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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

**SUNDAY - OCTOBER 19
STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

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

TUESDAY - OCTOBER 21

10:00 a.m. Human Choices

WEDNESDAY - OCTOBER 22

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 - OCTOBER 23

12:30 p.m. Women's Guild

SATURDAY - OCTOBER 15

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

SUNDAY - OCTOBER 26

FOOD BANK

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 Workshop
11:30 Parents of Peeps (YL)

**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, October 19, 2014



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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.: 49; 10:00 a.m.:80; Total: 129
Sunday School: Children, 12; Adults, 15; Total: 27

ROOF MAINTENANCE & REPAIR

To protect our beautiful Sanctuary from water damage, the Consistory has voted to go ahead with repairs NOW—Estimated at \$5,900. *Can You Help?*
Please make a donation with the notation "Roof Repair." *Thank you!*

BIBLE STUDIES: THURSDAYS AND SATURDAYS; also FRIDAY MOVIES

You can enjoy excellent Bible studies on Thursday nights at 6 pm central (currently on the Holy Spirit) and Saturday mornings at 7 am central (currently on Ephesians) and family-friendly movies at 6 pm central every Friday through September and the first Friday of the month at 6 pm central in October at the Calvary Chapel Outreach, 1615 E. Buffalo St. (Highway 12) in New Buffalo.

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.

GREETERS: June Wright & Emma Jean Kinsey

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Last week we learned about the power of prayer and how Moses set an example for us by studying Exodus chapters 3, 4, 15, 17, 32 and 34. We learned about how God wants us to pray to him at all times and how He responded when Moses prayed to Him. God provided water in the harsh desert and even spared the Israelites lives, all in response to the prayers of **one** man. This study brought out some great questions for all of us to consider as followers of Jesus. Do we really believe in the power of our prayers? Do we trust God to provide for our needs and the needs of the church? If not, will we ever have enough money stored up in the church's accounts to trust God to provide? How do we think God feels when we choose to trust ourselves to provide instead of Him? Let's practice praying and studying the Bible daily and waiting on the still small voice of God to guide us like Elijah (see 1 Kings 19:12). This week we will learn about Joseph and his brothers by studying Genesis 37.



"PEEPS" FALL SCHEDULE

The Peeps group (Parents of Young Children) will be meeting after church from 11:30 - 1 pm on Sunday, Oct. 26, Nov. 9, 23, Dec. 7, and 21. The six-week fall series is by Dr. Kevin Lem-an, "Making Children Mind Without Losing Yours" (how to bring out the best in your kids by doing what is best for them).



NOISY OFFERING, NOV. 30TH

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.samaritanpurse.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.

CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOXES

Still needed are bars of soap (ie: unscented Ivory), small flashlights with batteries, T-shirts, small cars, dolls, decks of cards, bandanas, Life Savers and other wrapped hard candy (no chocolate). Also, as each box costs \$7.00 to ship, you may help by donating towards the shipping costs. You may make your check to St. John's with the notation "For Christmas Child Boxes." Please also offer your prayers for children to know the love of Christ. We will have a workshop assembling the boxes at the end of October and then will be readying them for mailing Nov. 9th. You may drop off your items in the box in the library.



"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.



LIVE NATIVITY

Christian Nurture is hoping to have a living nativity starting at about 5:00 pm before the Christmas Eve service at 6:30 pm. 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. If you have any interest in helping, please contact Jean Squires at 219-778-4789.



CHRISTMAS TEA

St. John's is hosting a Christmas Tea this year on Saturday, December 6th from 12:00 -2:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. The theme is, "It's a Winter Wonderland." There will be a light lunch served of salad, soup and rolls followed by entertainment. The attire is "smart dress" and those attending should be 16 years or older. No child-care 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 in full swing. Tickets will go on sale starting Sunday, November 2nd after both services or you may purchase them from the office during the week. Cost of the tickets will be \$12.00. If you have any questions, please contact Debbie Dill at 219-362-4345 or Lisa Kay Swartz at 219-229-8461.

MESSENGER DEADLINE:

Tuesday, October 21st. *Thank you!*

SALVATION ARMY FOOD BANK
Especially needed for October are juice, soup, & crackers, but all gifts welcome!

