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April 2018 Newsletter

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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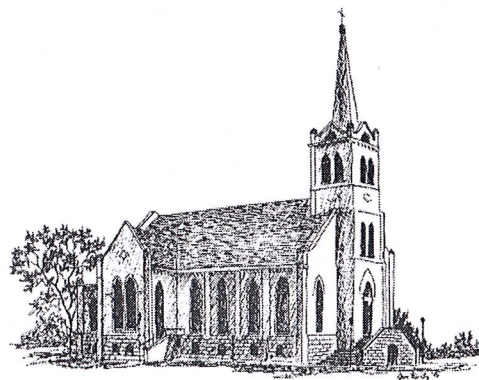
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Pastor - The Rev. John Boor
Organist - Bruce A. Weise

WORSHIP

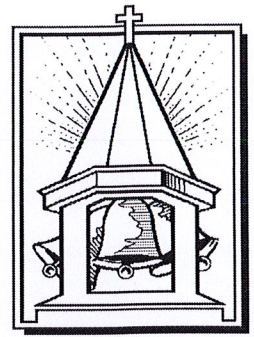
Sunday School for All Ages 9:00 a.m.
Worship 10:15 a.m.

Holy Communion celebrated on the first and third Sunday of each month.



THE CHURCH BELL
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Greetings,

What difference does Easter make? Does it really matter? How does it impact the way you live your life on a daily basis? Even people who believe Jesus rose from the grave on the third day sometimes have difficulty articulating its relevancy to their lives.

Bill and Gloria Gaither have written many wonderful Christian songs. Gloria wrote one in particular in the 1960's came while she was expecting her first child. The couple was going through some terrible problems. Bill had been seriously sick; their music had been criticized for not being spiritual enough. On New Year's Eve, Gloria writes, "I sat alone in the darkness thinking about the rebellious world and all of our problems—and about our baby yet unborn. Who in their right mind would bring a child into a world like this?" But then something happened. She said, "I can't quite explain what happened in that next moment, but suddenly I felt released from it all. The panic that had begun to build inside was gently dispelled by a reassuring presence and a soft voice that kept saying, 'Don't forget the empty tomb, don't forget the empty tomb.' Then I knew I could have that baby and face the future with optimism and trust for I had been reminded that it was all worth it just because He lives." Out of that experience she wrote the lyrics: "Because He lives I can face tomorrow, because He lives all fear is gone, because I know He holds the future. And life is worth the living just because He lives."

When Jesus got up and walked out of that tomb, he changed everything—for you, for me, for the whole world.

When Jesus appeared to his disciples that first Easter Sunday, the first words out of his mouth were, "Peace be with you!" (John 20:19). The peace Jesus spoke of was more than just a sense of calmness or tranquility. It was the Hebrew word shalom and it was pregnant with meaning. It meant wholeness, completeness, serenity, and harmony of life. At the very center of this peace is peace with God—reconciliation with the one who breathed life into the universe.

Easter does make a difference. Easter is so much more than candy, colored eggs, and cartoon bunnies—Easter is the cornerstone of the Christian faith; the celebration of Jesus rising from the grave, conquering death and giving us peace with God, a purpose for life and the promise of heaven.

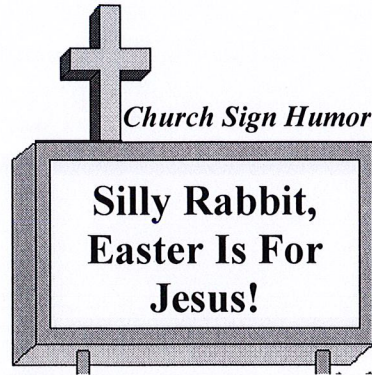
God's blessings,
Pastor John

If you or a family member is in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please contact the Church office (361/277-8653) or Pastor John Boor at the parsonage (361/275-9895) or on his cell (361/243-0373). Due to the privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify pastors when a member is admitted or treated. If you know of anyone being taken to the hospital (emergency or otherwise), or who is seriously ill please call.



