

From Pastor Kleinschmidt

Upon deciding as a congregation to move forward with the expansion of our current building to include new classrooms, kitchen, and parish hall we sang the Common Doxology. Those words of praise are a good reminder to us of the purpose for which we embark on this endeavor.

We sang, "Praise God from whom all blessings flow." These words of praise are directed towards God because we recognize that he is the source of all our earthly blessings. Our earthly blessings are first and foremost the salvation we have received by faith in Jesus Christ by his death and resurrection. This great blessing of the blood of Jesus that bestows forgiveness should ever be praised by all who have received it.

But included in these blessings from God are not just salvation but also the earthly blessings of things and people. The Lord has blessed you with a place to gather together to hear the Word of God.

In this congregation the Lord has bestowed His Word and as you hear it preached and taught the Lord continues to bless.

This place is where God comes to us but it is also where he blesses us with the people around us. The fellow members of the Body of Christ that gather here are to be a blessing to you and you are to be a blessing to them. There are many people who gather and the blessing of many people has led us to this decision of renovating the Narthex to accommodate more people and more classroom space for Bible education and a larger Parish Hall where we can all gather for a shared meal.

The next line of the Common Doxology says, "Praise Him, all creatures here below." There is a recognition here that God is over us and we are below Him worshipping him. While we are here

below, we are left to listen to the Word of God and come to the best decisions we can make in how we can serve Him. We have decided that our congregation is going to step out in faith as we remain here below and build this addition to the church. This project is only a building. We aren't building the kingdom of God and we're not adding onto heaven in any way. The only way this project can change God up above is that we would be better equipped to share the Word of God with others so that they may have faith and join Him in eternity.

The next line says, "Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host." We sing and tell the angels and saints in heaven to sing their praises to God. Even as we begin this project and look towards the future of this congregation, we also recognize the past of the congregation. There are hundreds of saints who have gone before us and helped laid the foundation for this

project. They have given sacrificially, confessed their faith, and received the gift of eternal life. We honor they who have gone before us by not straying from what should be the focus of all we do. We don't waiver from the conviction that buildings are important but God's Word and Jesus Christ for all people is of the utmost importance.

Finally, the last line says, "Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost." Everything we do at St. Jakobi is a song of praise to our Triune God. We have been created, redeemed, and sanctified. Knowing God's great work for us, we are ready to step forward and do a great work for him. We do it as an act of praise that gives all glory to Him.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

In Christ,

-Pastor Kleinschmidt



ST. JAKOBI NEWS & EVENTS

BUILDING PROJECT

Trusting in the Lord's provision and confident of His continual blessing, the congregation has decided to move forward with the building project that would replace the current Parish Hall with an 11,000 sq. ft. addition to the North side of the existing church. Included in the project will be a renovation of the Narthex of the church. A contractor has estimated the cost at \$1.6 million but we expect to complete the project for less than that by using Laborers for Christ. Ground breaking is expected to take place next summer.

ROOTED AND BUILT UP IN CHRIST

St. Jakobi Capital Campaign for building project addition: Now that a decision has been made to move ahead with the building project addition, we are enlisting your help as Leadership Team Directors for our capital campaign. Five positions are needed to ensure success of the campaign. Prayerfully consider to commit generously to the cause of the campaign, and serve on the campaign Leadership Team for a four-month period. Positions are: **Prayer Director** - *someone who is a person of prayer, has strong communication skills, and is comfortable with public prayer.* **Campaign Director** - *someone well respected and known in the congregation, genuine, impressive/polished, able to keep the campaign on course, and is computer literate.* **Campaign Coordinator** - *someone who has the time to devote to the campaign, takes initiative, can be pleasantly persistent, is detail oriented and computer savvy.* **Communications Director** - *someone who is a graphic designer (preferred), has time to devote to the campaign, editorial, proficient with social media and is computer savvy.* **Inform Director** - *someone comfortable speaking in front of a group of people, communicates clearly, and can plan and implement informational events for the congregation.* Complete position descriptions are located in the narthex. For questions or to serve in this endeavor, please call or text Gary Weckwerth at 920-467-2333.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Upcoming lessons at Sunday School:

11/3	The Visit of the Wise Men
11/10	The Boy Jesus in the Temple
11/17	John Prepares the Way
11/24	The Baptism of Jesus

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN MEETINGS

There will be meetings at church on **Monday, November 18th and Tuesday the 19th**. These meetings will be for the Capital Campaign leadership team and possibly for others as well. More details will be published in the bulletins in the weeks to come and communicated with the leadership team. It's important for the congregation to embrace this process of working with Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) in handling the financial aspect of our new building project.

