

St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church



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Mission Statement: God's work. Our hands.

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Joint Congregational Fellowship Picnic

ROBERTS PARK, Shields (Pavillion)

Participating Congregations: St. John Lutheran, Our Saviour Lutheran, Resurrection Lutheran, Ascension Lutheran, Faith Lutheran, Zion Lutheran Saginaw, St. Matthew Lutheran, Zion Lutheran Freeland.

July 30, 2017 • 1 pm – 5 pm

Brats & Hot Dogs Provided, Tableware Provided

Please take a dish to pass.

Registration is required. Please sign-up on church bulletin board.



Church Updates

Donations: Roger & Pauline Winterstein (General Fund), Sue Harris (General Fund), Donald Albrecht (General Fund)

Recently Hospitalized: Audrey Edmond, Sandra Johnson



Reminder!

Worship begins at 9:00 a.m. through the end of summer.



St. John Annual Pig Roast August 13, 2017

Our St. John family enjoys this fellowship each year, and we are grateful to Carl & Betty Quackenbush for the continued hosting of this fun event. We would love to see everyone there.

Dinner is at 3:00 pm

You are welcome to arrive any time after 12:00 noon.



Family Camp at Camp Lu-Wix-E August 18-20, 2017

The weekend of Friday, August 18 – Sunday, August 20th will be the Family Fun Camp with our St. John family. This year, we have also invited Our Saviour Lutheran Church to share in our fellowship. This year, we are asking that attendees chip in \$10 pre-payment per person for weekend provisions. You can give this directly to Pam Aven, and call her at (989) 385-4877 to make your reservation. Please have all monies in by August 6th.

We have a fun week planned and your bed, meals and small craft projects are also included.

If you aren't able to stay the weekend, please join us on Saturday, August 19th at 2:00 pm. Bring a dish to pass and enjoy the camp and our potluck dinner.

Thank You!

If you have called the church office recently, you may have noticed a new voice at the phone. After 5 years of service, Barb Socia is leaving and our new organist is taking over as church secretary July 1, 2017. Please welcome our new secretary, and stop in to welcome her! We thank you so much, Barb, for keeping our church running smoothly and efficiently. We will miss you!



St. John Lutheran Numbers

Date	Attend.	Deposit
6/4/17	35	\$2,699.85
6/11/17	47	\$2,818.00
6/18/17	36	\$832.00
6/25/17	42	\$1,800.50

Memorials/Gifts Received

January 1 – June 25, 2017

Altar Flowers	\$127.50
Breakfast for the Hungry	\$2,330.00
Camp Lu-Wix-E Gifts	\$70.00
Congregational Life	\$465.55
Evangelism	0
General Fund	\$2,786.26
Heating Fund	0
Luther League	\$7.00
Music & Worship	\$40.00
TOTAL	\$5,826.31

Year-to-Date Offering Income:	\$31,897.35
Year-to-Date Rental Income:	\$15,762.00
Year-to-Date from Trust Income:	\$60,000.00
Year-to-Date Seminary Student	\$8,000.00

Please Remember Care Facility Members:

Please Remember At Home Members:

They would love a card or visit from you!

Happy Birthday!

July 4 Alexis Venegas
 July 8 Kimberly Hoppe
 July 9 Raul Venegas, Sr., Raul Venegas
 July 11 Tracy Hagar
 July 14 Dale Glover
 July 16 Ashley Hoppe, Louise Powell
 July 21 Laurel Buchholz
 July 26 John Braun
 July 28 Debrah Herzberg, Lorna Keaner, Scott Taylor
 July 29 Luella Markel
 July 30 Sue Albrecht, Nina Jackson
 July 31 Craig Glover, David Kramer, Linda LaFlair,
 Betty Leitow

*Happy
 Birthday*

Happy Anniversary!

