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Confirmation (Affirmation of Baptism) Reformation Sunday October 29th at 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 29). 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 22nd at 9:15 am, all confirmands and their parents are required to attend the rehearsal. Confirmands will be fitted for confirmation gowns and individual and group photographs will be taken.



October 28 is the 3rd Annual Trunk or Treat at All Saints!

Come out in your favorite costume and join us in the All Saints parking lot for some Halloween fun starting at 5:00 pm and continuing until 6:30 pm. There will be a festive spirit, fun decorations, and of course plenty of candy! We are in need of volunteers to bring your decorated cars and/or donate candy. Sign up on bulletin board #2! If you have questions, contact Theresa Fitzsimmons or call the church office.

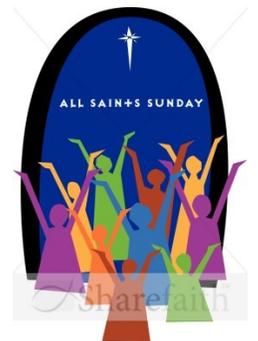
Chili Cookoff

Do you love spicy chili? Not so spicy chili? A \$5.00 ticket is your opportunity to try many different chili flavors and vote for your favorite! Join us from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm on October 28 to join in the fun and help support our Youth!



All Saints Sunday, November 5

The custom of commemorating all of the saints of the church on a single day goes back at least to the third century. All Saints Day celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who make up the body of Christ. On this day or the following Sunday, many congregations will remember the faithful who have died during the past year. You are invited to submit names of your loved ones who have died in the past year. Beginning October 15, Sunday bulletins will include a form to submit names for inclusion in our prayers on November 5.



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 November
 Saintly News is **October 16**

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A Note From Pastor Janet Wold

Dear Friends,

I've been reminded recently of the power of prayer. Certainly after all the natural disasters that have occurred, prayers are needed and appreciated. Often I am asked by people to pray for them (or with them) and I am always touched by the power of that seemingly simple act. I hear stories from folks about prayers answered – patience given when it's in low supply, healing that has occurred, peace that has filled their hearts. Sometimes I think prayer intimidates us – we think we don't know the "right" words or the "right" way to pray. I want to offer up some simple formulas that may help you. Select one and try it for seven days. Return to the formula for prayer as often as you can each day. Be sure to allow time to listen to God as well.

ACTS

A - Adoration - praise God for who God is

C - Confession - own up to our sins

T - Thanksgiving - thank God for all God has done

S - Supplication - make requests for ourselves and others

FIVE FINGER PRAYER

Thumb - pray for those closest to me

Pointing finger - pray for those who guide us: teachers, doctors, clergy, counselors, social workers, mentors

Middle finger (tallest one) - pray for those who stand tall: government, civic, and business leaders, police and firefighters

Ring finger (your weakest finger) - pray for those who are weak: the poor, sick, infirm, infants, homeless, and the powerless

Pinkie (the smallest, the least) - pray for me and my needs

Take a TRIP with God

Ask the following questions:

T - Thanks: For what am I thankful?

R - Regret: What do I regret?

I - Intercession: Whom do I need to pray for?

P - Purpose: What is my purpose or plan? (this day, week, my life)

PARTS of Prayer

P - Praise

A - Ask

R - Repent

T - Thank

S - Share

Let me know if any of these were helpful to you. Sometimes we need a little assistance to help get us back on track. I thank you for your prayers for me, and I pledge to continue my prayers for you as well.

Prayerfully yours,

Pastor Janet Wold

Pastoral Acts

Funeral for Lee Reif, September 23



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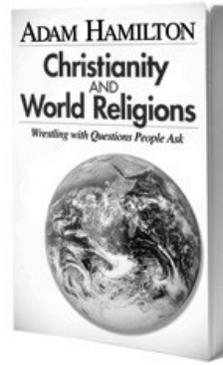


Bible Studies

Wednesday Afternoon Bible Study

Join a Study of World Religions

Back by popular demand, we will once again study World Religions this fall. Starting in September, the Wednesday Bible Study will begin a video-based small-group study using Adam Hamilton's book *Christianity and World Religions*. This class, led by Pastor Janet Wold, meets on Wednesdays at 1:30 pm in the main conference room (310).



The schedule is:

- September 27 – Questions People Ask
- October 4- DVD on Buddhism
- October 11 – Buddhism continued with special guest Khoa Ngo
- October 18 – DVD on Islam
- October 25 – Field trip to Mosque in Rockford
- November 1 – DVD on Hinduism
- November 8 – DVD on Judaism
- November 15 – Field Trip to Temple Beth-El in Rockford
- November 22 – DVD on Christianity

Bring a friend and join in this timely study!

