



THE Sainly NEWS

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Spring Clean-Up Day Scheduled!

Mowing Volunteers Needed!



Mark your calendars! The annual "Spring clean-up day" at church has been scheduled for **Saturday, April 30 beginning at 9:00 am**. A sign-up sheet will be placed on bulletin board #2 so that we can determine the appropriate amount of food for the clean-up crew. The sheet will list identified tasks, but others may be added as needed. Our church runs on the efforts of many volunteers. In addition to maintaining a pleasant place for us all to worship, a well maintained property could influence visitors' choices to worship here or make a return visit. There is a need for all people, regardless of their skills, to perform a variety of tasks to help maintain our facilities.

We are also in need of volunteers for the seasonal mowing and flower watering. Please consider volunteering for one of these tasks on the Time and Talent sheet located in this newsletter. The more helping hands we have, the fewer times each volunteer has to perform the work in the rotation. The lawn mowing volunteers will be paired up with another volunteer and they could use the two riding mowers owned by All Saints.



Drop off days will be:

Mon., April 11 – 9:00 am - 12:00 pm and
4:00 pm – 7:00 pm Youth helpers will be there from
4:00 to 7:00 pm to help unload your vehicle.

Tues., April 12 – 9:00 am – 12:00 pm.

Wed., April 13 - 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

No large appliances or electronics accepted.

We need wire clothes hangers!

Rummage Sale Hours

April 14 - Thursday - 8:30 am – 5:00 pm
with a bake sale

April 15 - Friday – 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

April 16 - Saturday – 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

There will be a drawing to win one of three quilts at
12:00 pm on Saturday.

You do not need to be present to win.

If you have any questions contact Marlene Roberts

9th Annual Spaghetti Dinner

April 9, 2016

5:00 to 7:00 pm

Join us for delicious spaghetti, good fellowship and support the youth group's fundraising effort! Tickets are available now for \$6.00 each for adults, and children 6 and under are \$3.00. To go boxes are available! Contact Audrey Adams for more information.



Sunday Worship 8:00 and 10:30 am
Whole Family Education Hour
Sundays 9:15 am (Sept - May)

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Deadline for the May Saintly

News is **April 11**

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A Note From Pastor Janet Wold

Dear Friends,

We've just concluded a meaningful Lenten season here at All Saints with the triumphant celebration of our Lord's victory over death. Thank you to all who helped make our mid-week Lenten services possible as well as our Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter worship services so meaningful. Your gift of music, preparing the altar, reading scriptures, helping with the food for the soup suppers or Easter breakfast – and, especially, your attendance helped make our Lent, Holy Week and Easter the significant services they were. Thank you!

Now spring is in the air and we find ourselves grateful once again for the signs of new life around us. Though we had a relatively mild winter, I know I'm always glad to see the greening of our world again and experience the warmer temperatures. Spring is a good time to be reminded of the powerfulness of God – all around us are signs of new life coming out of what appears to be dead, sounds of powerful thunderstorms and reports of tornados and hurricanes soon to come. From the smallest blade of grass appearing from the dull, gray ground to the miracle of the resurrection on Easter morning, we are surrounded daily by wonders of God.

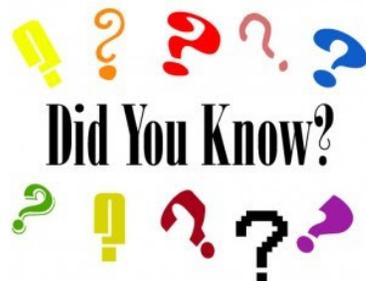
It is a good time to reflect on the renewal happening in ourselves – daily, our God gives us love, life and forgiveness. Daily we are being “re-created” to live as God desires. How are you living into that daily gift? In what ways do you try to connect to God's promises? One way is to be part of our weekly worship, another is to attend one of our Bible studies, another way is to pray and ask God to help you! We all fall short of what God wants of us – but the good news is that we have “new life” every day!

May this Spring be a time of renewal for us all.

God's blessings to you,
Pastor Janet Wold

Pastoral Acts

Baptism of Madison Elizabeth Lyon and Emily Michelle Lyon on March 13, 2016



Did you know that, because of the privacy laws, the hospitals no longer call the church when a parishioner is hospitalized? Please be sure to either call the church yourself or have a family member inform the church when you are hospitalized, so that Pastor Janet can come to see you! Thank you!



Tuesday Night Bible Study

7:00 to 8:30 pm. Please use the **South Entrance (Sunday School wing)**. Bible Study is held in the Main Conference Room.



The topic for the Tuesday night Bible Study will continue with "Forgiveness, Making Peace with the Past" for the first 3 weeks of April, with completion on April 19.

