



# THE Sainly NEWS

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## Join Us in Celebrating the Installation of Our New Pastor

Pastor Janet Wold will be installed as Pastor of All Saints Lutheran Church on October 19 at 3:00 pm. All are invited to attend this milestone event for our congregation. A dessert reception will be held after the installation worship service.

## October 11<sup>th</sup> is the 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Chili Dinner from 5-7 pm



Join us in the Fellowship Hall at church. Have fun and enjoy some chili or chicken soup while helping the youth earn dollars for 2015 ELCA National Youth Gathering. Tickets are on sale at church on Sundays and can also be

purchased at the event. Cost: \$6.00 per person, \$4.00 ages 5-10, 4 and under is free. Chili will also be available for take-out.

## Holiday Shopping Extravaganza

Mark your calendars now!

**November 8** from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual All Saints Holiday Shopping Extravaganza.**

Seventeen vendors will bring their 'cash and carry' wares to All Saints to make your Christmas shopping a breeze!

## Confirmation & Affirmation of Baptism

**Reformation Sunday**

**October 26<sup>th</sup>**

**10:30 am worship service**

Confirmands who have completed the required curriculum will be confirmed at the 10:30 am worship service on Reformation Sunday (October 26). There will be refreshments after worship and an opportunity to greet the newly confirmed members of our congregation. Check out the display with pictures and biographical information about each of these students.



On Sunday, October 19<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am, all Confirmands and their parents are required to attend a rehearsal. Confirmands will be fitted for confirmation gowns and individual and group photographs will be taken.



## 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Autumn Fest

Lutheran Outdoor Ministries Center is having their Fall

Autumn Fest celebration. Mark your calendar for Autumn Fest at LOMC on **Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>**. There will be fun for the whole family from 9:45 am to 4:30 pm. It is a FREE event. They will have wagon rides, crafts, pumpkin carving, choir performances and worship with the Bishop Wollersheim. For more information, visit [www.lomc.org](http://www.lomc.org) or call 815-732-2220.

**Sunday Worship 8:00 and 10:30 am**  
**Whole Family Education Hour**

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**to carry out God's mission**



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## Deadline for the November

Saintly News is **October 17**

Please send articles to

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## A Note From Pastor Janet Wold

Dear Friends in Christ,

New beginnings...they're exciting, they're a little scary, and they're full of the unknown! I am so excited to have this new beginning with you as your pastor at All Saints Lutheran. And, I would guess, the congregation is ready to settle in with a new pastor too. Pastor Marilyn did such an outstanding job as your interim – I am pleased she is now going to be the interim at the congregation I just left!



Many of you were at the “meet and greet” with me on July 27 and heard a bit about my background. For those of you who weren't, let me take a few minutes to tell you about myself. I am originally from Rockford and spent all of my growing up years there. Raised as a Roman Catholic, I became Lutheran when I was in high school (another story for another day), then went to Illinois State University to become a teacher of deaf and hard of hearing children. I moved to Dubuque to teach and ultimately made the decision to quit teaching and go to seminary to become a Lutheran pastor. I was ordained in 1987 and have served congregations in Waterloo, IA, near St. Louis, MO, Lake Zurich, IL and most recently in Rockford. I am married to Alan, who is a teacher, and we have two cats: Domino and Nikki. Alan has two daughters (Ann and Virginia) from a previous marriage, both of whom live in Washington State where he is originally from. His oldest daughter Ann is married and has blessed us with two grandchildren, Gavin and Calista. Alan also has a niece, April, who has become like a daughter to me – she lives in Seoul, South Korea, is married and has a 1 year old daughter, Hannah.

My family of origin consists of my mom, Jane Peele, who is 89 and lives in a duplex at Wesley Willows in Rockford. My dad, Tom, died this past March. My brother, Steve Peele and his wife Kris live in Rockford. Their daughter Amy Hughes lives in Stillman Valley with her husband and 3 daughters, their son Brad lives in Milwaukee with his son. My sister Kathy died just a month after my dad this past spring, passing away in April. She lived in Oklahoma, where my brother-in-law and niece and nephew still live.

That's probably more than you wanted to know! I now look forward to hearing your stories and getting to know you. Being someone's pastor is such a privilege - thank you in advance for allowing me to be a part of your journey. Thank you for extending the call to me to become your pastor – I am eager to begin!

