

LADIES AID

This is a fellowship and service organization whose membership is open to all ladies of our congregation. Meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 2:00 P.M. in the Fellowship Room. We provide funeral meals to families who have made a request. For more information contact Elaine Harris at 419-782-3046.

THE ALTAR GUILD

This group undertakes the care of the altar, its furnishings and various vestments. Meetings are quarterly in February, May, August, and November on the third Tuesday at 7:30 P.M. Anyone interested may call Lydia Johnston at 419-395-1504.

BOY SCOUTS AND CUB SCOUTS

The Scouts meet every Monday evening from 6:30 – 8:30 P.M. in the Gym and Youth Room. For more information contact Charlie Duerk 419-784-3099, Marc Beach 784-0873, or Mike Saxton 419-393-2513.

GIRLS SCOUTS

The Girl Scouts will be meeting on Thursday, December 17 in the Fellowship Room. For more information contact Sarah Cavin at 419-438-6003.

“WE CARE” CARD MINISTRY

Members send cards to remember people on special occasions or in special circumstances. For more information call Penny Mueller at 419-784-3299.

STEPHEN MINISTRY

Stephen Ministry equips lay persons to provide distinctively Christian Care Giving to those who are experiencing all kinds of life needs and circumstances, to our congregation and to the community. Call one of the leaders for more information: Pastor Luhring, Rita Bergman, Penny Mueller, Faith Smith, Sheryl Frederick, Sandy Joost, or call the Church Office at 419-782-5766.



QUILTERS AND KNOTTERS

The ladies meet every Tuesday from 9:30 A.M. – 3:30 P.M. in the Day School Library to quilt and to make blankets. For more information call Delora Duerk at 419-784-2450.



BIBLE STUDIES AND SMALL GROUPS OFFERED AT ST. JOHN

Everyone is welcome to our studies and groups!

LUTHER'S CATECHISM STUDY

Phil Rohlf's Sunday morning group will begin this 13-week study on December 20. Please join us at 9:30 A.M. in the Lunch Room to review why there are a large and small catechism and some of the differences.

WILLING TO BELIEVE

The Controversy over Free Will by R.C. Sproul is a 13-week study. Dave Bennett and Dave Memmer are the leaders. They meet in the Adult Education Room on Sunday mornings at 9:30 A.M.

REVELATIONS

Faye Luhning continues her class on the Book of Revelations. This class meets in the Lunch Room every Sunday morning at 9:30. Everyone is very welcome to attend.



JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH YOUTH Bible Studies

The youth are watching the video “A Christmas Carol” by Charles Dickens. Groups are formed, after viewing the video, for discussion. Our youth meet in the Youth Room each Sunday morning at 9:30 A.M. Mike Kemper, Dr. Jeff Pruitt and Kris lead the Senior High Youth. Nancy Kemper and Angie Roehrig lead the Junior High Youth.

LUTHERAN INFORMATION CLASS “Life with God”

Pastor's Lutheran Information Class will begin on Sunday, February 14, 2010. During these fourteen weeks of study you will have the opportunity to study and review the basic teachings of our church. We will meet in the Adult Education Room from 6:30 – 8:30 P.M. on Sunday evenings. Call the Church Office for more information 419-782-5766.

WOMEN'S DISCUSSION BIBLE STUDY

Sandy Gyurnek leads this discussion group on Sunday mornings at 9:30 A.M. in the Church Office. This study is open to all women. Won't you Join us?

SISTERS IN CHRIST

A Women Supporting Women Bible Study meets monthly on the second Monday evening from 6:00 to 8:30 p.m. December 14 is our Christmas gathering. Please bring a dish to share for our potluck meal. Also, please bring a white elephant item for our gift exchange. We will have Christmas devotion and sing Christmas songs. Please join us and bring a friend to celebrate Christ's birth at Penny Mueller's home at 3117 Sandlewood Drive. Feel free to call Penny Mueller (419-784-3299) or Judy Detter (419-393-2054) for more information.



MOM'S IN TOUCH PRAYER GROUP

"Devote yourselves to PRAYER. . . Be watchful and thankful." Faye Luhning leads this group in her home, at 274 Wilson Street, every other week on Wednesday morning from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. Call Faye for more information at 419-782-0153

READING THROUGH THE BIBLE IN 2 YEARS

Phil Rohlf leads this Bible class on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30 P.M. in the Adult Education Room. They are currently in the book of 1 Corinthians. For more information call Phil at 419-784-0495.

"LIFELIGHT STUDY"

Joe Symonds leads a Bible class on Thursday mornings at 9:00 A.M. in the Fellowship Room. A new study "Ruth and Esther" will begin on December 17. Coffee and refreshments are served.

L.W.M.L.

Lutheran Women's Missionary League

Ladies you are invited to attend our group on the third Thursday of each month in the Fellowship Room. Come and enjoy lunch and our fellowship time together as we share and devote our time to the Missions of St. John.

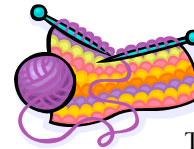
GEORGE KAISER'S BIBLE STUDY

The Friday morning breakfast Bible study continues at Cosmos Restaurant on East Second Street. "Living with Change" is the title of the study and will examine uncertainties caused by change and how to anticipate, deal with and progress through change. Led by George Kaiser, the study runs from 7:00-8:00 AM. Everyone is welcome.

IRON MEN BIBLE STUDY

The Friday's Men Bible Study Group called "Iron Men" that meets at 6:30 A.M. each Friday is studying a new book called "The Relationship Principles of Jesus" or "40 Days of Love". All men are invited to join this one hour study in the Lunch Room with hot coffee, tea, and rolls. Friday mornings from 6:30-7:30 A.M. is another opportunity to study in depth, with pastor, the basic relationship principle of Jesus. What would you give to radically improve, even transform, what matters most in your relationships? You are invited! See you next Friday!

SMALL GROUPS



CHARITABLE CHRISTIAN CRAFTERS

Do you knit? Do you crochet? Do you Cross Stitch? Do you make crafts? Why join us on the first and third Thursday of each month at 1:30 P.M. in the Fellowship Room. Call Lydia Johnston at 419-395-1504.

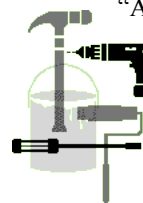
SEW HAPPY SEWers

LEARN THE ART OF MACHINE QUILTING

We will make small and large projects. All you will need is to bring your sewing machine and creative minds. We would like to start with an organizational meeting Saturday 1/9/10 at 9:30 in the former church nursery which is the room just before the stairs up to the church. If you would like to attend, please contact Jeanette Tingle, 419-438-3134, tingle5616@roadrunner.com or Barb Saxton, 419-393-2513, basaxton@defnet.com.



MEN'S PROJECT TEAM



"A Men's Project Team" is meeting once a month on the first Friday, at 9:00 A.M. We meet in the Lunch Room for a light breakfast and fellowship. During this time projects to be completed are discussed. The TEAM will meet on January 8, 2010, because of New Year's Day being on the first Friday of the month. Call Nancy Schatz if you are interested.