

**Announcements for the week of  
February 14, 2016  
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**First Communion Instruction – First Class Today**

For those children wishing to receive their First Holy Communion (generally in second grade or older) there will be three instruction sessions with Pastor Bob immediately after late worship on *February 14, February 28, and March 6*. If you wish your child to participate, please contact Pastor Bob and attend.

**Youth Group – Sunday Night Live – Today**

St. John's Youth Group will attend Sunday Night Live at First Lutheran Church in Butler today. We will meet in the St. John parking lot and leave from here at 4:15 pm.

**Wednesday Evenings During Lent**

On these evenings, we will have a simple fellowship meal, Scripture Study, discussion and Holy Communion, all around the table in the Fellowship Hall. We will gather at 6:00 pm with dinner at 6:30 pm. The dates for Worship Around the Table are: *February 17 & 24 and March 2, 9, & 16*. All are welcome.

**Lenten Meal Sign-up Sheet**

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the greeting area if you will be attending the Lenten Meal and Worship Around the Table. You may still come to the meal if you do not sign up, but we're trying to get an idea of how many people to expect so we can prepare accordingly.

**Spaghetti Dinner – Sign-up Board**

Our spaghetti dinner will be on March 5 and we are in need of donations of goods for the dinner. There is a sign-up board displayed in the greeting area. Please sign-up to provide whatever goods you are able to donate. Monetary donations are also welcome and may be given to Missy Kramer or placed in an envelope in her mailbox in the greeting area.

**Lenten Collection for Mars Home for Youth**

During the Lenten season we will be collecting items needed by the Mars Home for Youth. Craft items and personal hygiene items are most needed. There is a bin in the greeting area with items listed, and also in the February newsletter.

**Volunteers Needed – February 20**

The Deacons will be making meatballs in preparation for our Spaghetti Dinner on March 5. If you are able to help with the meatball-making, join us on *February 20 at 9:00 am*.

**Council Minutes**

Copies of the minutes from the council meeting (January) and reports from other meetings are available on the table in the greeting area.

**Coffee Hour – February 28**

The Deacons of St. John will host a coffee hour after both services on Sunday, February 28. All are welcome.

**Youthfest 2016: April 8-10 @ Camp Lutherlyn**

A fun and exciting weekend of activities, music and worship for youth in grades 7-12 at beautiful Camp Lutherlyn. Commit to attend now as we plan fund raisers to help cover the cost.

**VNA Hospice Volunteers Needed**

VNA Hospice volunteers play a vital role in caring for those dealing with terminal illness. They sit with patients to allow family a respite, visit those in nursing homes, and provide support for families and patients. Volunteers are needed in your area. For more information, please call Tammie Cramer at 724-431-3502.

## Marriage Encounter Weekends

You can still register for the spring Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends. The upcoming weekends are: April 8-10, 2016 at the Heritage Hotel in Lancaster, PA and April 22-24, 2016 at the Penn State Conference Center Hotel in State College, PA. To register go to [www.GodLovesMarriage.org](http://www.GodLovesMarriage.org) or phone 724-325-3166.

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### This Week at St. John

<b>Sunday – February 14</b>	<b>Worship</b> <b>(First Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Sunday School & Adult Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship</b> <b>(First Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
	First Communion Class	After late service
	Youth Group-Sunday Night Live (Leave from St. John parking lot at 4:15 pm)	
<b>Monday – February 15</b>	Chair Aerobics	6:30 pm
<b>Wednesday – February 17</b>	Brown Bag Bible Study	Noon
	Lenten Soup Supper & Worship	6:00 pm
<b>Thursday – February 11</b>	Chair Aerobics	6:30 pm
<b>Saturday – February 20</b>	Meatball Making for Spaghetti Dinner	9:00 am
<b>Sunday – February 21</b>	<b>Worship</b> <b>(Second Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	Sunday School & Adult Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship</b> <b>(Second Sunday in Lent)</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>