# THE WEEKLY WORD

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL



# **MEDITATION**

# **Ecclesiastes 1 and 2**

During the days of creation, after God had prepared everything needful, He created Adam by scooping up the dust of the earth and breathing life into it. Without breath there is no life. As we look into the pages of scripture we hear the wise words of King Solomon who has seen just about everything there is to see. He declares that there is nothing new under the sun. Joy and sorrow, sickness and health, pain and suffering, triumph and struggle, riches and poverty, the breath of new life and the stench of death have always been a part of life on this side of heaven. The "Teacher" declares that it's all meaningless like a vapor or a breath...here one minute and gone the next. At first glance life sounds pretty pointless and without hope. But not all is lost since God breathes into our lives the breath of new life in Christ! Just like there is no life without breath, there is no Life without Jesus. By the death and resurrection of God's only Son, Jesus, we are granted new life in Him. With every breath we give our lives to the One who gives life.

# **PRAYER**

Most gracious and merciful Father, You are the Breath of Life. We thank You for Your goodness as we face trials and temptations. Forgive us for the times we struggle and complain when life gets complicated. Too often we blame You instead of turning to You for guidance and direction. Because You breathe once again into our lives, give us life eternal through the sacrifice of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

**Pastor Snow** 

# THIS WEEK

Sunday, 8/3

Worship 8:30 and 10:00am
Parents in the Word Bible Study 9:30am
Monday Night meal prep 1:00pm

Monday, 8/4

Men's Bible Study6:30amMonday Night Meal5:15pmAA7:00pm

Wednesday, 8/6

Family Faith Night 5:30pm

Friday, 8/8

AA 6:30pm

**Sunday, 8/10** 

Worship 8:30 and 10:00am
Parents in the Word Bible Study 9:30am
Blood Pressure Screening 9:30am
Monday night meal prep 1:00pm



Installation of the fire sprinkler piping in the gymnasium has begun, as has some of the new audio/visual equipment. Ceramic wall tile has been installed in the new toilet rooms at the east end of the second level of the 2000 addition of the school.



Framing and waterproofing for the new air intake louvers for the HVAC ventilators in the 1961 addition are being installed. The new louvers will be much larger than the previous louvers because the new units will be mixing in more outside air, so that the air in the classrooms will be much healthier than it was previously.



The ceiling grid and light fixtures are being installed in the classrooms of the second level of the 1961 addition. The new acoustic ceiling will be about half way up on the existing precast concrete beams in these rooms. This is the highest level allowed by the fire sprinkler code.



The floor trenches for the sewer lines for the new classroom sinks have been infilled with concrete. The new steel column and beams which support the floor above the new passageway north of the Music Room have been installed.

## St. John's is seeking candidates for Church Administrative Assistant

This position serves as the face and voice of our congregation and school. This position will provide assistance in developing worship materials, coordinating baptisms, funerals, weddings, etc. This position is also responsible for maintaining church membership records. There is likewise an opportunity for creativity in developing designs for print and electronic media. Technical ability in the areas of web maintenance and social media posting is important. This position requires a willingness to maintain a structured schedule, work with tight deadlines, and ability to work additional hours during busy church seasons. Please contact Gordon Thomas at 952-448-2433 for more information or to apply.

### **Nursery Available on Sundays**

Preschool room 106 will be available during worship services in case you have a child that needs to move around a bit. Please remember to pickup the toys you use.

## **Upcoming Special Services August 24, 8:30 and 10:00am**

Dedication of our school teachers as well as the installation of our new Kindergarden teacher Grace Ortloff and DCF Justin Weber.

#### Lutheran Hour Broadcast On KDUZ Radio

A Message of Hope on The Lutheran Hour. Hear the Good News of the Gospel on the Lutheran Hour each Sunday at 9:00 am on KDUZ 1260 AM Radio. This month, during August, you will hear program topics from the Lutheran Hour Archives on the 9:00 am broadcast:

Aug 3 "Proclaim His Glory" with Guest Speaker: Rev. Dr. Dale A. Meyer. Of course, we should search the Scriptures, but we search them for Jesus, the One to Whom the Scriptures point. (John 5:30-47)

Aug. 10 "Writing Him Off" with speaker emeritus of The Lutheran Hour Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus. After Jesus claimed the Old Testament was written about Him, the people of His hometown wrote Him off. (Luke 4:21-32

#### **Back to School Supplies**

St. John's is very blessed to have an amazing school and a very dedicated staff! To show our appreciation, Ladies Aid is sponsoring a Back-to-School Supply Drive for staff.

If you would like to contribute to this effort, following are items that would be very much appreciated:

- Papermate Flair Pens
- Masking tape (Scotch brand)
- Scotch tape
- Double-sided tape
- Sharpies (Black, colorful and metallic)
- Dry Erase Markers.

A drop box is located outside the school office on the gym level. Thank you in advance for considering supporting this effort.



#### WORSHIP

Sundays 8:30/10:00 in the Gymnasium

#### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday -Thursday 8am-4:00pm Friday 8am - noon



# PRAYER LIST

Please continue to share your prayer requests by filling out the back of a Connect Card located on the information desks in the upper gathering and main level common areas or by going to www.stjohns-chaska.org and clicking on "How can we pray for you?" You can also contact the church office: email: churchoffice@stjohns-chaska.org. or by phone 952-448-2433

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY

8/8 8/3 8/5 Tara Dysterheft Verna Fritz Sunnie Deis Abby Hendrickson Lvnette Fiebelkorn Kari Handberg Avden Luedtke **Gordon Gentz** Charlie Waldner **LuAnn Panning** Tim Goltz Dan Kloos 8/6 8/9 **Lindsey Boysen** Jennifer Dysterheft 8/4 Bernie Gnan Jacob Garner 8/7 Kassi Herrmann **Peggy Schmitz** Griffin Dubbe **Angie Olson Joelle Sihombing** 

# FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

Jack Boman
Loretta Folkerts
Norm Glock
Suzanne Honebrink
Carol Severson

Angel Benes Julie Carver Bernie Gnan Joann Mueller Kim Bergo Bob DeMaris Joel Landskroener Marilyn Lenzen



# CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

8/4 Darios and Clara Crawley-Reid 8/5 Ryan and Tracy Koepsell 8/5 Chris and Heidi Krampitz 8/6 Fred and Mary Krueger 8/6 Sean and Renee Siegle 8/6 Daryl and Kaye Wickstrom 8/8 Patrick and Haley Griffin 8/9 Philip and Melissa Dubbe

In Sympathy:

John Spry on the death of his aunt Judy Wolff

# ONGOING PRAYERS

Carol Affeldt John Barney Jimann Campbell Julie Carver Marguerite Craighead Sunnie Deis Bob DeMaris Anita Doss Sid & Merna Fjelstad Dennis Gaarder Bernie Gnan Pearl Gray Hilde Grev Eugene Henke Carol Jones Len Kallsen

Gretchen Laubach Melinda Meuwissen Gina Niesche Carol Ott Steve Pond Austin Rannow JoAnn Schesso

Val Schlefsky Larry Smith Cliff Waller Lisa Neitzel - mother of Ashley Lenz Deb Wold - mother of Misty Reisner Merlin Bentz - brother of Linda Knox Ruth Harms - sister-in-law of Marilyn Lenzen

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