On April 26 we will be viewing all six sessions (approximately 10 minutes each in length) of the Lenten DVD, *Final Words from the Cross*. Everyone is invited to join us and join in the discussion following the presentation. If you were able to attend the Lenten services, you know how interesting and powerful this presentation is to view.

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study

The Wednesday afternoon study continues at 1:30 pm in the conference room. Our study on prayer continues through the month of April. Come as often as you are able!

March Council Highlights

- * Heard 8 children will receive First Communion at second service on March 20th
- * Approved spending \$800 of the money given and designated for church repairs to replace the inefficient 40 gallon water heater with an on demand tankless water heater
- * Discussed implementation of the Safe Child Policy
- * Heard Time and Talent sheets have had a good response
- * Heard the budget has a \$6,000 shortfall so far this year
- * Learned Michael Dixon from the ELCA will be here on May 22nd to discuss the Legacy Program
- * Heard the Youth Group will hold a Spaghetti Supper on April 9
- * Heard 9 All Saints Members attended the Congregational Resourcing Event on March 12

Pentecost Flowers and Landscaping

Let's add a little extra color to our church, especially red, for the Day of Pentecost, May 15th. Plants will be selected that will be appropriate for our outdoor flowers boxes or courtyard. The plants will adorn the entrances to our church, the sign planter, or the courtyard, reminding us of God's continuing bounty, inspiration, and new life in Jesus Christ throughout the summer months.

You can help in this project by making a donation using the insert in the church bulletins. You may give any amount of money (i.e. \$1.00, \$5.00, \$10.00) which will be used to buy flowers and other landscaping needs. Thanks for your ongoing help to beautify All Saints! Please make your donation by May 1st. Checks should be made payable to "All Saints Lutheran Church."



Sunday Scriptures

Sunday, Apr. 3 Second Sunday of Easter

Acts 5:27-32
Psalm 118:14-29
Revelation 1:4-8
John 20:19-31

Sunday, Apr. 10 Third Sunday of Easter

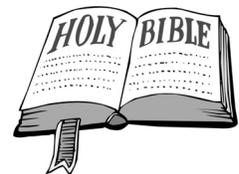
Acts 9:1--20
Psalm 30
Revelation 5:11-14
John 21:1-19

Sunday, Apr. 17 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36-43
Psalm 23
Revelation 7:9-17
John 10:22-30

Sunday, Apr. 24 Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-18
Psalm 148
Revelation 21:1-6
John 13:31-35



Please Clip & Save for your reference

Altar Guild

We have many opportunities for you to honor family members – or yourself! – by donating the flowers that adorn the altar each Sunday. If you would like to contribute a bouquet, please check out availability in the flower reservation book located on the rack in the Fellowship Hall. Bouquets are \$18.00 each and you are invited to take your donated bouquet home after it has been displayed for two weeks. If you wish to donate both bouquets for a particular two week period, make sure you write your name on both dates so someone else does not reserve the second bouquet. The cost for both bouquets is \$36.00.



Thank You!

Thanks to all who contributed to the Easter Garden in March. The church was exceptionally beautiful this Easter season thanks to your generous gifts.

Book Club

The April Book Club will meet Monday, April 25 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. All are welcome to attend, even if you haven't read the book!

April's Book Club selection is *Crying Wind* by Crying Wind Stafford. The book, a biographical novel, deals with her life on an Indian reservation with her grandmother and uncles to life in a large city with no friends and no money. After an attempt to commit suicide, she finds a church's address she recognizes in the yellow pages. The encouragement and love of the pastor and his wife help her accept herself which leads to accepting Christ as her Savior.

The GATHERING

The GATHERING will not be meeting in April due to the set-up of the Spring Rummage Sale. Join us again on May 10th at 9:00 am for more fun, fellowship, and great treats!

WELCA

Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America

Please save these dates:
 April 9th - NIS Women's Retreat / LOMC
 April 14, 15, 16 - Rummage Sale
 April 18 - Next WELCA Meeting
 May 7 - Spring Luncheon

Synod Assembly In-Kind Offering

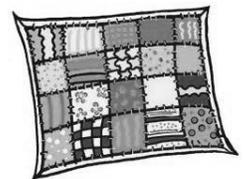
The Northern Illinois Synod is collecting items to put together in a package that will help domestic violence victims and their children. These kits will be distributed to local shelters. Please consider donating the following items:

- Shower gel and/or Soap
- Toothbrush & Toothpaste
- Floss
- Brush & Comb
- Full Size Shampoo & Conditioner
- Razor for shaving (women's)
- Face wash
- One small package diapers (choose one size newborn through 5)
- Deodorant
- Baby Wipes
- Diaper Rash Cream
- Reusable Grocery Bags

All of the above items make up one kit and will be distributed to local shelters. Our donations will be taken to Synod Assembly on June 16. If you would like to make a monetary donation to this cause, please place your donation in the Sunday offering plate and mark it "Synod Assembly Kits" on your envelope. Donations will be used to purchase items to complete kits. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

Quilters

The quilters will meet on April 7th from 9:00 to 11:00 am. There will be quilts ready to be tied and sewn around the edges. Seven quilts are finished on the average each month. Please join us on the first Thursday of each month. The time is spent working and having time for Christian fellowship.



