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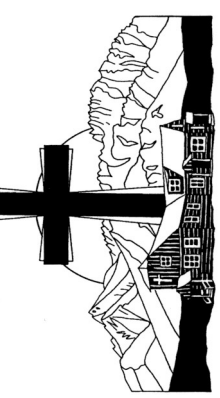
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ST JOHN LUTHERAN MISSION STATEMENT

Guided by God's Holy Spirit,
we will share our Savior, Jesus,
so our members, our commu-
nity, and all people live and
grow in Biblical Christian Faith.

"SHARE-LIVE-GROW"

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IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER June, July, August

- 06-05 Guest speaker:
Rev. Dr. Jensen Seyenkulo
- 06-11 Colony Days Parade
Community Picnic
- 06-20—06-24 Vacation Bible School
- 06-21 Summer Begins
- 07-04 Independence Day
Church Office Closed
- 07-17-22 Kaleidoscope

Official Acts

Baptisms

05-15-11 Aiden James Kinchen McIlmail

05-22-11 Fiona Laurel Greenwood

Weddings

05-28-11 Lauren Vanessa Griese

Dylan James Larson

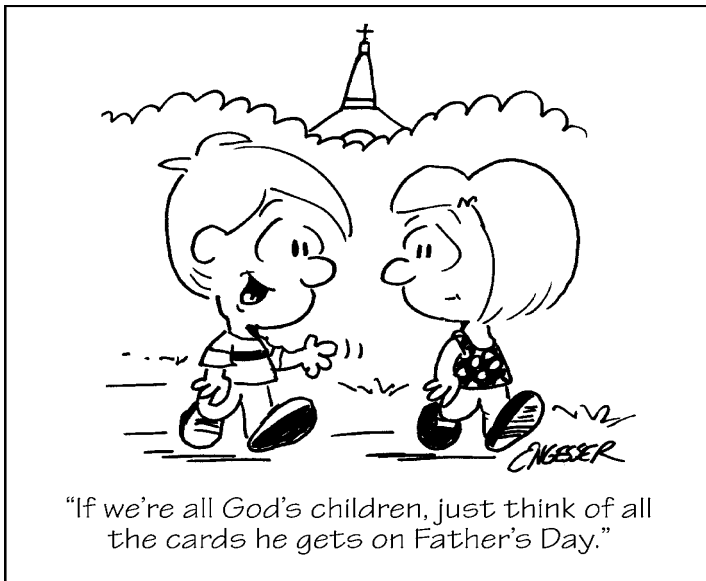
Funerals

Date	Offering	Attendance
05-01-11	\$7,724.	173
05-04-11		30
05-08-11	\$12,635.00	200
05-11-11		16
05-15-11	\$9,478.00	191
05-18-11		15
05-22-11	\$10,870.00	192
05-25-11		25
05-29-11		



**WE ARE
ALL
GOD'S CHILDREN**

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY



Dear Members and Friends of St. John,

Summer is here . . . or near. In Alaska, because of the short summers and long winters, people work hard to make sure they take advantage of the nice weather. I like to fish and golf and garden. I also have the opportunity to take others fishing or golfing.

Many of you know that I wrote my doctoral paper on the topic, "Fishing for Men while Fishing with Men." If you would like to go fishing, or if you would like to golf, I would enjoy spending time with you, if possible. We can enjoy the beauty around us, and catch up on how God is working in our lives.

John 13:33-35 says, **33 "My children, I will be with you only a little longer. You will look for me, and just as I told the Jews, so I tell you now: Where I am going, you cannot come. 34 "A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. 35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."**

Love between God's people is a witness to others. But, how can we love one another if we don't know one another. Obviously I cannot spend recreation time with everyone. But, I can use this opportunity to spend time with some of our St. John members. Please call me. Hopefully, we can catch up and God can use our time together to see how He has blessed us and is blessing us.

Yours in Christ,
Pastor Rockey



Christian Growth
Believing is Seeing



Sometimes only what I see, hear and touch seems real.
I can see my body, hear my voice.
I cannot see my spirit.

My flesh, bones and hair are only packaging.
It is my responsibility to take good care if them.
This earthsuit is the only one I'll get.
It must last a lifetime!