*HAPPY
 ANNIVERSARY*

July 11 Larry & Lorelei Roenicke
 July 25 Robert & Madeline Blohm
 July 25 Dylan & Danelle Harrington

Church Council – 2017

Officers to serve from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

President: Robert Morgan
 Vice-President: Mark Oswald
 Treasurer: Carl Quackenbush
 Secretary: Ruth Sharper

Boards to serve from July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2019

Stewardship & Finance: Carl Quackenbush
 Building & Maintenance/Camp Lu-Wix-E: Mike Basner
 Worship & Music: Janet Goodeman & Pr. Kathleen Basner
 Congregational Life: Marcy Andersen
 Evangelism: Eveline Gatzsche
 Parish Education: Madeline Blohm

Great Lakes Loons Family Night – July 27, 2017

\$1 hot dogs & pops! We have 20 tickets in Section 105, behind the home plate, with the game starting at 7:05 pm. First paid is first reserved. See Marcy Andersen for your tickets!

August 6th Back to School Fun Fair

Volunteers & Donations Needed!!

Needed: Back to school supplies, food donations, and volunteers.

St. John is hosting "For Kids of the Kingdom" fun fair on August 6, 2017, from 1:00-4:00 pm. Your help and support is needed to spread the word, volunteer and donate. There will be games for the children, a cake walk, arts & crafts and, of course, popcorn!

If you would like to participate, please join the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board at the church.

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SUNDAY WORSHIP 9:00 a.m.



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NEWSLETTER

Deadline:

Please submit all articles for the newsletter the 20th

Honduras Companion Synod Lutherans Visit Mid-Michigan



Schedule of Events

Sunday, August 13 Ascension Lutheran Church

9:15 am Getting Acquainted
10:30 am Worship Service
11:45 am Lunch

Zion Lutheran Church

5:00 pm Spanish Worship Service

Light meal to follow with time for Honduran question/answers.

Monday, August 14 Midland/Bay City

9:30 am Visit Midland Lutheran Churches/St. Timothy
12 Noon Lunch in Bay City
2:00 pm Messiah Lutheran, Bay City
6:30 pm Picnic Dinner at host home with Honduran guests. All welcome.

Tuesday, August 15 Our Savior Lutheran Church

9:30 am Bible study/sharing faith stories, refreshments

Please RSVP: billandsarag@charter.net

You may also contact the church office.

Help Reunite a Family



Esther's Daughters is a mission project of Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church in Bloomfield Hills, MI. The goal of the mission project is to bring two young girls from Papua New Guinea to the United States and assist their adoptive family in establishing permanent housing. The girls (age 12 and 15) are the orphaned nieces of one of Beautiful Savior's members. They are currently in the care of their aging grandmother, who is in declining health. Should something happen to their grandmother, these girls are left with few opportunities, and at best, would be placed in arranged marriages (away from their current village) or, at worst, face the risk of human trafficking. Funds raised will be used by Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church for legal fees, travel costs, and other financial needs associated with an international adoption. If you can help, you may donate online at: <https://www.crowdrise.com/estersdaughters>. You can also donate by sending a check to: Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, 5631 N. Adams Rd., Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304, and in the memo line write "Ester's Daughters Mission." (These girls are the nieces of Michelle Basner-Ketepa's husband, David. Michelle is the daughter of Pr. Kathleen and Mike Basner, and grew up at St. John. Michelle is on the staff at Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church. Thank you for considering to help!)

Saginaw Metro Ministries Food Pantry Update

Thank you so much for helping us raise over \$35,000 through our Spring Fundraising efforts. With help from your generous donations and prayers, we are back on track for funding the Food Pantry. Saginaw Metro Ministries has a mission to serve God, our neighbors, and each other. You are directly helping us to continue providing food to our Saginaw friends and we cannot thank you enough! If you would like to join our fundraising efforts, please call or email me at: 517-712-8294 or karenjoyluplow@yahoo.com.



Stephen Ministry Training

Stephen Ministry will provide a 15 week Stephen Ministry training session this fall, beginning August 22, 2017 ending December 12, 2017. Session will be held monthly on Tuesdays, from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm.

The location will be at a Christian church in the area, and will be announced at a later date.

Think of those in your congregation and your pool of individuals who are good listeners, encouragers, and love Jesus. You can encourage individuals to polish their caregiving skills through Stephen Ministry training

If you would like more information, please contact:
Pastor Sue Hand: Zion Lutheran, Saginaw, or call (989) 792-7135.