

ST. JOHN'S NEWSLETTER



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BUILT ON CHRIST OUR CORNERSTONE

GROWING IN CHRIST'S FAMILY

-In God's Grace

-In God's Service

"We have found the Messiah" (that is, the Christ). —John 1:41

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As I write this pastoral letter, I look out my window this cold January morning, the freezing rain is changing to snow. Spring seems so far away. Yet, judging by the overwhelmingly pink and red interiors of the stores, Valentine's Day (and spring) must, indeed, be coming! Many expressions of love and affection will be exchanged once again this Valentine's Day. Yet, there is no greater act of love than the life, death and resurrection of Christ Jesus for our salvation. The whole of Scripture revolves around this one supreme act of unconditional love!

But why is it that Christians associate the title Christ with God's love in Jesus? What does the word Christ mean? A look at God's Word will help explain this. The Gospel of Matthew begins by recording the genealogy of Jesus, "...and Jacob the father of Joseph, the husband of Mary, of whom was born Jesus, who is called Christ." (Matthew 1:16).

As Matthew sets the tone for his Gospel, he is careful to note that Jesus was revered as Christ. This familiar title is actually a form of the Greek word *χρίω* (*chrío*) meaning, "to pour or anoint." To anoint was to pour sacred oil over someone's head as a visible sign that God had set him aside for a special task. Jesus bore the title Christ because he was the one God anointed to be the world's Savior.

The Gospel of John (chapter one) reveals Jesus, the Word made flesh, and describes Andrew's excitement at having met Jesus: "The first thing Andrew did was to find his brother Simon and tell him, 'We have found the Messiah' (that is, the Christ)" (John 1:41). Andrew bursts forth in joyful acclamation, using the title Messiah which is the Hebrew equivalent of Christ, "the Anointed One."

The Gospel writer John is quick to point out that from the beginning of Jesus' public ministry the hope of the ages was intimately associated with salvation in Jesus. Indeed, at the time of his baptism Jesus was consecrated for his messianic ministry in a remarkable way... "heaven was opened, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and lighting on him. And a voice from heaven said, *"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased"* (Matthew 3:16-17). Jesus was anointed by the Spirit of God and received the clear approval of his heavenly Father. Talk about divine endorsement!

Because Jesus is *The Anointed One*, he is the one foretold in ancient prophecy who would bring salvation, redeeming us from the curse of sin! There is no greater act of love—true love! Now that’s a magnificent valentine! So whether you’ll be celebrating Valentine’s Day with a loved one or alone, you have Someone always with you who loves you more than any human being ever could! His name is Jesus, and He has made you His forever!

Yours in Christ’s Amazing Love, Pastor Wright

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Join the Sunday morning Adult Bible class located in the Library. The current study is the role of a Pastor and the congregation according to scripture. This study and discussion will include the study of God’s Word according to Timothy and Titus.



The Thursday night Men's Bible group are using a study entitled, “The Great Divide” which is a study of Islam. This is a great time to join with other men in the study of God’s Word. They meet the first Thursday of each month at 7:30 pm in the library.

Steve Mooney leads a second Men’s group, which meets the second Tuesday of every month @ 1 pm. The new topic started in November is; Jesus "I Am" Words, found in the Book of John. All men, high school and older, are welcome to either of these groups!

HOUSEKEEPING REMINDERS

The church building is locked whenever Terri is not in the office Please contact her, in advance, if you need to have access to the building.

All groups please remember to make sure all lights are turned off, no toilets or water are running, and everything is clean and returned to its proper place before you leave. Thanks for your help!

OFFICE

Please call the office when someone is ill, hospitalized, or homebound.

Please use the email addresses below. Bulletins and sermons are posted on the website each week.

Terri Hock – churchoffice@stjohnsgeneseo.org

Website address – www.stjohnsgeneseo.org

Facebook pages: <https://www.facebook.com/St.JohnGLY/> (youth page)

<https://www.facebook.com/St.Johns.Geneseo/> (church page)

Submit bulletin items by Wed. of each week. Newsletter articles are needed by the third Sunday each month.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

