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WANTED: SOCKS!

We need socks for men, women, and children, but especially *men!* Our soup kitchen guests often walk long distances in cold, damp weather and really need a change of socks. *Will you help?* Please bring new socks to our laundry basket display. They will really be a blessing to our neighbors.

10 UP 10 DOWN RULE

When you study a verse from the Bible that seems difficult to understand, try this. Start reading again 10 verses before the verse and keep reading through 10 verses after the verse to give yourself better context for the verse. Most importantly, pray to God for wisdom and for the Holy Spirit to give you greater understanding as you study.



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 9

8:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 Christianity 101/Men's Choir
10:00 Worship/Sun. Sch.
11:10 Coffee Hour
11:15 Christmas Child box assembly
11:20 Christian Nurture
11:30 Parents of Peeps

MONDAY - NOVEMBER 10

6:00 p.m. Property Committee
6:00 Preschool Board

TUESDAY - NOVEMBER 11

10:00 a.m. Human Choices



WEDNESDAY - NOVEMBER 12

4:10 Women Part. w/ Christ
5:30 Discovery Dinner
5 & 6 Cub Scouts
6:15 Bible Study (library)
6:30 Women's Bible Study
6:30 Handbells

THURSDAY - NOVEMBER 13

6:30 p.m. Consistory
6:30 Alzheimer's Support

SATURDAY - NOVEMBER 15

8:00 a.m. Community Men's Fellowship
8:00 Doctrine study

SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 16

8:00 a.m. Worship
9:00 Christianity 101/Men's Choir
10:00 Worship/Sun. Sch.
11:10 Coffee Hour
12:00 p.m. Goodtimers

ST. JOHN'S CABLE (Ch. 99) BROADCAST SCHEDULE

Wednesday - 1:15 p.m.
Friday - 3:15 p.m. Sunday - 1:15 p.m.

NEWS-NOTES

Sunday, November 9, 2014



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ST. JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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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. Also, please read and fill out the visitor card in your pew rack. **For your convenience, childcare is provided each Sunday, 9:00 - 11:15 a.m., in the preschool playroom. During 8:00 a.m. worship, a quiet room is available for parents, or grandparents, to comfort their children.** Following worship, join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. A church member will be happy to show you the way.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday, 8:00 a.m.: 50; 10:00 a.m.: 85, Total: 135
Sunday School: Children, 16; Adults, 16; Total: 32

PRE-THANKSGIVING SERVICE *(Please note location change)*

First United Methodist Church, 121 E. Seventh Street, Michigan City
Sunday, November 23rd, 2014, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

A freewill offering and non-perishable food items brought in will be donated to the Salvation Army. You may also bring new or like-new coats, new mittens, hats, gloves, scarves, etc. for donation.

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA

St. John's will be having a Christmas Cantata this year on December 14th. We will have ONE worship service that day (10:00). We are starting practice for this event on Saturday, November 8th at 10:00 a.m. in the choir room. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please see Dave Swartz (872-9121).

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS - ANNUAL REPORTS DUE SOON

Just a reminder to all committee chairpersons, the Annual Reports are due at the December Consistory meeting, Thursday, Dec. 11th. Please email your report to the office.

Thank you!

SERVICE OPPORTUNITY

Needed--a team from St. John's to prepare and serve lunch on Sunday at St. Paul's, probably every 6 weeks. Will you be a part of this team? For information, call Lynda, 872-1427.



PEANUT BRITTLE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Could you donate some hours to assist in a St. John's project where the proceeds are donated to community mission work and St. John's projects? (Note: . . . and we guarantee that you will have fun at the same time!) Beginning Thursday morning, Nov. 20th, the Peanut Brittle Group will begin work in the kitchen. Our other work dates are December 4, 11, and 18. We only work four Thursday mornings, and we welcome your help for one morning or four mornings. Also, note that our volunteers include gentlemen of St. John's as our workers! All kinds of kitchen workers are needed and NO EXPERIENCE is necessary. Sign up on the Volunteer sheet on the bulletin board by the office or call Judy (872-4128) if you have questions. Our peanut brittle is \$8/pound.

