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# St. John's

May/June, 2009

## God's Mysterious Ways!



*Genesis 50:20 But Joseph said to them, "... You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives.*

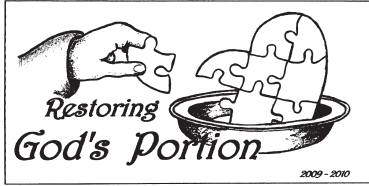
How could God allow such a thing! Ten evil boys sold their brother Joseph into slavery and told their father he was killed by a savage beast. That boy spent years as a slave in a foreign land.

Then when things were terrible, they got even worse. Falsely accused of a crime he did not commit, that young man was put in prison for many years. God allowed him to walk through a path of suffering and hardship he did not deserve to the point where after years of suffering he felt God had abandoned him.

The question 'why, Lord' comes all too easily to our sinful selfish hearts. We see no use for hardship. Yet God gave Joseph the wisdom to understand how God works through such things. **"You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives."**

So in these hard days, God's wisdom is still choosing the path for his children. Out of the darkest days comes God's richest blessings.

## **Look for Chances to Give! --** *Restoring God's Portion Events!*



St. John's Congregation is currently engaged in a stewardship journey which we are calling "Restoring God's Portion." The goal of this multi-year journey is to learn to be "the giving children of

a giving God." We all know that "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son ..." "Restoring God's Portion" is meant to reveal the truth to us that the news of how God gave to us changes our hearts. The clearest way this change shows every day in our lives is that it makes us "givers." Giving is privilege for us. Giving is what fills our day with joy. "Restoring God's Portion" will provide us with opportunities to give so that we can exercise the change God has worked in us and find the joy in that change God wants us to find.

On the weekend of April 19 St. John's had its first "giving weekend" as part of this program. Pastor David Liggett, the director of Christian giving for the WELS, delivered a special message from God's word in each of our worship services. In concert with that, we gathered a special offering to help alleviate the current synod capital debt. St. John's members were moved by God to give \$2,575 for this effort that weekend.

St. John's members were also invited to participate in a "private" giving event hosted by Rhonda Allie and Dick Messman to raise money for cancer research. They hosted a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, March 29, and 100 people attended the event. They raised \$250 for cancer research.

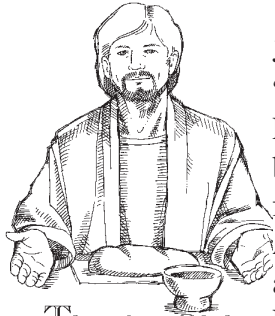
As you take part in these “giving moments”, remember that the real goal is not measured in the dollars raised. For us, our success is measured in the joy we find as we exercise our new identity as the giving children of our giving God. If in these hard times we still care about giving, we are seeing the finger of God writing on our heart. May God bless all those who take part in these giving moments with the joy that comes from putting our faith into action.



*“That we might become  
the giving children of a giving God!”*

# A "Chat" with the Pastors

*For May/June newsletter, we ask the Pastors to explain what God teaches Christians about exercising God pleasing fellowship as we approach God's altar to receive the Lord's Supper.*



Take it; this is my body...  
This is my blood of the covenant  
which is poured out for many.  
Mark 14:22-24

On Maundy Thursday so long ago now, Jesus instituted a special meal we call the "Lord's Supper." In the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper, God has placed his very body and blood as proof of the favor and forgiveness God promised us in his son. As with all of God's blessings, there is a "right use" and a "wrong use" for the Lord's Supper. We have learned to speak of the proper use of the Lord's Supper as the practice of "Close Communion."

There are two key components to the practice of "Close Communion." The first element is "worthiness." The Lord instructs us about this in *1 Corinthians 11:27-30*. *Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. 28 A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. 29 For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. 30 That is why many among you are weak and sick, and a number of you have fallen asleep.* The Christians in Corinth treated the body and blood of the Lord in this Sacrament as if it were only bread and wine. This led them to approach the Lord's table as if it were any ordinary meal, not a spiritual encounter with the holy God. As a result, instead of finding God's favor and blessing in the Sacrament, they found the Lord's "judgment." Some of them were getting

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sick and dying because of this wrong use of the Sacrament.

