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OUR MISSION

Christ is committed to us, so *through* him we commit to connect families to him through excellence in education...for learning, for life, forever.

January 8, 2023 NEWS

VOTERS MEETING

There will be a voters meeting on **January 15** around 11:30am (after the 10:30am service) to approve budgetary adjustments, which includes tuition cost, and discuss teacher calls.

LWMS (Lutheran Women's Missionary Society) is women dedicated to serving Jesus by increasing awareness of, interest in, and support of the mission outreach of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We meet the third Tuesday of the month in the fellowship hall. Starting **January 17**, we will begin the meeting at 6:30pm. Pastor Meyer and the ladies from St. Paul's in Marshall will also be joining us. If you are interested in promoting the mission work of WELS why check us out.

EVER HEAR OF "SALTY EARTH PICTURES"?

This company has studios in Fort Atkinson which create and distribute award-winning, Christ-centered motion pictures and media around the world, taking its name from Jesus' words, "You are the salt of the earth." Come and hear President Steve Zambo tell how they produce Christian films and DVDs. A new 2023 release is the story about "An under-cover agent and detective who wants to become a pastor." You'll hear it at the next ROCK RIVER AREA OWLS meeting on **January 17** (1:30pm third Tuesday) at Bethany Lutheran Church in Fort Atkinson, served by Pastors Steinbrenner and Winkelman, located at 404 Roosevelt St, Fort Atkinson (920-563-8113). As always there will be refreshments and a time to visit with others after the topic. Meetings are handicap accessible and last about two hours. Seniors who are retired and/or 55+ years are encouraged to become members while guests are always welcome. Use the search words "Rock River Area OWLS" to see our YouTube video. For more information email dplocher@msn.com or call 920-478-7337.

WINTER PASTOR'S CONFERENCE is Monday, **January 9**, 9am-5pm at Watertown.

SENIOR CHOIR

Sing to the Lord! Praise His name! There will be an organizational meeting and first practice for the St. John Senior Choir on Wednesday, **January 18** at 6:30pm. Even if you're not sure, come and try it out. We will meet in the church and practice until 7:30pm. Please come and join us! For further information you may contact David Haeuser dhaeuser@gmail.com or Karla Haley at khaley@stjohnwaterloo.com.

CHRISTIAN LIFE RESOURCES

This year our Annual Membership and Board Meeting will be held the same day as the Sanctity of Life Sunday, **January 22**, at the Alpha Resource Center at 313 E. Main St in Watertown, WI. The meeting will run from 1:30pm-2:30pm and light refreshments will be served.

WISCONSIN HERD GAME

The Wisconsin Herd are proud to welcome WELS members for a night out at Oshkosh Arena as the Herd take on the Greensboro Swarm! All WELS members will be invited down onto the court post-game for a group photo, and shoot free throws. Upon checkout, enter your congregation name to receive a videoboard shout-out at the game! The game is on **January 28** at 7pm. Tickets can be purchased at <https://fevo.me/welsherd>.

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Thank you to those who signed up for picking up the monthly newsletter copies at church or by email! Those who opted to pick up their monthly newsletter at church can find them in the narthex. As with anything new, there are a few wrinkles to iron out. Thank you for your patience while we work these out. If you have not signed up to receive your monthly newsletter by email or at church, the sign-up sheet is next to the monthly newsletter bin.

TODAY IN SUNDAY SCHOOL...

This week in our Christian education time, we study "A Divided Kingdom." Solomon's heir, Rehoboam, ignored the pleas of the people to lighten their load; instead, he threatened to make their workload even more difficult. Angered by his response, ten tribes of Israel make Jeroboam their leader, leaving Rehoboam to lead only the tribes of Judah and Benjamin in Jerusalem, where the temple was. As a family, discuss how the division of the kingdom affected the worship life of the people. Ask, "How could dividing yourself from church affect your worship life?"

CALENDAR

Monday 1/9	Tuesday 1/10	Wednesday 1/11	Thursday 1/12	Friday 1/13	Saturday 1/14	Sunday 1/15
<u>5:30pm</u> Worship Committee Meeting <u>7pm</u> Worship	<u>3:30pm</u> BB Practice	<u>10am</u> Highland House Bible Class <u>4pm</u> PSCC & TBC	<u>3:30pm</u> BB Practice <u>7pm</u> Bible Class			<u>8am</u> Worship <u>9:15am</u> Bible Class Sunday School <u>10:30am</u> Worship <u>11:30am</u> Voters Meeting

PASTORS

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OFFICE HOURS

8am – 3:30pm
 Monday – Friday