My spirit will last for eternity!
How that should be nurtured and cared for daily!

I'm a spiritual being having a human experience.
One day my body will die. Someone will bury it.
But the real me won't be in it.
That will have moved out.
I will have gone to be with my Jesus forever.
One day He will transform my dead body
to be like His glorious body.

Once the Son of God left His Father's heavenly home.
He clothed Himself in human flesh.
His life was perfect—always pleasing to the Father.
Yet men rejected Jesus, tortured and crucified Him.

His death was a horrible miscarriage of justice.
It was also a well-planned sacrifice.
"For God loved the world so much that he gave his only Son so that anyone who believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life.: (John 3:16 TLB)

Because I believe Jesus died for me, He is my Savior.
I see Him as Lord. I follow Him.
I have eternal life. He lives with me now.
I'll live with Him always.

That's real!
That's what life is all about!

You Are Loved
By Alma Kern

**Anniversary
Wishes**



JUNE

06-05 *Hunter & Elizabeth Richards*
06-09 *Gerry & Ruth Zellar*
06-10 *Al & Cheryl Kastar*
06-10 *Josh & Erin Rockey*
06-20 *John & Cathy Glaser*
06-22 *Curt & Monique Christiansen*
06-24 *Duane & Donita Odland*
06-26 *Ron & Ann Marie Svedin*
06-27 *Steve & Ann Kelly*
06-29 *David & Katlyn Heck*

JULY

07-01 *Mike & Julie Donn*
07-02 *James & Jacqueline Wolfe*
07-09 *Matthew & Amber Robinette*
07-25 *Mark & Melissa Larson*
07-29 *Charles & Lenita Deda*

AUGUST

08-02 *Carl & Dorothy Jacobson*
08-06 *Noel & Jean Woods*
08-12 *Robert & Rhoda Zanell*
08-20 *Jonathan & Kathy Rockey*
08-21 *Matthew & Stephanie Hartman*
08-21 *David & Marilee Nufer*
08-24 *Alvin & Gloria Okeson*
08-24 *Duaine & Ardith Richards*

SUMMER BIRTHDAYS

JUNE

06-03 Raylea Gardipee
 06-03 Rebekkah Lawton
 06-04 Graceann Kolberg
 06-06 Kimberly Dietz
 06-07 Nikelle Dishon
 06-07 Joe Nelson
 06-07 Jason Trimble
 06-09 Christina Idleman
 06-10 Karen Gilbert
 06-10 Casey Niggemeyer
 06-11 Nikita Idleman
 06-13 George Ball
 06-14 Temple Christiansen
 06-16 Jeanette Pedue
 06-17 Marilee Nufer
 06-20 Barbara Barney
 06-20 David Ingalls
 06-22 Kalli Brettrager
 06-22 Ashton Brown
 06-24 Sarah Brettrager
 06-24 Jack Perdue
 06-24 Sarah Pluard
 06-26 Emmalee Rockey
 06-27 Rhoda Zanella
 06-28 Sharon Allen
 06-28 Eve Taylor
 06-30 Gracie Newcomb

JULY

07-02 Isaac Lawton
 07-03 Steve Arlow
 07-04 James Wolfe
 07-07 James France
 07-09 Elinor Goodrich
 07-09 Jacqueline Wolfe
 07-09 Jakob Ziegler
 07-10 Madison Littleton
 07-11 Gary Deariso
 07-12 Leah Arneson
 07-12 Tracy Hazen

07-13 Ethan Lentes
 07-17 Patrick Ogden
 07-17 Jacki Rose
 07-20 Jessica Osterkamp
 07-20 Ivelisse Reagan
 07-20 Sharon Koss
 07-20 Jordan Ellis
 07-20 Jamie Walters
 07-21 Sasha Ziegler
 07-22 Kyle Ambrosius
 07-22 Cindy Rosenberg
 07-25 Larry McAllister
 07-26 Dallas Littleton
 07-27 Michael Kolberg
 07-30 Olivia Littleton

