line.

### Ongoing Collections

- **Used Eyeglasses** - Drop off your old or unwanted readers, prescription glasses or sunglasses, or lenses to the church office. Broken frames are also welcome.
- **Used Cell Phones** - Drop off phones and accessories in any condition (working or not), to the church office. Proceeds support Open Door Mission projects.
- **Batteries** - Drop old batteries into the plastic jar on either Welcome Center.
- **Aluminum Cans** - Bring your cans in securely tied plastic bags, crushed if possible, and place them in the container next to the church garage. Or, take them directly to Morris Tick--you must mention that the cans are for the "St. John's Lutheran Church Open Door Missions account." Proceeds support Open Door Mission projects.

## Miscellaneous & Reminders

**Friday Blessings** - If you do not receive the Friday Blessings email, please check your Junk E-mail folder, and make sure that no St. John's email addresses are blocked. If you continue to have problems and have not mistakenly blocked our church domain, then you will need to contact your email provider to see if they can discontinue blocking our messages. Friday Blessings can also be found online on the News page.

**"The Lutheran"**: For those with computer access, you may view it online at [www.thelutheran.org](http://www.thelutheran.org). Use the following to access our online membership. Login: stjohnsbloomington. Password: lutheran.

**Transportation** is provided to the 10:15 AM worship services every Sunday. Call the church office no later than Noon the preceding Friday.

**Home communion is available for shut-ins.** Contact Pastor Reents in the church office.

**Campbell's Soup Can Labels** - Thank you to everyone who collects and deposits these labels. However, the WHOLE label with the UPC number must be submitted to get credit.

Don't forget to **check the Community Bulletin Board** for full St. John's schedules such as Kaffehuset and DSJ, and community events and services such as Christian concerts, health screenings, seminars, and more.

**Summer camps at LOMC** - Visit [www.lomc.org](http://www.lomc.org) to download their 2010 summer program flyer and see camps for kids, youth and adults.

## Community Events

**Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Safety Training** - St. John's Social Action Ministry Team is coordinating Saturday work days for the summer months (on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of each month). Volunteers must attend one of the following safety meetings to help with this year's Habitat for Humanity projects:

- Tuesday, April 20, 7:00 PM
- Thursday, April 29, 7:00 PM

Location: Second Presbyterian Church. Information will be given out regarding the lots, families, and safety policies on the job sites. For more information, see the May Eagle.

# Discipleship at St. John's--*Everyone Is Welcome!*

## Adult Discipleship on Sundays

Adult Discipleship Rooms (364/365)

### 9:15 AM

“Earthkeeping,” exploring the connection between our Christian faith and the environment. Is caring for the environment a Christian mandate? What's our relationship to the rest of the created world? What does the Bible have to say about the earth?

*Sunday, April 18* - Earthkeeping #2: God's presence fills all creation

*Sunday, April 25* - Earthkeeping #3: Biblical foundations

*Sunday, May 16* - Forum: Sunday Morning Scheduling. Come hear and respond to St. John's vision for worship, education and fellowship.

### 10:15 AM

“Missions Bible Study” - Led by Open Door Missions members, this Bible study focuses on mission, multi-culturalism, and God's compassion.

## Adult Discipleship on Wednesdays, 6:30 PM

Adult Discipleship Rooms (364/365)

### Exodus Study

**Apr 21:** Don't Have a Cow! How Does God Deal with Those Who Fail to Meet Expectations? (Exodus 32:1-20, 30-35)

## Child & Youth Christian Education

### Children - Joy Zone Children's Ministries

9:00 and 10:15 AM sessions, Noah's Ark

Led by Joy Zone Team Leaders

### *Early Childhood Program* (age 2 through Kindergarten)

*Bible Story:* Saul to Paul ( Acts 9:1-20)

*Lesson Focus:* God changed mean Saul to kind Paul, Jesus' friend

### *Elementary Program* (1st through 5th grades)

*Virtue:* Friendship: spending time with someone you trust and enjoy.

*Memory Verse:* “A friend loves at all times. He is there to help when trouble comes.” (Proverbs 17: 17, NIrV)

*Bible Story:* What's Cookin? ( Breakfast with Jesus)

*Bottom Line:* A true friend will make time for you.

**Jr. High:** Genesis (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade), meets weekly, 10:15 AM, Room 200, led by Rob Gieraltowski. *No registration needed--join us any time!*

**Sr. High:** Extreme Faith Bible Study, meets weekly, 9:15-10:00 AM, Chapel

## Thursdays, 9:30 AM, Fellowship Hall

### Seniors' Bible Study

*Apr 22* - “I and the Father Are One” (John 10:22-30)

*Apr 29* - “A New Commandment” (John 13:31-35)



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