1 Sherry Wechsler
7 Brennan Lambin
8 Robert Erdman
13 Anda Price
14 Erik Boehmke



16 Sean Helke
16 Caleb Nash
17 Joyce Dodge
19 Lisa Allison
23 Kristin Mosher

23 Carmen Sette
25 Sarah Hock
25 Joel Jorgensen
25 Joseph Schillinger
26 Carolyn Werner

FEBRUARY BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

6 Teresa Hock
7 Kelly Helg
7 Mary Jayne Nash
8 Carson Mitchell



13 Laura Anderson
13 Sara Yerkey
18 Nicole Magerkurth
25 Emily Marckese

26 Kyra Nash
00 Cathy Schillinger
00 Sherry Wechsler

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

12 Brent/Laura Anderson (2011) - 8 yrs



15 Alex/Lindsey Gustafson (2014) - 5 yrs

CALL MEETING

The Call Committee has selected four pastors for the congregation to consider calling. The information on these men is available for review at your convenience in the church office. The first call meeting is set for Sunday, February 10. All members of St. John's who is 18 years old are eligible to vote for a new pastor.

LIFE LIGHT

Life Light begins Sunday, February 3 @ 1:30 pm and Wednesday, February 6 @ 1:00 pm. The study for this session is, 'End Times'. There is so much incorrect teaching on this topic. Come see what God really has to say about the end of this world and the second coming of His Son, Jesus. Books are available on the counter between the mailboxes. This would be a wonderful study for all to get involved. Consider attending one of these sessions this season. You will not be disappointed.

SHARING OUR EXCITEMENT WITH THE COMMUNITY!

In order to share our special celebration around the community, we will be selling T-shirts and car magnets/decals. Please see an example of each on the table by the office window. Payment for both must be made before placing the order. T-shirts will cost \$9.00/shirt, vinyl decals are \$3.25 each, magnetic decals are \$5.25 ea. Please sign the sheets with the number of each item you desire and pay Terri Hock. With all the bad weather, I will still take orders for several more weeks but let me know ASAP.

LWML 150TH ANNIVERSARY SPECIAL MISSION PROJECT

St. John LWML kicked off the 150th celebration of the church with an ingathering for Christian Care, a homeless shelter for men, in Rock Island. The goal is to gather 150 items needed by the shelter. (See below for the list of items needed.) We gather these items in thanksgiving for the years of God's many blessings to St. John.

To date we have **48** items. That is almost 1/3 of our goal of 150 items. Let's see if we can get to 150 before the end of this month.

Items needed: Paper Towels, Toilet Paper, Kleenex, Laundry Soap, Windex, Shower Cleaner, Zip Lock Bags (sandwich and gallon size), Napkins, 39 gallon black garbage bags, Men's deodorant, Body Wash, Bar Soap, Liquid hand soap, Large bottles of salad dressing (Ranch, French, etc.), Sugar, Coffee, Tea, Catsup and mustard.

150th ANNIVERSARY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Last month a calendar of special events was included in the newsletter. During the month of February, we encourage everyone to attend one of the Life Light Bible studies. All information for this is listed in the beginning of this newsletter.

Join us Sunday, February 17 for lunch furnished by our Elders. I heard there will be several different kinds of Chile, corn bread, and desserts. Come for some great food and lots of fellowship.

ALTAR FLOWERS

Celebrate a special occasion with flowers. Sign the flower chart which is on the bulletin board next to the rest rooms. Put \$20 in a yellow envelope found by the chart. Fill in the date you want to provide flowers and the occasion/memory and place envelope in the offering plate. The rest is done for you.



LWML NEWS

St. John's LWML met Tuesday January 8, 2019 at 1:00 pm. We had 10 women present, which included two guests, Carolyn Werner and Joanie Stonehouse.

This month we began with two favorite hymns. We sang "As With Gladness Men of Old" and they hymn from last month, "Lo, How a Rose Is Growing" which is the favorite of Betty Firch.

Liz Neumann read the Devotion, 'Fighting Anxiety' based on Psalm 56:3 and 1 Peter 5:7. Our topic was from the Quarterly, "Lord, I Can't Handle This!" Liz also



shared that CPH have a devotional called 'Today's Light'. This takes the reader through the entire Bible in two years.

Minutes from the December meeting are approved as printed. We received correspondence from Phil's Friends, Clausing newsletter and Orphan Grain Train.

The treasurer's report is as follows and will be filed for review. November receipts: Mites \$488.89, Operating \$19, Missions \$160. Distributions: Mites \$488.89, Operating \$20. Balance: Missions \$428.84, Operating \$134.67. December Receipts: Mites \$335.51, Missions \$43, Operating \$25, Socks \$77.10. Distributions: Mites \$335.51, Operating \$20. Balance: Missions \$471.84, Operating \$139.67, Socks \$77.10.