FALL BACK TIME CHANGE!

Daylight Savings Time ends Sunday, November 3rd at 2am. Set your clocks one hour back before you go to bed or you will not be on time for church Sunday morning.

THANKSGIVING SERVICE

There will be a Thanksgiving Service on Thanksgiving Day at 9am.



FUNERALS

Joyce Hogan passed away on October 1st and her funeral was on October 7th. We give thanks to God that He called Joyce to faith and blessed her in her earthly life and that she now rests from her labors.

Phil Zuhse passed away on October 6th and his funeral was on October 26th. We give thanks to God that He called Phil to faith and blessed him in his earthly life and that he now rests from his labors.

FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship will meet at 6:30 on November 8th at Wolf's Roadhouse in Thornton. Why don't you plan to join us (as long as you pay your own bill)? Please sign up in the Narthex by Sunday, November 3rd. Call Don or Joanne Bublitz if you have any questions.

SUNDAY SNACK SIGNUP

If you would like to bring a snack to share on Sunday after church, then you can sign up on the counter by the kitchenette in the Narthex.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY

Sunday, November 3rd is New Member Sunday. Be sure to come and welcome the new members to the congregation.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

The second Saturday of every month, the men of the congregation are invited to have breakfast in the Parish Hall. We discuss a timely topic from a decidedly Lutheran Christian perspective. This month we will meet on October 12th.

READINGS AT CHURCH

November 3rd:	Revelation 7:9-17 1 John 3:1-3 Matthew 5:1-12
November 10th:	Exodus 3:1-15 2 Thessalonians 2:1-8, 13-17 Luke 20:27-40
November 17th:	Malachi 4:1-6 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13 Luke 21:5-28
November 24th:	Malachi 3:13-18 Colossians 1:13-20 Luke 23:27-43

USHER SCHEDULE

November 3 rd :	Marshal & Mike D.
November 10 th :	Donna & Dale
November 17 th :	Don & Jim
November 24 th :	Mark & Marshal

DIRECT GIVING

DIRECT GIVING is an electronic giving program that helps you regularly contribute to the ministry of St. Jakobi Lutheran Church. Through this pre-authorized monthly withdrawal from your checking or savings account, your gift is given consistently and securely. No need to worry about missed Sunday offerings. It benefits our church with steady, more predictable giving throughout the year. To begin DIRECT GIVING, pick up a form in the church office and follow the instructions for enrollment. The first withdrawal will begin on November 5th. You may enroll or cancel your participation at any time. Questions? Contact Marlene Weckwerth, Financial Secretary at 920-400-0013.

MITTEN TREE

Anyone wishing to donate children's mittens, hats or stockings to our Mitten Tree project please bring them and put them on the tree in the Narthex. Right after Thanksgiving we will be collecting all of them and taking them to area schools for needy children. We had a great response last year and this is a wonderful way to share God's love.

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

The Christmas Schedule is as follows:

Dec. 22, Sunday: 9am Children's Christmas Service
Dec. 24, Tuesday: 4pm Service
Dec. 24, Tuesday: 11pm Service
Dec. 25, Wednesday: 9am Service

HARVEST DISPLAY

We will again be collecting non-perishable food items for our Harvest Display here at St. Jakobi. You may bring your items to any of the church services and put them around the Harvest Display in the front of the church. The last day we will collect the food is November 24th and then it will be distributed to a needy family or the Shawano Area Food Pantry. Your contributions are greatly appreciated.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The Children's Christmas Service will be on the Sunday before Christmas, December 22nd. It will be at the regular time of worship at 9am. Practice starts on December 1st during the Sunday School hour. It will continue every week on Sunday and also two Saturday mornings, December 14th and 21st. **If your child will be unable to participate, please call the church office at 715-524-4347** so we can plan appropriately.