Tuesday Evening Bible Study

7:00 in Room 310 - We are reviewing Martin Luther's Large Catechism: The Ten Commandments from the Book of the Concord.

September Council Highlights

- * Heard a Girl Scout troop will be using our facilities two Fridays a month
- * Learned giving is once again falling behind budgeted needs, especially in the debt reduction area (mortgage)
- * Heard we will again host a Trunk or Treat in the church parking lot in October
- * Learned there will be three worship opportunities on Sunday, December 24 – 9:00 am, 7:00 pm and 10:30 pm
- * Heard the Rally Day activities and picnic went well



Sunday Scriptures

October 1 – 17th Sunday after Pentecost

Ezekiel 18:1-4, 25-32
 Psalm 25:1-9
 Philippians 2:1-13
 Matthew 21:23-32

October 8 – 18th Sunday after Pentecost

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

October 15 - 19th Sunday after Pentecost

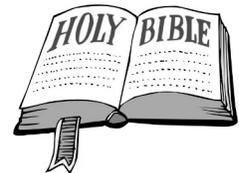
Isaiah 25:1-9
 Psalm 23
 Philippians 4:1-9
 Matthew 22:1-14

October 22 - 20th Sunday after Pentecost

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

October 29 Reformation Sunday

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



Please Clip & Save for your reference

Come, Join other Central Conference Churches to Commemorate the Reformation! October 15, 2017



Come join the once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to be a part of the ELCA's 500th Anniversary of the Reformation. Held at St. Paul Lutheran Church in Sterling, the event kicks off at 2:30 pm with a presentation by Prof. Wanda Deifelt "The Legacy of the Lutheran Reformation and its Influence in Shaping Current Ecumenical Dialogs and Partnerships". At 4:00 pm we will worship with Bishop Jeffrey Clements featuring a hymn-sing: "Through the Church Year with Martin Luther" followed by a complimentary light supper. If you would like to lend your voice to the Special Choir that will be leading the hymn-sing, please contact Alisha Fortener who will provide you with the music.

2018 Budget Planning Begins

The Finance Committee will be asking for budget input for 2018 from All Saints committees starting in September. Committees will receive a letter with a copy of the 2017 budget, current 2017 spending to date, and some prior year financial data to review so they can assess and make their input. We have gotten pretty good at budgeting to our needs. We do not have a lot of fluff or extras built into our budgets. We try to be realistic in estimating what we have spent and where we will go in the next year with our mission and ministries. Thanks to all who support this process!

Steve Jones, Finance Chair



Library News

Courageous by Randy Alcorn and donated by Skip Richardson follows the lives of four police officers who face danger every day. But when tragedy strikes in their personal lives, these fathers wrestle with their hopes, fears and their faith.

A Pug's Tale by Alison Pace is an amusing tale about a Pug named Max who helps his owner, Hope, a PI, and a fellow pug lover, crack the case of a stolen painting at the Metropolitan Museum of Art.

High-Stakes Inheritance (Love Inspired) by Susan Sleeman- "Pinetree will never be yours. Leave Logan Lake now or you will pay." Mia must live a year at Pinetree in order to receive her inheritance from Uncle Wally. During that time she is rescued from a barn fire by an ex-boyfriend, threats continue, a murder occurs, and Mia could be next.

Large Print, *House of Secrets* by Tracie Peterson- Three sisters go through 15 year old memories of an ill mother and their desperate father's choices. As children, they kept their family secret, but now one sister believes the secret must be resolved.

Large Print, *My Gal Sunday* by Mary Higgins Clark contains four high-society crime cases of the sleuthing duo, ex-President Henry Parker Britland IV and his congresswoman wife, Sunday.

White Picket Fences by Susan Meissner- The Janviers seem to be the perfect family, but when Tally's father disappears and she goes to live with her Aunt's family, secrets from the past involving the Holocaust threaten to destroy their lives.

Quilters

The quilters will not meet in October. In September we met several times to quilt, display quilts and then box them up to send to Lutheran World Relief. The personal care kits will also be boxed and taken up to Zion Lutheran Church in Rockford to go along with donations from many churches in the area. This past year of working together to make quilts for the people in need has been a joy to the many ladies that come each month to work together. We plan to continue to meet the first Thursday of the month beginning in November. A generous donation of Thrivent dollars has been designated for our group from Gloria and Al Olsen to use for batting and other supplies. These gifts and the donations of fabric and sheets keep the quilters with all that is needed to make quilts for people in need.



