

From Pastor Kleinschmidt

Labor Day and the County Fair are quickly upon us. With these two things it starts to feel a lot like the fall. Then with school starting, life gets very busy for many people. One thing I would like to encourage over the course of the next school year is continued study of the Bible. We know that Holy Scripture is the foundation of how our Lord speaks to us, so we must be ready to open our Bibles and hear the voice of our Risen Lord speaking words of comfort and mercy.

We have many opportunities for Bible Study at church. First, on Sunday morning after Divine Service there is Adult Bible Class. We will soon be finishing our study of the Biblical origins of the Nicene Creed. After we finish this up we will begin studying the Large Catechism. You have studied the Small Catechism during Catechism class when you were younger, but how many people have studied the Large Catechism? Martin Luther intended it to be the natural progression of Christian learning. It will be eye-opening how relevant and applicable the Large Catechism is to everyday life.

Secondly, the Wednesday night class is restarting on September 5th. We will be studying the book of James. James is a New Testament book that doesn't get studied often because people shy away from what it has to say about good works. We'll find that the book of James fits in perfectly with the rest of Scripture and provides good guidance in how to love your neighbor because of your faith in Jesus Christ.

Thirdly, the Thursday afternoon Bible Class at 1pm studies the Lectionary. This means that we will look in-depth at the reading that will be preached on the coming Sunday. If you want to know in advance more details on the Sermon text then this would be the perfect Bible Study for you.

Finally, there are the two groups, Men's Breakfast and Ladies Bible Study. These groups meet once a month. Men's Group is the second Saturday of the month and Ladies Bible Study is the first Wednesday of the month. Check the church calendar for more details on these.

Even with the wealth of opportunity to study God's Word you may have reasons not to attend. Let me address a couple of those.

1. I don't know the Bible well enough. You're right, none of us do. But you will never be ridiculed for what you do or do not know. You will never feel the fool just because you don't know where something is to be found in the Bible. After all, this is the whole reason we gather to learn the Word of God; to learn.

2. I go to church, that is enough. Is our Christian faith something where we want to barely get by, or is it something where we hunger and thirst for more Jesus? To think we can squeak by is not how Jesus would have us think. He says, "Come unto me all who are weary and heavy laden and I will give you rest."

3. I don't have the time for that. Maybe you don't. But that really is a matter of priorities. What are the important things in your life? How do you figure out what you'll spend time on and what you won't? To let God speak to you through His Word should be a priority.

4. I learned enough in Confirmation class, I don't need to go to Bible Study now that I'm an adult. The study of God's Word is not confined to a certain number of years of your life or a certain time period of your life. Learning the things of God is a life-long experience that God continues to bless you through.

With all of this being said, I want to emphasize that studying God's Word is done not just at church with a group of people. It can also be done at home, but there isn't anyone to hold you accountable and that makes it harder.

Rejoice in God's Word. Our heavenly Father has given us this great gift. Just like the child who can't wait to play with their new toys on Christmas morning, we should have that same excitement over God's Word.

May our study of God's Word this school year be blessed by the Holy Spirit and may we grow in faith towards our Savior, Jesus Christ.

In Him,

Pastor Kleinschmidt

ST. JAKOBI NEWS & EVENTS

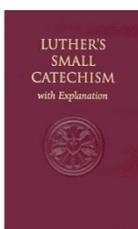
SEMINARY PROFESSOR COMING TO ST. JAKOBI

On Saturday, September 22nd Rev. Dr. William Weinrich will be at St. Jakobi to present a special Bible Study on *Baptism in the Gospel of John and what it means for you*. His presentation will be at 4pm and conclude at about 5:45pm. Following his Bible Study there will be snacks, bars, and coffee in the Narthex. Then at 6:30 the Saturday evening Service Pastor Weinrich will be the guest preacher. Dr. William C. Weinrich is Professor of Early Church History and Patristic Studies at Concordia Theological Seminary. He is a graduate of the University of Oklahoma, Concordia Seminary, St. Louis (1972), and received his Doctor of Theology degree from the University of Basel, Switzerland (1977). He joined the seminary faculty in 1975. Dr. Weinrich served on the Commission on Theology and Church Relations (1992-2001); Doctrinal Review Commission (1992-1998); Third Vice President, LCMS (1998-2001); Fifth Vice President, LCMS (2001-2004). Dr. Weinrich served 30 years in the Indiana Air National Guard, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel in 2002. Plan on coming to this very special opportunity at St. Jakobi.