SCRIP PROGRAM NEWS

Are you looking to buy gift cards for Christmas presents? Then Scrip is your answer. You can look over the list of participating retailers at church. You will find great gift card ideas like Bath & Body Works, Target, Dick's, Home Depot, iTunes Store, Aeropostale, GameStop, Amazon, Barnes & Noble, Cold Stone Creamery, Panera, Gap, Cabela's and many more! You can see an entire list and shop online for cards at www.shopwithscrip.com. The last day to order scrip cards for Christmas is Monday, December 16th. Don't wait till the very end and then not be able to get what you want; order early.

THERE'S AN APP FOR THAT!

Do you want the Small Catechism on your smartphone or tablet? There's an app for that. You can download the free Small Catechism for iOS at <http://bit.ly/iOSCatechism> or for Android at <http://bit.ly/AndroidCatechism>



LIBRARY PLANTING SEEDS

(DVD) Identical twins Andy and Pete Goodwynn have always been there for each other. With high school graduation near, Pete plans to marry the love of his life and head off to seminary to become a preacher. Andy, a rebel at heart, has no plans and seemingly no future. But in a cruel twist of fate orchestrated by the town's most powerful family their lives are forever altered. Pete is framed for murder, leaving Andy struggling to find a way to save his brother. Can the brothers gain vengeance on those who have taken everything from them? While revenge may seem sweet, **BROTHER'S KEEPER** is a powerful reminder that only forgiveness can truly heal.



HIGHER THINGS YOUTH CONFERENCE

We will begin planning for a Youth Group trip to the Higher Things Conference being held at Calvin University, Grand Rapids Michigan next summer, July 21st – 24th, 2020. The theme is *Watermarked*. Registration forms need to be given to Pastor by December 1st.



Watermarked
2020 Higher Things Conferences

All 8th graders and high schoolers should have received a registration form. If you are concerned about what your kids learn from the world and culture, then make sure they learn of the Word of God at the Higher Things Conference. You can get more information at www.Watermarked2020.org.

NEWSLETTER IN COLOR

The pictures in the newsletter look great in color plus you can zoom in for more detail! You can receive a copy of the newsletter in color and save the church the printing cost by signing up for email delivery. You can sign up at <http://www.bit.ly/Jakobisignup>

ST. JAKOBI ON FACEBOOK

St. Jakobi has a [Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/lcmsjakobi). Stay up to date on happenings at church by liking the page. There have been many pictures posted from VBS and the Church picnic on the Facebook page. You don't need a Facebook account, just visit the website: www.facebook.com/lcmsjakobi

PRAYER PARTNERS

In Matthew 7, our Father invites us to approach Him in prayer with our requests. He already knows our needs and the desires of our hearts. He doesn't require a wish list from us, but when our prayers are answered; our eyes are opened to His loving kindness to us. Let the Prayer Partners here at St. Jakobi help you in times of need or in celebration. All prayers are kept confidential. Phone or email your prayer requests- New phone number is: 920-400-0013. New email address is gmweck2329@gmail.com.



LUTHERAN EDUCATION

St. Jakobi has funds available to help pay for tuition at [St. James Elementary School](https://www.stjameslutheran.org/), [Wolf River Lutheran High School](https://www.wolfriverlutheran.org/), or at Concordia University if your student is majoring in a church-work field. Don't let tuition be a stumbling block to a Lutheran school education. Talk to Pastor if you need assistance or have questions.



USED PORTALS OF PRAYER

When you turn in your used Portals of Prayer into the basket in the Narthex they are collected and sent to the LWML of St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Forestville, Wisconsin. They recently sent Christian literature in 54 huge boxes throughout the world via an organization named Love Packages. This organization exists to glorify God through the distribution of Christian reading material. Please support this effort by returning your Portals of Prayer when you are done with it so other Christians can be edified and uplifted. You can learn more at www.lovepackages.org.

WRLHS “TOGETHER, LET’S ‘DO SOMETHING’”

Wolf River Lutheran High School is hosting a new fundraiser to meet the financial challenges facing them. Will you join with them to be a part of God’s Mission field in our own backyard? We’re asking for a \$25, \$50, \$75, or \$100 pledge each month for one year, or you can do it as a one-time gift if you prefer. Funds raised will be split between the general fund and the repayment of our loans. Small amounts of money by the large amount of people that attend the High School Association congregations will add up very quickly. Let’s be the ones to ‘Do Something’. WRLHS is most grateful for your past support and for your vision of God’s Mission. **At St. Jakobi you can place your donations in the box that looks like a church that is located in the Narthex.** Together, we can do something for the good of the School.

