

**Announcements for the week of
February 22, 2015
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Fellowship Meals

Beginning on February 25, on Wednesday evenings during Lent, a fellowship meal will be held at 6:00 pm. This will be followed by a Lenten Bible Study, “The Common People Heard Him Gladly,” which will be led by Pastor Newpher.

Sign-up Sheet for Fellowship Meals

There will be a sign-up sheet in the greeting if you plan to attend the fellowship meals during Lent. Please sign up so we can have an approximate count for each meal. If you are uncertain whether or not you can attend, please don't hesitate to come simply because you haven't signed up. We will allow for extras and hope that many will attend.

Pastor Newpher Away

Pastor Newpher will be away March 1-6. Any pastoral emergencies will be handled by Pastor Nathaniel Christman during this time. Pastor Christman can be reached at 651-328-1072.

Confirmation Class

Class will be held on *Sunday, March 8, 2015 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm*. We will meet in the church basement. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Dishong.

Chair Drive Donations

Money has been set aside from last year's tea and harvest dinner for the purchase of new chairs for the basement fellowship hall. The cost per chair is \$21.99. *We are ordering 100 chairs, but are short approximately \$700 to purchase all of the chairs*. If you would like to make a donation toward the balance, please place it in an envelope and mark it “**Chair Drive**” and place in the offertory plate. We hope you will prayerfully consider helping with this cause. If you have any questions, see Denise Hager.

Family Movie Night

Please join us here at St. John on Saturday, March 14 at 5:00 pm to watch the “Rise of the Guardians.” We will be enjoying pizza and great family time together. Kids – wear your pajamas and bring a pillow and/or sleeping bag. Hope to see you there!

Attention All Youth Ages 10-18

We are having a planning meeting to discuss the startup of a new Youth Group here at St. John. We would like ideas from our youth on what the mission of our Youth Group should be and ideas for activities, schedule, frequency, etc. If you are between the ages of 10-18, *we invite you to attend a brief meeting on Saturday, March 14 at 4:30 pm prior to Family Movie Night*. If you have any questions, please contact Tonya Nagel at 724-679-3703.

Thank You

A big thank you to Sue Bielo for providing hand sanitizers for use in the church pews. Your efforts are much appreciated. Also, many thanks to all who provided food or helped to serve and clean up for the funeral luncheons this past week.

2015 Directory Information

The Deacons will be in the greeting area one last time this Sunday. If you haven't already provided updates to your information for the new church directory, please stop today and do so. Please inform them of any change to your address, email or phone numbers (home or cell) so we have current information for the new 2015 Directory. You may also call the church office at 724-625-1830 or email the information to: office@stjohnchurchmars.org.

Chair Aerobics

Chair Aerobics will continue throughout February and March. Join us each *Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 7:00 – 8:00 pm* in the church hall. This is low impact and will help to tone and improve our flexibility and best of all it's FREE! Come join us and work at your own pace.

Communion Bread for March – Leikauf's

This Week at St. John

Sunday – February 22	Worship (First Sunday in Lent)	8:00 am
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship (First Sunday in Lent)	10:30 am
Tuesday – February 24	Chair Aerobics	7:00 pm
Wednesday – February 25	Fellowship Meal & Bible Study	6:00 pm
Thursday – February 26	Chair Aerobics	7:00 pm
Sunday – March 1	Worship (Second Sunday of Lent)	8:00 am
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship (Second Sunday of Lent)	10:30 am