Sherry Wechsler moved that we give the sock money to Phil's Friends and request a box sent to Judy Wiegle. This is approved.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Joyce reminded us that we begin our support of Rev. Clausing for the year. LWML's portion is \$600. We are also to pray for them and remember their birthdays and special days. Eleanor has a birthday January 10. Joyce will do her best to get some kind of acknowledgement off to her via email.
2. We took a few moments to explain what LWML is all about since this was Joanie's first exposure to the organization.
3. Joyce reminded us of our 'Ingathering' for Christian Care. We hope to gather 150 items in praise to the 150 years God has blessed St. John's.
4. At this time there has not been an update on the Mite collection

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The theme for our year in LWML is 'Paradoxes of the Bible'.
2. Margo Schillinger will lead next month's devotion and topic. Wanda Rahn will serve as hostess.

We closed our meeting reading together Mite Box Prayer 1 followed by introductions of everyone to Joanie. Sherry Wechsler served as hostess (AKA Bob). A yummy chocolate flourless cake was served.

Respectfully submitted by, Terri Hock, Secretary

ST JOHN 150TH TRIVIA QUIZ

The committee for the 150th celebration has decided that it would be fun to include some information in each monthly newsletter about the history of our congregation. It is important that we appreciate the way our church was founded by those German immigrants and the lengths they went to in assurance their families would be faithful to the teachings of the Gospel.

1. When the congregation considered building a church, they subscribed \$542 for the purpose. Who was the member who offered a parcel of land to build on?
2. Four more acres of land were purchased at a cost of (a) \$10, (b) \$25, (c) \$40 per acre.
3. The new church was dedicated September 16, 1872. The 30 x 60 building cost about (a) \$1,000, (b) \$2,000, (c) \$3,000.
4. T or F - The first pastor called to St. John's was J.P. Guenther. His salary was \$100 per year with increases up to \$300. For a year following his arrival he also served Concordia congregation in Geneseo.
5. T or F - Rev. Guenther was ordained and installed in July 1874.

STEWARDSHIP

The season of Epiphany focuses on how God was made manifest in the flesh of Jesus. The church spends time hearing of the miracles, the signs and wonders, of Jesus in the world.

And this made plain to all that Jesus was who He said He was: He was the Second Person of the Holy Trinity, the only-begotten Son of the Father, in the flesh. For "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us" (John 1:14).

It is revealed for all the world to see that Jesus is God in the flesh. It is made manifest by His words and His work, by what He said and by what He did. And these belong together, for "the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

Jesus is the Word and will of God in the flesh, that is, He is the walking, talking, enactment of God's Word.

It is no different for us. We are called not just to believe in God in hearts, but also to trust in God in word and deed.



As James wrote: “But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves” (James 1:22), and again, “What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? ... So also faith by itself, if it does not have works, is dead. ... Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. ... For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead” (James 2:14, 17–18, 26).

Our faith is lived out in works for our neighbor. Our trust in the Word and will of God is lived out not in word only, but also in deed and in truth.

In other words, the Epiphany of the Lord creates in us an epiphany of our faith in our works of obedience to God who commanded them. By this, our faith is made manifest to the world. It is, as Luther wrote of faith:

“Faith is a divine work in us. It changes us and makes us to be born anew of God (John 1). It kills the old Adam and makes altogether different people, in heart and spirit and mind and powers, and it brings with it the Holy Spirit.

“Oh, it is a living, busy, active, mighty thing, this faith. And so it is impossible for it not to do good works incessantly. It does not ask whether there are good works to do, but before the question rises, it has already done them, and is always at the doing of them.

“He who does not these works is a faithless man. He gropes and looks about after faith and good works and knows neither what faith is nor what good works are, though he talks and talks, with many words about faith and good works.

“Faith is a living, daring confidence in God’s grace, so sure and certain that a man would stake his life on it a thousand times. This confidence in God’s grace and knowledge of it makes men glad and bold and happy in dealing with God and all His creatures.

“And this is the work of the Holy Spirit in faith. Hence a man is ready and glad, without compulsion, to do good to everyone, to serve everyone, to suffer everything, in love and praise to God, who has shown him this grace.

