

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. Last month I wrote about being a life-long disciple of Christ. I want to build off of that and highlight one of the core ways that a person grows as a disciple of the Lord. I would like to encourage you to study the Bible over the course of the next school. 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 are studying the book of First Peter. Peter is the disciple most frequently mentioned in the Gospels and his epistles provide a wealth of encouragement for a faithful Christian life.

Secondly, the Wednesday night class is restarting on September 4th. Last year we began a study of the Large Catechism. The Large Catechism is a companion to the Small Catechism that is intended for those who had already studied the Small Catechism. It is a practical application of the Commandments, Creed, Prayer, Baptism, and Holy Communion. You won't be disappointed in this topic.

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 is a monthly group that meets for food as well, Men's Breakfast. Men's Group is the second Saturday of the month. We talk about relevant topics and encourage one another to be men of service to the people around us.

The Elders have talked about the goal of increasing Bible Study attendance. Our congregation is blessed with many opportunities to study God's Word, so consider this a personal invitation to grow as a disciple of Christ.

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 at Bible class 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. In addition, there are many families that drop children off for Sunday School that could attend Bible Class at the exact time their children are attending Sunday School and won't have to worry about childcare.

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

SPECIAL VOTER MEETING

On September 29th after church there will be a special voter meeting with the only agenda item being a decision on the proposed building project. Come to this meeting and help the congregation decide how we will move forward with our trust firmly in the Lord.

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 October 5th. You may enroll or cancel your participation at any time. Questions? Contact Marlene Weckwerth, Financial Secretary at 920-400-0013.

READINGS AT CHURCH

- September 1st:** Proverbs 25:2-10
Hebrews 13:1-17
Luke 14:1-14
- September 8th:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:25-35
- September 15th:** Ezekiel 34:11-24
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10
- September 22nd:** Amos 8:4-7
1 Timothy 2:1-15
Luke 16:1-15
- September 29th:** Daniel 10:10-14; 12:1-3
Revelation 12:7-12
Matthew 18:1-11

USHER SCHEDULE

- September 1st: Donna & Mike
September 8th: Dale & Mark
September 15th: Mike & Marshal
September 22nd: Jim & Jeff
September 29th: Mark & Donna

USHERS

Mark your calendars. There will be a short but important meeting after service on Sunday, September 8th. If you are already ushering or if you would like to help us out this year, please plan to attend.

VOICES OF PRAISE - CHOIR

Listen: Is God planting an idea in your heart? Could he be suggesting that you use the talents He has given you, to sing His praises? You would have a lot of fun if you helped our church choir to tell of His love and salvation. Ask Joanne Bublitz to get your music ready and come join us. Choir practice starts Monday, September 9th, at 6:15 pm.

POTATO PANCAKE DINNER

All church members are reminded that the upcoming Pancake Dinner is on September 22nd. Please set this date aside to donate your time to volunteer. Your work assignment is in your mailboxes at church. If anyone was missed, our apologies. We need everyone to volunteer to make this year's event a successful one. Plan to do a little work, eat some great food and enjoy some fellowship!



FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship Group will start the year with dinner at Rawhide on Friday, September 20. We will leave St. Jakobi at 5:15 to get there on time. Be sure to sign the paper on the table in the Narthex by the Sunday before. Any questions? call Don and Joanne Bublitz

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 September 8th.

FUNERAL

Duwane Pieper passed away on July 12th and her funeral was July 19th at St. Jakobi. We give thanks to God that He called her to faith and blessed her in her earthly life and that she now rests from her labors.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The first day of Sunday School is September 8th. Class starts in the Sanctuary at 10:30 with an opening led by Pastor and then class continues 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.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SCHEDULE

Upcoming lessons at Sunday School:

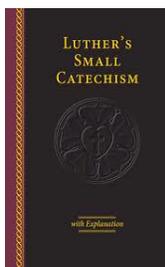
9/8	Birth of John Foretold
9/15	Birth of Jesus Foretold
9/22	No Class – Potato Pancake Dinner
9/29	Mary Visits Elizabeth

CHURCH OFFICERS

We are looking for new officers to fill the following positions for our congregation in our upcoming election in October: Vice President, Secretary, Elder (2), Trustee, Boards of Education and Evangelism. If you are interested in serving the Lord for one of the positions, please take a form in the narthex to be filled out and place in the Elders box when completed.

CATECHISM CLASS

The School year will be in full swing and that means Catechism class begins again. The first day of class is September 4th. 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.



BAPTISMS

Baptized on August 4th was Boston Roland Buntrock, son of Brandon Buntrock and Alyson Musolff. He was born on June 28th, 2019. His baptismal sponsors are Courtlynn Schoen and Emily Cooper.