AUGUST

08-03 Bob Lnetz
 08-04 George Hermon
 08-06 Mattison Leonard
 08-06 Carlee Nufer
 08-06 James Summers
 08-06 Clancy Tooke
 08-07 Briana Isackson
 08-08 Dalton Jones
 08-09 Julie Donn
 08-09 Jean McMahan
 08-11 Jacob Butcher
 08-13 Bill McMahan
 08-14 Matthew Hartman
 08-15 Deo Keil
 08-17 Kristy Pluard
 08-22 Curt Christiansen
 08-23 Marina Hermon
 08-23 Pauline Schaller
 08-25 Duaine Richards
 08-26 Joel Butcher
 08-26 Cole Jacobson
 08-29 Jacob Hartman
 08-31 Cameron Christiansen
 08-31 Kris Knapp

PARISH NURSING

Notes from the Parish Nurses

Your eyes are an important part of your health. There are many things you can do to keep your eyes healthy and ensure that you are seeing your best. Follow these simple steps for maintaining healthy eyes all of your life.

- Have a comprehensive dilated eye exam.
- Know your family's eye health history
- Eat right to protect your sight
- Maintain a healthy weight
- Wear protective eyewear
- Quit smoking or never start
- Be cool and wear your shades
- Give your eyes a rest
- Clean your hands and your contact lenses properly

Practice workplace eye safety

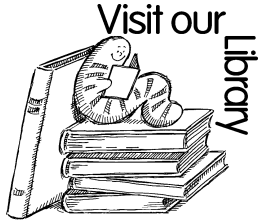
For more information about eye health and safety: <http://www.nei.nih.gov/healthyeyes>.

Check out the information on the Parish Nurses Health Information Board.

St. John Parrish Nurses are: Pat Ball, Margaret Runser and Zanthia Timblin.



Christine Anderson
Handbell soloist coming to Alaska!!
Friday, June 10, 2011
7:00 P.M.
Joy Lutheran Church
Eagle River, AK



These are new to us books for the library. If you have books checked out recently or “years ago” could you please return them in a timely manner. When you bring books, tapes, etc. back, please put them on the shelf marked ‘**RETURNED BOOKS**’, cards will be reinserted and then put back on shelves by we volunteers. **THANKS!!** There are many, “old and new”

books that are well worth reading, check them out. The black notebooks have listings by category, name and/or author. If you run across books or tapes that are inappropriate for the church library, put them on the returned books shelf with a note explaining your objection. List of books donated to library this month will be posted on the wall near the calendar.

In the Christian Fiction Section: #32-book2, *Tears in a Bottle* by Sylvia Bambola, also the author of *Refiners Fire*, Book 1. #94, *Winter Passing*, by Cindy McCormick Maartinusenm, a novel about a granddaughter’s search and a love locked in time. #99 *The Amber Photograph* by Penelope J. Stokes, also author of *The Blue Bottle Club*. In the Bible Studies section: #1937 *Lord, I Want To Know You* by Kay Arthur creator of Precept Upon Precept Bible studies. In the Inspirational and Miscellaneous section: #2467, Volumes 1 and 2, *Evidence That Demands a Verdict*, by Josh McDowell. Historical evidences for the Christian Faith. #2468 *Lazarus Project*, A Novel by John Bayer. #2529 *Waking Lazarus* a novel by T. L. Hines. #2530 *Divine Appointment*, a novel by Jerome Teel, also author of *The Election*. #2531, *The Great Divide*, a novel by T. Davis Bunn. “A frantic search for truth from the first page to the last”. #2532 *Shivering World* by Kathy Tyers. A planet at the edge of life...a woman at the edge of hope. This is fantasy fiction. #2533 *Relentless*, a novel by Robin Parrish. #2534, *Postcards* by Claire Cloninger. A message of hope, courage and comfort from God’s heart to yours. #2535 *He’s Gonna Toot & I’m Gonna Scoot* by Barbara Johnson. Waiting for Gabriel’s Horn.

Opportunities to Serve St. John

Historian/Archivist to keep scrapbooks about our congregation. Willie Pedersen is currently doing this job.

A person to lead **Children’s messages** somewhat regularly.

If you would be interested in any of these ways to serve, please talk with Pastor Rockey, contact Judy in the church office or look for the sign-up sheet in the Narthex.



The **LWML** will be putting together health kits for Lutheran World Relief, to send in with the quilts they make in Fall 2010 and Spring 2011.