“And thus it is impossible to separate works from faith, quite as impossible as to separate burning and shining from fire. Beware, therefore, of your own false notions and of the idle talkers, who would be wise enough to make decisions about faith and good works, and yet are the greatest fools.” (*Preface to the Book of Romans*)

So, then, let our faith be active by God’s power in the Word through the Holy Spirit. And let then our faith be made manifest to the world by what this faith does: serving our neighbor — in church, in the family, and society — with the works of faith in time, talents, and treasures.

EVANGELISM

Major depression is a cruel and horribly sad disruption of life. True clinical depression dwarfs any sadness the average person experiences. The booklet *“Depression – Understanding the Pieces of the Puzzle”* offers insights and a fresh perspective into how to respond – with knowledge and compassion – to those who are depressed. Look for it in the narthex tract rack.

Always be ready to make your defense to anyone who demands from you an accounting for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and reverence 1 Peter 3:15

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday school continues each week even during this winter weather of cold and snow. Do not let the weather keep you from bringing your children to learn of their Savior. Our dedicated teachers are prepared each week to share the Saving Grace of Jesus.

Plans have started for some of the youth to attend Higher Things. They will go to the June 25-29th session in Minnesota. Pray for them as they plan, fund-raise and work toward this trip.

YOW continues each week with Heidi McKibbon guiding this program. We are so thankful for her willing service to this congregation and our youth. Your help is always welcome.





STEPHEN MINISTRY

Here's What People Are Saying about Stephen Ministry – I had never felt so alone as after my wife died. I had never opened up to anyone else before. My Stephen Minister helped me work through the painful feelings and helped me find hope again. *Keep on loving each other as brothers. Hebrews 13:1*

HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?

Each week there is a small group of women who gather for prayer. They pray for the needs of their families, this congregation and its members, our community, nation and world. All are invited to join them whenever possible. There is no greater way to serve than through prayer.



Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Philippians 4:6-7

We also have a 'Prayer Chain'. All prayer requests can be made to the office and a special prayer will be sent to those prayer warriors. For more information on either group contact the church secretary.

'What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer!'

There are bright orange prayer request cards in the pew rack. Use these to let us know how we can pray for you or your loved ones. Place these cards in the offering plate or in the church office.

Pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. James 5:16b

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL

Throughout each month, please join the Council in praying for two families of St. John's congregation. The families for the month of February are: Fred & Sheila Magerkurth, and Broc Krantz family.

COUNCIL/VOLUNTEERS

We are blessed with people who are willing to give of their time and talents in serving God, this church, and the members of St. John's. During the month of February, we ask you remember the Board of Elders (Joel Werling, Brad Gehn, and Larry Hock). These men have a lot on their shoulders especially during our vacancy. Pray for them daily that they would have the wisdom and strength to do all God is asking of them at this time.

Our Infrequent Attendees – pray the Holy Spirit bring them to the understanding of their need to be in regular worship in church on Sunday and that we as their brothers and sisters in Christ would reach out to them.

Our LWML Chapter and Ladies Aid – that God would continue to bless their work.

Sunday school – pray the Holy Spirit would direct and guide the students to a better understanding of God's love and mercy in Jesus Christ and that all parents would be diligent in bringing their children each Sunday.

Women's Ministry - we pray that a ministry would begin which would speak to the needs of all women.

Youth – pray the Holy Spirit would provide the means to work with our youth to keep them faithful to their confirmation promises. Bless and increase their numbers.

Elderly/Shut-ins - pray that this congregation would continually remember our Elderly and Shut-ins and minister to their special needs.

Stephen/Care Ministry – pray that God would guide us to the needs of others and supply willing people who will reach out to help provide for those needs.

REMEMBERING THOSE IN NEED!

ST. JOHN'S FAMILY—O Lord, You are the great Physician of soul and body. We pray that You would show mercy these members of St. John's:

Drew Schillinger

Anda Price

Ann Raschke

Paula Chapa

John Wildermuth

Darla/Gary Johns

Derek Helke

Brenda Hallendorf

John Neumann

Jim/Shirley Dahl

Arlyn Helke

Marilyn Woods

Bob Esterlein

Cleone Loenser

Tim/Kristy Wolfe

Kevin Rahn

OUR EXTENDED FAMILY/FRIENDS:

Calling committee members

New Shepherd for St. John's

Christian & Krysti Jones (seminary student 2018/19)

Don Eggers (son of a friend of Marilyn Woods)

Diana Helke (sister-in-law of Arlyn and Marcia Helke)

Mike Miller (friend of Bob & Sherry Wechsler)

