NEWS NOTES

February 9, 2025

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> Director of Music: Jennifer Keeley, musicjenkeeley@yahoo.com; <u>www.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, <u>www.stjohnsmc.org</u> for more information about our church and our activities.

ATTENDANCE: Last Sunday, 10:00 a.m., 48

KITCHEN TEMPORARILY CLOSED

Please note, our St. John's kitchen will be closed until further notice as the kitchen is being given a deep cleaning. We will let you know when it will reopen.

LET THE GIVING BEGIN!!

The final accounting is in for the Women's Guild Peanut Brittle Project for 2024. We thank St. John's members and friends for eating, buying, and selling our product. Our profit amounted to \$2,250 and the groups receiving donations this year include the local Salvation Army, Meals on Wheels, St. John's Preschool, the Michiana Humane Society, Roof Sit for Children for LaPorte Country, and a donation to St. John's for kitchen maintenance.

We wish God's blessing on the work that all these groups do in our area. -- St. John's Women's Guild

MATH TUTOR NEEDED

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in tutoring an adult in math, please call the office (872-9121) or speak with Pastor Bill.

2025 GIVING ENVELOPES AND 2024 STATEMENTS AVAILABLE

Please remember to pick up your Giving Statement and Giving Envelopes that are outside the office on a table.

CHURCH CLOSINGS/WEATHER WATCH TEAM

Pastor Bill has begun organizing a Sunday "Weather Watch Team" who will make the decision to cancel Sunday service in case of inclement weather. Those on the Team include Les Ast, Kent Lange, Jennifer Keeley, and Larry Sadenwater. They will determine if conditions exist that would make travel hazardous enough to cancel 10 a.m. service. The decision will be made no later than 8 a.m. Sunday morning.

Please begin listening to radio station WNDV-FM (92.9), WDND-AM (1490), WNDU TV (channel 16 virtual and 27 digital), or check their website, https://www.wndu.com/weather/closings. Closings will also be posted on our church Facebook site and on our St. John's website, http://www.stjohnsmc.org. Of course, please do not venture out if you feel conditions will compromise your safety! Services are livestreamed on Facebook.

SELF-DEFENSE SEMINAR, "FINDING HER VOICE" – AT ST. JOHN'S – SATURDAY, MARCH 8TH, 2025

There will be a self-defense seminar for women and young women ages 12 and up on Saturday, March 8th, from 9:000 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. Please bring your own water, snacks, bag lunch, and wear comfortable clothes. This is a free event, but there will be an offering to bless instructor Jennifer England and her ministry. Space is limited. Please text Brenda at 219.877.7374 to reserve your space or if you have questions.

VALENTINE TEA CANCELLED THIS YEAR

Because First United Methodist Church is still experiencing issues with their elevator, they have decided to cancel their annual Valentine Tea for this year. Their last Tea is being scheduled for February 14, 2026.

"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.)

SUNDAY – FEB. 9 MONDAY – FEB. 10 WED. – FEB. 12

8:30 Christ. 101 & JAM Youth; 10 Worship 6 p.m. Men's Study 9:30 am Bible Study; 6 pm Scouts

THUR. – FEB. 13 SAT. – FEB. 15 SUNDAY – FEB. 16

6: 30 pm Board mtg. 8:30 am Prayer Group 8:30 a.m. Christ. 101 & JAM; 10 a.m. Worship