FOR SALE - Single owner tomb. Only used three days, and still has that new tomb smell. Reason for sale.. resident was resurrected.

**Ding-a-ling
Corner**



STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 2018

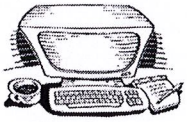
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Infant/Child	0	0											0
Adult	0	0											0
Total Baptisms	0	0											0
Confirmations	0	0											0
Weddings													
Members	0	0											0
Non-Members	0	0											0
Funerals													
Members	0	0											0
Non-Members	0	0											0
Counseling Sessions	3	4											7
Transfer Out	0	0											0
Transfer In	0	0											0
Home Visits	4	5											9
Hospital Visits													
Members	3	0											3
Non-Members	3	3											6
Private Communion													
Members	4	4											8
Non-Members	26	32											58
PLEASE NOTE: LAST MONTH'S STATISTICS ARE TO DATE AS OF PRINTING TIME													
Release of Membership													
Restore to Membership													

ST. JOHN EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTACT NUMBERS

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pastor - John Boor 275-9895 (Cell) 243-0373
Council President - Marvin Sager 275-6029
Vice President - Brent Gohmert 649-4211
Secretary - Virginia Jank 575-6813
Treasurer - Matt Nelson 550-2602
Financial Secretary - M'Liss Moore 275-8069

Parish Education - Kathy Dunn 275-4322
Mission/Evangelism - Linda Ruschhaupt 275-2059
Property Team - Dickie Bettge 277-3096
Finance Team - Glenn Ruschhaupt 275-2059
Parish Life Team - Terri Jank 575-6816
Worship Team - Johnny Jank 575-6813



Notes from the
Church Secretary

Office hours are Tuesday-Friday
from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Please
see bulletins for any changes.

ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER/NAME CHANGES

Please notify the Church Office as soon as possible
of any change in mailing addresses, and/or phone
numbers, and/or name changes. Thank you!

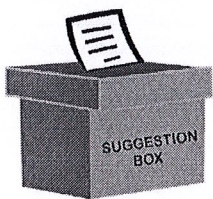
If any elderly person, or youth,
needs a ride to Church or youth
events, please notify the pastor so
arrangements can be made to
accommodate these needs.

*Need a
Ride?*



NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for the May 2018 Church Bell is Friday,
April 20, 2018 by 9 a.m. You can drop off your
articles at the church office, or e-mail them to
stjohnevlutheran@juno.com. Thanks!



Do you have an idea?

Is there something at the church
that you think needs fixing or
changing? The Church Council
and Committee Members would
like to have your input. Please
feel free to use the 'suggestion box' in the Narthex to
pass on your ideas, suggestions, and concerns.
Remember, this is your church and your opinion
matters. We are eager to hear from you!

ATTENTION ACOLYTES

Please see the acolyte sign-up sheet
for 2018 in the Narthex. Volunteers
are needed for the New Year.

ACOLYTES



PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you have a request for the Prayer
Chain, contact Evelyn Diebel. And
please update your request at least once
a month so the list can be kept current.
If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain
requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel
(275-5979).

Our Military and their families:

Nicholas Jacobs - U.S. Air Force, Nellis
Air Force Base, Nevada
Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves
John Otto - USMC, North Carolina
Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky
Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy
Jennifer Cornett - U.S. Air Force
Lee Magrauder - U.S. Army, Afghanistan
Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force
Jeff Zengerle - Victoria Texas National Guard Deploying
May 15, 2018 to February 2019 Djibouti, Africa



Please Pray for:

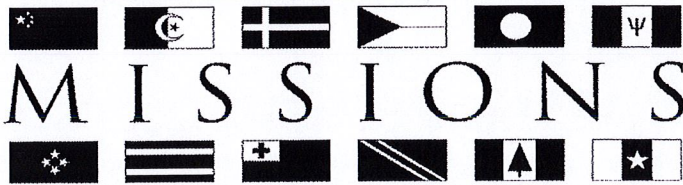
Adam Womble
Nate Boehl
Hunter Jacob
Glynn Yurick
Kenny Jacob
Sandy Gohmert
Cole Ohrt
Carlton Migura
Britany Jank

Nursing Home: Marjorie Ideus, Yorktown Nursing &
Rehabilitation

Homebound: Bette Jo Haun

Prayer requests cards are available in the pews and can be
filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for
your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have
a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side
and give to the pastor.