Paul urged them to be very careful about the way they approached the Lord's Supper. Through Paul the Lord commanded them and all Christians to

*"examine themselves"* before they come to communion. Christians must make sure when they approach the Lord's Table that they do so in full repentance. We dare not ask for forgiveness from God for sins we intend to keep on committing. And we must be careful to make sure we understand we are receiving the body and blood of the Lord along with the bread and the wine. Anyone who dares to approach the Lord's Table without true repentance and without understanding what he is receiving faces God's anger.



So in our church we make sure our members are thoroughly instructed in the proper use of the Sacrament before they come. We also ask that those whom we do not know refrain from taking the Lord's Supper until they have talked with our pastors about their intentions. In this way

we can be sure that all those who receive the Sacrament in our church find God's blessing and favor in their action.

The second element of "close communion" is "oneness." God speaks of this in *1 Corinthians 10;16,17*. *Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? 17 Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one*

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*loaf.* God inspired Paul to show the Christians in Corinth that they were receiving more than mere bread and wine in the Sacrament. They were also receiving the body and blood of Jesus.

Paul went on to note two things. First he pointed out that there was one loaf of bread on the altar. Then Paul pointed out that there were many Christians partaking of that loaf

together and each of these Christians were different from all the rest. Finally Paul noted that these different people demonstrated the oneness God had created among them by taking part in the one loaf of bread in communion.

God used this picture to teach us that when we join other Christians in taking communion, we are making a public confession of our oneness of faith with them. For this reason, Christians want to be sure that they take communion only in churches where they are in full agreement with the Christians there. We dare not confess a oneness in communion with people with whom we are not one in faith. And we ask that any stranger who joins us in worship on a communion Sunday first reveal to us that he or she is one in faith with us. If they are not members of a congregation that is one with our church, we ask the people to refrain from joining us in Communion at this time.

This is the practice of close communion as God teaches it in his word. Very few churches today follow God's word in this regard. As you might expect, it is not very popular with people in the world around us. But the commands of God remain clear. And more than that, the danger to the souls of people who abuse the sacrament is very great. Out of love for their souls and concern for their welfare, we must follow the lines God has clearly drawn.

*If you have any spiritual topics or church practices you would like the pastors to discuss, please call the Church Office or bring your comments to Jim Flessert, Chairman of the Congregational Life Committee.*

## **“FireProof Your Marriage!”**

*(A Men Only Event)*

Tuesday and Wednesday, April 14 & 15, were “movie nights” for the men of St. John’s. On that night the Men’s Club invited the married men of St. John’s to come to the Men’s Club and watch a movie called “Fireproof.”

This movie told the story of a man whose marriage was on the verge of divorce. With the support of his father and men from his fire station as the man grew in his Christian faith, he learned to stand by his promise to his wife and rebuild his marriage. As the man put it, “you never leave your partner, especially in a fire.”

Almost 40 men from St. John’s watched this movie

together. The atmosphere was casual. The popcorn was free. And after the movie was finished, the men engaged in a discussion about the role a man plays in making his marriage successful. All who attended felt it was a night well spent.



# *You Might Consider Reading this book if ...*

*.... You want to see an example of living the  
faith that God put in your heart!*



*.... you want to gain a clearer  
picture of how the world really  
feels about those who dare to  
follow the one called the Son of  
God!*

## **“Safely Home” by Randy Alcorn**

“*Safely Home*” tells the story of the spread of Christianity in modern China through the eyes of two men. One man was from America and the other from China. Twenty-five years earlier, they met at Harvard University where they were both students and they became close friends. At that time the American introduced the man from China to Christianity. The Chinese national became a Christian through this contact. The men lost touch with one another during the next 25 years and in that time their spiritual roles reversed. The years of challenge and suffering brought the man from China closer to the Lord while the years of success and plenty led the American man further away from the Lord. The two men meet again in China. Together they face the challenge of religious persecution both in China and in America and the challenge affects both of them in their relationship with God. Those who read this book will find that it changes their view of the work of spreading God’s word in China. At the same time, the book sets in focus what it means to live your faith and share your faith in a world hostile to God. This is a book worth reading. It is available at the local library.

