

**Announcements for the week of  
May 10, 2015  
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Welcome Back Pastor Susie**

We are happy to welcome Pastor Susie back to St. John's to lead worship services today while Pastor Newpher is away.

**Pastoral Candidate**

The Call Committee and Church Council of St. John are recommending a candidate for the pastoral position at St. John. *He will be conducting the worship service on Sunday, May 24 (one service at 9:00 am)*, and a congregational meeting will follow. At this meeting the congregation will vote on the call of the candidate.

*On Saturday evening, May 23, at 5:00 pm, there will be a Meet and Greet session* as a means for the congregation to get to know the candidate in an informal setting. Please make every effort to attend both the Meet and Greet and the service and meeting this weekend. It is important that all members be a part of this important decision on the future of the St. John congregation.

**First Communion – May 17**

Next Sunday at the 10:30 am service we have two children from the congregation who will make their First Communion. The first communicants are: *Makenna Lydon*, daughter of Marcia & Bill Shepard and Shawn & Jan Lydon, and *Dominic Cardinal*, son of Valerie & Keith Cardinal. We ask the congregation to keep these children in your prayers so they will always keep God in their hearts and lives.

**Confirmation Class**

Our last Confirmation class of the year will be held on *Sunday, May 17 from 1:00 – 3:00 pm*. The meeting will be in the church basement. If you have any questions, please contact Christine Dishong.

**Church Grounds Beautification**

*The Sunday School children will plant flowers on the grounds next Sunday, May 17.* To assist them, we are asking for donations of flowers and potting soil. You may drop off your donations Tuesdays thru Fridays from 8:30 am to 1:00 pm and place them in the church basement.

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

VBS will be held again this year at Mars United Presbyterian Church. *This year's theme is "Everest" and the dates will be from July 6-10.* More information will be provided as we get closer to July, but mark the dates on your calendar!

**Parking Lot Entrance**

The entrance to the parking lot closest to the parsonage grounds should no longer be used. Mars Boro installed a curb there last summer to close off access and eliminate runoff from the parking lot. Please use only the open entrance from either end of the alley.

**Correction to May Calendar**

We will begin one service at 9:00 am on Memorial Day Weekend (May 24). The services for May 24 and 31 were listed incorrectly in the newsletter calendar. Please note there will be only one service at 9:00 am beginning May 24 and continuing throughout the summer.

**Nepal Earthquake – Lutheran World Relief**

In addition to our prayers, the people of Nepal need our help. Quilts and personal care kits are needed as well as monetary donations. To make a donation or for additional information please check the web site at [www.lwr.org](http://www.lwr.org).

**Wheelchairs Available**

There are two wheelchairs in the fellowship hall that are not being used. If anyone has need of them they are welcome to them. If you are interested, please call the church office at 724-625-1830 to set up a time for pick-up.

### **Worship Assistants Needed**

If you would like to assist with our worship services, please use the sign-up sheet on the greeting area bulletin board. This is for ushers, acolytes, communion assistants and lectors.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of all members of St. John who have gone to be with the Lord. Especially for those who have died recently, *Joseph Meyerl and William Rinehart*.

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

<b>Sunday – May 10</b>	<b>Worship</b> <b>(Sixth Sunday of Easter)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship</b> <b>(Sixth Sunday of Easter)</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
<b>Monday – May 11</b>	Brown Bag Bible Study	Noon
	Quilting Group	6:00 pm
<b>Tuesday – May 12</b>	Council Meeting	7:00 pm
<b>Thursday – May 14</b>	First Communion Instruction	5:30 pm
<b>Sunday – May 17</b>	<b>Worship</b> <b>(Seventh Sunday of Easter)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
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	<b>First Communion</b>	