

# NEWS NOTES

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As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We invite you to visit our website, [www.stjohnsmc.org](http://www.stjohnsmc.org) for more information about our church and our activities.

**ATTENDANCE:** Last Sunday, 10:00 a.m.: 57; Adults, 7

## **ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE – 3:00 p.m. in the Chapel**

Mark your calendar, there will be an Ash Wednesday service in the chapel on Wednesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, at 3:00 p.m.

## **RECEPTION HONORING DAN McNABB & JOHN REMMEL**

**Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 -- Following the 10:00 a.m. worship service**

Please join us in extending our sincere thanks to Mr. Dan McNabb and Mr. John Remmel for their many years of faithfully enriching our Sunday worship services! Coffee & refreshments will be served.

## **WELCOME, JENNIFER!**

Please extend a warm St. John's welcome to Jennifer Keeley, our new musician. Jennifer is a classically-trained pianist and a piano and voice instructor, along with being a busy wife, mother, and grandmother. Welcome, Jennifer!

## **REMEMBERING OUR COMMUNITY FRIENDS**

The Women's Guild is reinstating our "Blessing Bags" project. A Blessing Bag is prepared for community friends who are in need of basic essentials. A gallon plastic bag will contain a pair of socks, soap and washcloth, deodorant, lotion, kleenex, and toothbrush and toothpaste. To the Guild is asking for donations of men's or ladies' socks as well as the other items listed. A collection box is located on the table outside the office. Or if you prefer, a Guild member will do the shopping for you -- any financial donation will be used to shop for you and then we'll give you a listing of the items purchased. (Last year we delivered over 60 bags to area agencies!) Thank you for continuing to support projects like these because we all know St. John's is a giving community!!

### **THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S** **Office Hrs.: Mon. & Thr., 9-12**

#### **SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 11**

8:30 a.m. Christianity 101

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

#### **MONDAY – FEBRUARY 12**

1:00 p.m. Preschool Board

6:00 p.m. Men's Study

#### **WEDNESDAY – FEB. 14**

**Ash Wednesday**

**Valentine's Day**

10:30 a.m. Discipleship group

**3:00 p.m. Worship (chapel)**

6:00 p.m. Scouts

#### **THURSDAY – FEB. 15**

6:30 p.m. VBS meeting (choir rm.)

#### **SATURDAY – FEB. 17**

8:30 a.m. Prayer Group

12 – 6 p.m. Cub Scouts

#### **SUNDAY – FEBRUARY 18**

**First Sunday of Lent**

8:30 a.m. Christianity 101

10:00 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

## **ARE YOU DEALING WITH THE DEATH OF SOMEONE?**

### **JOIN GRIEFSHARE**

Tuesdays, February 13<sup>th</sup> thru May 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024, at 1:00 p.m. at the Salvation Army, 1201 S Franklin, Michigan City

Facilitators: Pastor Bill Fine & Major Becky Simmons

Registration is not necessary, just come & join us. Free and open to the public. For more information, visit [griefshare.org](http://griefshare.org). This is a grief support community, let us walk with you on your journey from mourning to joy.

## **COMMUNION PREPARERS and USHERS ARE NEEDED!!**

*YOU* are needed to assist in our worship service! Please prayerfully consider helping out as either an Usher or Communion Preparer. You will be given instruction, so please do not hesitate to offer to help in these ministries! Please call the office (872-9121) or let Pastor Bill or a Board member know if you are willing to serve.

## **GIVING ENVELOPES/TREASURER'S REPORT**

2024 Giving Envelopes are out on the cart by the office. If there was not a box with your name on it and you would like one, please call the church office. Also, the January 2024 Treasurer's Report is now available in the office.

## **OFFICE CLOSED**

In honor of President's Day, Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>, the church office will be closed.