Mission of the Month of April



Water Mission's International Mission Statement

Water Missions International is a nonprofit Christian engineering organization providing sustainable safe water and sanitation solutions for people in developing countries and disaster areas.

Safe water is the source of life. It is the foundation for health, education and viable economies. Through the generous support of individuals, churches, our corporate partners and many others, Water Missions International has brought relief and hope to more than 2.5 million people across the globe.

Our faith and belief in the sanctity of life compel us to develop and implement the best technologies and community development programs so God will be honored and glorified through our work.

Mission

Our mission is to be a best in class Christian engineering ministry that transforms lives through sustainable safe water solutions.

Vision


Water Missions International will be a Christian engineering ministry that is recognized as a global leader in transformational safe water solutions by 2017.

We will celebrate Water Sunday April 22, 2018 at St. John's.

Other news from Missions

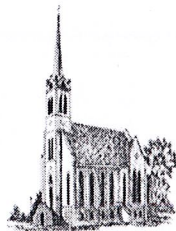
Samaritan's Purse will bring us a mission message on Mission Sunday in October.

BUSY BAGS IN CHURCH

 Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to use. These bags have quiet activities for children to enjoy during Worship. The tote bags have items that younger children might be more interested in while the zipper bags have items for slightly bigger kids. Grab a bag on your way in to church, but please "bee" sweet and return it after the service.

Church Renovation Fund

On August 28, 2016, our congregation voted to establish a fund for installation of the elevator and other church renovations. Anyone wishing to give to the renovation project may do so by designating "Church Renovation" or "Elevator Fund" on their check or on the pew giving envelope.



Youth Group is still selling Warrior's Weekend Field of Honor Flags. Sales end Sunday, April 8th. Please contact Diane Chavez if you would like to purchase a flag @ (361)212-4438. Thank you for supporting our Veterans & Youth Group! Youth group will meet Wednesday, April 11th from 6-8 pm for their monthly meeting. Thank you to Buck & Toi Rangnow for providing dinner at the meeting.

Easter Schedule

Saturday, March 31st:

10:00 am - Youth Group will practice and decorate for Easter.

Easter Sunday, April 1st:

7:00 am - All Youth Group Members participating in the Sunrise Service, need to be at the Old Stone Church.

7:30 am - Sunrise Service/Pancake Breakfast



EASTER

Youth Group will host a Pancake Breakfast in the Parish House after Sunrise Service, before Sunday School. Everyone is welcome! During the Sunday School hour, we will have a Dramatic Re-enactment of the first Easter and the Empty Tomb. Parents are encouraged to see this exciting presentation.

9:15 am - Annual Resurrection Egg Hunt. Remember, eggs signify new life in Jesus! You can bring an Easter Basket or we will have some Easter bags.

10:15 am - *Easter Worship~HE is RISEN!*

~Please come and help us celebrate Easter, the cornerstone of our Christian Faith. Bring a friend!~

Church Work Day



A work day has been scheduled for April 7, 2018 from 8:00-12:00. Grounds, cemetery cleanup and maintenance will be on the agenda for that day. Please try to help if you can!

Grave Decoration Sunday

Grave Decoration Sunday will be April 15, 2018. We will have church under the trees with a potluck lunch to follow in the parish hall.

