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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.

## March 10, 2024 NEWS

### CALL MEETING RESULTS

On February 28, our church was blessed to call Pastor Andrew Johnston to service as our second pastor here at St. John. Please keep Pastor Johnston and his family in your prayers as he deliberates where he can best serve God's people. You may reach him at 305-548-9266 or [andrew.johnston@wels.net](mailto:andrew.johnston@wels.net)

**EASTER CARDS** are available in the library if anyone wants to purchase some.

**PREP SPRING CONCERT** is **today** at 2pm. The concert is in the Luther Prep gymnasium.

### 2024 WELS/ELS SINGLES RETREAT

We invite all singles (widowed, divorced, or never married) to join us at the 2024 WELS/ELS Singles Retreat for a weekend of fellowship and fun! The retreat will be **April 26-28** at Camp Shiloh in Pittsburg, TX. Our theme is "Living In Our Season." The price is \$150. You can register at [wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat](http://wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat) (<http://wels-els-singles.com/2024-texas-retreat>). Any questions can be sent to [texasingleswels@gmail.com](mailto:texasingleswels@gmail.com).

### ALTAR GUILD TUTORIAL

If you are interested in refreshing your knowledge of the Altar Guild Committee, there will be a tutorial at 9am on Saturday, **March 16**, in the fellowship hall. All new and old members are invited.

**MARCH PUBLICATIONS** including the March "GO News Monthly" church newsletter, Lakeside Federation Connection, etc. are available for pick-up in the narthex.

**MONTHLY NEWSLETTER ARTICLES** for the April church monthly newsletter ("GO News") are due to the office on **March 15**.

**SPRING BREAK OFFICE HOURS** will be 8am-12pm on **March 18-22**.

## **ST. JOHN SCHOOL GARDEN**

This spring we are looking to add a school garden here at St. John Lutheran School. Which we believe will enhance our National School Lunch Program with improved quality of vegetables and a variety of produce --all grown by the students. With overall inflation, supply chain issues, increased transportation costs and a disturbingly high number of recalls of tainted produce, growing as much of our produce as we are able, makes sense. The Federal school lunch program now agrees. Additionally, with the Biblical themes of planting, harvesting, and caring for the land (Proverbs 28:19), this will provide us with a wealth of teaching opportunities for the children to grow in their understanding of God's Word and in their environment. We're hoping to purchase stock tanks and convert them into raised beds for planting. The size of the tanks is student friendly, arrive ready to fill with soil, and reduce the need for weeding. The vegetables grown would be fresh, nutritious, and increase the possibility of students wanting to eat more vegetables -- especially since they grew and harvested them. The school garden will be financed by donations. So, if you would like to donate to this project, it would be very much appreciated. Seeds and plants are already donated. Please mark your donation: School Garden. If you have any questions, please contact Susan McDermott at 608-279-7795.

## **CHILDREN'S LITERATURE AND DEVOTIONS AT HOME PRESENTATION**

On Thursday, **March 14** at 6pm, we have a special presenter coming to St. John to speak to parents and their families about children's literature and the importance of doing devotions at home with your children. The presenter is Cindi Holman, Director of WELS Early Childhood Ministries. Cindi has a passion for these topics and cannot wait to be able to present to our congregation and school families! There will be a Google Form sent out soon if you would like to come hear Cindi Holman that evening. This will help us prepare for how many will be in attendance.

## **THE LIVING TOMB**

Volunteering to "guard the tomb" is a unique and wonderful way that we can share the gospel, or good news, of Christ to the people in or traveling through Waterloo! We want this to be a visual reminder of God's love to people who don't know Him, and to remind those who do believe of the joy of God's promise fulfilled! The shifts are three hours long, from Good Friday afternoon to early Easter morning, and there are generally refreshments for the "guards." You can sign up a team of 3-5 people, or guard on your own. We only ask that we don't have young people guarding the tomb without an adult. The sign-up sheet will be in the church narthex.