PEANUT BRITTLE, ANYONE?

Join our Guild project by eating Peanut Brittle, selling peanut Brittle, or making Peanut Brittle! All together we can contribute to agencies in our community which serve others. We can make a difference right here in Michigan City! St. John's will begin offering its famous Peanut Brittle at \$8.00/pound and just in time for Thanksgiving! Orders can be placed in the church office. Tell your family and friends that once again all profits from the sale will be donated to community agencies and to St. John's projects. We will be accepting orders for our work dates of Nov. 20, Dec. 4, 11, and 18. Thank you for your continued support!

NOISY OFFERING, NOVEMBER 30

Please have your change or dollars ready. The children will be learning about helping our brothers and sisters around the world by choosing some "gifts" from the Samaritans Purse catalog. <http://www.samaritanspurse.org/our-ministry/gift-catalog/> The gifts may range from a clean water well that protects a village from diseases to shelters for Christians driven from their homes by the Islamic State. On Monday, October 13, Samaritan's Purse began airlifting nearly 90 tons of relief supplies to Iraqi families displaced by the Islamic State. Nearly 200,000 pieces of children's clothing will be sent, along with 15,000 warm jackets, and tens of thousands of blankets and socks. More than 2,400 winter-rated sleeping bags will also be headed overseas and 400 rolls of plastic (800,000 square feet), which can be used to insulate the tents and unfinished buildings where families are living. Samaritan's Purse spreads the gospel by giving in the name of Jesus because of all that Jesus has done for us.

USHERS

Ushers for the month of November are:
Elaine Burkhart, Con Eichelberg, Paul Beebe, Bob Alonso, Craig Schroeder

LIVE NATIVITY PLANNED (But we need your help!)

Christian Nurture is hoping to have a living nativity starting at about 5:00 p.m., before the Christmas Eve service at 6:30 p.m. We are looking to build a small structure on the east side of the main entrance of the church to imitate the humble birthplace of our Lord. We would also like to have some animals, if possible. In order for this project to take place, we need your help!! If you are interested in helping with this project, please contact Jean Squires as soon as possible at 219-778-4789.

GOODTIMERS

Goodtimer's will meet next Sunday, November 16th, at 12 noon for our luncheon and planning session for 2015. Anyone interested is most welcome to join us, please call Elaine (872-6164) or Lynda (872-1427) by Nov. 9th if you are planning to attend.

PACKING CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES: Packing today, after the 10 a.m. service

THANKSGIVING HYMN FESTIVAL
Valparaiso Chapel, Nov. 16, 4:00 p.m.
Free-will offering will be collected for the NW Indiana Food Bank

WOMEN'S GUILD NEWS

The Women's Guild will have their November meeting on November 20th at 12:30 p.m. A representative from Humana Health will give a presentation explaining the many health care plans now available. Please call Elaine (872-6164) if you are planning to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

We have been learning about Joseph and how God used him in His amazing rescue plan for the chosen people by studying Genesis 37 - 42. Joseph has a roller coaster ride in the process, but he gives us a great example for our lives and a picture of Jesus. They were both loved by their fathers, sold for silver, envied and persecuted, hated by the people they would later come to save, etc. Try reading these chapters and pray for the Holy Spirit to give you greater understanding of how God could use you.

CHRISTMAS TEA-- Get Your Tickets Now!



Ticket sales are under way for the Christmas Tea that will be held at St. John's on Saturday, December 6th from 12:00 -2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The theme is, "It's a Winter Wonderland." A light lunch consisting of salad, soup and rolls will be served followed by entertainment and a time for fellowship. The attire is "smart dress" and those attending should be 16 years or older. No childcare will be provided as this will be a time for our guests to relax and enjoy fellowship with other women before the hectic holiday season gets into full swing. You can purchase your ticket after both services at the west entrance or you may purchase them from the office during the week. Cost of the tickets are \$12.00. The last day to purchase your ticket is Sunday, November 23rd. If you have any further questions, please contact Debbie Dill at 219-362-4345 or Lisa Kay Swartz at 219-229-8461.