Lawn Care Equipment Update

As Spring approaches we think of yard work and that brings us to evaluate the church's lawn mowers. The church's mowers are at least 17 years old and have been repaired many times after breaking down each summer these last few years. Budget concerns prohibit the purchase of new equipment. If someone in the congregation has a fairly new riding mower, 7 years or less, and no longer needs it, would you consider donating or selling it at a good price to All Saints? An alternative would be to create a fund to help defray the cost of purchasing new or good used equipment. Please contact Randy Masticola if you are able to help.



Luther College Choral Concert

We are pleased to announce that the Luther College Collegiate Chorale will present a concert in our area as part of their 2016 Midwest Tour at First Lutheran Church in Janesville, on Saturday, April 16 at 7:00 pm. Conducted by Andrew Last, Collegiate Chorale's program will include "Little Man in a Hurry" by Eric Whitacre, "Gospel Mass" by Robert Ray, "Crucifixus" by Antonio Lotti, and "Freut euch und jubilieret" by Sethus Calvisius. The concert is open to the public, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert.



Meals on Wheels

Beginning the week of April 25, All Saints will be assisting LifeScape with Meals on Wheels deliveries. Volunteers will meet with the LifeScape representative at 12:15 pm at the Neighbors Rehab Center. The helpers will be provided meals along with a list of Byron residents that will be receiving meals for the day. The deliveries are made Monday through Friday. It takes about an hour to complete. I want to THANK those that have helped in the past.

We need volunteers for the following dates: April 25-29, May 2-6, May 9-13, May 16-20, and May 23-27. Please contact Pam Kultgen at pamelakultgen@yahoo.com if you can help.



Youth NEWS

APRIL 2016

The Youth Group meets at United Church of Byron (UCB) or All Saints Lutheran (ASL) as noted below.

Easter Breakfast...

Thank you to all the youth & families who helped set-up, serve, and clean up for the breakfast. Thanks to everyone who donated food items. Your donations of food items and your time are what make this event such a HUGE success.



THANK-YOU ~~



April 9th ...Our 9th Annual Spaghetti Dinner is coming up soon. It will be held at church from 5-7 pm. Please come and eat, mingle with folks and support our youth group. Thanks! I am looking for some youth to help prepare the dinner. See youth board to sign up.



K-5

Meets the 2nd Wednesday of the month at UCB along with All Saints Lutheran kids after school until 5:30 pm. We will walk the kids from school to UCB.

SCHEDULED FOR April 13

LIBRARY NEWS

April 14th-16th is the annual Rummage sale. Calling all youth & families! Let's help out! Sign up on the youth board for **April 11th from 4-7 pm**. We will meet at the Masonic Lodge to help fill tables, unload boxes and whatever else needs to be done. This is a great service project. See you there.

April 17th... Youth Group 12-4 pm
We are still working on details. Check youth board for an update.

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If you would like to chaperone an event please let Audrey know. ~thanks

Thank you all for your support of the Youth Ministry here at All Saints Lutheran Church!

Our Mission statement:

Seeking God, Serving Others & Having Fun!

Audrey Adams, All Saints Youth Leader

S.T.A.T.I.C

Students Taking Action Together In Christ

- ⇒ *Beyond the Storm* by Carolyn Zane - After a tornado rips through her town, Abigail finds pieces of fabrics, from a wedding dress, curtains, a man's necktie, a dog's bed. She looks for her right to happiness while using the fabric to make a patchwork quilt and struggles with the question: "What kind of a God would allow such tragedy."
- ⇒ *The Reunion* by Dan Walsh- Aaron Miller has lost love, dignity, second and even third chances. Once honored for his heroism, he now lives as a handyman in a trailer park. Someone is looking for him that may change his life.
- ⇒ *The Yellow Packard* by Ace Collins- During the Depression, George wants to bring his baby, Rose, home from the hospital in style. So he buys a used Packard from an eccentric spinster even though there are rumors that it brings bad luck. The car is stolen and Rose is kidnapped. Finding the kidnapper by FBI agent Helen Meeker means finding the Packard while being steered into the line of fire.
- ⇒ *Rachel's Secret* by BJ Hoff- A wounded Irish American riverboat captain brings chaos and conflict to an Amish community. He needs a place to recuperate before continuing as an Underground Railroad conductor and falls in love with Rachel.
- ⇒ *Where Grace Abides* by BJ Hoff- Rachel loves her Amish community and is also in love with the "outsider" Jeremiah. With their hope to marry, he asks the bishop for permission to join the community and is refused. They try to move on with separate lives.

