

OFFERINGS FOR APRIL 25, 2010

GENERAL FUND\$ 16,246.35

WEEKLY BUDGET FOR 2010 = \$12,234

Gifts to date\$ 203,031

Budgeted needs to date.....\$ 207,978

Budget deficit.....\$ 4,947

CEMETERY FUND THIS YEAR.....\$120.00

DEBT RETIREMENT THIS WEEK.....\$ 331.00

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

WEEKEND WORSHIP 466

LIVEWIRE 36

IGNITE..... 16

ADULT BIBLE CLASS 45

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS 16

WEDNESDAY BIBLE CLASS 8

FRIENDSHIP WEEKEND

MAY 29 AND 30

Invite a friend or neighbor with you to Bible Class and Worship!

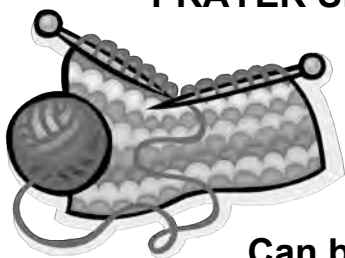
CALLING ALL SOFTBALL PLAYERS



We will be playing in the Church League again this summer. Church League is co-ed, 7th grade up to 101. All games are played at Effingham's Hendelmeyer Park on Tuesday nights, beginning May 11 at 7:05 p.m.

If you are interested in joining the team, please sign up on the main hall bulletin board. A schedule is posted as well.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY AT ST. JOHN'S



BASIC KNITTING AND CROCHETING

Can be done with very little instruction

Contact any of these ladies
Natalie Mellendorf – 347-2835
Marilyn Schaefer – 536-6611
Marty Vail – 347-2506

GRADUATION RECOGNITION MAY 16

In the 8 a.m. service
Breakfast for Grads and their parents follows. Surveys were mailed last week. If your senior student did not receive one, please call the church office. The surveys and response cards are due **BEFORE MAY 10.**

SUPPORT ST. JOHN'S BRAILLE CENTER AT THE BREAKFAST THIS MORNING!

GROWTH & STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY – 9:15 a.m.

The Augsburg Confession and its Apology
Pastor Gall in Trinity A/B

Deuteronomy

Pastor Brown in Trinity C

TUESDAY – 9:00 A.M.

1ST Peter Pastor Gall, Trinity A

WEDNESDAY – 10:00 A.M.

1st and 2nd Samuel

Pastor Brown, Conference Rm

*“Blessed are the Peacemakers” Bible Study
begins on Sunday, May 9 during the Sunday
school hour. Sign up TODAY! Free materials.*



This month's spotlight is on

EMILY LOTZ!

Emily is currently teaching our 4 year olds in Sunday school and is enjoying her first year teaching. “I love teaching the young kids about the love of our Savior – they are the best messengers. Everyone listens to little kids!”

So far, Emily loved working with the students at Christmas time. “I love seeing the joy in the kids' eyes and knowing that they are hearing/receiving the most important lesson of all.

Emily and her husband Jamie, have 2 sons, Andrew and Evan, 2 and 4 years of age. Gardening, cooking and playing with her children are Emily's hobbies. She is involved here at St. John's in the Young Adult Group and with the VBS Planning Committee.

Emily remembers Christmas pageants from long ago when she and her friends all dressed up and sang “Away in a Manger” and “Silent Night.” She wants to see her children and all the students at St. John's make the same kind of memories.

The Board of Christian Education appreciates leaders like Emily for their time and dedication to the young people of our congregation. Contact DCE Chris Imes or Jill Beck, our SS Superintendent.



VBS IS JUNE 21-15

Baobab Blast!

We need volunteers for various activities.

Please check the list on the insert in your bulletin today. **ALSO NEEDED:** Your empty paper towel tubes for a fun giraffe CRAFT.

SAVE THE DATE

Friday, August 13

St. John's Annual trek to St. Louis for the CUBS VS. CARDINALS Baseball Game

Clear your calendar, then look for the sign up sheet to be posted next week. Transportation is provided, but you must sign the BUS LIST as well as the TICKET LIST. **PLAY BALL!**

**STOCKS
FOR
SALE**

With the purchase of a stock certificate you are paying toward a student's trip to the National Lutheran Youth Gathering, July 17-21 and getting an invitation to the report the group will give after their trip.

Your \$15 investment per person will earn great rewards for a student attending a once in a lifetime event.