People who must flee their homes quickly often do not have time to pack essential items. Health kits can help refugees maintain personal hygiene while living in exile. Items may also contribute to a new start for those who can return home.

Items in the Health Kit include:

- *One bath-sized towel, (approx. 52”x27”) dark color recommended (lighter weight, not very heavy/plush)
- *Two bath-size bar (4-5 oz.) of soap, any brand in its original wrapping
- *One adult-size toothbrush in its original packaging. (Toothbrush multi-packs may be used by sealing an individual toothbrush in a business envelop; no plastic bags or wrap.
- *One sturdy comb, remove packaging
- *One metal nail clippers, remove packaging

If you would like to help with the health kits for Lutheran World Relief (LWR), contributions of an item or items, as listed above, may be placed in the collection box by the LWML Gift Nook.

Do not add other items or leave out any of the items listed. All items should be new and in good condition. Wrap all items in the towel and tie securely with ribbons or yarn. Do not enclose the Kit or any of its contents in plastic bags.


LWML is now collecting old eye glasses for the Lions Club. Bring your old eye glasses and place them in the box located in the Gift Nook.



“SERVING THE LORD WITH GLADNESS!”

The **Lutheran Women’s Missionary League** (LWML) monthly meeting will be held on April 12th at 7:00pm in the North Fellowship Hall. Bible study/ devotional followed by refreshments. All ladies of the church are welcome to attend.

Lutheran World Relief Project will involve collecting and assembling Personal Care Kits to be sent with the quilt shipment in October 2011.



Planting

Plants, Planting, Planted!! The LWML will be planting flowers in the various areas around St. John, on June 7th, a Tuesday evening, beginning at 6:00pm. The women are requesting the donation of plants or money (the LWML will then make purchases). Please contact Eleanor Allen at 746-3919 or Cathy Glaser at 746-5067 if you have plants to donate, or money may be designated, in an envelope, and placed in collection plate. *“Oh who can make a flower, no one, but God...tis true!”* (from an old Sunday School song)

MITES

Mite Grant to focus on for June is the Sudanese Mission at King of Kings Lutheran Church in Renton, Washington. The grant is \$7,000.

This is a Washington-Alaska District Grant. Resting on the promise that God will bless the Sudanese community He brought to our doorstep the King of Kings Lutheran Church in Renton, Washington. Bless Pastor Matthew Both as he continues to minister to these families in the greater Seattle and Tri-Cities areas. May the gifts of these “Mighty Mites”, help to further this ministry through Pastor Both’s desire to proclaim the Gospel to those who have no hope. In Jesus’ Holy Name. Amen.

The large Mite box in the Narthex helps to support these projects.




It's Summer

High School Youth Schedule

-Youth Night Every Wednesday-

June
 10 & 11: Rummage Sale
 15-16: Overnight @ Eklutna
 Cost: \$10
 20-24: Vacation Bible School

July
 8: Movie Night
 17-22: Kaleidoscope
 Cost: \$270 (Scholarships Available)

August
 12: Movie Night
 20: Neon Bowling



Middle School

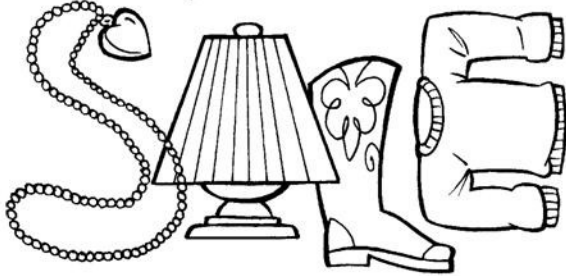
MOVIE NIGHT
Saturday, June 18
7-9:30pm



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IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE A COPY OF *THE SR HIGH L.I.G.H.T.*, CONTACT JAMIE VIA EMAIL

