

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FUND

Our present furnishings have served us well for many years, but upgrading now will ensure that our worship and mission activities will thrive and suffer no interruptions due to outdated or aged equipment. So far, we have received \$2,075 in generous donations.

Please note on your check or envelope "Capital Campaign Fund." Any donation, small or large, will be greatly appreciated!



FOOD BANK FOR APRIL

Our local Salvation Army is in need of soap (all kinds), canned ham, juice, noodles, and pasta. Thank you! to Jane and Mike Malott & family for delivering our donations!

ST. JOHN'S RITTENHOUSE MINISTRY

Pastor Carroll, Sue Allison, and Tom Cofer are reaching out to minister to St. John's members, and others, at Rittenhouse. Eventually there will be a committee comprised of volunteers willing to offer communion, provide anointing of the sick, and prayer to residents of Rittenhouse. If you would like to be a part of this ministry with Pastor Carroll and Sue at Rittenhouse, please call the office (872-9121).



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - APRIL 23

FOOD BANK

8:30 a.m. Christianity 101

9:30 Worship

10:10 Men's Choir

Coffee Hour

10:30 Ladies' Study

11:00 Worship

12:00 p.m. Worship

*12 pm Worship (F. Hall)

MONDAY-APRIL 24

Rummage Sale set up

TUESDAY - APRIL 25

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*6 - 9 p.m. Lifepointe (Youth Lounge)

WEDNESDAY - APRIL 26

Rummage Sale set up

4:10 p.m. Women Part. w/ Christ

5:30 Discovery Dinners

6:30 Handbells

THURSDAY - APRIL 27

Rummage Sale 9-5

FRIDAY-APRIL 28

Rummage Sale 9-5

SATURDAY - APRIL 29

Rummage Sale Clean Up

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*Denotes Lifepointe Church activities taking place this week

NEWS-NOTES

Sunday, April 23, 2017



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As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We are glad to have you sharing in our celebration of worship. We invite you to sign our guest book in the Narthex and take a "Welcome" brochure. The "Welcome" brochures contain more information about St. John's United Church of Christ, as does our website, www.stjohnsmc.org. **For your convenience, childcare is provided each Sunday beginning at 9:30 a.m. in the preschool playroom.** Please join us for refreshments between services in the Fellowship Hall. A church member will be happy to show you the way.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday: 9:30 a.m.: ; 11:00 a.m.: ; 12:00 p.m.: ; Total: Sunday School: Children: ; Adults: ; Total:

NOISY OFFERING

We will be collecting our Noisy Offering so have your loose change ready April 30th! Our Sunday School program will benefit from this offering, so let's make a joyful noise!!

SOUP KITCHEN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

From the lyrics of a Jason Gray song:

"With every act of love, we bring the Kingdom come."

St. John's will help bring the Kingdom at four Sunday Soup Kitchen events at St. Paul's:

~ May 21st, July 2nd, August 6th, & Nov. 26th ~

At these events, we have access to St. Paul's at 9:30 a.m.. We serve about 50 homeless people at 11:00 a.m.. We need a few volunteers to help with this mission outreach endeavor!

"God put a million, million doors in the world, for His love to walk through.. One of those doors is you."

Please sign up on our Missions bulletin board across from Pastor Fine's office, or call Don at 324-6117.

Thank you!



SAFE WATER

Help make a change by bringing your change to fill a water bottle. We'll collect through June 22nd. Our goal is to supply filters to those in need.

GOODTIMERS

"2 FOR \$22"

Date: May 2, 2017; Time: 4:00 p.m.
Galveston Steak House, Mich. City
RSVP to Jerre, 879-7934

SOUP KITCHEN

Our Michigan City neighbors extend hospitality every day by offering lunch. New Disciple Church is one site that can use help, with paper plates, bowls, cutlery, cups, and napkins as well as lemonade mix and juice.

Please bring your items in a bag marked "New Disciple" and put them by our Food Bank collection.

CARWASH

Michigan City Community-Wide Vacation Bible School will host a Carwash Fundraiser on May 27, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., in St. John's front parking lot.