Jodi Martins (daughter of Gary & Darla Johns)

John & Anita Causling (missionaries in Kenya)

Corey Neumann (cousin of John Neumann)

Marilyn Potts (wife of Cal, former LFC)

Pam Bennett (friend of Dan/Roselyn Maeltzer)

Alaina Dicky (great niece of Sandy Kane)

July Umbarger (wife of Pastor Umbarger, St. John EM)

Rosemary Sternbeck (wife of Pastor David Sternbeck)

Karen Wright (wife of Pastor Gary Wright)

Judy Wiegler (daughter of Faye Piepho)

MILITARY, THOSE SERVING & THEIR FAMILIES:

Mandy & Richard Davila (daughter & son-in-law of Dale & Linda Aper)

Luke & Nicole Thompson (son & daughter-in-law of John & Kindra Thompson)

Ken Willeford (husband of Alicia Hock)

James Balleger (son of Dave & Robin Balleger)

Tyler Hynes (nephew of Mark Ague)

Karl Flynn (son of Mr. & Mrs. Paul Flynn)

Tyler Mahsem (son of Phil & Teresa Mahsem)

Zachary Gardner (nephew of Bob & Lois Esterlein)

150th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

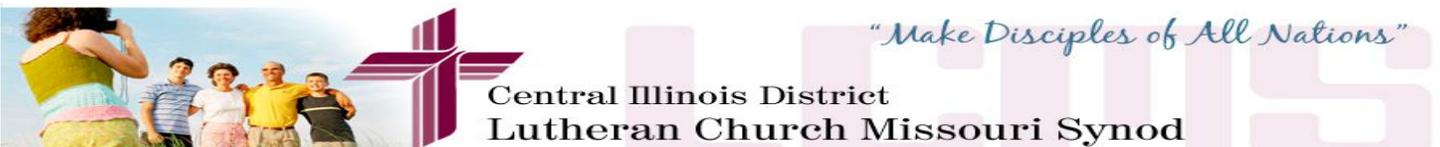
"The Lord is faithful through all generations, therefore we will tell of His mercy to our children."

The verse above is our theme throughout this year of 2019. St. John's Lutheran Church is celebrating a tremendous milestone of God's faithfulness and blessings. During the year, we will focus on the many gifts given to our ancestors and us throughout these many years. Not only will we look back, but we want to look forward as well. We have a great message to share. Our ancestors knew the importance staying true to the Word of God and they eagerly shared this message of God's grace through Jesus to their families, friends, surrounding communities and around the world. **We can do no less.** May our voices speak in strength and boldness about our loving Heavenly Father and the salvation given to all who would believe in Christ Jesus. Answers to quiz: Question 1 – Wm. Klewin, 2 – b, 3 – b, 4 & 5 are both True.

2018/2019 HAMMOND-HENRY HOSPITAL HEALTH SERIES

Health professionals and other experts will offer information on a variety of topics affecting the health of men and women. Women's Health topics will be offered from 12 noon – 1 pm at The Cellar on the fourth Thursday of the month. The cost for lunch is \$8.

Women's Topic: February 28, 2019. Day Trips



CID Youth Bible Bowl

Topic: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (Genesis 12-35)

Date: March 31, 2019

Location: Trinity Lutheran Parish Center- Springfield

It is time to start organizing your Youth Bible Bowl team. Circuits should schedule their regional Bible Bowl a least one week before the District Bible Bowl. If you are looking for assistance in getting your circuit Bible Bowls together, you may contact Pastor Mark Eddy in Taylor Ridge at or 309.795.1472

Do not forget to direct Thrivent Choice Dollars® - Grant funding from Thrivent Financial through its Thrivent Choice® program can help support organizations you care about. Don't let Choice Dollars expire.

Eligible Thrivent Financial members who have Choice Dollars available are asked to direct any remaining Choice Dollars. Help support the Central Illinois District- Springfield, IL. Go to learn more or call 800-847-4836 and say "Thrivent Choice" after the prompt. If you are eligible Thrivent Financial member and have Choice Dollars available to direct, please keep us in mind.



**The Camp CILCA Lowdown
February 2019**

217-487-7497 / camp@cilca.org / 4124 Camp Cilca Rd, Cantrall, IL 62625

Men's Woodcutters Retreat

February 15-17, 2019

\$ Cost 30

Men, rev up your chainsaws, ready your log splitters, and sharpen your axes. Cutting trees, splitting wood, fellowship with other men, good food, time in God's Word and worship are all part of this men's retreat. You do not have to be skilled in using a chainsaw, hammer, or a tractor to come to this event.

