NEWS NOTES December 8, 2024

Pastor William H. Fine, 101 St. John Rd., Michigan City, IN <u>bfine@stjohnsmc.org</u> 219-872-9121; Office Hrs: Mon & Thu. 9-12 Office Manager: <u>norzech@stjohnsmc.org</u> www.stjohnsmc.org Office Secretary: <u>secretary@stjohnsmc.org</u> As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We invite you to visit our website, www.stjohnsmc.org for more information about our church and our activities.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday, 10:00 a.m., 55; Adult: 4

TAPER MISSING!

Oh no! The large packing tape dispenser from the office workroom has disappeared! If you happen to have borrowed it, or if you find it, please return it to the office as soon as possible. Thank you very much!

MICHIGAN CITY CHORUS PERFORMANCE: 2 pm, Dec. 8th, Immanuel Lutheran Church, 1237 Coolspring MESSIAH PERFORMANCE: Sat., Dec. 14th 7 pm, Sun., Dec. 15th, 2 p.m., both at St. Mary's, Mich. City

ANNUAL REPORT TIME!

Just a reminder, it is time to begin collecting Annual Reports from the following people/committees: Music Ministry, Women's Guild, Preschool Board, Trustees/Building and Grounds, Finance, and last year's Annual Meeting Minutes. Please send them by email to *secretary@stjohnsmc.org*. The Annual Meeting is scheduled for Jan. 26, 2025.

"FOR THE CHILDREN" -- THANK YOU VERY MUCH!

The Women's Guild wishes to thank St. John's members and friends for their donations of items or money to our "Children's Project." The following were delivered to the Salvation Army: 22 winter children's coats, 47 gloves, hats, and scarves, 8 boxes of diapers, 10 packages of wipes, 17 shirts, 23 t-shirts and 6 outfits. We can all imagine how warmly dressed (and cute) some Michigan City children will be!! *Thank you again, the Women's Guild*

PEANUT BRITTLE, ANYONE??

We can make a difference right here in Michigan City! St. John's is selling its famous peanut brittle at \$10.50 per pound. Tell all your family and friends that once again all profits from the sale are donated to community agencies or St. John's projects. Our last work date for the year is tomorrow, Dec. 9th. Thank you very much for your continued support!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Please note, our Christmas Eve service will be held on Christmas Eve, Tuesday, December 24th, at 7:00 p.m. There will be a children's message at this service, also.

CHECK THE BULLETIN BOARD! TRIP TO MORRIS CIVIC TO SEE "CHER" – Reservations due Dec. 10th!

WOMEN'S GUILD CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

All women and friends are invited to attend the annual Guild Christmas Lunch on Wednesday, December 11, at Patrick's Restaurant at 12 noon. We order off the menu individually that day. Join the group for Christian fellowship and good eats!! Call Karen Lawrenz to put in your reservation or leave a note with the office.

DISCIPLESHIP CLASS SCHEDULE

The Discipleship class that meets on Wednesday mornings at 9:30 a.m. will meet in December on Wed., Dec. 11th, then take a break for the Christmas and New Year holidays. We will resume class on Wed., January 8th, at 9:30 a.m.

TREASURER'S REPORT

The Treasurer's Report for the month of November, 2024, is available in the office. Please call 219-872-9121 if you need a copy mailed to you.

"JAM" (JESUS AND ME) YOUTH

Any child (ages 4-10) in La Porte County is welcome to attend our JAM ("Jesus and Me") Sunday School program. Attendance is flexible and parents do not have to be members of the church. Meet in the school hallway from 8:20-9:30 a.m. on any Sunday of the year. Children enjoy Bible lessons, songs, crafts, activities, and snacks. Contact Jennifer Keeley with questions at *musicjenkeeley@yahoo.com*.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S (office hours, Mon. & Thur. 9 – 12 p.m.)MONDAY – DEC. 9WED. – DEC. 11

SUNDAY – DEC. 8 8:30 Chris. 101 & JAM Youth 10 Worship THURSDAY - DEC. 12 6:30 p.m. Board meeting MONDAY – DEC. 9 8 a.m. Peanut Brittle; 1 p.m. Preschool Board; 6 p.m. Men's Study SATURDAY – DEC. 14 8:30 am Prayer Group

9:30 a.m. Discipleship;
6 p.m. Scouts
SUNDAY – DEC. 15
8:30 Chris. 101 & JAM; 10 am Worship