

St. John's *EAGLE*

<p>ST. JOHN'S EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH</p>	<p>Rev. Peg Otte, <i>Interim Pastor</i> Robert McConnell, <i>Music Director and Organist</i> Brooke DeJong, <i>Director of Youth & Community Outreach</i> Janis B. Wendel, <i>Administrative Assistant</i> Efren Frausto, <i>Custodian</i></p>	<p>1235 Wilmette Avenue Wilmette, Illinois 60091 phone 847 251 1730</p> <p>web stjohnswilmette.com e-mail churchoffice@stjohnswilmette.com Facebook St. John's Lutheran Church Wilmette, IL</p>
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July, 2018

CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Call Committee has met with four great candidates so far. We are still considering three of them, and have released one from the process. We also received information from the Synod of a fifth candidate and are in the process of scheduling a time to meet with that person.

We look forward to this upcoming meeting.

Peter Hauser
Call Committee Chair

YOU CAN MAKE A BIRTHDAY SPECIAL!

Hillside Food Pantry in Evanston makes "Birthday Kits" available to those seeking food assistance—a great way to help a family have a celebration—and you can make it happen. Through the months of July and August, please bring a kit (or kits!) to church; they'll be delivered and distributed by Hillside Food Pantry. And you know what happiness a birthday cake and a card can bring!

Birthday Kit "Ingredients" (place these items in a large ziplock bag):

1 box cake mix, 1 can frosting, 1 package birthday candles. If you wish, you can add a container of sprinkles and a handmade or store-bought birthday card wishing the recipient a happy birthday.

If you'd like to bring other food items for Hillside, please take a look at this list of items they're able to accept: <http://hillsidefree.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/pantrydonate.pdf>

ACT FOR GUATEMALA

On June 3rd, the Fuego Volcano erupted in Guatemala, causing widespread destruction and panic. Over 1.7 million people were impacted by the eruption with over 100 deaths and nearly 200 people still missing. Search and rescue efforts are still ongoing even as the volcano continues to be active.

According to CONRED, Guatemala's national civil protection authority, over 12,000 people have been evacuated and 4,000 are in shelters. Urgent work continues to evacuate communities for the danger zone.

Lutheran Disaster Response (LDR), in partnership with ACT Alliance has identified preliminary needs in health, food security, shelter and psychosocial support. LDR is committed to long-term support and assistance, often for years following a traumatic event or disaster.

We can help!

Pray

Continue to pray for all those impacted by conflict and forced migration.

Give

Lutheran Disaster Response is able to respond quickly and effectively to disasters around the globe, including the eruption of the Fuego Volcano in Guatemala. Your [gifts to Lutheran Disaster Response](#) will make an immediate impact through the ELCA's long-standing, effective aid partnerships in Guatemala.

Connect

To learn more about global migration and what Lutheran Disaster Response is doing:

- Like Lutheran Disaster Response on [Facebook](#).
- Follow us on [Twitter](#).
- Visit our website at [LDR.org](#)
- Sign up to receive Lutheran Disaster Response [alerts](#)

St. John's has had a longtime relationship in Guatemala, as well, through support through the Extended Ministries Fund to ALDEA/Behrhorst Partners for Development. Take a look at the work of ALDEA: <https://aldeaguatemala.org/>

WOMEN OF ST. JOHN'S

ATTENTION LADIES!

Please join us for the following events:

Hackney's Lunch: Join us on Tuesday, July 24 at 12:30 p.m. in the delightful garden at Hackney's on Harms, Glenview. There's always a crowd so please let Nancy Anderson know you'll be there: jganra@sbcglobal.net or 847-446-6135.

Book Club: We will discuss "The Woman Who Smashed Codes" by Jason Fagone on Sunday, July 29, 3 p.m. at church.

Happy Hour: It is a summer tradition to meet on the deck at Depot Nuevo for happy hour. Join us Wednesday, August 22 anytime between 5:30 and 7 p.m. for socializing, drinks & a nosh. Reservations strongly suggested to Jan: janetrassenfoss@gmail.com or 847-363-9038

And don't forget QUILTING! We have reached 50 quilts on our way to...well...as many as possible! We work the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of the month from 10:00 - 2 p.m. That's July 12 & 26 and August 9 & 23.

POP-UP EVENT: Join us for quilting on July 12, 10:00 - 1 p.m. Then we're off to lunch at the new Tag's Café. And remember. . . . BEGINNERS ALWAYS WELCOME

ELCA YOUTH GATHERING

Please keep the more than 30,000 youth and leaders in your prayers as they return home and to their congregations after a week of ministry, worship, learning and a really great time in Houston, June 27-July 1st. This year's Gathering brought still-needed financial resources to the impacted Houston area that experienced flooding last year, as well as a week of hands-on work, inspiring speakers and terrific energy. This is a triennial event and will meet in Minneapolis in 2021.

We are the church together!

GOD'S WORK. OUR HANDS. SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9th

Since 2013 it's been a national day of serving by Lutheran congregations--watch and listen for more information about how St. John's can be serving others on that day. And if you have a suggestion, please contact Pastor Peg. There are lots of possibilities for every age, interest and ability!

TREASURER'S ALCOVE

Below are the year-to-date figures for the general operations of St. John's as of May 31, 2018.

	5-31-18 <u>Actual</u>		5-31-18 <u>Budget</u>
Income			
Envelope & Loose Offerings	\$67,760		\$89,074
Benevolence Fund Raising	237		
Other Revenues	<u>8,645</u>		<u>9,669</u>
	<u>\$75,642</u>	77%	<u>\$98,743</u>
Expenses			
Benevolences	\$ 9,811		\$ 10,375
Salaries	52,909		61,030
Program Expenses	13,507		19,024
Property Maintenance	<u>33,812</u>		<u>28,613</u>
	<u>110,039</u>	92%	<u>119,042</u>
Deficit from General Operations	(33,397)	169%	(20,299)
Apartment, Net <u>13,072</u>			<u>12,551</u>
Deficit May 31, 2018	<u>\$(20,325)</u>		<u>\$(7,748)</u>

Income -

In November of 2017, we received a stock donation from an unspecified donor. In April, that transaction was cancelled and revoked, which meant we needed to absorb an additional charge of \$2,055 against our revenue. We have already reached our projected deficit for the year. Revenues are running at 77% of our budget

Expenses – There were no significant or extraordinary expenses over the last several months.

Cash - