

From Pastor Kleinschmidt

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth. His work of creation begins with a voice that speaks into nothingness. "Let there be light." The Lord creates all that is seen and unseen in just six days. Not six epochs, not six time-periods, but six 24-hour days. And then we read that on the seventh day God rested. "Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation." (Genesis 2:1-3)

Of course, God didn't get tired, rather he gives Adam and Eve and all of their descendants an example of what they are to do. They are to "Remember the Sabbath Day by keeping it holy." This means that God's people are made for rest.

In our busy culture, busyness is glorified. For example, if I ask you how you are doing, the answer might be, "Busy." That's not really the question I asked, but people love to bring to mind their own busyness. We think someone is important if they are busy. Or we think that someone is worthwhile if they have a lot going on in their life. Perhaps it's time for God's people to step back from the rat race that so often is part and parcel of this life. Step back and recognize that God has instructed his people to rest.

Now this doesn't mean that rest can only take place on the Old Testament Sabbath Day of Saturday. And it doesn't mean that you can only rest on the day of Christ's resurrection, Sunday. With the fulfillment of God's law by Christ, God's people can

take their time to rest when the opportunity presents itself.

That rest can look like a vacation, it can be an evening at home with no sporting events to go to. It can also be time spent in the garden doing that which brings you pleasure and the opportunity to take your mind off the stresses of life. Time on the boat fishing or sitting beside the campfire is important. God wants his people to rest.

But as we learn from the Small Catechism, the Third Commandment is about more than just rest. In

fact, Luther explains the Third Commandment as it regards God's Word. He writes, "We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and God's Word. But hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it." According to the Catechism, true rest is found in the Word of God.

This summer as you find time for rest and relaxation, remember where true rest is found. It's in your Savior, Jesus Christ.

Just because there's no Sunday School or Catechism class, that's not a reason to miss out on church. Teach your kids the importance of God's Word as you go to church on Saturday because there's a ball game on Sunday. If you're going to be

gone for the weekend, ask me which area churches have mid-week services so you can be fed on God's Word and then also be an example to your family of the importance of God and His Word to you.

Jesus is your Sabbath rest so any recharging you do is going to be from being plugged in to Jesus. He gives you the strength for each day and the joy that comes from being his beloved child.

Resting in Jesus,
-Pastor Kleinschmidt



ST. JAKOBI NEWS & EVENTS

CHURCH PICNIC

Our annual church picnic will be held on Sunday, June 18th, following the outdoor service. The church will provide hamburgers, brats, hot dogs, buns for each, macaroni and cheese, and beverages (including Sun Drop slushies). Those attending the picnic are asked to bring a dish to share, either a main dish, salad, or dessert. We will have barrel rides, wagon rides, a bouncy house, and corn hole games for entertainment. If you have any questions, you can contact Cindy Winkler at 715-201-0810. Hope to see you there!

ST. JAKOBI BOOK CLUB

Following is the list of books chosen for the upcoming months: June 6th – *The Choir Immortal*; August 1st – *The Harvest Raise*. There will be no book club in May and July.

FOOD DONATIONS FOR VBS

There are sign-up sheets in the Narthex for food items needed for VBS. If you would like to donate, you can add your name to the list. The Sign-Up sheet includes dates when the food should be dropped off at the Fellowship Hall.

GROWING IN CHRIST!

We had 15 children attend more than 80% of the Sunday School classes this year! They have grown in their faith as they were instructed in the love and mercies of Jesus Christ.

PARISH EDUCATION

Sunday School is done for the school year and will begin again the weekend after Labor Day. We will continue to have Adult Bible Class on Sundays after church along with the Thursday afternoon class that studies the Bible readings for the upcoming weekend.

ROOTED & BUILT UP IN CHRIST

Our three-year commitments for the building addition are coming to completion in July. We have plans to begin another 3-year commitment. You will be receiving information about that in August and Commitment Sunday will be in September. For now, we would ask that you continue to give towards the building fund as you have been.