In Christ,

*Pastor Janet Wold*

## **A Special Invitation** *(more details & sign up on Bulletin Board #2)*

You're invited to a Katie's Cup Conversation with Nadia Bolz-Weber

Monday, October 6, 11:30 am - Lunch, Noon - 1:00 pm

Conversation/questions/responses

Cost: \$15 (includes box lunch - sandwich, chips, pop/coffee, cookies)

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED, due no later than Wednesday, October 1. Space is limited; early registration is encouraged. Make your reservation at: [katiescuprockford@gmail.com](mailto:katiescuprockford@gmail.com)**

## September Council Highlights

- Approved the appointment of Mike Reibel to fulfill the Worship Committee council seat vacated by Troy Rahn's relocation to California. Welcome Mike!
- Heard Zachary Fortener is interested in fulfilling the remainder of the term for Youth and Family Ministry council seat vacated by Cortni Rahn's relocation to California. His appointment will be submitted for approval at the October meeting.
- Heard Pastor Janet Wold will begin work at All Saints on September 16, and her installation will take place on Sunday October 19 at 3:00 pm.
- Heard mortgage refinance is complete, including additional funds for HVAC replacement. Lower interest rate will save us over \$100 per month.
- Heard re-keying of the church is complete and nearly all keys have been exchanged with key holders.
- Heard we will try a new method of offering envelope distribution, with envelopes being mailed to member homes on a bi-monthly basis. This will offer a cost reduction since we will not be bulk-ordering offering envelopes that may not get used.
- Heard Rally Day went well, and we are looking forward to the beginning of Sunday School on September 14.
- Heard the picnic was well attended and went well, except for unwanted visitors - BEES!
- Heard Acolyte training will take place in September.
- Reviewed results of projection survey.
- Heard we will again offer Wednesday night Advent Worship Services in December. Possibility of soup supper prior to Worship will be discussed with WELCA.

## Finance Report

### Aug. 2014 Expense Report

General Giving	= \$ 14,365.67
General Expenses	= \$ 17,860.46
Mortgage Reduction	
Capital Campaign	= \$ 3,413.50
Mortgage Balance	= \$ 250,629.58



## Synod Discipleship Gatherings

***"Conversation as hospitality  
– Helping make the faith  
connection."***

10/9 Cross of Glory, Homer Glen  
10/14 Calvary, Moline  
10/16 Trinity, Rockford  
11/6 Trinity, Ottawa  
11/11 Bethany, Woodhull  
11/13 Redeemer, Woodstock

If you are interested in carpooling to the gathering on October 16 at Trinity in Rockford, please contact the church office at 815-234-5277. We will leave All Saints at 6:00 pm to arrive at Trinity at 6:30 pm for registration and a provided light supper before the Discipleship Gathering begins at 7:00 pm.

## Sunday Scriptures



### Oct 5

Isaiah 5:1-7  
Psalm 80:7-15  
Philippians 3:4b-14  
Matthew 21:33-46

### Oct 12

Isaiah 25:1-9  
Psalm 23  
Philippians 4:1-9  
Matthew 22:1-14

### Oct 19

Isaiah 45:1-7  
Psalm 96:1-9 [10-13]  
1 Thessalonians 1:1-10  
Matthew 22:15-22

### Oct 26

Jeremiah 31:31-34  
Psalm 46  
Romans 3:19-28  
John 8:31-36



## Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 pm in Main Conference Room

All are welcome to attend as often as you are able. (Please use the South entrance.)

We use the Gospel lessons for Sunday as our study material from the site [www.ELCA.org](http://www.ELCA.org), titled *Stories of Discipleship*.

### **Oct 7 - Invitation**

Text: Matthew 22:1-14

### **Oct 14 - Citizenship**

Text: Matthew 22:15-22

### **Oct 21 –Freedom**

Text: John 8:31-36

### **Oct 28 - Blessed Living**

Text: Matthew 5:1-12

## HERE IS WHAT'S HAPPENING WITH STEWARDSHIP

Dear Friends in Christ,

Exciting events and grace filled days are happening at All Saints! Because of you, your family, and our congregational family, the gospel is being boldly proclaimed and the joy of God's grace in Christ is celebrated in marvelous ways. Indeed, through our ministry together, countless lives are being touched with the love of Christ.