This year's presenter is Rev Kirk Clayton of Zion Lutheran Church in Mascoutah, IL. He will be teaching men to "Defend the Faith."

We plan to stay in the Christian Growth Center, so there is no need to bring your own bedding. Please let us know you are coming so we can prepare the meals. To register, contact the camp office [217-487-7497/camp@cilca.org]



Making Memories Scrapbooking Retreat

February 22-24, 2019

The cost is \$80 for your room and meals. Each participant will be given a 6-foot table to use. Three meals will be served on Saturday, as well as brunch on Sunday. Bedding and towels are also provided in the hotel-style rooms of the Christian Growth Center. (Private rooms will be an additional fee.)



Find out more on-line at www.cilca.org
Email camp@cilca.org
Call 217-487-7497

Camp CILCA exists to foster and strengthen faith in Jesus Christ and relationships with others in a unique outdoor setting.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES

The Lutheran Hour can be heard each Sunday on the following radio stations at the list times.

WGEM	Kewanee, IL	1500 AM	5:30 am
WKEI	Kewanee, IL	1450 AM	5:00 am
KCLN	Clinton, IA	1390 AM	9:30 am
WMT	Cedar Rapids, IA	600 AM	6:30 am

You can also receive Daily Devotions to your computer by going to lhmin@lhm.org

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!

Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church

Hampton Bluff

January 16, 2019

St. John's Lutheran Church
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Dear Fellow Redeemed at St. John's Lutheran Church:

We were overwhelmed to receive your extremely generous gift to Zion!

Our mission statement at Zion reads: "As disciples of our Lord and Redeemer, Jesus Christ, Zion Lutheran Church is a community at prayer, in the Word, rejoicing in our baptism, and feasting regularly on His body and blood. Being thereby equipped and empowered, we love and serve the community in which God has placed us by our witness to Christ, by showing mercy, and by welcoming all into our joyful fellowship."

It is no secret that Zion has fallen on lean times, but your gift will help us to continue to carry out that mission where God has placed us, and help us to get the "home fires burning" once again! As always we covet your prayers.

It is a joy to know that there are fellow brothers and sisters in Christ, near and far, who are willing to let their lights shine as they share the love of Christ and sacrifice for the benefit of others within the family of God! You are an inspiration to us and an shining example of what God's children are called to do and be!

May our Lord bless both Zion and St. John's and all true believers around the world. May He bless you as you celebrate 150 years of His grace as a congregation. Indeed, "The Lord is faithful through all generations, therefore we will tell of His mercy to our children!"



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It's our joy and privilege to share our pastor with you during this time of pastoral vacancy. Rest assured that we remember you often in prayer asking that God, in His time, grant you a loving and faithful shepherd of your own!

Once again, please receive our deepest appreciation for showing your love and support to us!

In Christ's Unchanging Love,

The Members of Zion Lutheran Church

FEBRUARY

2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	ELDER Brad Gehn	ACOLYTE Coy McKibbon	USHERS Kevin Rahn Stacie Rahn Kyle Rahn Kaleb Rahn		1	2
3 SS/Adult/Youth Bible Study 8:45am Worship/Comm 10 am Life Light 1:30 pm	4	5	6 LLL 10 am Life Light 1 pm Confirmation 5:30pm YOW 6:30pm	7 Prayer Circle 8 am Elders 6:30 pm Men's Bible Study 7:30 pm	8	9
10 SS/Adult/Youth Bible Study 8:45am Worship 10 am Call meeting 11 am Life Light 1:30 pm	11	12 LWML/Men's Bible Study 1 pm SM Supervision 4 pm	13 LLL 10 am Life Light 1 pm Confirmation 5:30pm YOW 6:30pm	14 Prayer Circle 8 am 	15	16
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**SUNDAY SCHOOL/ADULT & YOUTH BIBLE
CLASS - 8:45 AM**

WORSHIP SERVICES – 10 AM
1st & 3rd Sundays celebrate
Holy Communion

Call meeting – February 10th
Chile lunch – February 17th



1885

**150th
Anniversary
Celebration**



1960

***St. John's
Lutheran Church***
Geneseo, Illinois



2012

1869-2019

The Lord is faithful through all generations.