- No fixed price, donations only.
- Volunteer coordinators at each of the larger collaborating congregations will recruit volunteers.
- Two volunteer shifts: 10 a.m. -1 p.m. and 1 p.m.-4 p.m.
- St. John's members can volunteer with Don at 219.435.6117.

This will be a fun event, and an opportunity to work together with our extend church family. *Come on down!*

GENTLY-USED DONATIONS WANTED!

Thurs., April 27 and Fri., April 28

We are receiving donations of gently-used items! You may drop off your clean, useable items in the front (main) door, nearest the office. There is a rolling cart available for your use. Items will be stored in the Choir Room. *(Please note that TV's are NOT being accepted.)*

As in the past we will greatly appreciate your help setting up, marking, organizing, and also during the days of the sale!

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED!

To plan for the Rummage Sale this year, the Women's Guild has enlisted a committee of volunteers to head up the venture. CAN YOU HELP??? Your help is needed with set-up on Monday, Tuesday, & Wednesday, or Sales on Thursday & Friday. Please check the bulletin board to sign up!

COMPASSION SUNDAY

May 7th is Compassion Sunday. Stop by the bulletin board across from the Adobe Room and read letters from our adopted child, Ingabire.

CALLING ALL PRESCHOOL ALUMNI!!



In preparation for our 40th anniversary celebration, we are asking all St. John's Preschool alumni to send us their current contact information. Please call the church office, 219-872-9121. We're looking forward to celebrating with you in 2017-2018!

FISH FRY NEWS

Friday, June 2nd, 2017

4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Cost: Adults (13 and over): \$10.00
(However, if you purchase your ticket before June, you will receive a coupon for a free dessert!)

Children (12 and under): Free
Includes all-you-can-eat white fish, potato salad, homemade coleslaw, bread, & beverage.

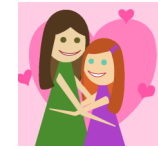
Desserts: \$1.00

Family bucket: \$30.00 (includes 12 pieces fish, 1 lb. each, potato salad & homemade coleslaw, 4 slices of bread)

Adult carry-out: 3 pieces fish, 6 oz. each potato salad & homemade coleslaw, 1 slice bread. Tickets on for sale soon in the church office from 9 - 3 p.m. M., T., Th., F; after services on Sundays; and at the door the night of the Fish Fry.

We need many generous people to help with selling tickets, set-up, serving, traffic control, and clean-up. **Please check the bulletin board outside the library and add your name to the list of distinguished helpers for our Fish Fry!** *Please know that your help is always greatly appreciated!!*

Containers needed: Please recycle **only** your 15 oz. or 16 oz. cottage cheese, sour cream or butter containers for the Fish Fry.



MOTHER-DAUGHTER BANQUET

After both the 9:30 and 11:00 service, tickets for the Mother-Daughter Banquet, which will be held on May 9th, will be sold. Tickets will be available through Sunday, April 30th. Cost is \$10 for adults, ages 12 & over; children, 5-11, are \$5.00; children 4 and under are free.

CHRISTMAS CHILD T-SHIRTS

We are beginning to prepare Christmas Child boxes for ages 2-14 for our November collection. Please join in our new T-shirt drive! There are boxes across from Fellowship Hall and near the office.

FAMILY MATTERS COUNSELING

Do you have a family member or a loved one struggling with addiction? Frontline offers support and hope through interactive and spiritually-led discussions and education. Frontline Foundations, 605 Michigan Ave., LaPorte, or 1008 Broadway, Chesterton
Call 219-728-1638 to register.

10TH ANNUAL LAPORTE COUNTY PRAYER BREAKFAST May 4, 2017

Queen of All Saints Church
606 Woodland Ave., Mich. City
Free!

Gathering: 7:15 a.m.
Breakfast at 7:30 a.m.

Questions? Call Eric Fritzen, District Executive, at 219-380-7459

The Potawatomi district of LaSalle Council, Boy Scouts of America, invites you to participate in the National Day of Prayer.