

**PADS INTERFAITH COMMUNITY
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Be glad, people of Zion,
rejoice in the LORD your God,
for He has given you the autumn rains
because He is faithful.

He sends you abundant showers,
both autumn and spring rains, as
before.

²⁴ The threshing floors will be filled
with grain;
the vats will overflow with new wine
and oil.

--Joel 2:23-24



THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 24

FOOD BANK

8:30 a.m. Christianity 101
9:30 Worship (F. Hall)
10:00 Men's Choir
11:00 Worship
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MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 25

6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 26

*6 p.m. *Lifepointe (Y.L.)*

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 27

4:00 p.m. Hymnology Study
5:30 Discovery Dinner
6:30 Handbells
7:00 Prayer group

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**Denotes Lifepointe Church
activities taking place this week*

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ST. STAN'S FARMER'S MARKET

Every Saturday through October,
8 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Flowers, veggies, fruit, bread,
cheese, baked goods,
handmade items

NEWS-NOTES

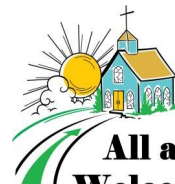
Sunday, September 24, 2017



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**All are
Welcome**

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. (combined): 53; 12:00 p.m.: 12; Total: 65
Sunday School: Adults, 13

PRESCHOOL EMERGENCY FUND

This September the St. John's Preschool welcomes its 40th class of students! Later this year an official celebration and rededication of this Christian endeavor will take place.

During the school year, there sometimes are family situations which may occur like loss of a job, reduced work hours, a medical situation, etc. which affects our student's attendance. The Preschool Board maintains a fund to assist our families during such times. If you would like to give a gift or memorial to this fund in celebration of our 40th anniversary, please send your donation to the St. John's Church office with a notation in the memo line "Preschool Emergency Fund." Thank you on behalf of our school children!



"CHRIST'S GIFTS THROUGH THE CENTURIES"

500 years of Lutheran Hymns

Sunday, October 15th, 3:00 p.m.

Immanuel Lutheran Church

1237 E. Coolspring Ave., Mich. City

~ Special offering to benefit the hurricane victims ~

In celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Immanuel Lutheran Church invites you to hear and sing beautiful music from the 16th century to today. Adorning the hymn singing will be choirs, handbells, and an instrumental ensemble. Emily Woock, the present music teacher at Immanuel Lutheran School and director of parish music at Redeemer Lutheran Church in Elmhurst, IL will be the guest conductor and organist.

A free-will offering for LCMS Disaster Relief will be taken during the hymn singing.



MICHIGAN CITY YOUTH GROUP

~ For 6th-8th graders ~

October 21st: Superhero night

(dress up as your favorite superhero)

November 18th: A warm Chili night

December 16th: White Elephant Christmas

Meet at New Creation Vineyard Church,
9009 W. Pahs Road, Michigan City
6:00—8:45 p.m.

Please call Allison Harvey at 219.898.0501
(or email allisonmcyg@gmail.com) if you
have any questions.

PRAYER GROUP

There is a new prayer group which meets here every Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. This is an open group! Come join us to offer prayer or drop in if you need prayer for yourself or someone else. Questions, please call Jerry, 219-617-0526.

SAFE WATER UPDATE

We've connected with Living Hope Church in Valparaiso. They help collect water for the residents of East Chicago, Indiana, who have been relocated because of lead in the soil and water of their housing site. Strack & Van Til grocers help in this effort. When \$3,000 is raised, they fill a semi (17 pallets) with water and deliver it for distribution.

St. Johners have contributed \$100 so far. If you would like to continue to help, please indicate "Safe Water" on your check. *Thank you! Missions*

FOOD BANK

Thank you for continuing to contribute to the Food Bank! Your donations of any soaps, toilet paper, macaroni & cheese, tuna, mayo, and peanut butter & jelly are always greatly appreciated!

ALZHEIMER'S/DEMENTIA CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Meets here at St. John's every second Thursday at 6:30 p.m.. Upcoming dates are October 12th and November 9th.



PRESCHOOL NEWS

St. John's Preschool is off to a great start! We have 17 children in our beginner's class, 21 in our morning pre-kindergarten class, and 12 in our afternoon pre-kindergarten class.

We appreciate all of the donations we have received, and are putting them to good use. We are hoping to replace some of our used classroom toys. We will accept gently used toys such as baby dolls and clothes, Barbies and Barbie clothes, learning games, puzzles, play cars and trucks, big wheel bikes, balls, etc.

We will be participating in the Carson's Community Day's Sale in November. Coupons will be available in the church office for \$5.00 each.

The Preschool staff thanks you so much for your continued support!!

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

OFFICE HOURS NOTICE

Through the month of September, the office will be open on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 12 noon. The office will close at noon.

LADIES HYMNOLOGY STUDY

The ladies' Hymnology Study group meets every Wednesday at 4:00 p.m.. All ladies of the congregation are most welcome to attend! Please join us!

MEN'S CHOIR

New members are always welcome! Please come join us for a "harmonic experience." We meet Sundays, 10:00 a.m., prior to the second service. Any questions, please call Dolores at 362-3665.

CHRISTMAS CHILD

Please help us fill our Christmas Child boxes with t-shirts, small toys, and bar soap. They will be distributed in November. There is a display outside Fellowship Hall to drop off your donations. Thank you for your generosity!