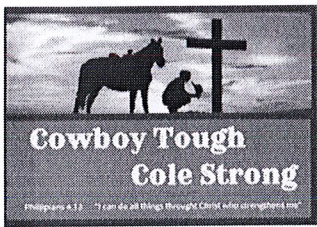


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Old Stone Church Renovation Update



The interior renovation of the Old Stone Church is complete. The Historical Committee held a brief business meeting on Tuesday, March 20, 2018, the main agenda item being the continued discussion of the renovation and repair of the steeple. After the business meeting was adjourned, the Historical Committee members worked diligently to get the Old Stone Church back in order. Easter Sunrise Services will be conducted in the Old Stone Church.



Pray for Cole Ohrt

Cowboy Tough Cole Strong

Cole has been making progress in Houston where he is going through rehabilitation.

Praise God & everyone praying for him & his family! As most of you know, Cole was in an ATV accident and has suffered many injuries. Cole is an 8th grader at Meyersville School. He needs a lot of prayers, love and support. Cole is the Son of Garrett & Julie Ohrt, Grandson of Kenneth & Betty Diebel and Janice Ohrt & the Nephew of Brian & Feather Diebel. Many prayers are being said from all over and being answered by the Good Lord! This cowboy has a long journey ahead and he is Cole Strong! There are other ways we can help this sweet young man & his family out by donating to the many benefits/fundraisers for Cole. Below is a list of ways to help. Please join the "Cowboy Tough Cole Strong" Facebook page to see photos of the items mentioned below, see new fundraisers as they come up and keep up with Cole's progress. If you have questions on ways to help, you can call our church office during business hours. Thank you and God Bless. + + +

- **Benefit with live auction, entertainment, meal - more details to come - May 5th - contact Leslie Hoff Crews for more details.**
- **"Cowboy Tough-Cole Strong" tshirts, caps, koozies - will be available January 3. Please contact Sarah Odem Rowlands or Donna M. Odem Nichols for more details.**
- **"Cowboy Tough-Cole Strong" bracelets - photo in comments - contact Jamye Carroll Muegge for more details.**
- **Cole's Benefit Account - New First National Bank - make checks payable to Garrett or Julie Ohrt. Can make deposits at the branch or pm me for an address to mail a check to and we will take care of depositing for you.**
- **PayPal account - coleohrtfund@gmail.com - Please send funds as friend or family and put a note on what money is for - donation, payment for raffle, football pots, or shirts (please do not send funds for shirts without ordering from Sarah Rowlands first)**



HOLY BAPTISM

On Sunday, March 25, 2018 we welcomed as a member by Holy Baptism *Clarence Abel Gohmert*, son of Brent & Hannah Gohmert. Sponsors for his Baptism were Emily Speed and Austin Speed.

HAPPY EASTER TO EVERYONE AT ST. JOHN!!!

Christ is Risen!

Alleluia

*Why do you look
for the living
among the dead?
He is not here;
he has risen!*

Luke 24:5-6

CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

February 27, 2018

By: Virginia Jank, Church Secretary

MEMBERS PRESENT: Pastor John Boor, President Marv Sager, Brent Gohmert, Dickie Bettge, Johnny Jank, Virginia Jank, Kathy Dunn, Linda Ruschhaupt, Glenn Ruschhaupt, Matt Nelson, M'Liss Moore, and Terri Jank.

CALL TO ORDER: President Marv Sager called the meeting to order. Marv opened the meeting with a devotion on God speaking thru his Word based on Psalm 119:105. The article also brought out how the Word impacted Tom Landry's life.

MINUTES: Reviewed, Motion to accept by Linda Ruschhaupt, 2nd by Kathy Dunn, and approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT: Reviewed, Motion to accept by Dickie Bettge, 2nd by Johnny Jank and approved.

PASTOR'S REPORT

I attended the pastor's conference in San Antonio earlier this month. The Bishop outlined some changes he hopes to make in the near future.

At the seminary he is concerned that they don't have a class in practical ministry. He says the students come out of the seminary with great book knowledge but don't know what to really expect when they are called to a church and he wants a class to prepare them for the realities of being a pastor.