CHURCH BUILDING LOAN BALANCE

The amount owed for the loan to build the new church as of June 30th was \$54,638.73. The balance at the end of 3rd Quarter is \$43,382.87. Thanks be to God for His blessings. We are on schedule to pay off the loan in 10 months (August 2020).



PICTURE DIRECTORY

The new Church Picture Directory is here! If you had your picture taken or submitted a picture, then you can pick yours up on the table in the Narthex. Please mark off your name so that we know you have picked yours up. Thank you to the committee that worked hard to get this project off the ground, organized the sittings, and helped with the design of the directory.

DID YOU KNOW?

The last three Sundays in the Church Year are November 11th, 18th, and 25th. These last three weeks of the church year focus on the return of Christ. We’ll hear about how to be prepared for the coming of Jesus, what the last day will be like, and that we are to be watchful for Jesus’ 2nd Coming.

LOCK-IN PICTURES



NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

2 - Katelyn Jashinsky
2 - Colbie Reinke
3 - Debra Daley
3 - Anna Laabs
3 - Kersten Stueck
4 - Stacie Robbins
5 - Marshal Giese
9 - John Boyles
9 - Scott Wendorff
10 - Judi Raddant
10 - Jessica Van Buren
11 - Randy Burr
11 - Cathy Hoffman
13 - Mckenzi Kuhn
13 - Alec Raddant
14 - Stephanie Laabs
14 - Lillian Murdock
15 - Rylee Trochil
16 - Michael Daley
16 - Norma Martzke
16 - Rebecca Owen
17 - Brittney Angeli
17 - Connor Angeli
17 - Jed Schuettpelz
17 - Kayla Szucs
18 - Elliot Clark
18 - Hope Peters
18 - Henry Pleshek
18 - Brielle Reinke
18 - Bruce Teetzen
19 - Barbara Berkhahn
19 - Dale Magee
19 - Jonathan Riesenber
19 - Morgan Riesenber
20 - Travis Kleinschmidt
21 - Daniel Buettner
21 - Gerald Ludolph
22 - Misty Buettner
22 - Nicole Horne
22 - Lisa VanScoik
23 - Jacob Berkhahn
23 - Jennifer Utecht
24 - Randy Giese
24 - Ian Stuber
24 - Lori Buettner (Robbie)
25 - Bonnie Cotter
26 - Sandy Habeck
26 - Shania Whetstone
26 - Noah Wendorff
28 - Georgia Ladwig
29 - Pam Hansen
29 - Tom McGahan
29 - Steve Verstoppen

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.

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

06, 1971 - Curt & Margie Wendorff
10, 1973 - Bill & Darlene Ross
15, 1986 - Doug & Barbara Berkhahn
15, 2014 - John & Jennifer Kriewaldt
15, 2003 - Jacob & Samantha Tonn
26, 1994 - Douglas & Brenda Gast
26, 1966 - Dale & Carol Magee

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.



Contact the Church Office if you find anything in need of correction to the Birthdays and Anniversaries.

November 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Elders: Sat: Mike Kroenke Sun: Chuck Stoehr Jamison Yorton Spec: Bob Behrens	Altar Guild: Joan Stoehr Barb Teetzen Donna Ward Judi Raddant				1	2 2:00 Building Cmte 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Laci Sperberg
3 <i>DST Ends</i> 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Tucker Reinke	4 6:15 Choir Practice 7:00 Altar Guild	5 7:00 Elders	6 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	7 1:00 Bible Study	8 6:30 Fellowship @ Wolf's Roadhouse	9 8:00 Men's Breakfast 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Ella Stuber
10 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Teagen Thompson	11 6:15 Choir Practice	12	13 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	14 1:00 Bible Study	15	16 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Layla Sperberg
17 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Jayden West	18 6:15 Choir Practice Evening: Capital Campaign Meeting	19 Evening: Capital Campaign Meeting	20 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	21 1:00 Bible Study	22	23 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Kendra Westphal
24 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Madisyn Skalitzky	25 6:15 Choir Practice	26	27	28 <i>Thanksgiving Day</i> 9:00 Service (HC) Acolyte: Derek Hartmann	29	30 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Christopher Kelley

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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 6:30pm, Thursday at 1:00pm, and Sunday at 10:30am.

Sunday School:

Sunday at 10:30am

