

**KEYS TO HOPE**  
 Our community's new  
 resource center "Wish List:"  
 laundry detergent, deodorant, men's  
 underwear & socks, double-edge razors

**CHRISTMAS CHILD BOXES**  
 Needed: T-shirts (Dollar Tree usually  
 has them), colored pencils, coloring books  
 or pads of paper that fit into shoe boxes,  
 small flashlights & batteries, flip-flops,  
 toothbrushes, bars of soap  
 Since these are assembled in October  
 and early November, we can shop the  
 sales now!

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May the words of my mouth  
 and the meditation of my heart  
 be pleasing to you,  
 O Lord, my rock  
 and my redeemer.  
 —Psalm 19:14



**THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S**

**SUNDAY - JULY 19**  
 8:00 a.m. Worship  
 9:00 Christianity 101  
 10:00 Worship/Sun. Sch.  
 11:10 Coffee Hour  
 4:30 p.m. VBS training (Sanctuary)  
 ~VBS set-up in Sanctuary~

**TUESDAY - JULY 21**  
 10:00 a.m. Human Choices  
 4 p.m. Beach, Book, Boardwalk

**WEDNESDAY - JULY 22**  
 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

**SUNDAY - JULY 26**  
**FOOD BANK**  
**VBS Set-Up, Sanctuary & F. Hall**  
 9:00 Christianity 101  
 10:00 Worship/Sun. Sch.  
 11:10 Coffee Hour

**ST. JOHN'S CABLE (Ch. 99)**  
**BROADCAST SCHEDULE**  
 Wednesday - 1:15 p.m.  
 Friday - 3:15 p.m.  
 Sunday - 1:15 p.m.



**NEWS-NOTES**

Sunday, July 19, 2015



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As we unite in worship today, we extend a warm welcome to each one present. We are glad to have you sharing in our celebration of worship. We invite you to sign our guest book in the Narthex and take a "Welcome" brochure. The "Welcome" brochures contain more information about St. John's United Church of Christ, as does our website, [www.stjohnsmc.org](http://www.stjohnsmc.org). Also, please read and fill out the visitor card in your pew rack. **For your convenience, childcare is provided each Sunday, 9:00 - 11:15 a.m., in the preschool playroom. During 8:00 a.m. worship, a quiet room is available for parents, or grandparents, to comfort their children.** Following worship, join us for refreshments in the Fellowship Hall. A church member will be happy to show you the way.

**ATTENDANCE:** Last Sunday, 8:00 a.m., 42; 10:00 a.m., 60; Total: 102  
 Sunday School: Children, 2; Adults, 12; Total: 14

**COMING UP!! ONE SERVICE, JULY 26th**  
 Next Sunday, July 26th, there will be only one service, at 10:00 a.m. This will be a combined worship service which will kick off our week of the Community VBS program, being held here at St. John's.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

### • **HANDBELL RINGER NEEDED**

Our Handbell Choir is in need of a handbell ringer this coming year. If you can read music, enjoy praising God with music and enjoy fellowship with others, please contact Dave Swartz or Debbie Dill as soon as possible as handbell practice will begin next month.

### • **MEALS on WHEELS ~ DRIVERS NEEDED ~**

The St. John's Meals on Wheels team is in need of four reliable people to volunteer to deliver meals to those who are unable to provide for themselves. The schedule will be once every two months on Wednesdays only between 11:00 a.m. and 12 noon. If you are able to help in this worthwhile and rewarding activity please contact Dale Schultz at 219 872-5904.



### **WHO IS YOUR NEIGHBOR?**

*Sunday, August 2nd*

*It is our turn to help on Sunday, August 2nd, at St. Paul's Church Soup Kitchen. We need some volunteers to prepare, some to serve, and some to help clean up, starting at 8:30 a.m.*

*This is a good opportunity for students to earn their community service credits. Please contact Mission members or Lynda, 872-1427.*

*Your neighbor needs you!*

### **THANK YOU!!**

Thank you to all who baked and helped with our July 4th VBS Bake Sale! The display banners (thank you to Don Briggs!) attracted customers and also neighbors interested in St. John's. Thank you, everyone! There is still time to donate and/or sign up to help: [www.mcvbs.com](http://www.mcvbs.com) or speak with Dave Swartz or Don Briggs on Sunday mornings.

### **JULY USHERS**

Joe Dabkowski, Kirk Bos, Dale Schultz

### **SOUP KITCHEN DONATIONS**

Thank you for continuing to remember the soup kitchen at New Disciple Love Church, Pine St., Michigan City. They are always in need of paper goods and toiletries. You may drop off your donations in the library.



*Thank you!*



**St. John's Church Picnic**  
September 13, 2015  
After the 10 a.m. service



**GREETER**  
Phyllis Nowatzke



### **MESSENGER DEADLINE**

Please note, the last day to submit your information to the office for inclusion in the August Messenger is this Tuesday, July 21<sup>st</sup>. *Thank you!*



*Congratulations,  
Mr. & Mrs. Rumsey!*

### **IN HONOR**

Happiest congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Robert Rumsey on their 70th wedding anniversary, July 23rd! In honor of their anniversary, Mr. & Mrs. Rumsey have generously made a donation to the Unity Foundation of La Porte County Fund.



**PRESCHOOL  
SIGN-UPS**  
2015-2016

Availability for

**Mon.-Wed.-Fri.**

**afternoon & Tues.-Thurs. Classes!**

If you or someone you know is interested in having their child attend St. John's Preschool for the upcoming '15-16 school year, please have them stop into the church office and pick up a registration. The M-W-F a.m. class is currently full (T-Th class has 4 vacancies, M-W-F p.m. class has 10 vacancies). Registration fee is \$35. Questions, please call the office, 872-9121.

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*Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host;  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.*