CATECHISM CLASS

The School year will be in full swing and that means Catechism class begins again. The first day of class is September 5th at 3:30. The Catechism students (5th-8th grade) will be attending class weekly and continuing their duties serving as Acolytes. May God bless them during their time of instruction in the Christian faith.



FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship will be restarting on Friday, September 7th. We eat at 6:30, but come early for drinks and socializing. In September we will go to Studio Lounge on County Highway M. Call Joanne Bublitz (526-5315) if you plan on coming so she can make the appropriate reservations.

SUNDAY SCHOOL



The first day of Sunday School is September 9th. Class starts in the Sanctuary at 10:30 with an opening led by Pastor and then class goes until 11:30. Thanks to all the volunteer teachers this coming year. We look

forward to seeing the tree in the hallway at church grow leaves representing the children growing in their faith each time they attend Sunday School.

The Sunday School Teachers are:

Pre-school – Heather Pyatskowitz
Kindergarten – Mark Buettner & Martha Gebert
1st & 2nd Grade – Patti Samson
3rd & 4th Grade – Melissa Teetzen & Stephanie Boyles
5th & 6th Grade – Cindy Gueths & Joel Buettner

WEDNESDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY

The Wednesday evening Bible class will begin on September 5th at 7pm. This year we will begin a study on the book of James. James is notable in the New Testament because there are many Lutherans who have a difficult time reconciling the talk of good works with saving faith. We will discuss in class what the life of a Christian looks like and how to lead good, holy lives that show the living faith we all have. Come join us on Wednesday's at 7pm in the Church Library.

POTATO PANCAKE DINNER

Once again we are preparing for the best pancake dinner around. Please mark September 23 on your calendars as we will need all your help for a successful Pancake dinner. The Committee is working on work schedules at this time. Last year we served 599 people with many compliments on what a nice job St. Jakobi members have done over the years to serve such a nice dinner.



WOMEN OF ST. JAKOBI!

If you haven't come to the Women's Bible Study, put it on your calendar now! We have great discussion about the Bible topic assigned. Plan on attending the first Wednesday of the month at 1pm in the Library at church.

YOUTH GROUP – J.O.Y.

Jakobi's **Outstanding Youth** will be meeting for the first time this year on Sunday, September 16th at 5pm at Pastor's house. We will have a campfire and a cookout and then time for a Bible Study and games. If you are in High School or 7th & 8th Grade, then please come. We want to get Youth Group going again and we want as many kids to participate as possible. Bring a friend! They don't have to belong to St. Jakobi.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The second Saturday of every month, the men of the congregation are invited to have breakfast in the Parish Hall. We had a great breakfast in August and a good discussion about the shootings in Aurora, CO and Oak Creek, WI. We talked about how to respond to tragedies like these in a Christian manner.

ASK THE PASTOR

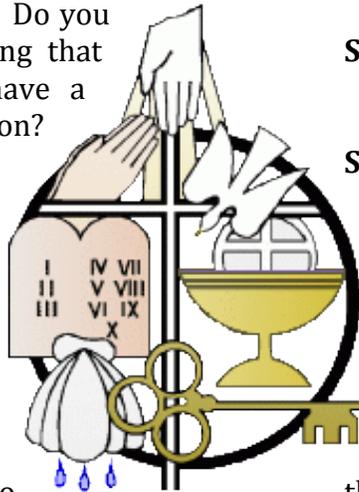
In future newsletters Pastor will be answering questions you might have. You can write questions down and put them in the offering plate or ask him in person or by email (pastor@stjakobi.org) and he will provide the answer in the newsletter for all to read. Do you have questions about why we believe a certain thing? Do you have a question about a specific Bible passage you read? Do you have a question about something that we do in church? Do you have a question about our congregation? The sky's the limit, so ask away!

VOICES OF PRAISE

Choir practice begins August 27th and then it will be every Monday (excluding Labor Day) after that beginning at 6:15. Mark it on your calendars and if you would like to join choir for the first time, talk to Joanne (526-5315).

SNAIL MAIL? EMAIL?

You can receive this newsletter in your mailbox at church or by email. Just send an email to stjakobi@frontiernet.net and you will be signed up for email delivery.



FUNERAL COORDINATOR

We are looking for someone to help coordinate funeral dinners. This would include ordering food, calling people to ask if they can bring a dish, and making sure there are people to help serve. We have extensive notes so you wouldn't be reinventing the wheel. Call Barb Teetzen (526-5505) if you have questions or would like to volunteer to do this.

