

**Announcements for the week of
August 16, 2015
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Faith Night at PNC Park – August 20 – Deadline Today!

Let's go the ball game as a group! Come out to PNC Park on *Thursday, August 20 at 7:05 pm* for the third annual Faith Night at PNC Park and root for the Pirates as they play the World Champion San Francisco Giants. Following the game, we will relocate along the first base line to hear your favorite Pirate players and coaches share their personal experiences with how their faith has impacted their lives and careers in baseball. Speakers will include: Manager, Clint Hurdle, Center Fielder, Andrew McCutchen, Second Baseman, Neil Walker, Third Baseman, Josh Harrison, and many more. If we bring a group of 15 or more we will receive name recognition on the LED Boards during the game. ***Grandstand seats are \$22 per person.*** If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet in the Greeting Area, or email Pastor Zimmerman at pastor@stjohnchurchmars.org. Mars UP Church has been invited to join us. ***Deadline to sign up is today so be sure to sign up if you're interested in attending.***

Wanted by Pastor Zimmerman – Unwanted Magazines

Magazines will be used for a variety of projects for Catechism Class. A range of titles will be helpful. Please place them in the greeting area. Thank you.

Blessing of Backpacks – Sunday, August 30

The school year is fast approaching and as our children prepare to return to the classroom we will offer a ***Blessing of the Backpacks during worship on August 30.*** All children and youth are requested to bring their school backpacks to worship as we pray for a successful school year.

Installation for Pastor Zimmerman – September 13

We invite everyone to come to Pastor Bob's formal installation as our new pastor at St. John on ***Sunday, September 13 at 2:30 pm.*** There will be a reception following the installation in the Fellowship Hall. We hope everyone will be able to come and welcome him!

Services in September

The summer schedule will continue for the first two weeks of September. On September 6 worship service will be at 9:00 am. On September 13 we will have worship service at 9:00 am and the installation at 2:30 pm with reception to follow.

Rally Day and Sunday School – September 20

Rally Day will kick off a new year of Sunday School on ***September 20.*** There will be ice cream for the kids and bagels for adults. Please join us as we look forward to a new year of teaching our children more about their faith and how to live it in their lives.

Reformation Tour Video Presentation – October 1

On Thursday, October 1 at 7:00 pm there will be a Power Point presentation and Q&A session in regard to the Reformation Tour in 2016. The presentation will take place at the Beaver/Butler Presbytery office at 134-B South Main St., Zelenople. Please use rear entrance and adjacent parking lot just off of High Street. For details contact Complete Travel Service at 724-452-8000 or email at completetravelserviceinc@gmail.com.

Items Still Needed for Baby Care Kits

We are still collecting items needed to complete the baby care kits for LWR. Items still needed are:

Sweatshirts with hoods – 10

Cotton T-shirts – 16

Blankets – 6

Sleepers without feet - 11

If you can help by donating any of these items, it will be greatly appreciated.

Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends

There are still a few openings for the two upcoming Marriage Encounter Weekends. *September 18-20 at Spruce Lake Retreat in the Poconos, and October 16-18 at the Heritage Hotel in Lancaster, PA.* Two nights lodging, 5 meals each and all supplies are included in the registration fee. You may register online at www.GodLovesMarriage.org; via email at fjschamber@comcast.net or call if you have questions – 724-325-3166.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – August 16	Worship (Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am
Thursday – August 20	Faith Night at PNC Park	7:05 pm
Sunday – August 23	Worship (Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost)	9:00 am