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

Spiritual Outreach will be hosting a Craft and Bake sale on Saturday, November 4th. If you are a crafter (knitting, crocheting, painting, woodworking, etc.) would you be willing to donate a few handmade items to the sale? Proceeds from the sale are used for numerous projects including School Supply Drive, Buckets of Sunshine, and gifts for the shut-ins and those in need. If you have any questions, you can speak with Nancy Thelen.

SUNDAY SNACK SIGNUP

If you would like to bring a snack to share on Sunday after church, then you can sign up on the counter by the kitchenette in the Narthex.

RUMMAGE SALE

The Wolf River Lutheran High School will be holding their annual rummage sale on June 2nd & 3rd. Items can be dropped off at the school Wednesday, May 24th through the 31st, between 9:00 and 4:00, including Saturday and Sunday. If you need a different time, or you have a large item that you would like picked up, call or text Joan at 1-715-851-2741. If you are interested in helping with setup, the sale, or working the concession stand, please speak with Joan.

GIVING OPTIONS

You can now give online by visiting <http://bit.ly/DonateStJakobi> This easy way to give to church can be done as a one-time gift or recurring. You can give from your checking account or credit card. If you would like you can help offset the expense of offering this service, there is information at that website.



READINGS AT CHURCH

June 4th: Genesis 1:1-2:4a
Acts 2:14a, 22-36
Matthew 28:16-20

June 11th: Hosea 5:15-6:6
Romans 4:13-25
Matthew 9:9-13

June 18st: Exodus 19:2-8
Romans 5:6-15
Matthew 9:35-10:8

June 25th: Jeremiah 20:7-13
Romans 6:12-23
Matthew 10:5a, 21-33

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

You can register your children and grandchildren at <https://vbsmate.com/JakobiVBS>.

Volunteers can register at the same website. Start thinking about how you would like to help out. Do you want to guide children from station to station, help with crafts, work in the kitchen, make snacks, or something else?



LUTHERAN EDUCATION

St. Jakobi has funds available to help pay for tuition at [St. James Elementary School](#), [Wolf River Lutheran High School](#), or at Concordia University if your student is majoring in a church-work field. Don't let tuition be a stumbling block to a Lutheran school education. Talk to Pastor if you need assistance or have questions.



ST. JAKOBI ON FACEBOOK

St. Jakobi has a [Facebook page](#). Stay up to date on happenings at church by liking the page.

NEWSLETTER IN COLOR

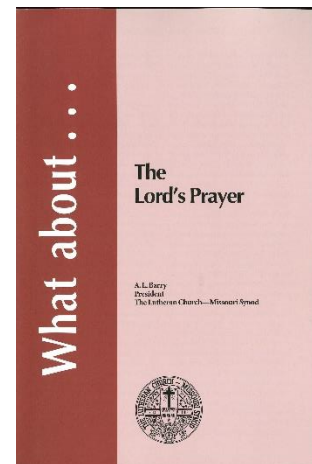
The pictures in the newsletter look best in color. You can sign up to view them on your computer by going to this website. <http://www.bit.ly/Jakobisignup>

MEN'S NIGHT

BRING A FRIEND TO THE MEN'S CAMPFIRE! All men at St. Jakobi are invited for an evening of fun and fellowship at Mark Schuster's house on Thursday, June 8. Invite somebody that hasn't been at a Men's Night yet. Bring your own beverage, and a munchie to share if you wish. The fun begins at 6:30 p.m. at E12096 County Road C, Clintonville (7 miles south of Shawano from the intersection of State Highway 22 and County Road CC).

WHAT ABOUT...

Each month we'll be highlighting a tract that can be picked up in the narthex by the guest book. There is a series that was written by the former President of the LCMS, Rev. A. L. Barry. They cover a multitude of topics. This month we look at **The Lord's Prayer**. The pamphlet gives a brief explanation of each petition of the Lord's Prayer. This is similar to what is covered in Catechism class or new member class when they study the Small Catechism.