Women of All Saints gathered for a delicious and enjoyable breakfast meeting on Saturday, Sept. 16th. We were happy to see that the new window blinds were up in the fellowship hall and pleased with how well they look. We heard reports from different committees. We voted to purchase new table cloths for the round tables in the fellowship hall as well as four rectangular table cloths. We also voted to send a \$100 donation to the hurricane relief through Lutheran Disaster Relief, and make a \$150 donation to LSSI. We are encouraged to support the Youth in their Potato, Pie and Pop supper September 30. Looking to the future, Advent soup suppers will be held on the three Wednesdays before Christmas, and we are encouraged to sign-up on Bulletin Board #2 in November to donate soup, bread, and/or desserts.

We are planning, with the church leadership, a celebration of the anniversary of Pastor Janet's ordination on Sunday, November 12th at 11:45 am. The celebration is an open house with finger sandwiches, fruit and cake. If you are able to help with this effort, please contact Marlene Roberts at 815-218-1134.

We are planning an early Christmas decoration and bake sale on Friday and Saturday, November 17th and 18th. We have many decorations already donated. If you have Christmas decorations that you no longer need, but are in good shape, you can donate them to this event on Wednesday and Thursday, the 15th and 16th of November. Funds raised will go to support the work of WELCA. The bake sale during the rummage sale will take the place of the bake sale we did last year the Sunday before Thanksgiving. Watch for more information on this event in the November newsletter as well as Sunday bulletins.

Next WELCA meeting is Saturday, January 20, 2018 at 9:00 am. This will again be a pot luck breakfast meeting because everyone enjoys good cooking!
Carolyn Niederer



Youth NEWS

October 2017

All Saints Lutheran (ASL) and United Church of Byron (UCB) have partnered again to do fun and exciting things with our youth.



October 22 - meet at All Saints at 10:30 am for the Youth Gathering and then at 12:00 noon we will travel to Jonamac Apple Orchard in Malta, IL. This is a joint trip with the kids from UCB. More information to follow!

October 28 - 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm - Chili Cookoff Youth Fundraiser. A \$5.00 ticket will give you the opportunity to taste and vote for your favorite chili! Come, join us for this fun evening, and help support the Youth Group!

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

Our Mission statement:

Seeking God, Serving Others & Having Fun!

Audrey Adams,

All Saints Youth Leader

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Students Taking Action Together In Christ

CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS AND BAKE SALE

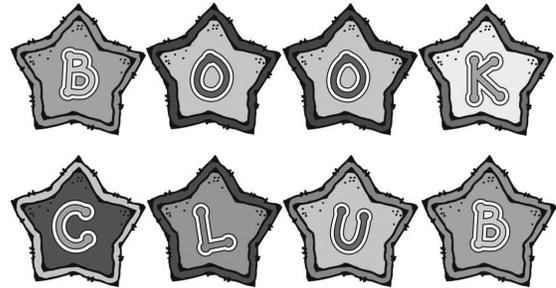
WELCA is organizing a Christmas decoration rummage and bake sale for November. The sale will be held on Friday, November 17th from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and on Saturday, November 18th from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm. Funds raised will go to support the work of WELCA. More details will be in the November Newsletter. If you have Christmas decorations that you no longer use and are in good condition, you can donate them to the sale. Contact Marlene Roberts if you can help. Thank you for your help!



Altar Guild – Save the Date!

The annual Altar Guild meeting will be held on Saturday, January 6, 2018 at 9:00 am in the main conference room. Please plan to attend if you are a current Altar Guild member or if you would like to check out the work that we do! If you have any questions, please contact Kay Johnson or any other Altar Guild member listed in the weekly bulletins. We'll be happy to assist you!

We have discontinued the intinction style of communion wine distribution on the fourth Sunday. If you are scheduled to set up communion on the fourth Sunday, please set up as usual using the disposable cups and wafers. Thank you!



Same Kind of Different as Me by Ron Hall and Denver Moore is this month's Book Club selection. Ron was an international art dealer. Denver's family were sharecroppers in 1960's Louisiana's cotton fields. After Ron and his wife, Deborah, became Christians, Deborah heard of a mission in Fort Worth, Texas in need of donors. After his grandmother died when their shack caught fire, Denver hopped a train and got off in Fort Worth. This is a true story of how they met and their difficult road to friendship helped by the love, compassion and faith of Deborah.