He has already changed the intern program. Historically students would go to seminary for two years and then have a year intern followed by another year of classroom. He has changed this practice. It had become a problem due to the fact that after the last year of seminary they would basically be floating until they had a call.

Consequently, he has changed the program. They now go to seminary for three years and then have a one-year internship. Once they have successfully completed the internship they remain at the church where they interned until they receive a call.

There has also been conversation and planning to change the structure of the NALC. The Executive Council is preparing a presentation for acceptance at the convocation to add Regional Assistant Bishops. The travel of the Bishop has become unwieldy. There are several times where the Bishop has been traveling for 27-30 days at a time. I have attached a slide presentation that they presented at the meeting that outlines how this will work.

Charles and Susan Egg have requested to transfer their membership to St. John and a letter requesting transfer has been mailed to their previous church in Katy, Texas.

Hannah Gohmert has requested transfer to St. John from Ander and a letter requesting transfer has been mailed.

Brent and Hannah Gohmert have requested to have their child baptized on Palm Sunday.

DISCUSSION: Motion was made by Dickie Bettge and seconded by Johnny Jank to accept Charles and Susan Egg and Hannah Gohmert as new members of our congregation.

The Church Safety/Awareness Ministry met Feb 26 to discuss the new committee and possible training needed.

FINANCE TEAM REPORT

Meeting Date – February 12, 2018

Members Present- Glenn Ruschhaupt, Pastor John, Laurie Wendel, Matt Nelson and Marv Sager

Opening Prayer - Given by Pastor John

REVIEW OF LATEST FINANCIAL REPORTS -

Reports and Memorials Status were reviewed and various details discussed.

NEW BUSINESS – Implementation of new bank account signature authorizations was discussed.

A suggestion made at Worship Team meeting to consider memorial donations to the renovation fund in lieu of Easter lily memorial purchases was discussed. Team consensus was that this would not be advisable due to potential confusion and the resulting additional accounting required.

The meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING – April 9th, 2018

DISCUSSION: There is a Thrivent account with a balance of funds that need to be designated. A Thrivent meeting will need to be held so that the members can decide on the disbursement or designation of these funds.

MISSION EVANGELISM TEAM REPORT:

Present were: Cheryl Bramlette, Obert Sagebiel, Marv Sager, Pastor John and Linda Ruschhaupt, Team Leader Missions for the next three months were discussed. Cheryl Bramlette is going to get in touch with Dane Fowlkes of Samaritan's Purse to firm up the dates for Mission Fest. Linda will ask Johnny Paul if he would play one of Water Mission's videos for Water Sunday.

The March Mission of the Month is Warriors Weekend.

Thanks

Linda

Warriors Weekend - Victoria, Texas

www.warriorweekend.org

Mission Statement

Founded in 2007, Warrior's Weekend is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 Corporation dedicated to the support of veterans of The United States of America with an emphasis on those wounded in The Global War on Terrorism. This is accomplished through holding an annual fishing event for wounded military personnel in May in Port O'Connor, Texas as well as donations to veterans and veteran based causes. 500 Veterans from around the United States are selected to participate.

Military bases around the country select those who come for the weekend.

There are about 300 wounded vets who are flown in from these military bases.

One need is for funds before the event is so they have enough monies to purchase airline tickets. The average cost of an airline ticket is \$400.00 each and is paid for in March.

The Warrior's Weekend will be held on May 18th through May 20th.

The youth of St. John's are selling flag sponsorships for the

Field of Dreams display to honor veterans.

For more ways you can get involved talk to Margie Swannack or Dawn Otto.

DISCUSSION: The Water Sunday videos will need to be located or possibly get an updated video to show on the upcoming Water Sunday.

PARISH LIFE TEAM REPORT:

Terri is previewing the church directory which will need an OK in order to go forward with the printing process. There will be a soup and sandwich meal before church on Wednesday, March 21.