RUMMAGE

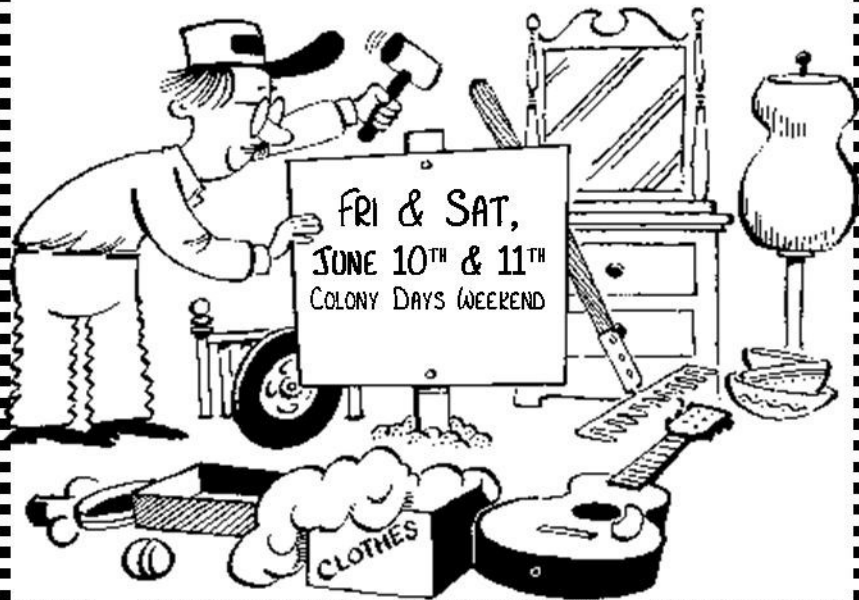


THE YOUTH GROUP WILL BE SPONSORING A
CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE BUT

WE NEED YOUR STUFF!!

PLEASE BRING ANY DONATIONS YOU MIGHT HAVE
TO ST JOHN'S YOUTH LOUNGE
NO LATER THAN JUNE 8TH

~THIS FUNDRAISER WILL REPLACE THE DINNER AUCTION~



UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY WORSHIP –Wednesday worship continues each week at 6:30 p.m. The goal for Wednesday worship is to provide an alternate opportunity for those who can't make Sunday worship, and to provide extra opportunities for time with the Lord and His people for people who nevertheless can attend on Sundays.

Wednesday worship is focusing on the readings for the coming Sunday, but the theme and sermon are different from Sunday. Come and join us for "An Evening with the Lord and His People."

SPECIAL MISSION PRESENTATION – On June 5, Rev. Dr. Jensen Seyenkulo will preach and tell us about mission work among the Kuwaa people of Western Africa. A special offering will be received.

COMMUNITY PICNIC AND COLONY DAYS PARADE – June 11 is the day of this year's Colony Day's parade. St. John will enter a float in the parade, followed by a free picnic for the community.

A picnic will be held on our property to the East of the church beginning after the parade. Thrivent is helping with costs for the picnic. We'll serve hot dogs, hamburgers, and ice cream, and then hand out invitations to St. John.

We need help in a couple of areas.

- Cooking.
 - Setting up and taking down tables and equipment.
 - People to march in the parade (hopefully children and adults).
- Also, we need side dishes of salad, chips, or brownies (etc.) for the picnic.
- Sign up sheets will be on the counter in the narthex. Please consider how you can help in this outreach activity.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is being held at St. John, Monday, June 20 – Friday June 24, at 1:00 p.m. each afternoon during that week. Plan now to bring or send your children or grandchildren, neighbors and friends. Classes are available for those aged preschool through 5th grade (last year)

Volunteers are needed. Please sign up in the narthex to help share the Gospel with the children of St. John and our community.

DIVORCE CARE

Are you going through, or do you know someone who's going through the pain of divorce or separation? St. John Lutheran Church is offering a Christian-based program called **DIVORCE CARE**. Please contact Bev Dubos @ 745-0514 or Judy in the church office: 745-3338 for more information.

Attention All High Schoolers

{Classes of 2011 thru 2014}



K-Scope is a once-in-a-lifetime event held every three years.

At this retreat you'll learn more about yourself, your friends and, most importantly, your God and your relationship with Him.

This is a highly influential retreat and not to be missed!

See Jamie to apply today!

July 17-22, 2011 @ Meier Lake Conference Center

Cost: \$270 (Scholarships are Available!—just ask)

VBS:2011



JUNE 20-24

1PM-3:30PM

Registrations Will be available May 15th

VOLUNTEER today! We'll need LOTS OF HELP WITH...
Crew Leaders :: Pre-School :: Station Helpers :: Decorating :: And more!