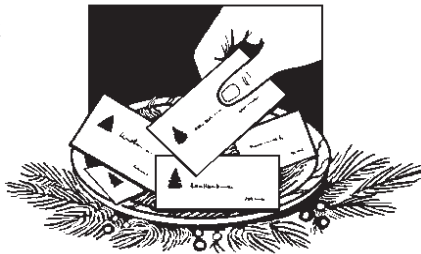
# Offering Statement Change!

Clear rulings by the Internal Revenue Service are causing St. John's to change the way we account for some offerings given through the church. This change involves offerings from members given to organizations other than St. John's, but given through St. John's. If you give an offering to MLHS or to WELS and make your check out to that organization, St. John's does not cash that check. We forward the check to the organization to whom it is given. We will continue to handle such offerings in this way.

However, in the past, St. John's had recorded this gift on the yearly offering statement issued at the end of the year. The IRS rules make it clear that this is not a proper thing for the congregation to do. Only the non-profit institution that actually cashes the check can verify that an offering was given.

For this reason, St. John's will change its policy to match the procedure specified in tax laws. If a member writes a check to MLHS or the WELS directly and places that check in the hands of the church, we will send the check to that institution as we always have in the past.

However we will not note that check on the offering statements we give to that member at the end of the year. We assume instead that the institution that actually received the offering will issue verification of the offering as necessary.



# News from the WELS!

*(This is a letter from Pastor Mark Schroeder, President of the Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod)*

## Difficult decisions, Eyes of faith



The Synodical Council met April 24 and 25 for its regular spring meeting. This meeting would not, however, be routine. The Synodical Council's main item of business was to adopt a budget that it will recommend to the 2009 synod convention.

By now members of the synod are aware of the difficult task facing the Synodical Council. We are confronted with the stark reality that approximately \$8 million will need to be cut from the current budget of \$38 million that supports the mission and ministry programs we carry out together as a synod. These reductions will require painful and difficult cuts in all areas of ministry. The Synodical Council has received input from all areas of ministry and will consider the impact of budget reductions on those ministries. At the end of the discussion, the council will carry out its constitutional responsibility to recommend a balanced budget for the next two years. That recommended budget will be presented to the convention this summer, where all final decisions will be made.

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# 2009

Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>4 6:00p.m.</b> <b>Communion Service</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>11 6:00 p.m. Worship Service</b>  Softball State  -----Boys/Girls Basketball Camp at MLHS-----	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b> ACT Test
<b>18 6:00 p.m. Communion Service</b>  -----Girls Volleyball Camp at MLHS-----	<b>19</b>  <b>Church Campout - June 19 -21st</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>25 6:00 p.m. Worship Service</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>

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# May

Sunday                      Monday                      Tuesday                      Wednesday

*St. John's Lutheran Church 3607 45th Two Rivers WI (920)794-7300 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