We meet on the fourth Monday of September through June (except during the month of December) at 1:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

Worship Attendance				
	8:00	10:30	Total	Sunday School
August 27	47	39	86	n/a
September 3	47	50	97	n/a
10	57	59	116	n/a
17	53	55	108	17
24	43	37	80	19
Total	247	240	487	36
Average	49	48	97	18

Finance Report

Budget Items	Item Description	Actual August	Budget August	Actual YTD	Budget YTD	Budget Total 2017
Revenue	General Fund	\$11,932	\$14,333	\$120,903	\$114,667	\$172,000
	Mortgage	\$1,393	\$2,083	\$14,280	\$16,667	\$25,000
	Other Giving	\$2,678	\$2,110	\$10,536	\$16,884	\$25,326
	Total Revenue	\$16,004	\$18,527	\$145,718	\$148,217	\$222,326
Expenses	Mission Support	\$1,185	\$1,250	\$7,790	\$10,000	\$15,000
	1000 Other Outreach	\$53	\$467	\$1,768	\$3,733	\$5,600
	Total Outreach	\$1,238	\$1,717	\$9,558	\$13,733	\$20,600
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Non Salary)	\$1,483	\$997	\$6,890	\$7,978	\$11,969
	2000 Ministries of the Congregation (Salary and Benefits)	\$10,074	\$11,210	\$85,352	\$89,676	\$134,515
	Total Ministries	\$11,557	\$12,207	\$92,242	\$97,655	\$146,484
	3000 Total Building (Non Capital)	\$2,093	\$2,529	\$18,065	\$20,234	\$30,351
	Total Expense	\$14,888	\$16,453	\$119,865	\$131,622	\$197,435
	3000 Capital Mortgage Principal and Interest	\$2,074	\$2,074	\$16,594	\$16,594	\$24,891
	3000 Capital Other Building Capital	\$0	\$0	\$7,509	\$0	\$0
	Total Building Capital	\$2,074	\$2,074	\$24,103	\$16,594	\$24,891
	Total Expenses (Capital Plus Expense)	\$16,962	\$18,527	\$143,968	\$148,216	\$222,326

Crossroads Blues Society

Crossroads Blues Society Concerts at All Saints will resume on October 1. The artist for the October concert is in the process of being confirmed, and further details will be in upcoming Sunday bulletins. The concerts will be held from 4:00 pm to 6:00 pm and are free. There will be a free-will offering accepted to benefit People Helping People and help offset the expenses incurred by the artists performing.



Pastor Janet was first ordained as a pastor 30 years ago on November 7th. We are planning on celebrating this anniversary with an open house gathering on Sunday, November 12th at 11:45 am. Stay after second service or come back and join us to remember this important event. There will be light snacks served: finger sandwiches, fruit and cake.



In Our Prayers

Health & Healing

- Lynn Burrows**
- John Cassens**
- Jim Coffman**
- Al Olsen**
- Leroy Pederson**
- Skip Richardson**
- Juanita Williams
- Duane Burnett
- April Roos
- Bill Brown
- Laura Egler
- Marcia Kasmaric
- Dolores Burton
- James Maxwell Farrell
- Arnold Schramm
- Francine Wallery
- Frank Lewton
- Lillian Long
- Roger Hathaway
- Tim Lapp
- Reggie Wallin
- Chet Kobel
- Chloe
- Frank Tomasino
- Steve Hawkins
- Paul Wood
- Tom Owens
- Sheri Dossett
- Ron Larson

Shut Ins

- Eileen Carlson**
- Lori Pederson**
- Patricia Mohr**
- Blanche Schroeder**
- Mary Whitmer**

Military

- David Bishop**
- Landon Skaar
- Staff Sgt. Kyle Reif
- John Rebolledo

Sympathy

- Charlene Cooper
- Lee Reif

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100th Birthday wishes



Blanche Schroeder turns 100 on October 7th. She is the oldest member of our church. She is also one of the charter members of All Saints. We would like to bless her on her birthday with a card shower. When you sign your name please add that you are from All Saints. Her address is: Blanche Schroeder, 811 S 10th Street, Oregon, IL 61061



October 1

Blues Concert

October 15

Reformation 500 Gathering

October 22

Confirmation Rehearsal and
Photos

October 28

Trunk or Treat

October 28

Chili Cookoff

October 29

Affirmation of Baptism
(10:30 am)

Office Hours - Monday through Thursday 9:00 am to 3:30 pm, and Friday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm.