

**Announcements for the week of
August 17, 2014
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Outdoor Service at St. John – August 31 at 9:00 am

We will be having another outdoor service, this time at the church facing our wonderful garden. We're hoping the weather will cooperate. This will wrap up our summer worship together.

Supplies Needed - Lutheran World Relief Quilts

We are in need of some supplies for the quilts that are sent to Lutheran World Relief. Amazing quilt tops can be made from pieces of **colorful, cotton fabric**. We are also in need of **blankets, fleece or quilt batting** to use for the middle part of the quilt. Gently used **bed sheets** can be used for the backing and are just the right size. We also use **embroidery thread** to tie the layers together. Your help is greatly needed and appreciated.

Pastor Rigg Contact Information

If you would like to send a card or note to Pastor Rigg in his convalescence you may send to the following address: UPMC Northwest, 506B-Transitional Unit, 100 Fairfield Dr., Seneca, PA 16346.

Mars United Presbyterian Peach Festival

Come join us for the annual Peach Festival on August 22! 11am to 7 pm. Something for everyone!

Brown Bag Bible Study

We are now reading through St. Paul's letter to the Romans. All you need is a willing spirit. You may bring your own bible if you wish. If you would like to join us, we meet at Noon on Mondays in the church hall.

Discovery Day at Old Union Presbyterian Church

Old Union Church of Mars will hold a *special event on the theme "Eternal Life" on Saturday, August 23*. The event is open to adults and youth to learn more about the life that Jesus offers in this world and the next. Those of all faith backgrounds are welcome to participate. *The cost is \$5, with a maximum of \$20 for families*. For more information, or to register visit www.OldUnionChurch.com or call 724-538-8672. The *deadline for registration is Sunday, August 17*.

Prayer List

Please review the prayer list at the end of the announcements and if anyone can be removed from the list, please contact the church office. Also, if you have anyone you would like to add to the list the same applies. There are also yellow cards in the pews for adding or removing a name. Please help us to keep the list current.

Attention Married Couples

There are still openings for the September 26-28 weekend at the Olmstead Retreat Center in Ludlow, PA. The hotel-style retreat center sits on a hillside in the Allegheny National Forest north of DuBois. If interested, simply go to www.GodLovesMarriage.org and pay the \$45 registration fee with a credit card or register and mail a check. Two nights lodging, five meals for each of you, and all supplies are included. Voluntary contributions may be made at the end of the weekend if you wish to do so, these allow future weekends to take place. Any questions, contact PA Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber at 724-325-3166 or fjschamber@comcast.net.

Camp Lutherlyn – Fathers and Sons

Registration is open for August 29 & 30, 2014 for fathers and sons to spend time together at Camp Lutherlyn in Prospect, PA. You may register for Friday evening and Saturday or Saturday only. Cost varies depending on days and number attending. Additional information is available on their web site at: www.lutherlyn.com or call 724-865-2161.

Walk to Tanzania

The travelers are still walking and still counting! We have crossed the ocean and landed on another continent. All physical activity counts – walking, running, gardening, bowling and swimming. Any 20 minutes of physical activity counts toward one mile. *Group walking will be on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Sundays at 6:30 pm at the Mars High School football field.* Join us!

Looking for Volunteers to Paint Parsonage

If you are able to help with this project, please contact one of the Trustees and let them know. Dates still to be determined.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – August 17	Worship (Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am
Monday – August 18	Brown Bag Bible Study Ladies Book Study	Noon 7:00 pm
Thursday – August 21	Luther Club – Dishong’s house	11:30 am
Sunday – August 24	Worship (Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am