<p><b>3 CONFIRMATION SUNDAY</b>  <b>8:00 a.m. Communion Service</b>  <b>10:30 a.m. Confirmation/Communion Service</b>          6:00 p.m. Bible Class</p>	<p><b>4</b> 6:30 p.m. Committee Meetings</p>	<p><b>5</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home          4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB St. Mary Central          4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB @ St. Mary Central          6:30 p.m. Ladies Society @ SJS          7:30 p.m. Open Gym</p>	<p><b>6</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Class          1:30p.m. Ladies Afternoon Fellowship          3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class          6:30 p.m. Choir</p>
<p><b>10</b> 8:00 a.m. Worship Service  <b>10:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service at SJS</b>          9:15 a.m. Sunday School          6:00 p.m. Bible Class</p>	<p><b>11</b> 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee          6:30 p.m. Youth Group</p>	<p><b>12</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home          7:00 p.m. Men's Club          7:30 p.m. Open Gym</p>	<p><b>13</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Class          3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class          6:30 p.m. Choir</p>
<p><b>17</b> 8 &amp; 10:30 a.m. Adult Choir Sunday Communion Services          9:15 a.m. Sunday School &amp; Teen Bible Class          3:00 p.m. MLHS Prism Concert &amp; Art Show          3:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting          6:00 p.m. Bible Class</p>	<p><b>18</b> 8:30 a.m. Ladies Breakfast at M&amp;M          MLHS Lancer Singer Auditions</p>	<p><b>19</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton          4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB Chilton @ home          4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB @ Chilton          4:30 p.m. MLHS SB @ Chilton          7:30 p.m. Open Gym          MLHS Lancer Singer Auditions</p>	<p><b>20</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Class          3:30 p.m. Confirmation Class          6:30 p.m. Choir          6:30 p.m. MLHS Music Awards Banquet</p>
<p><b>24</b> 8:00 a.m. Worship Service          10:30 a.m. Blended Worship Service @ SJS          6:00 p.m. Bible Class</p>	<p><b>25</b> Church Office Closed, No School SJS  <b>Memorial Day</b></p>	<p><b>26</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home          4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB Wrightstown          4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB @ Wrightstown          Track &amp; Softball Regionals          7:30 p.m. Open Gym</p>	<p><b>27</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Class          6:30 p.m. SJS Graduation Service at Church</p>
<p><b>31 NOTE - TIME CHANGE - 8:00 &amp; 10:00 a.m. Worship Services</b>          2:00 p.m. MLHS Graduation          6:00 p.m. Bible Class</p>			

# 2009

Thursday

Friday

Saturday

<p><i>St. John's Lutheran Church 3607 45th Two Rivers WI (920)794-7300 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</i></p>	<p><b>1</b> 8:30 School-wide chapel service 4:00 p.m. MLHS SB Wrstn 4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB @ Wrightstown 4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB Wrightstown</p>	<p><b>2</b> WSMA State Solo/Ensemble @ UW-GB</p>
<p><b>7 6:00 p.m. Worship Service</b> 4:15 p.m. MLHS Track @ Valderes/Hilbert 4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB @ Roncalli 4:30 p.m. JVBB Roncalli 4:30 p.m. SB Roncalli</p>	<p><b>8</b> 4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB Reedsville 4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB @ Reedsville 4:30 p.m. MLHS SB @ Reedsville</p>	<p><b>9</b> MLHS PROM</p>
<p><b>14 6:00 p.m. Communion Service</b> 4:30 p.m. MLHS Track @ SMC/Bril/Ronc 4:30 p.m. MLHS SB Brillion</p>	<p><b>15</b> 4:00 p.m. MLHS SB Valders (DH)</p>	<p><b>16</b> 9:00 a.m. Federation Meeting 11:00 a.m. MLHS VBB @ Valders (DH) 11:00 a.m. MLHS JVBB @ Valders (DH) 7:00 p.m. MLHS Prism Concert &amp; Art Show</p>
<p><b>21 6:30 p.m. Ascension-Worship Service</b> 4:30 p.m. MLHS VBB @ Brillion 4:30 p.m. MLHS JVBB vs. Brillion at home MLHS Softball Regionals MLHS Lancer Singer Auditions</p>	<p><b>22</b></p>	<p><b>23</b></p>
<p><b>28 6:00 p.m. Worship Service</b> 7:00 p.m. MLHS Senior Class Night MLHS Softball Regionals</p>	<p><b>29</b> 7:30 a.m. MLHS Senior Breakfast 8:30 a.m. SJS Closing Service 11:00 a.m. SJS Picnic 12:00 p.m. SJS Dismissed Last Day of School</p>	<p><b>30</b></p>