Baptized on August 11th was Rhett Alan Jashinsky, son of Keith and Katelyn Jashinsky. He was born July 22nd, 2019. His baptismal sponsors are Ashley Teetzen, Kody Jashinsky, and Kole Jashinsky.

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.

FALL BIBLE CLASSES

Wednesday night Bible Class will begin the Wednesday after Labor Day, September 4th at 6:30pm. We will be studying the Large Catechism. If you have not come to a Bible Study recently, this would be a great way to get back into studying God's Word with other Christians.

Thursday afternoon Bible Class studies the Bible text that Pastor will be preaching on the coming weekend. This Bible Study is a great way to receive more depth to the sermon and the Biblical background for what is preached.

The Sunday morning Bible Class is studying First Peter. It's an excellent place to jump into the study of God's Word.

The Fall is the perfect time to begin attending Bible Class. We are starting new topics and you will not feel behind. I would encourage you to put aside the excuses you have and you will grow in your faith. Parents, while your children are in Sunday School, you can learn too! If you're retired, the Thursday afternoon class is perfect. If you are free in the evenings; then Wednesday night is great. Please consider studying God's Word with us and make it a regular part of your week.

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>

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>



ST. JAKOBI ON FACEBOOK

St. Jakobi has a [Facebook page](#). 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

LETTER FROM SEMINARIAN ANDREW TWIETMEYER

Dear Friends at St. Jakobi: 8/4/2019

Our move to Columbus is complete. Many have asked us if we feel settled in, and we are. The last box was unpacked yesterday, and we've found all the essentials in our city. That city is Westerville, which is north of Columbus.

Being a vicar really suits Andrew. He finds that having office hours is a great help to his work and study requirements. Zion welcomed us three Sundays ago with open arms. They threw a "pantry shower" for us, and now our apartment is overflowing with paper goods, cleaning supplies, and snacks. Zion worships about 160 between two Sunday morning services, and we are so happy to be joining them this year.

Elizabeth is home with the kids for the first time ever. She and Jane do school in the mornings and then she works for her Fort Wayne employer on a limited basis in the afternoons at home.

Despite the heat (high 80's), Andrew has been taking advantage of the disc golf courses nearby. He has tried his hand at fishing too. He and the kids have begun exploring a huge metro park only two miles away. Deer season begins in December here, and Andrew hopes to take a day or two off then. Squirrel hunting is on his wish list too.

The list of churches and families who love and take care of us grows by the year. Wherever we go, God cares for us through the hands of our neighbors. Thank you, St. Jakobi, for continuing to support us this year!

Sincerely,
Andrew, Elizabeth, Jane and Eve Twietmeyer

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.

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.

LIBRARY PLANTING SEEDS



Work is currently being done to make it easier to find certain books in the library. We have a number of fiction authors who publish their books as a series. A marking system has been devised and is currently being put in place. Stay tuned for further updates as the work continues.

We have a variety of printed materials, games, CD's, and DVD's available to all members of St. Jakobi. Please be sure to sign out any items before removing them from the library. Returned items can be placed in the designated area and the return date added to the Sign-Out sheets. This will help determine where interests lay and whether we should continue to build the library in certain areas. If you have any questions, comments, or suggestions regarding the library, please speak with Nancy Thelen.

LUTHERAN EDUCATION

St. Jakobi has funds available to help pay for tuition at [St. James Elementary School](#), [Wolf River Lutheran High School](#), 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.



