

**Announcements for the week of  
June 21, 2015  
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Father's Day**

We would like to extend a special word of welcome, along with congratulations and thanksgiving to all of the fathers here today on this Father's Day.

**Brunch – June 28**

Sunday, June 28 is Pastor Newpher's last day at St. John's. Please join us at a brunch for Pastor and Mrs. Newpher after services on this day. Pastor Newpher has been a great help to St. John's in this interim period and we are grateful for all he has done.

**Outdoor Service and Church Picnic – July 12, 2015**

St. John's will have our annual outdoor service and picnic on *Sunday, July 12, 2015 at 9:00 am at Adams Twp. Park*. The fee is \$5 for adults to help defray the cost of food and beverages that will be provided. There is no fee for children. Please fill out and return the attached form and place it and your fee in Denise's mailbox outside of the church office. All checks should be payable to St. John Lutheran Church. We hope you'll plan to attend!

**Youth Group**

*We will be attending the June 29 Elders meeting* in order to discuss helping with games for the church picnic. Also, the group will be making posters for the School Kit collection and assembling the kits and some summer outings will be discussed. Please plan to attend on *Monday, June 29 at 6:00 pm* in the church basement.

**Vacation Bible School at Mars U.P.**

*This year's theme is "Everest" and the dates will be from July 6-10 from 6pm – 8:30 pm.* At Everest, kids discover ways to face fear and overcome challenges with God's help and strength. Register online at [www.mars-up.org](http://www.mars-up.org) or call 724-625-1835. If you would still like to help, please see Denise Hager or call Mars UP.

**Donations for VBS**

In tune with this year's theme of "Everest," please help us reach the summit! You can support our goals by making a donation. There is an Everest-theme bulletin board in the greeting area. If you are willing to help, please take a footprint and place your name and donation amount on the footprint and attach it to Mt. Everest. Donations can be placed in the hiking boot. *Please make all checks payable to St. John Lutheran Church.* With your help, we can reach the top of Mt. Everest!!

**Lutheran World Relief Kits**

Elders and Deacons will be collecting supplies over the summer for kits for Lutheran World Relief. Following is a list of what we are asking to be donated for each kit. Next week bins will be placed in the greeting area for items.

**School Kits**

1 pair - blunt scissors  
5 - unsharpened #2 pencils  
5 - black or blue ball point pens (no gel ink)  
4 – 70 sheet spiral ruled notebooks (no loose-leaf paper)  
1-30 centimeter ruler or ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on reverse  
1- pencil sharpener  
1 - box of 16 or 24 crayons  
1-2.5 inch eraser. *Back packs will be provided. New items only, no religious or patriotic or military symbols or camouflage.*

**Baby Care Kits**

(for sizes 6 to 24 months)  
2 – lightweight cotton t-shirts (no onesies)  
2 – long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers without feet, or tops and pants  
2 – receiving blankets, cotton or flannel  
4 – cloth diapers (*will be provided*)  
1 – sweater, jacket or sweatshirt with a hood or include a cap  
2 – pairs of socks  
1 – hand towel, preferably dark color  
2 – bath size bars of gentle soap in original wrapper  
2 – diaper pins or large safety pins

### **New Attendance Cards**

Please continue to use the new attendance cards in order to more accurately track both member and visitor attendance at worship service. These cards will be attached to the front of the bulletin. Please remove, fill out, and place in the collection plate. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Volunteers Needed**

Volunteers are needed on *July 3 at 6:30 pm* to help with the *float for the 4<sup>th</sup> of July parade*. To sign up to help with the float or to ride on it, there is also a sign-up sheet in the greeting for this as well.

### **Ladies Book Group – June 24**

For our next selection, we will be reading *“The Orphan Train” by Christina Baker Kline*. If you like lively discussions, read the book and get the discussion questions from Sally. *Join us at 7 pm on June 24*. We will meet in the ‘living room’ area of the basement.

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### **This Week at St. John**

<b>Sunday – June 21</b>	<b>Worship (Fourth Sunday after Pentecost)</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>Wednesday – June 24</b>	Ladies Book Study	7:00 pm
<b>Sunday – June 28</b>	<b>Worship (Fifth Sunday after Pentecost) Brunch</b>	<b>9:00 am</b> After Service