# June

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
<p><i>St. John's Lutheran Church 3607 45th Two Rivers WI (920)794-7300 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.</i></p>	<p><b>1 9am-4pm-Summer Church Office Hours Begin</b> Teacher In-Service Day 6:30 p.m. Committee Meetings</p>	<p><b>2</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home 6:30 p.m. Ladies Society Meeting @ SJS  MLHS BB Regionals</p>	<p><b>3</b> 9:30 a.m. Bible Class 1:30 p.m. Ladies Afternoon Fellowship St. John's School Cleaning Day MLHS BB Regionals</p>
<p><b>7</b> 8:00 &amp; 10:00 a.m. Communion Services</p>	<p><b>8</b> 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting 6:30 p.m. Youth Group  -----<i>Boys/Girls Basketball Camp at MLHS</i>-----</p>	<p><b>9</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home 6:00 p.m. Men's Club Steak Fry MLHS BB Sectionals 7:30 p.m. Open Gym</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>
<p><b>14</b> 8:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Blended Worship Service at SJS</p>	<p><b>15</b> 11:30 a.m. Ladies Luncheon @ M&amp;M  -----<i>Girls Volleyball Camp at MLHS</i>-----</p>	<p><b>16</b> 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home 7:30 p.m. Open Gym</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>
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The Synodical Council will not be able to avoid recommending deep cuts in all areas. As it considers what to do, the council will attempt to make decisions that will enable the synod to carry out essential ministry at a level in keeping with the financial support available.

As we plan synodical ministry we've concluded that we need to have the money on hand before we spend it. It is kind of like saving up for it first instead of buying on credit. This means WELS global ministry will be based on what congregations are able to give and on financial resources that are already on hand. This change in approach will allow us to be more prepared for unexpected circumstances. If cuts do need to be made due to reduced offerings, under this new approach there should be a year's warning to adjust the ministry programs. We need to base our level of ministry primarily on what congregations are willing and able to provide. This approach marks a change from the recent past financial practices. In the recent past WELS used congregation offerings and anticipated gifts from individuals to plan its yearly budget.

These are difficult times as we contemplate significant changes in the scope and nature of our synod's work. With our limited human vision, we see only challenges and painful decisions. But we've also been blessed with the eyes of faith. Those eyes can see and trust that our gracious God will continue to bless his people and provide for his church even when all the evidence seems to say otherwise.



Serving in Christ, Mark Schroeder

## Principal Call News!

Mr. Mike Rohrick has accepted the call extended to him by the Church Council to serve as our principal and upper grade teacher beginning July 1, 2009. Please join the Council and congratulate Mr. Rohrick and wish him God's blessing as he leads our school forward. At the same time the Council would like to thank Mr. James Hahn for his one year call to serve as our principal and we wish him and his wife God's blessing.

The Church Council and the Christian Education Committee has also contracted with Mr. Greg Schmill of the WELS Parish Assistance Services to serve as a consultant/mentor to Mr. Rohrick and our entire school staff. He will work closely with the staff and the Christian Education Committee to improve our school in areas of need for the next year.

The Church Council strongly supports Mr. Rohrick and our entire staff as they begin to work Mr. Schmill. It is our hope that the entire congregation will also support the efforts of our school staff as they lead our young member in their education. If there are any questions, please feel free to contact any of your Church Council members.