PARISH ED TEAM REPORT:

Parish Ed Council Report for February 2018
On February 8th, a Parish Meeting was held with Marv Sager, Pastor John, Laurie Pokluda, Johnna Kethan and Kathy Dunn. Johnna has volunteered to serve as a Youth Leader for the congregation and we discussed what areas would work best. We decided she would teach the post confirmation/high school class on Sunday mornings. She is also willing to help in other areas as time permits. Johnna will craft a personal letter to the youth inviting them to come to the class.

We have had about 14 youth for the past three Sundays which is a great improvement. We have teachers for the 4 – 7 yr olds, and for the post confirmation, but we still need a teacher for the 8 yr olds to 12 yr olds.

Johnna and I sent out special letters on February 12 to all the older youth, but without any improvement so far. The first week after the letter, we had the same three youth that were there the week before. Then last Sunday, no one came to the class. We know there is a lot going on with Stock Shows, so Johnna is still optimistic about the class.

February 4th Meeting Notes after Church (Save our Sunday School)

Laurie Pokluda led the meeting. Kathy gave handouts of SS Roster, List of Families with address & phones and notes from previous meeting. We discussed the following:
We agreed to continue Sunday School at the same time, 9 am, at least until the Summer.

Johnna Kethan volunteered to consider being a part time Youth Minister. Johnna will meet with Marv Sager, Pastor John, Laurie Pokluda, & Kathy Dunn on Thursday at 6:30 pm to discuss this further.

Wendy Bishop and Lenzi Moritz will teach the youngest children – Nursery thru Kindergarten

Stacey Nelson will co-teach First and Second grade

_____ Third, 4th and 5 grades
6th grade and older – Confirmation class – Pastor (someone else until August) _____

Confirmed and High School – Brent Gohmert &/or Johnna Kethan (need sitter for twins – Letha Blain sometimes)

Volunteers for Parish Ed Committee – Stacey Nelson, Wendy Bishop, and LeAnn Jander are willing to come to monthly meetings, preferably after church. Diane & Mike

Chavez are part of the Committee as Youth Group Leaders. We plan to ask an older teen to serve on the committee also. In attendance were:

Linda & Glenn Ruschhaupt, Wendy Bishop, Stacey Nelson, Johnna G Kethan, Lenzi Moritz, LeAnn Jander, Wanda Hays, Laurie Pokluda, Diane Chavez, Virginia Abrameit, Letha and Bobby Blain, Pastor John Boor, Marv & Norrean Sager, Cheryl Bramlette, Joie Caskey, Virgie Gohmert, Dorothy Fay Diebel, Kathy Dunn, Johnny and Virginia Jank, Carol Ann Sagebiel

PROPERTY TEAM REPORT

2/27/18

Meeting Date: 2nd Sunday at 8:00 am.

Committee Members: Dickie Bettge, Marv Sager, Pastor John, Vance Egg, Clay Haun, Will Roeske, and Glenn Ruschhaupt.

Maintenance Schedule.

February: Plan work day.

Pay Country Club Dues

March: Yellow-jacket Extermination.

Annual inspection of A/C.

Spring cleaning of basement to discard unusable items and tidy up rooms.

Check A/C units.

Dust fans (workday)

Clean cemetery for Easter & Grave Decoration

(Ash Wed. Feb. 14, Easter April 1, Grave Decoration April 15)

Fertilize grass as needed.

Items Complete:

- Septic system was installed. Needs additional clean-up after Church restoration.
- A/C Filters checked and replaced as needed.
- Cattle panels purchased.
- Earth Quake insurance is based upon “replacement cost”. The council approved coverage on the Sanctuary and Parsonage. The OSC committee recommended to us that we get it on the OSC. Coverage for all three buildings was implemented.
- Church Attic checked & bell oiled.

Old Business.