As we look ahead to ministry as a family of faith at All Saints, we are embarking on an initiative that will help us grow in ministry and ways we can bring connections with people and Christ. This initiative is a three year discipleship and generosity growing opportunity for the whole congregation. Our ministry initiative is called "First, We Give of Ourselves". This emphasis will be a celebration of our ministry and growing in the delight of God's grace. As we consider the gift of grace in Christ, we will also explore the joy of our giving in grace.

This fall, the focus of "First, We Give of Ourselves" will be "Giving in Grace". We will explore together, the wonderful gift of God's grace in Christ and how it is the foundation of our discipleship and giving. Then in the fall of 2015, our focus will center on the

second facet of our ministry initiative, "Giving in Gratitude". We will explore the spiritual nature of gratitude and how it encourages us to give of ourselves in response to God's grace in Christ. Then, in the fall of 2016, we will follow through with the focus of "Giving in Generosity". What does it mean to experience God's generosity and to give with generous hearts? These are questions that will engage our sense of discipleship and invite us to grow in the sharing of gifts for ministry. We are looking forward to this three year period being a time of intentional growth in discipleship and generosity.



Our Kick-Off Sunday for "First, We Give of Ourselves: Giving in Grace" will be Sunday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. Our fall emphasis will culminate with a celebration of ministry and the sharing of commitments of how we can "give of ourselves" in ministry on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>.

Another important element of this emphasis is an "all congregation" Bible Study entitled "Giving in Grace". You are invited to be a part of these

conversations which will be scheduled on three dates now that Pastor Janet has arrived. We hope that you will plan to be on hand in worship and join our "Giving in Grace" Bible Study this fall as we consider together how, "First, We Give of Ourselves". How exciting it will be to grow together in discipleship and the joy of generosity.

Rejoicing in God's Grace,  
*Steve Jones*, Stewardship Chair

## **Sampler Saturday—A Local Mission Trip**

Are you interested in mission work but would prefer not to travel out of town for a week?

**YOU** are invited to come to **Nachusa Youth Home** on **Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 A.M.**

Nachusa Home is located in Nachusa at 1261 Illinois Route 38, a few miles east of Dixon.

We will be met by Kevin Wolfe, Head Keeper of the facility, who will share with us how things work at Nachusa. Come prepared for a half day of work projects by dressing for outdoor weather and work that day. Kevin has most tools needed for our work.

Depending on group desire, the follow up Saturday will be two weeks later, October 18<sup>th</sup> with an all-day work camp being offered.

**All skill levels needed!**

Questions? **Call Kiersten Cavanaugh at 815-288-3091** or Pastor Mark Oehlert at 815-625-2634

**Please let us know 1) that you have decided to come and 2) what your skill level is.**



## Have You Taken Control of Your Health Today?

Life Line Screening will be held at All Saints Church on November 4th, 2014 offering safe, painless, non-invasive preventive health screenings that are typically not a part of a routine physical. To be more proactive about your health and to live longer for yourself, your family and your community, please register for these potentially life-saving tests today. Watch for fliers to get more info about how you can sign up while receiving \$10 off any package priced above \$139. For only \$139 (regularly \$149) you can learn your risk of having stroke or vascular disease.

There is no time like the present to take action! Learn more by watching this short video: <http://www.lifelinescreeningblog.com/introduction/>

If you have any questions you can contact Jim Wilcox, 815-298-5546 or by email: [sgtjim271@yahoo.com](mailto:sgtjim271@yahoo.com)

### Adult Sunday School—*Jesus and the Gospels*

Presented by Professor Luke Timothy Johnson Ph.D. (Emory University)

We are completing this course, having viewed and discussed the first 24 modules of this course last year. They covered the Gospels as we know them today. This year we will look at other Non-Canonical/Apocryphal Gospels in the first ten modules and then the last two will wrap the course up. After that we will embark on new studies. For the month October, here are the topics we will cover.

Jewish Christian Narrative Gospels  
Fragments of Narrative Gospels—Gospel of Peter  
New Revelations—Gnostic Witnesses  
Jesus in Word—The Coptic Gospel of Thomas

*Steve Jones*



## YouthNEWS

October 2014

*No one has ever seen God;  
but if we love one another,  
God lives in us and his love  
is made complete in us. 1 John 4:12*

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**October 19<sup>th</sup> ...Corn Maze...5-7 pm** Everyone (adults and youth) can attend. There will be treats, hot cocoa, apple cider and best of all... 5 acres of twists, turns and dead ends in an agricultural labyrinth. Clues in the maze will help you find your way. Cost is \$4 to enter the maze and some spending money for treats and drinks. We will be outside all night so wear warm clothes. It is located 1 mile north of Byron on Tower Rd. (First Baptist Church). Sign up on the Youth Board. Come join us and have some fun!