## **BLUE BUTTERFLY MINISTRIES IS GROWING - JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

We are now adding two new paid positions to better support our staff of volunteers. One position is a paid sales associate and the other being a Lead Supervisor position. Each position has a different description of responsibilities and pay rate based on experience and our budgetary needs of our mission store. Availability is needed Monday-Fridays, 9:30am-5:30pm and possibly 2 Saturdays a month from 9:30am-3:30pm. The schedule is very flexible. Please contact Ashley Wenninger at 920-215-1154 for more information or to answer any questions you may have.

## **TWICE IS NICE RETAIL STORE NEWS, MARCH 2024**

Shop: March is when we change seasons! In preparation for this, 50% storewide on clothes runs March 7-16. Come find those winter super-bargains for next year! Summer clothes begin to hit the sales floor Monday, March 18. We're easy-to-find and open Mondays-Saturdays from 10am-4pm. Volunteer: Do you have a day or two free in the ides of March to lend special support during our seasonal 50% sale when we clear winter clothing inventory and make way for spring/summer clothes and accessories? The days we're asking for extra help include March 7-16 from 10am-4pm. No prior experience is needed. Saturdays at the back door to receive donations are ALWAYS needed. Volunteer for one or more 3-hour Saturday shifts (10-1pm or 1-4pm); contact manager Megan at [manager@twiceisnice.shop](mailto:manager@twiceisnice.shop) with your availability, and thank you! Donate! Our back door is open 10am-3:30pm for your clean and salable donations any day the store is open. Questions? Call 920-674-6868, ask for Megan or email. See the list of items that cannot be accepted under FAQs at [twiceisnice.shop](http://twiceisnice.shop).

## **CAMP BIRD FOR LUTHERANS**

Camp Bird for Lutherans is a youth camp for children currently in grades 5-8 (entering grades 6-9 in the fall). It is located near Crivitz in Marinette County. The price for each child is \$250 per week and \$150 for each additional sibling. Swimming, canoeing, boating, hiking, challenge course, kickball, volleyball, archery, arts & crafts, campfires, Bible study, games, camp songs and many other activities are waiting for you this year! Visit [www.campbird.org](http://www.campbird.org) for more details and to register online.

## **SAVE THE DATE**

Taste of Missions will be held **June 15**, at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Mequon, Wis. Come and learn all about WELS mission work around the world, meet the missionaries, and sample ethnic foods.

## **SCHOOL CHOICE INFORMATION**

St. John is a part of the Wisconsin Parental Choice Program (WPCP). With an increase in tuition for the upcoming school year, families who are income eligible may receive a voucher from Wisconsin to pay for all tuition-related expenses at our school. The WPCP provides an opportunity for families to continue their child's Christ-centered education at St. John. All families that think they may be eligible are encouraged to apply. The deadline to apply is **April 17**! The application can be found on the WPCP website. For more information about the WPCP, Lakeside Lutheran High School has a great reference page for Choice. If you have any questions about the Choice program you can speak with Principal Busch or our Government Programs Coordinator, Susan McDermott.

## CALENDAR

<b>Monday 3/11</b>	<b>Tuesday 3/12</b>	<b>Wednesday 3/13</b>	<b>Thursday 3/14</b>	<b>Friday 3/15</b>	<b>Saturday 3/16</b>	<b>Sunday 3/17</b>
<b><u>6:30pm</u></b> Senior Choir	<b><u>9am</u></b> Bible Class  <b><u>6pm</u></b> All Boards Bible Study  <b><u>6:30pm</u></b> School Board Meeting  <b><u>6:30pm</u></b> All Boards Meeting	<b><u>10:30am</u></b> Highland House Bible Class  <b><u>4pm</u></b> Lenten Service  <b><u>4pm</u></b> PSCC and TBC  <b><u>5pm</u></b> Lenten Supper  <b><u>6:30pm</u></b> Lenten Service	<b><u>6pm</u></b> Children's Literature and Devotions at home Presentation  <b><u>7pm</u></b> Bible Class	Dress Up: Wear Green Day	<b><u>9am</u></b> Altar Guild Orientation	<b><u>8am</u></b> Worship  <b><u>9:15am</u></b> Bible Class Sunday School  <b><u>10:30am</u></b> Worship – Sunday School Sings

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### OFFICE HOURS

7:30am – 3:30pm  
Monday – Friday

### PASTORAL OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday and Thursday 8am-12pm (noon)