- Architect progress. Patrick Ohrt met with the team and reviewed the renovation plans. We have a week or two to review the plans followed by the bidding process.
- Parish hall roof replacement. April 25 is the deadline to have roof replaced without extension. To come up with a bid package, I took the information from the adjuster and imported it into the bid package. In order to get good “replacement cost” bids, I used the information that the adjuster listed. We will need this to determine if bids are in line with what our insurance company allowed. If they come in high, we will need to go back to the insurance company for an adjustment to the adjuster’s estimate. After this, we can go back to the

top bidders and get an adjustment for GAF High Definition fiberglass shingles as used on the OSC and possibly use 30 Lb. felt or the Tiger Paw synthetic underlayment that was used on the OSC. We will require Liability insurance and Workers Comp. The following is a list of possible contractors:

Ideal Aluminum Siding & Roofing Co., Inc. 361-578-3892 or 361-550-1172M

Reza Roofing 361-564-2948

Britton Blain 361-275-1202M

Easley Construction 361-575-0294

Witten Construction

Bednorz Roofing & Siding 361-649-1901M

- Memorial benches for Reuben Gohmert. The plan to install benches near the volley ball court was reviewed with Vergie. She agreed with the plan so we can move forward with it.
- Gold plaque for the communion table will be ordered.

New Business:

- Install electric outlet at lectern. Dickie will contact electrician.
- Schedule work day. Cemetery and grounds.
Ash Wednesday – Feb. 14
Easter – Apr. 1
Grave Decoration – Apr. 15

Projects:

- Inventory of furniture and equipment & report to Church Council. Dickie
- Painting of church doors. Clay
- Pressure wash & paint pump house.
- Seal concrete tables and benches with Thompsons Water Seal
- Install light bulb at cemetery
- Remove large overhanging limb in cemetery and repair broken tomb stones.
- Mark water lines on the cemetery plat and on the ground.
- The light fixtures on the end of the parish hall need to be reattached to the building and replaced.
Pastor and Vance will tackle this.

Renovation Fund Balance: \$248,755 (2/18/18)

Discussion: Dates were discussed for a workday before Easter and Grave Decoration. The date will be noted in the upcoming Sunday bulletins and the newsletter.

WORSHIP TEAM REPORT

Members Beverly Bodden, Pastor John Boor, Johnny P Jank, Virginia Jank, Dawn Otto, Carol Ann Sagebiel, Marv Sager, Norrean Sager, and Bruce Weise attended the meeting on the 6th of February, 2018.

Old Business –

Altar Candelabras refurbished – Waiting until after Easter season.

Organ repair and maintenance – Still holding out hope

that our current organ technician, Mike Morgan, might be able to replace our current board and keep our organ going long enough to get beyond our building project's completion. **Contemporary services** – Four for 2018, 30th December, 30th September, 29th July and 29th April. We have a commitment from Dave Eihler's Broken Vessels ministry for 29th July. Still looking for praise bands for the other three dates.

Clay Crocket's band members all serve in various musical responsibilities in their own churches and for that reason they have backed off their idea to serve smaller churches on Sunday morning's services. He did say if we were to plan a Youth gathering, or want them for some celebration they would be interested in helping, just not on Sunday morning. **Church Security** – Council is developing a team to address these issues.

Candles having problems staying in Candleholders – Exploring options from CM Almay.

New Business –

2018 Church Calendar – See update attached.

Worship Notes each Sunday – We discussed this suggestion and we will try placing "Worship Notes" on the back of the bulletin giving information about each Sunday morning's service.

Other new business- Bruce asked if the Team wanted to offer Easter lilies for the congregation to order in memory or in honor of someone. The Team agreed that if Bruce would head this project up we would do it again this year. Another suggestion for the Easter lilies was referred to the Finance team for consideration.

There being no other new business we assigned songs for 11th of March thru April 29.

Closed with the Lord's Prayer

Next meeting – Schedule as necessary **Next scheduled 3rd April 2018 @ 7:00PM**

DISCUSSION: Mike Morgan called and stated that he has possibly found a new board for our organ. He will check to see if it works and then call with any updates before continuing any further.