Worship Attendance				
September	8:00	10:30	Total	Sunday School
August 31	58	44	102	na
September 7	58	73	131	na
14	58	48	106	38
21	65	63	128	53
Total	239	228	467	91
Average	60	57	117	45



**November 8th... Holiday Shopping****Extravaganza** For 6th - 12th grade

10:00 am -2:00 pm at church the Youth will serve lunch. Please sign up on youth board to help with this awesome service project. We have lots of fun and have an opportunity to shop for Christmas gifts.

Jr. High **Peder Eide** Retreat (6-9 grade) will be at LOMC for yet another year on November 7-9, 2014. Cost is \$145.00 per person, see youth board to sign up.

**Upcoming Events.....**

**December ...** Sell Pizza Kits

**December 7<sup>th</sup> ...** Youth Christmas Party for all youth from 5-7 pm at Church.

**December... Miracle on 2<sup>nd</sup> Street**

The youth of All Saints will be selling hot dogs for \$1.00 from 6:00-8:30 pm . Sign up on youth board to help. We have lots of fun.

**Just remember you can always  
bring your friends!**

*Audrey Adams,*  
All Saints Youth Leader

**S.T.A.T.I.C**

Students Taking Action Together In Christ

**Confirmation Schedule****Sunday, October 19**

Confirmation Rehearsal & Photos 9:15 am  
(both students & parents need to attend)

**Sunday, October 26 – Confirmation Sunday,**  
at the 10:30 am service

**Wednesday Schedule**

10/1 The New Testament Intro  
10/8 Leader & Guide Huddle  
10/15 New Test The Holy Spirit Comes  
10/22 Family Date Night  
10/29 No Class

**The GATHERING**

More beautiful lap robes and hats were brought to "The GATHERING" to donate to the Swedish American Cancer Center. The recipients are so happy to receive such colorful and lovely items. Thank you to all the ladies who continually work at home on this project.

If you like to knit or crochet and are in need of yarn, check with Karen or Cindy for access to the area where the donated yarn is stored. Members of "The GATHERING" sorted all the yarn - there many colorful yarns available.

Sixteen ladies gathered on Tuesday, September 9 to either work on projects, ask for advice with projects or to just enjoy companionship - plus coffee and treats.

Our next "GATHERING" will be Tuesday, October 14, 9:00 am, in the Fellowship Hall. Come and join this friendly group.

*Linda Hank*

**College Addresses Needed!**

It is that time of year when our youth are going off to college or moving away from home. If you have a person with a change of address, please notify Karen or Cindy in the church office with that address. We would like to stay in touch and get them the newsletter. OR give us their email address so we may send it electronically

**WELCA**

WELCA (Women of the ELCA) met for a delicious potluck breakfast meeting on Saturday, September 13, in the Fellowship Hall. Those in attendance all agreed we are good cooks! Watch for our upcoming bake sale with proceeds benefitting our All Saints youth trip to the ELCA National Youth Gathering in 2015. See you in church!

**Thank You, All Saints . . .**

I was so pleased to be able to continue at All Saints through Rally Day. What an amazing day it was. It took so many people to make the community picnic happen but you pulled it off. The weather was picture perfect and every detail tended to with perfection. Thanks to all of you for a job well done!

Thanks also for the gifts that were given to me that day...a thoughtful card, a beautiful bouquet of pink roses and a generous gift card. It was very kind of you to give me such lovely send-off gifts. It has been an awesome privilege to serve here in ministry with you. Please know that you will always hold a special place in my heart. May God's richest blessings be yours! —Pastor Marilyn Hanson



**Book Club** resumed meeting in September. Our next meeting is Monday, October 27 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. As of the newsletter deadline, we have not yet picked a book for October. Check out the Sunday bulletin for the title and author of the book we will discuss in October. Get back into a routine of joining those of us who enjoy reading and talking about books by coming on the 27th!

## All Saints Quilters

The quilters will meet on October 16th from 9:00 to 11:00 am at the church. There will be ONLY ONE meeting to work on quilts this month. On October 4th, the boxed quilts that have been made from October 2013 to September 2014 will be taken to Zion Lutheran Church in Rockford. The personal care kits will be taken at that time too. Thank you for all your donations. From Rockford they will be taken to Lutheran World Relief in New York and then to disaster areas all over the world. It has been a very good year with many friends coming together to use our hands for God's service.

