

**Announcements for the week of
May 3, 2015
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Pastor Newpher Away

Pastor Newpher will be away May 8-10. Pastor Susie will be conducting worship services on Sunday, May 10. For pastoral emergencies during this time period, please contact Pastor Nathan Esser of Mars United Presbyterian Church at 724-355-0426.

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.

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.

Church Grounds Beautification

The Sunday School children will plant flowers on the grounds on 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.

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.

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!

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.

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.

Communion Bread

Sally Foster will provide the bread for communion for the month of May.

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.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – May 3	Worship	8:00 am
	(Fifth Sunday of Easter)	
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	(Fifth Sunday of Easter)	
Monday – May 4	Brown Bag Bible Study	Noon
	Elders Meeting	6:00 pm
Sunday – May 10	Worship	8:00 am
	(Sixth Sunday of Easter)	
	Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship	10:30 am
	(Sixth Sunday of Easter)	