ADDITIONAL Discussion: Lenten services will be held each Wednesday with a meal before the service on March 21. There will be no Mission Team meeting in March. Painting of the Old Stone Church and shutter replacement should be finished before Easter and ready for Sunrise Service. Since Council's regular meeting date falls during Holy Week next month, the meeting was changed to Thursday, March 22.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.



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Or visit our website at: stjohnmeyersville.org

VOLUNTEERS THIS MONTH:

April 1

- Greeters** - Candy Cowley
Reader - Beverly Bodden
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

April 8

- Greeters** - Kernell & Elaine Moritz
Reader - Wendy Bishop
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

April 15

- Greeters** - John & Margie Swannack
Reader - Dwight Jander
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

April 22

- Greeters** - Daren & Dawn Otto
Reader - Cathie Bettge
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

April 29

- Greeters** - Youth Group
Reader - Wanda Hays
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

April Communion Assistant

Dickie Bettge

April Altar Guild

M'Liss Moore & Carly Waters

April Nursing Home Visitor

Carol Ann Sagebiel

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May 6

- Greeters** - Cheryl Bramlette
Reader - Beverly Bodden
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

May Communion Assistant

Pam Haun

May Altar Guild

Dawn Otto & Kaley Coker

May Nursing Home Visitor

Nicole Leist

Volunteers: If you are down for a service, you are responsible for getting a substitute if you cannot make it. Please let the church office know if you have switched so the correct names can be in the bulletin.

Happy Birthday to:

- 4 - Hannah Brown
Jackie Parsons
Trish Hood
6 - Letha Blain
Sara Blain
7 - Britton Blain
Pastor John
13 - Brooke Ann Wendel
J. Burns Cowley
Ray Boyer
15 - Helen Sievers
19 - Karon Copeland
20 - Leroy Reinecke
21 - Jacob Dreier
M'Liss Moore
22 - Pam Ficklen
23 - Michael Scott Johnson
Trandon Leist
26 - Emily Haun
30 - Stacey Nelson



Anniversary Greetings to:

- 6 - Pastor John & Brenda Boor
10 - Lucas & Molly Turner
12 - Christopher & Carly Waters
24 - Tim & Dawn Euton
29 - Trevor & Kathleen Bodden
30 - Keaton & Marsha Wendel





Our apologies if we have missed your special date. Please contact the church office to help with corrections. Thank you.

April 2018

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Mission of the Month:
*Water Missions
International*

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Easter Sunday 7:30 AM Sunrise Service Pancake Breakfast 9:15 AM Resurrection Egg Hunt 10:15 AM Worship 	1 7:30 AM Sunrise Service Pancake Breakfast 9:15 AM Resurrection Egg Hunt 10:15 AM Worship 	2 7 PM Finance Team	3 1:30 PM Quilters	4 1:30 PM Quilters	5	6
2nd Sunday of Easter 8:00 AM Property Team Meeting 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship <i>*Flag sales deadline</i>	8 Holy Communion	9 7 PM Finance Team	10 1:30 PM Quilters 6-8 PM Youth Group 7 PM Women's Bible Study	11	12	13
3rd Sunday of Easter 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship <i>*Grave Decoration, Church will be held under the trees with a potluck lunch to follow in the parish hall</i>	15	16	17 10 AM Comm. Service Cuero Nursing & Rehab. 1:30 PM Quilters 6 PM Mission Evangelism Team 7 PM Men's Bible Study	18	19 <i>**Committee Reports Due, please email to Council Members.</i>	20 <i>**Newsletter deadline. Please have all articles to office.</i>
4th Sunday of Easter 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship <i>*Water Sunday</i>	22 Holy Communion	23 7 PM Council Meeting	24 1:30 PM Quilters	25	26	27
5th Sunday of Easter 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship ~ <i>Contemporary</i>	29	30	31	1	2	3

Office Hours:
*Please see the Bulletins



Happy



from St. John!



Easter Story

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