FELLOWSHIP HALL RENTAL

The Fellowship Hall is available for rent by members of St. Jakobi. If you are interested in renting it, you can speak with Pastor or Nancy Thelen, and they will check the calendar for available dates. The cost to rent the hall is \$50. We ask that that you place the money in a blue envelope(found near the guest book in the Narthex) and add your name and the date you are renting. The envelope can be placed in the collection plate or given to Nancy Thelen. Payment should be made prior to the date you are renting the hall.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

1 - Willow Berendt
1 - Courtney Drake
1 - Debra Schneider
2 - Callie Boyles
2 - Kristi Skalitzky
2 - Alison Sperberg
3 - Joshua Berkhahn
3 - Dan Krueger
3 - Taylor Pethke
3 - Jeremy Pyatskowitz
5 - Christie Hietpas
6 - Lincoln Ejnik
6 - Amanda Felkowski
6 - Sheila Herrmann
7 - Wendy Kroenke
8 - Steven Verstoppen Jr
9 - Darryl Prodell
10 - Wyatt Krueger
12 - Kourtney Erickson
12 - Paul Romberg
14 - Owen Gueths
14 - Chad Wendorff
17 - Bobbi Jo Ladwig
17 - Betty Szucs
19 - Landon Lindner
19 - Dana Price
20 - Kaitlyn West
21 - Mark Schuster
21 - Rebecca West
21 - Jerele Westphal
23 - Jeff Buettner
25 - Joanne Bublitz
26 - Ashley Damveld
26 - Chuck Stoehr
27 - Derek Drake
27 - Samuel Gueths
27 - Emily Teetzen
28 - Carrie Bohl
28 - Boston Buntrock
28 - Harper Ejnik
28 - Marjorie Vorpahl
30 - Carrie Fink
30 - Mary Jung

A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

Heavenly Father, our times are in Your hands. Look with favor on name as he/she celebrates his/her birthday. Grant that he/she may continue to grow in wisdom and grace. Strengthen his/her trust in Your goodness and bless him/her with Your abiding love all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

1, 2019 - Jesse & Brittany Waldvogel
3, 2017 - Peter & Mikayla Carroll
7, 1980 - Jeff & Mary Theis
11, 2021 - Dustin & Kassandra Fischer
14, 1969 - Marshal & Susan Giese
15, 1968 - Albert & Elaine Schroeder
16, 1984 - Timothy & Jamie Massey
18, 2016 - Adam & Katie Carroll
18, 2005 - Faron & Kristi Skalitzky
21, 1980 - Jeff & Teresa Schuettpelz
23, 1962 - Lawrence & Nancy Schroeder
27, 2020 - Tristan & Courtlynn Buntrock
30, 2007 - Cory & Rachel Neville
30, 1990 - Michael & Vicki Waldvogel

AN ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE PRAYER



O Lord Jesus, Your mercies are new every morning. We thank You for another year of married life together for name and name. Open their hearts always to receive more of Your love that their love for each other may never grow weary but deepen and grow through every joy and sorrow shared; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Contact the Church Office if you find anything in need of correction to the Birthdays and Anniversaries.

JUNE 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Elders: Sat: Jon Wesenberg Sun: Rich Raddant Jamison Yorton Special: Mark Schuster				1 1:00 Bible Study	2	3 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Payton Skalitzky
4 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Bible Study Acolyte: Layden Plaster	5	6 1:00 Book Club	7	8 1:00 Bible Study 6:30 Men's Campfire @ Schuster's	9	10 9:00 Spiritual Outreach 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Hailey Fischer
11 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Bible Study Acolyte: Blaze Ejnik	12	13	14	15	16	17 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Khloe Wendorff
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px auto; width: 80%;"> VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 9-Noon </div>				1:00 Bible Study	
18 Father's Day 9:00 Outdoor Service 10:30 Church Picnic	19	20	21	22 1:00 Bible Study	23	24 2:00 Wedding 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Cooper Clark
25 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Bible Study Acolyte: Blaze Weishoff	26	27	28	29 1:00 Bible Study	30	Altar Guild: Joanne Bublitz Sally Kroenke Cindy Winkler Barb Bubolz Jayne Mott
	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; margin: 5px auto; width: 60%;"> Seminary Continuing Education </div>					

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

“We Preach Christ Crucified”



Church Services:

Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

Bible Study:

Wednesday at 6:30pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