*Dear St. John's Church Council,*

*I truly appreciate the call that you extended to me in March to be principal and upper grades teacher. It had given me a chance to once again take stock in the call that I currently hold and the challenges that I would face if I chose to accept this new call. I know that it will not be easy, as some people have reservations about my ability to handle the job. I also have those same concerns.*

*With the Lord's help, I am accepting the call. I look forward to working closely with you next year on issues that can help to make St. John's School a blessing to the congregation*

*and the community. I also look forward to the synod consultant helping me to be the kind of principal and leader that St. John's needs. I will work closely with the Education Committee to see that what is needed for our school will be accomplished.*

*I have been discussing the issues that seem to be of concern about our school with the facility. They also are looking forward to working with the consultant regarding issues relating to curriculum, mission, and positive image. If we, as a team, work on solving our problems, I believe that our faculty can become a positive force for the benefit of our congregation in the years to come and I look forward to seeing that occur.*

*Yours in Christ's service,*

*Michael R. D. Rohrick*

#### **COUNCILMEN AND THEIR COMMITTEES**

**Steven Wegner**, 553-1259 Council President

**Jim Ernst**, 553-1081, Vice-President, Chairman of Building & Grounds

**Larry Cudahy**, 682-4252, Congregational Life Committee

**David Wiesner**, 553-4409, WELS

**Keith Rosado**, 794-1181, Christian Education Committee

**Dennis Bleick**, 553-3097, Christian Education Committee

**Jim Flessert**, 553-8891, Congregational Life Chairman

**Ed Hinshaw**, 553-3007, Treasurer, Finance Committee

**Lee Glaser**, 793-2505, Stewardship

**Jim Smith**, 553-1240, Evangelism Committee, Financial Secretary

**Jim Marshall**, 755-4340, Stewardship, Financial Secretary

**Joe Cook**, 684-3205, Called Worker's Care Committee, Council Secretary

# Treasurer's Report

January Balance	.09
February Receipts	44,414.36
Borrowed from Bldg Fund	<u>4,750.00</u>
	49,164.45

Payroll	31,339.63
Car Allowance	
Pastor Scherbarth	378.75
Pastor Arndt	378.75
Utilities	6,941.79
Worship	545.11
Office Supplies	377.19
Conference Expenses	79.28
Maintenance	1,956.43
Insurance	5,034.68
WELS (Jan & Feb)	1,000.00
MLHS (Jan & Feb)	1,000.00
Miscellaneous	<u>109.86</u>
	49,141.47

\$ 49,164.45 February Receipts  
\$ 49,141.47 February Expenses  
\$ 22.98 Balance as of 2/28/09

February Balance	22.98
March Receipts	<u>57,912.34</u>
	57,935.32

Payroll	32,453.87
Car Allowance	
Pastor Scherbarth	378.75
Pastor Arndt	378.75
Utilities	5,600.55
Worship	50.00
Office	2,572.32
School	61.92
Maintenance	318.97
Insurance	8,321.06
MLHS	500.00
WELS	500.00
Miscellaneous	<u>178.32</u>
	51,314.51

\$57,935.32 March Receipts

\$51,314.51 March Expenses

\$ 6,620.81 Balance as of 3/31/09

Year to Date Reconciliation	
Offerings and Interest Year to Date	\$ 143,157.77
Expenses Year to Date	<u>\$ 168,286.96</u>
Operating Gain (Loss) Year to Date	(\$25,129.19)
Borrowed from BLDG Fund Year to Date	<u>\$31,750.00</u>
Total Reconciliation Year to Date	\$6,620.81

MLHS Commitment Fund	523.00
Recorder Fund	863.45
Building Repair	2,705.31
Schwake Estate CD	17,034.01
(Estate was given for the purchase of land for the church)	

### **Building Fund**

Balance 1/1/09	108,694.28
Weekly Offerings	470.00
Year to Date Interest	<u>108.54</u>
	109,272.82
To Date to General Fund	<u>31,750.00</u>
Cash Value as of 11/30/08	77,522.82

### **Endowment Fund**

Value 1/1/2009	681,786.68
Value As of 4/24/2009	686,840.71

*Endowment Performance Note: Year to date the Endowment Fund has gained .7%. Our Endowment Fund is invested in what Morningstar calls the "moderate allocation" segment of the industry. The performance of our Endowment Fund to date places it in the top 36% of all funds within the same investment category.*

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# **Memorials**

### **Mark Jacquart**

St. John's General Fund \$260.00  
Manitowoc Lutheran High School \$100.00  
Debt Retirement \$ 25.00