SCRIP PROGRAM NEWS

New SCRIP cards now for sale are Arby's and Pizza Hut. Kwik Trip continues to be one of the better retailers in the area as St. Jakobi makes 9% on all purchases made with a SCRIP card. You purchase \$100.00 worth of Kwik Trip SCRIP cards at the back of the church and \$9.00 is returned to St. Jakobi.

UPCOMING READINGS AT CHURCH

September 2nd: Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

Ephesians 6:10-20

Mark 7:14-23

September 9th: Isaiah 35:4-7a

James 2:1-10, 14-18

Mark 7:31-37

September 16th: Isaiah 50:4-10

James 3:1-12

Mark 9:14-29

September 23rd: Jeremiah 11:18-20

James 3:13-4:10

Mark 9:30-37

September 30th: Numbers 11:4-6, 10-16, 24-29

James 5:13-20

Mark 9:38-50

DISHES CALLING YOUR NAME

Perhaps you prepared a dessert or salad for a funeral. Did you remember to pick up your dish afterwards? If not, your dish is calling your name. They are located above the coat rack to the right of the mailboxes in the Narthex.

DID YOU KNOW?

The Parish Hall can be used by members of the Congregation for parties. You can also use the tables and chairs at your own place of choosing. You need only talk to Pastor or a Trustee (Tom Anderson, Marshal Giese, or Robbie Buettner) to use the tables and chairs.

LIBRARY NEWS

PLANTING SEEDS

“The land produced vegetation: plants bearing seed according to their kinds and trees bearing fruit with seed in it according to their kinds.

And God saw that it was good (Genesis 1: 12).”God made the wild animals according to their kinds, the livestock according to their kinds, and all the creatures that move along the ground according to their kinds. And God saw that it was good (verse 25).

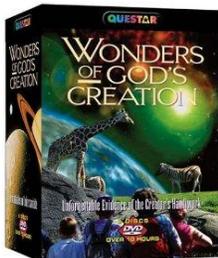
The season of fall is quickly approaching. Days are getting shorter, the nights longer. Leaves begin to change color, and will soon fall from the trees. Plans are being made for the upcoming hunting season. Gardens are cleared, and made ready for the next growing season. What do you think about when you sit in the woods, waiting for that elusive deer or bear that will put food on your table? Isn't it amazing that the trees lose their leaves in fall, and produce new ones when spring arrives? It's difficult to comprehend that all creation started as nothing. It's easy to forget where it all came from. The land and the sea, the heavens and the earth, the plants, animals, and sea creatures, man and woman; all created in just six short days. How often do we take everything for granted, giving little thought to the wonder of God's creation? After reading Chapter 1 of Genesis, take a moment or two to marvel what we are blessed with.

Librarian Picks:

Wonders of God's Creation
DVD Series

From the furthest reaches of space to the architectural masterwork of the human body, this awe-inspiring six-disc set offers glorious testament to the Creator's handiwork.

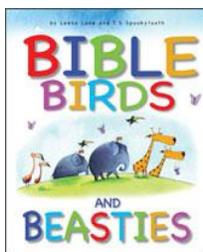
Stunning cinematography captures mesmerizing images of our solar system, the awesome power of staggering storms and erupting volcanoes, the precious animal kingdom, and, the crowning achievement of the creation, human life.



Bible Birds and Beasties

Children's Books section A,B

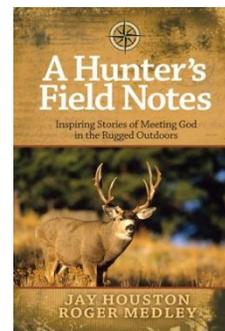
Did you hear about the donkey who talked? Or the man who lived inside a big fish? Children will love this collection of best-loved Bible stories, with Noah, Jonah, Daniel, Elijah, the stories of Jesus-and a few other surprises too!



A Hunter's Field Notes

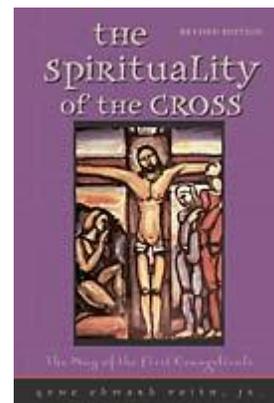
Section 3

Jay Houston and Roger Medley team up to encourage men to open their hearts and share their values, beliefs, and wisdom with their families. Through stories of hunting and outdoor adventures, they reveal the significance of a man's legacy and offer thought-provoking questions to help him start journaling.



