

APRIL 21, 2024

THE WEEKLY WORD

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL



MEDITATION

John 10:11-18

On this Good Shepherd Sunday, we draw near and listen to the words of Jesus. Here Jesus tells us three central things to His life and ministry, His presence, His sacrifice and our togetherness. In the face of trouble and danger, the Good Shepherd ignores His own safety, so that the flock may be protected from certain death. We see that the love of the Shepherd is so great that He is willing to even lay down His life, that we may live. And in the words of Jesus there is also a profound longing for all people to be brought together into the flock, so that they can be together under His loving care. These three things, from this one passage, perfectly encapsulate the life and ministry of Jesus for us. And as we look at uncertain times before us today, we ask ourselves as imitators of the Good Shepherd, how do we care for those God has entrusted to our care? How do we model these very things in our own lives as we live by faith and under the care of our Good Shepherd, Jesus?

PRAYER

Lord Jesus, despite our constant wandering, You steadfastly stay with us. While others flee for their own safety, You were willingly arrested, brutalized, and crucified, laying down Your life for wayward sheep like us. And although Your flock is so large, You seek to grow it and desire all to be saved and brought to You. Help us to follow You faithfully all the days of our life, resting in Your care for us, and faithfully showing others the love we have first experienced from You. Amen.

Pastor Barry

THIS WEEK

Saturday - 20

Bible and Bacon 7:30am

Sunday - 21

Worship 8/9:30/10:45*

*SJS Treble Choir Sings

Fellowship Time 9am

Education Hour 9:30am

Monday - 22

Men's Bible Study 6:30am

Monday Night Meal 5-6:15pm

Worship 6:30pm

AA 7pm

Wednesday - 24

Moms in the Word 9:30am

Funeral for Jim Affeldt 2pm

Messengers of Praise Rehearsal 7pm

Thursday - 25

Women's Lifelight Bible Study 9:30am

Chapel 9:30am

Friday - 26

AA 6:30pm

Saturday - 27

Circles of Love Event 11:30am

As each one has received a special gift,
employ it in serving one another as
good stewards of the
manifold grace
of God.



1 Peter 4:10

Knowing-Jesus.com

Confirmation will be at 11:00am on May 5th
Please note the adjusted time of the late
service for this celebration.



The Nominating committee is accepting nominations for open board and Elder positions

- Terms starting July 1st.
- Nomination forms are available in the church office.
- Nominations are due by May 12th.

Campaign Administrative Assistant Needed

St. John's is looking for someone to help with administrative tasks for an upcoming capital campaign. Flexible hours with some evenings and weekends required, 10-20 hours per week, June through December.

Looking for someone with an eagerness to serve. Great phone skills and computer skills are necessary. (Word, Excel, Email, and database management) Tasks include: call and email volunteers, manage mailings, track expenses, record gifts and pledges and assistance in preparing for meetings and events.

Please send resume or letter of inquiry with salary requirements by June 4th to erika@thewellspringgroup.com.

Applications are being accepted for the Building Manager role at St. Johns.

This is a full-time position and is responsible for managing all building operations of our church and school. Experience in building maintenance is desired.

Excellent benefit package including full health, tuition discount and paid pension plan. Position requires flexibility to work days, nights, and occasional weekends.

For more information contact Gordon Thomas in the church office or at gordon.thomas@stjohns-chaska.org.

Tickets are still available!



Circles of Love
MARY MARTHA GUILD
LADIES LUNCHEON

Featuring Singer/Composer Tara Brueske

Saturday, April 27, 2024,
11:30 AM
St. John's Lutheran
Church, Chaska

Come enjoy the uniquely decorated,
themed tables and a delicious
salad bar lunch.



Save the Date!
Pastor Don Taylor: 60th Year of Ministry Celebration
June 2, 2024 10:00am - 1:30pm
at New Creation Lutheran Church in Shakopee

Christmas in May Chaska Saturday, May 4, 2024



Christmas in May is a local non-profit organization that coordinates a one-day project to rehabilitate the homes of Chaska residents who do not have the financial or physical ability to maintain their homes.

We rely on volunteers to do the work, which includes skilled and unskilled labor. Volunteering is a one-day commitment and is a great way to get to know members of our community.

Volunteers start the day with breakfast and a group meeting at 7:00 a.m. at the St. John's Lutheran Church gym.

Dress according to weather conditions, personal preference, and comfort.

If you are interested in helping, please contact Bob Swenson or Pastor Snow.



Interested in playing softball this summer?
Games would be Monday nights at 6pm at
Lions Park in Chaska, June 3rd - August 5th

Please contact Chad Reisner at
cmreisner@gmail.com if you are intersted

Parent Education Night
Presented by:
Navigations Parenting

Supporting Your Child's School Journey

POSTPONED UNTIL FALL

Wednesday, April 24, 2024
6:00-8:00 PM

- Dinner provided at 6:00 PM
- Presentation from 6:30-8:00 PM
- Childcare will be provided
- RSVP by Friday, Apr. 19



Licensed parent educators Patrice and Leah guide you in creating a partnership between home and school that will help your child succeed.





PRAYER LIST

Please continue to share your prayer requests by filling out the back of a Connect Card located on the information desks in the upper gathering and main level common areas or by going to www.stjohns-chaska.org and clicking on "How can we pray for you?" You can also contact the church office: email: churchoffice@stjohns-chaska.org or by phone 952-448-2433

FOR HEALING AND COMFORT

Stephanie Wiegert
Julie Pallas
Emily Pagelkopf
Jenna Anderson
Ronilyn Rasmussen
Jana Beckendorf
Gretchen Laubach
Fred Poppler
Kim Narkie
Grace Watry



EXPECTANT MOMS

Ashley Lenz
Christina Krueger
Clara Crawley-Reid
Melissa Dubbe
Kenzie Kloos
Kelly Otto
Brenda Simpson
Laura Dahlke

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

4/22 Russ & Wendy Leistiko
4/24 Erik & Kristin Johnson
4/24 Justin & Maddy Peterson
4/25 Chris & Rhonda Berscheit
4/26 Brad & Carol Willmsen
4/27 Roger & Marlene Preiss
4/27 Joseph & Kelsey Steinert

IN SYMPATHY

Carol Affeldt and family on the death of her husband, Jim. Funeral is Wednesday, April 24th; visitation at 1pm, funeral at 2pm.

Ongoing Prayers

Brody Lenz
Gracie Larson
John Barney
Ingrid Dixon
Anita Doss
Carol Jones
Carol Ott

Helen Schalow
Hildegard Grev
Marguerite Craighead
Mary Ann Beussman
Melinda Meuwissen
Dennis Gaarder

Eugene Henke
Earl Meyer
Jimann Sears Campbell
Cliff Waller
Gladys Wittenberg
Bernie Gnan

Merna & Sid Fjelstad
Orline Moore
Roger & Marlene Preiss
Vicky Ostlund
Val Schlefsky

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

4/21
Charlie Bahl
Owen Bahl
4/22
John Gates
David Hagen
David Ladner
Everett Peterson

4/23
Irene Vice
Jeffrey Wolfer
4/24
Sandra Beulke
Lori Dahms
Nolan Wiegert

4/25
Caleb Lainhart
Karson Robb
4/26
Andrew Moe
Landon Panning
Faith Vosika

4/27
Loretta Folkerts
Brigitta Groboski
Kristine Hanson
Anna Peterson
4/28
Josh Eickhoff
Abigail Moldenhauer
Cathy Siedelman