### **Howard Turman**

St. John's General Fund \$95.00

### **Dale Rettschlag**

Manitowoc Lutheran High School Tuition Assistance \$25.00

### **George Remiker**

St. John's Athletic Fund \$10.00

# Official Acts

## Baptisms

*Tristan R. Schultz*

*Son of Joshua & Tanya nee Jacquart Schultz*

*Born March 10, Baptized March 15*

## Deaths

**Emily Fink** – *Died March 3, Funeral March 6*

**Howard Turman** – *Died March 7, Funeral March 12*

**Mark Jacquart** – *Died March 26, Funeral March 30*

**Johanna Gloe** – *Died April 12, Funeral April 16*

## Membership Matters

### Profession of Faith

*Thomas Reedy*

### Members Transferring from St. John's

*Craig Stanzel to Bethany Lutheran Church, Manitowoc WI*

**Sunday, May 3 – 8:00 & 10:30**

Joe, Amy, Hannah Cook – EM Susan Marshall – ES  
Larry & Elise Shambeau - LM Phyllis Barner - LS

**Thursday, May 7 – 6:00**

Charles & Betty Peterson – Main Entrance  
Julie Rosado – Side Entrance

**Sunday, May 10 – 8:00 & 10:30**

Dick & Rose Zastrow– EM Jim & Sharon Wondrash – ES  
Sandy Daffner - @ SJS Vonnie Daetz - @ SJS

**Thursday, May 14 – 6:00**

Helen Schmidt – Main Entrance  
Mildred Stegemann – Side Entrance

**Sunday, May 17 – 8:00 & 10:30**

Bill & Kathy Marshall – EM Todd Messman Family – ES  
Theresa Jacobs – LM Jean Haefner – LS

**Thursday, May 21 – 6:00**

Bob & Barb Schroeder – Main Entrance  
Leona Siebert – Side Entrance

**Sunday May 24 – 8:00 & 10:30**

Don & Pat Marshall – EM Bonnie Vanne – ES  
Dave & Sue Wiesner – @ SJS  
Gaetan & Kris Philippon – @ SJS

**Thursday, May 28 – 6:00**

Liz Pietroske & Lisa Thielbar – Main Entrance  
Mary Lou Beninghaus – Side Entrance

**Sunday, May 31 – 8:00 & 10:00**

Polly Zelinski – EM Carol Bloedorn – ES  
Vicki Melius – LM Jennifer Watry – LS

# June Greeters

**Thursday, June 4 – 6:00**

Dorothy Wolf – Main Entrance  
Marilyn Jergenson – Side Entrance

**Sunday, June 7 – 8:00 & 10:00**

Dennis & Avis Bleick – EM Glenn & Maxine Gates – ES  
Jim & Shawn Smith - LM Connie Kramer – LS

**Thursday, June 11 – 6:00**

Charles, Claire, Tom Messman – Main Entrance  
Ruth Tadych – Side Entrance

**Sunday, June 14 – 8:00 & 10:00**

Lon & Mari Grimm – EM Randy Detjen – ES  
Robert & Elaine Specht @ SJS Tracy Peeschek @ SJS

**Thursday, June 18 – 6:00**

Linda Warden – Main Entrance  
Todd Hermann – Side Entrance

**Sunday, June 21 – 8:00 & 10:00**

Martha Eichmann - EM Sharon Kitzerow – ES  
Jackie Schaefer - LM Scott Siech - LS

**Thursday, June 25 – 6:00**

Arnie & Jean Dewey – Main Entrance  
Caroline Everson – Side Entrance

**Sunday, June 28 – 8:00 & 10:00**

Preston & Sandi Jones – EM Kris Lischka – ES  
Darlene Vander Bloomen @ SJS  
Leah Strutz Family @ SJS