## Library News

*October's list of books for the library begins with three Reader's Digest Large Print Editions.*

- **2014-1** contains: *Crossfire* by Dick and Felix Francis -- A wounded vet finds danger when blackmail threatens the family horse-racing business. The humorous and insightful, *Calling Invisible Women* by Jeanne Ray. Clover wakes to find she is invisible and no one notices.
- **2012-3** contains: *Very Valentine* by Adriana Tregiani -- Valentine has three wishes: to become a top shoe designer, to find the right man, and to save the family business. *Lipstick in Afghanistan* by Roberta Gately -- A nurse, in a clinic in Afghanistan after 9/11, helps families as they stand up against the Taliban.
- **2011-6** contains: *The Christmas List* by Richard Paul Evans -- This story is full of warmth and family values, with a hero who is anything but warm and family-friendly. *Small Change* by Sheila Roberts -- Three women suffering in the miserable economy take matters into their own hands and help each other solve the recession.

*The next three items have been donated by Carol Miller:*

- *Chicken Soup for the Soul -- Teens Talk Middle School*
- *Chicken Soup for the Soul -- Tough Times, Tough People*
- *Useless Information* by Jon Wilman -- Answers to More than 700 Challenging, Irrelevant Questions!

*Also being added to the library are:*

- *Leaving Cold Sassy*, a sequel by Olive Ann Burns was being written by the author while fighting cancer. She wrote 15 chapters before she died. The last half of the book is a reminiscence by her editor complete with Ms Burns' notes for later scenes and chapters.
- *Love Inspired large print Home to Stay* by Annie Jones -- Hank, a quiet, orderly country veterinarian finds it hard to resist an adorable 5-year old and her pretty, single, energetic mother.

## Thank You!

A big "thank you" goes out to all of our watering volunteers. The flowers around the church were beautiful all summer long thanks to your diligence!

*Jan Sloan*

## IN OUR PRAYERS

### Health & Healing

*Ethan Fortener*

*Heather Greene*

*Al Olsen*

*Ben Reibel*

*Bill Runnion*

*Kim Sherman*

*Mary Dummer*

*April Roos*

*Charlize Soltes*

*Dan Grossen*

*Bob Neuenschwander*

*Peggy Swinney*

*Kevin and Olivia Comers*

*Kevin Rude*

*Richard Reif*

### Shut ins

*Shirley Asher*

*Eileen Carlson*

*Eva Dieckbernd*

*Blanche Schroeder*

### In the Military

*Tyler Peterson*

*David Bishop*

*Will Goreth*

*Marddi Rahn*

*Stacy Seaworth*

*Derek Bintz*

### In Sympathy

*Iva Oleson*

### Prayer of Thanksgiving

*Bill Wittig*



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 11 – Chili Dinner  
October 12 – LOMC Autumn Fest  
October 19 – Confirmation Rehearsal  
and Photos  
October 19 – Pastor Janet Wold's  
Installation  
October 20-24 – Installation of new  
HVAC System  
October 26 – Reformation Sunday/  
Confirmation  
November 4 – Lifeline Screening  
November 8 – Holiday Shopping  
Extravaganza

## Annual All Saints Neighborhood Picnic!

Sunday, September 7 was our annual neighborhood picnic, and as always it was a huge success. Thankfully Mother Nature behaved again and we had great weather. There were activities for all to enjoy along with delicious food. The Silent Auction was amazing.



Thank you to all who donated items helping to make it so big. This year we raised \$939.00 from the silent auction. We also had a 50/50 drawing. Kirk Kirking won and donated his winnings back, bringing the total to \$192 that was donated to St. Vincent DePaul. The kids had a blast with all the

crafts, games and especially the bouncy house. That is always a fun time. Bingo and the Cake Walk were super fun too.

A BIG thank you to all who helped plan the picnic, set up, cook, serve, entertain, play, volunteered or donated items. Without you, our picnic could never be as successful as it was! There are still a few “God’s Work. Our Hands” t-shirts left for purchase for \$10.00 each. Please check with Rebecca Heaslip for size availability. If you have any comments, questions, or suggestions for next year, please let us know.

*Rebecca Heaslip*, Outreach    *Jim Wilcox*, Social Ministry

Office Hours - Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 4:00 pm, and Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.