The Spirituality of the Cross: The Way of the first Eveangelicals by Gene Edward Veith, Jr.

In this book Veith walks the reader through the distinctiveness of Lutherans and how Lutherans have an opportunity to speak to the culture around us. The chapters deal with Sin & Grace, Presence of God, Hiddenness of God, Spirituality of Ordinary Life, Sacred & Secular, and Worshiping God. I can't recommend this book highly enough for a good, short read to open your eyes to the beauty of God's grace in your life. You can find the book in the church library or purchase it from www.cph.org or 800.325.3040



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LCMS PRESIDENT HARRISON WITH MESSAGE FOR RURAL CONGREGATIONS

President Matthew Harrison recorded a video message for rural families and congregations. The message is about the effects of a drought through the Midwest this summer and also the special mission that rural congregations like St. Jakobi have within the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. You can view the video at:

<http://video.lcms.org/archives/1375>

SHAWANO CO. LUTHERAN MISSION SOCIETY

Since its organization in 1932 the SCLMS, with the dedicated help of many Pastors and Lay persons throughout these 80 years is still active in its mission to tell the care bound individuals of the love of Jesus and His saving grace. Pastor Rinehard is still doing the Maple Lane care facility and has very good support from the staff with Pastor Kleinschmidt doing the nursing homes and local pastors helping out.

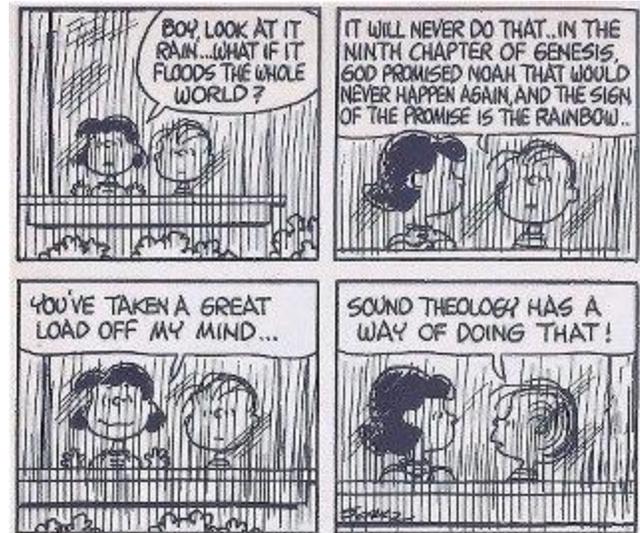
However, we are not keeping up with expenses! The support from service groups and congregations declined considerably and probably for various reasons, however we cannot let this mission die. SCLMS board members are asking that your congregation, Society, or group that have concerns for these special people to renew your support prayerfully and financially in the coming years.

The SCLMS Board thanks those who continue to support this mission. Please send all contributions to James Brandt, 114 E. State St., Bonduel, WI 54107.

Yours in Christ,
 Pastor Roland Golz, chairman
 Kenneth Westphal, secretary
 James Brandt, treasurer
 Marlyn Teeten, member at large

ISSUES, ETC

THEOLOGY FOR WHITE COLLAR, BLUE COLLAR & CLERICAL COLLAR... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show produced by Lutheran Public Radio and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Jesus Heals a Deaf & Mute Man, Apostle Barnabas, Pastor Titus, Old Testament Judge & Prophet Samuel and more. You can listen at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org.



WHEE HEE HEE



Romans 6:1-2; Read it...The Calvin & Hobbes comic strip will make sense

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

1 - Leroy Sperberg
2 - Brenda Price
2 - Graciala Zuleger
2 - Jennifer Anderson
3 - Corrina Tuma
3 - Krista Buettner
3 - Austin Gueths
3 - Brittany Opperman
3 - Amanda Gehnke
4 - Mark Wendorff
5 - Gavin Prodel
6 - Jodi Angeli
6 - Curt Wendorff
9 - Dominick Thorson
9 - Warren Gueths
9 - Cassidy Anderson
10 - Gary Felckowski
11 - Lisa Damveld
11 - Steve Buettner
11 - Robin Ross
11 - Dayton Davis
11 - Tami Zuleger
12 - Elaine Darling
12 - Bryan Teetzen
13 - Andrew Giese
13 - Darlene Hoffman
13 - Phyllis Olson
13 - Marvin Bahr
15 - Faith Teetzen
16 - Janet Wendt
16 - Bev White
17 - Shirley Popp
19 - Martin Carlino
22 - Daniel Moede
22 - Marvin Buettner
23 - Bryant Brodhagen
24 - Brian Sperberg
24 - Theresa Gueths
25 - Kyle Raddant
26 - Joshua Theis
27 - Caryn Hoffman
27 - Shirley Glock
27 - Noël Kleinschmidt
28 - Ashley Laude
30 - Jacob Burr
30 - Martha Gebert
30 - Emma Magee