These youth are selling stock certificates:



Marissa Worman
Brittany Worman
Sarah Womack
Alec Longwell
Dylan Huey
Andrew Knight
Tommy Quance
Madison Boerngen
Jared Weis
Anthony Lechman

Paige Longwell
Zach Pruemmer
Chris Sandifer
Phillip Knight
Meghan Scott
Molly Wallin
Nic Koester
Logan Weis

Please support their efforts when you are asked if you would purchase stock. THANK YOU!



**GOLDEN
EAGLES
FELLOWSHIP**

Our seniors gather for a noon meal and then enjoy an afternoon of cards and games. Sign up on the main hall bulletin board, so we can plan to see you on **May 27!**

**UPCOMING
YOUTH EVENTS!!!**

PARENTS OF YOUTH ARE ASKED TO SPONSOR AT LEAST ONE EVENT FOR THEIR CHILD'S YOUTH GROUP. PLEASE LOOK AT THE EVENT LIST ON THE MAIN HALL BULLETIN BOARD AND SIGN UP FOR THE EVENT OF YOUR CHOICE.

KFC - GRADES 3-5

We need a May Sponsor

FUSE - GRADES 6-8

We need a May sponsor

IGNITE - SR. HIGH

SCHOOL

SUNDAY, MAY 16 -- Graduate Recognition at the 8 a.m. service with breakfast for the graduate and parents to follow. Letters were mailed this week. Call the church office if you did not receive your Senior Survey!
SUNDAY, MAY 2 -- 6:00 p.m. National Youth Gathering Meeting for Parents and Youth
YOUTH NIGHT FOLLOWING FROM 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.

NOTES FROM THE NEST

**PRESCHOOL GRADUATION
MAY 12 AND 13
6-8 P.M.**

Be an Eagle's Nest

Grad! Register today for next year!

www.eaglesnestpreschool.com



GET WELL WISHES

Diana Miller
c/o Memorial Medical Center
701 N 1st St
Springfield, IL 62781-0001

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**May 2- 9, 2010**

SUNDAY	2	8 & 10:30 AM	WORSHIP SERVICES
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		6:00 P.M.	NYG YOUTH GATHERING MEETING
		7:00 P.M.	YOUTH NIGHT
FIRST SUNDAY BREAKFAST 7:30 – 10:00 A.M.			
MONDAY	3	4:30 P.M.	ST. JOHN'S BRASS AND ♪ TONES
PRESCHOOL Monday through Friday - 8:30 – 11:30 A.M. AND Friday 12:30-3:10 p.m.			
TUESDAY	4	9:00 A.M.	BIBLE CLASS
		6:00 P.M.	VBS MEETING
		7:00 P.M.	LYDIA GUILD
PRAYER VIGIL – 8:00 A.M. -4:00 P.M.			
WEDNESDAY	5	10:00 A.M.	BIBLE CLASS
		6:00 P.M.	BELL CHOIR REHEARSAL
		6:00 P.M.	BOARD OF EDUCATION
		6:30 P.M.	PRAISE AND WORSHIP CHOIR
THURSDAY	6	1:00 P.M.	STAFF MEETING
		7:00 P.M.	EVANGELISM BOARD MEETING
SATURDAY	8	9:30 A.M.	E.A.S.T.E.R.
		5:30 P.M.	WORSHIP SERVICE WITH HOLY COMMUNION
SUNDAY	9	8 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES WITH HOLY COMMUNION
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 5/2 Brian Haake, Warren Habbe,
Joshua Rodgers
- 5/4 Rev. Robert Backhus, Lisa Norton,
George Soltwedel, Carolyn Webb
- 5/5 Mary Brown
- 5/7 Stephanie Gordon, Lora Hamann,
Kal Keitel, James Klein, Bev
Kopplin, Richard Wendling
- 5/8 Tamara Boerngen, Kara Koester

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 5/3/86 John & Suzanne Lechman
- 5/3/69 J.P. & Terry Simmons
- 5/4/96 Rob & Dawn Hunsaker
- 5/6/78 Don and Faith Donaldson
- 5/8/04 Don & Pauline Beckman

COMMUNITY EVENTS

MAY 15 AND 16 Appearing at Grace, Dieterich on May 15 and at St. Paul's, Sigel on May 16---
Hand bell soloist, Kristine Stout plays 3 octaves by herself. She will play during the 6 p.m. worship service at Grace and will appear in concert at 1 p.m. at St. Paul's in conjunction with their anniversary celebration.

MAY 16 – Rev. Michael Kasting has accepted the call to serve as Pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Casey, Illinois. The Service of Installation is Sunday, May 16 at 4:30 p.m.