Worship Attendance				
	8:00	10:30	Total	Sunday School
February 28	43	68	111	30
March 6	55	64	119	40
13	44	60	104	27
20	59	102	161	18
Total	201	294	495	115
Average	50	74	124	29

Lenten Services Attendance	
Ash Wednesday	83
Lent 1 2-17	40
Lent 2 2-24	52
Lent 3 3-2	53
Lent 4 3-9	44
Lent 5 3-16	48

Guest Speaker, *Michael Dixon*

On Sunday, May 22, at both services & between services, Michael Dixon from the ELCA Foundation will be here to share with you information on creating your Legacy Plans. This presentation will get you thinking about the gifts you've received throughout your lifetime, and how your family and ministry can benefit from these gifts to make a lasting and meaningful impact in this world.



As a resource from our church, the ELCA, Michael will include an overview of how to make informed decisions -- while always considering your current needs as well as your loved one's future needs. One on one follow up appointments will answer your personal questions, confidentially.

Finance Report

Budget Items	Item Description	Actual February	Budget February	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Total 2016
Revenue	General Fund	\$11,839	\$16,717	\$27,751	\$33,435	\$197,909
	Mortgage	\$1,541	\$2,333	\$4,349	\$4,667	\$28,000
	Other Giving	\$334	\$430	\$458	\$858	\$7,850
	Total Revenue	\$13,714	\$19,480	\$32,558	\$38,960	\$233,759
Expenses	1000 Mission Support	\$469	\$1,417	\$1,078	\$2,833	\$17,000
	1000 Other Outreach	\$297	\$471	\$333	\$942	\$5,650
	Total Outreach	\$766	\$1,887	\$1,411	\$3,775	\$22,650
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Non Salary)	\$450	\$1,189	\$1,088	\$2,377	\$14,264
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Salary and Benefits)	\$10,572	\$11,433	\$21,798	\$22,866	\$137,198
	Total Ministries	\$11,022	\$12,622	\$22,886	\$25,243	\$151,462
	3000 Total Building (Non Capital)	\$2,220	\$2,896	\$4,305	\$5,792	\$34,756
	Total Expense	\$14,008	\$17,406	\$28,603	\$34,811	\$208,868
	3000 Capital Mortgage Principal and Interest	\$2,074	\$2,074	\$4,148	\$4,148	\$24,891
	3000 Capital Other Building Capital	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
	Total Building Capital	\$2,074	\$2,074	\$4,148	\$4,148	\$24,891
	Total Expenses (Capital Plus Expense)	\$16,082	\$19,480	\$32,751	\$38,959	\$233,759

As you can tell by the above graph, we are challenged to meet expenses each month with the current level of giving. We ask that you prayerfully consider giving a portion of your income tax refund to All Saints as a special gift.



PLEASE, PLEASE... if you have a change of address, notify the office immediately so there is no delay in receiving your mailings.



In Our Prayers

Health & Healing

Cheri Eden

Jeannine Hayes

Al Olsen

Leroy Pederson

Jim Reif

Ethel Montgomery

Russ &

Ellen (Booth) Spencer

Kim Sherman

Mary Dummer

Peggy Swinney

Don Hartman

Juanita Williams

Patricia Skutt

Jayne Fitzsimmons

Bob Ecklund

Duane Burnett

April Roos

Dean Booth

Bill Brown

Dean Lundgren

Pamela Newman

Brad Fandel

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April 3

Blues Concert Series Continues

April 9

Youth Spaghetti Supper

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Women's Retreat at LOMC

April 14-16

Spring Rummage Sale

April 16

Luther College Collegiate
Chorale in Janesville

April 18

WELCA Meeting

April 30

Spring Clean-Up Day

Sunday Night Blues Series Continues



On Sunday, April 3, from 4:00 to 6:00 pm, Mark Dvorak will be doing his Life and Times of the Great Lead Belly tribute where he plays and sings and actor David Causey narrates the story of Lead Belly. This will be the first half of the show and the second half will be a sing along with traditional folk songs.

Refreshments
will be served
and free will
offering will be
collected to
benefit People
Helping People.



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