St. Jakobi Church

Potato Pancake Dinner

All You Can Eat!! Take Outs Available

**Sunday, Sept. 22
9:30 am – 12:30 pm**

Church Service at 9:00 am

**Adults \$9.00 Children 6-12 \$5
5 & Under Free**

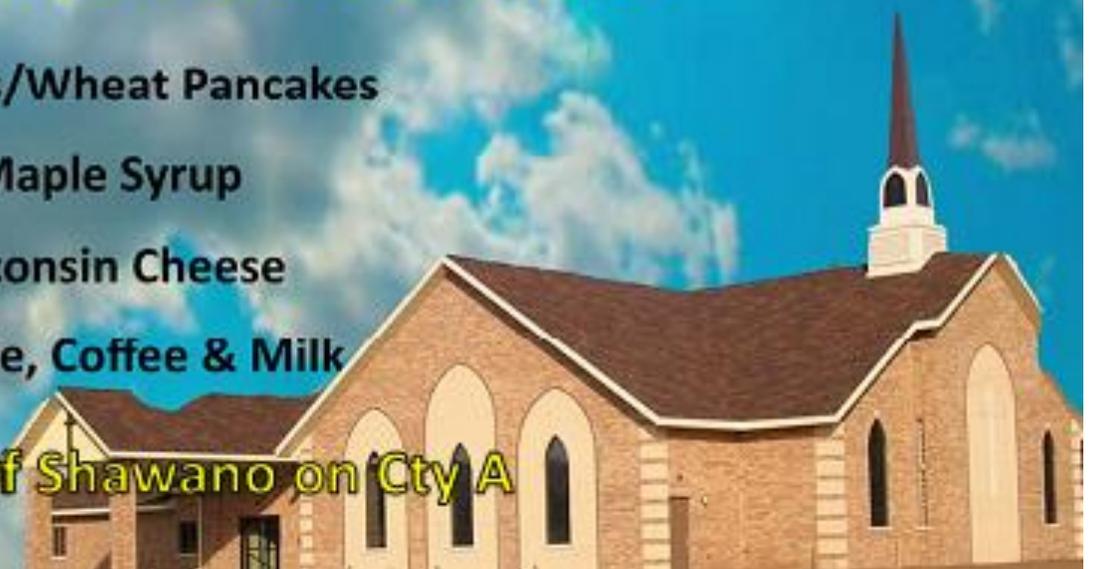
Potato Pancakes/Wheat Pancakes

Porkies, Maple Syrup

Butter, Wisconsin Cheese

Applesauce, Pie, Coffee & Milk

5 miles West of Shawano on Cty A



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

1 - Leroy Sperberg
1 - Carol Paiser
2 - Brenda Price
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
7 - Paul Utecht
8 - Jase Bisterfeldt
9 - Dominick Thorson
9 - Warren Gueths
10 - Gary Felckowski
10 - Alice Laabs
11 - Steve Buettner
11 - Dayton Davis
11 - Amy Riesenberg
12 - Bryan Teetzen
13 - Andrew Giese
13 - Darlene Hoffman
13 - Phyllis Olson
13 - Marvin Bahr
13 - Tylene Bohl
14 - Eva Teetzen
15 - Faith Teetzen
16 - Eileen Skalitzky
16 - Janet Wendt
17 - Shirley Popp
19 - Martin Carlino
19 - Tom T. Tuma
21 - Janice Grosskopf
22 - Daniel Moede
22 - Marvin Buettner
23 - Bryant Brodhagen
24 - Brian Sperberg
24 - Theresa Gueths
25 - Kyle Raddant
25 - William Laehn
26 - Joshua Theis
27 - Caryn Hoffman
27 - Shirley Glock
27 - Noël Kleinschmidt
28 - Justin Engel
29 - Jeremy Meyers
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

1, 1990 - Brian & Bonnie Sperberg
4, 1954 - Leland & Sandy Habeck
5, 2015 - Mike & Cindy Winkler
6, 2017 - Casey & Linsey Carroll
6, 2014 - Shawn & Allyssa Verstoppen
7, 1996 - Greg & Patti Samson
8, 1984 - Steve & Lori Buettner
8, 1990 - Russell & Bonnie Cotter
9, 1978 - John & Susan Klemens
9, 2006 - Darryl & Laura Prodel
12, 2015 - Keegen & Casey Gast
13, 1975 - Keith & Judy Buettner
13, 2014 - Mike & Amber Schmidt
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
20, 1958 - Thomas & Nancy Theis
22, 2002 - Bryan & Melissa Teetzen
22, 2001 - Corey & Nancy Marcell
24, 1977 - Dave & Darlene Hoffman
27, 1997 - John & Stephanie Boyles
28, 1996 - Jim & Vicky Szucs
28, 2013 - Ben & Alison Sperberg

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.

September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:00 Service (HC) Acolyte: Brynlie Boyles	2 <i>Labor Day</i>	3	4 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	5 1:00 Bible Study	6	7 1:00 Wedding 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Samuel Gueths
8 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Darius Kelley	9 6:15 Choir Practice 7:00 Altar Guild	10	11 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	12 1:00 Bible Study 6:30 Elders	13 6:30 Fellowship @	14 8:00 Mens Breakfast 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Alli Johnson
15 9:00 Service (HC) 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Braden Teetzen	16 6:15 Choir Practice	17	18 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	19 1:00 Bible Study	20	21 2:00 Wedding 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Rylee Trochil
22 9:00 Service (HC) Pancake Dinner Acolyte: Lily Felckowski	23 6:15 Choir Practice	24	25 4:15 Catechism 6:30 Bible Study	26 1:00 Bible Study 6:30 Building Committee	27	28 1:00 Wedding 6:30 Service (HC) Acolyte: Hannah Hoffman
29 9:00 Service (HC) 10:15 Special Voters Meeting 10:30 Ed. Hour Acolyte: Kennedy Meyers	30 6:15 Choir Practice		Elders: Sat: Chuck Stoehr Sun: Jamison Yorton Mike Kroenke Spec: Rich Raddant	Altar Guild: Roxy Martzke Lorine Raddant Jana Yorton Tracy Popp		

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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