A BIRTHDAY PRAYER

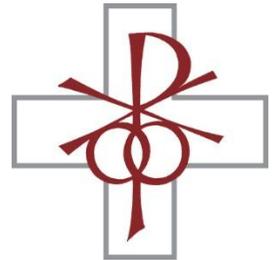
Heavenly Father, our times are in Your hands. Look with favor on name as he/she celebrates his/her birthday. Grant that he/she may continue to grow in wisdom and grace. Strengthen his/her trust in Your goodness and bless him/her with Your abiding love all the days of his/her life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

01, 1990 - Brian & Bonnie Sperberg
04, 1954 - Leland & Sandy Habeck
04, 1984 - Steve & Lori Buettner
07, 1996 - Greg & Patti Samson
07, 1957 - Marshall & Priscilla Fay
08, 1990 - Russell & Bonnie Cotter
09, 2006 - Darryl & Laura Prodel
13, 1975 - Keith & Judy Buettner
14, 1996 - Andrew & Debra Schneider
16, 1961 - Bill & Barb Teetzen
16, 1967 - Jim & Betty Szucs
18, 2004 - William Grab & Patti Burr
19, 1970 - Gerald & Mary Ludolph
19, 1953 - Marvin & Elfrieda Buettner
19, 1965 - Paul & Marilyn Picard
22, 2001 - Bryan & Melissa Teetzen
24, 1977 - Dave & Darlene Hoffman
27, 1997 - John & Stephanie Boyles
28, 1996 - Jim & Vicky Szucs

AN ANNIVERSARY OF MARRIAGE PRAYER

O Lord Jesus, Your mercies are new every morning. We thank You for another year of married life together for name and name. Open their hearts always to receive more of Your love that their love for each other may never grow weary but deepen and grow through every joy and sorrow shared; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.



September 2012

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 6:30 Service <small>Acolyte: Lucas Schoenike</small>
2 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Bible Study <small>Acolyte: Brandi Gueths</small>	3 Labor Day	4	5 1:00 Ladies Bible Study 3:30 Catechism 7:00 Bible Study	6 1:00 Bible Study	7 6:30 Fellowship @ Studio Lounge	8 8:00 Men's Breakfast 6:30 Service (HC) <small>Acolyte: Callie Boyles</small>
9 9:00 Service 10:30 Education Hour (First Day of Sunday School) <small>Acolyte: Eli Magee</small>	10 6:15 Choir 6:30 Pancake Meeting	11	12 3:30 Catechism 7:00 Bible Study	13 1:00 Bible Study	14	15 6:30 Service <small>Acolyte: Sommer McDowell</small>
16 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Education Hour <small>Acolyte: Megan Gebert</small> 5:00 Youth Group Campfire	17 6:15 Choir 6:30 Pancake Meeting	18 6:30 Elders	19 3:30 Catechism 7:00 Bible Study	20 1:00 Bible Study	21	22 4:00 Dr. Weinrich Bible Study 6:30 Service (HC) <small>Acolyte: Dayton Davis</small>
23 9:00 Service Pancake Dinner <small>Acolyte: Dylan Wolff</small>	24 6:15 Choir	25 6:30 Pancake Meeting	26 3:30 Catechism 7:00 Bible Study	27 1:00 Bible Study	28	29 6:30 Service (HC) <small>Acolyte: Hannah Hein</small>
30 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Education Hour <small>Acolyte: Kayla Vetter</small>	Notes: Elders: Sat: Don Bublitz Sun: Tom Tuma Spec: Rich Raddant Altar Guild: Laura Prodell, Donna Lopez, Pam Anderson					

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

“We Preach Christ Crucified”



Church Services:

Saturday at 6:30pm and Sunday at 9:00am

Bible Study:

Wednesday at 7:00pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