**Thursday, April 30 – 6:00**

Ron & Renee Prausa - Main Entrance  
Don Oestreich - Side Entrance

# Usher's Schedule

## May

### Trustees

**Thursday, 6:00 P.M.** *Jim Ernst, Lee Glaser*  
**Sunday, 8:00 A.M.** *Keith Rosado, Dennis Bleick*  
**Sunday 10:30 A.M.** *David Wiesner, Jim Flessert*

### Ushers

#### Thursday, 6:00 P.M.

**Main Floor,** *Dean Jacobs, Bob Specht*  
**Balcony,** *John Langman, Nicholas Kinderknecht*

#### Sunday, 8:00 A.M.

**Main Floor,** *Rod Henrickson, Wayne Keon*  
**Balcony,** *Charles Messman, Thomas Messman*

#### Sunday, 10:30 A.M.

**Main Floor,** *Dick Messman, Bob Schaefer*  
**Balcony,** *Dale Kappelman, Gary Stone*

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*(Please note that the committee is still working on organizing the new plan for ushering as they work to recruit more men to usher for worship services.)*

# **Usher's Schedule**

## **June**

### **Trustees**

**Thursday, 6:00 P.M.** *Ed Hinshaw, Larry Cudahy*

**Sunday, 8:00 A.M.** *Joe Cook, Jim Marshall*

**Sunday 10:00 A.M.** *Jim Smith, Steve Wegner*

### **Ushers**

**Thursday, 6:00 P.M.**

**Main Floor,** *Don Oestreich, Bob Lischka*

**Balcony,** *Walter Christoffel, Preston Jones*

**Sunday, 8:00 A.M.**

**Main Floor,** *Milton Kintopf, Duane Swoboda*

**Balcony,** *Lon Grimm, Todd Messman*

**Sunday, 10:00 A.M.**

**Main Floor,** *Randy Kramer, Ron Saubert*

**Balcony,** *Jerry Johnson, Jerome Nelson*

# Dates to Remember

Friday, May 1, 8:30 a.m. School-wide Chapel Service  
**Sunday, May 3, 10:30 a.m. Confirmation/Communion Service**  
Monday, May 4, 6:30 p.m. Committee Meetings  
Tuesday, May 5, 6:30 p.m. Ladies Society Meeting @ SJS  
Wednesday, May 6, 1:30 p.m. Ladies Afternoon Fellowship @ SJS  
Saturday, May 9, MLHS Prom  
Monday, May 11, 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee  
Tuesday, May 12, 7:00 p.m. Men's Club  
Saturday, May 16, 7:00 p.m. MLHS Prism Concert & Art Show  
Sunday, May 17, 1:00 p.m. Mother/Daughter/Son Banquet @ SJS  
Sunday, May 17, 3:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting  
Monday, May 18, 8:30 a.m. Ladies Breakfast @ M&M  
**Thursday, May 21, 6:30 p.m. Ascension Worship Service**  
Monday, May 25, Memorial Day – Church Office Closed  
**Wednesday, May 27, 6:30 p.m. SJS Graduation Service @ Church**  
Thursday, May 28, 6:00 p.m. Communion Service  
Friday, May 29, 12:00 p.m. SJS Dismissed – SJS Last Day  
**Sunday, May 31, NOTE TIME CHANGE - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Worship Service**  
Sunday, May 31, 2:00 p.m. MLHS Graduation  
Monday, June 1, 6:30 p.m. Committee Meetings  
Tuesday, June 2, 6:30 p.m. Ladies Society Meeting @ SJS  
Wednesday, June 3, 1:30 p.m. Ladies Afternoon Fellowship @ SJS  
Monday, June 8, 5:30 p.m. Finance Committee Meeting  
Tuesday, June 9, 6:00 p.m. Men's Club Steak Fry  
Monday, June 15, 11:30 a.m. Ladies Luncheon @ M&M  
Tuesday, June 16, 11:00 a.m. Hamilton Home  
Thursday, June 19-21, Church Campout  
Sunday, June 21, 3:00 p.m. Church Council Meeting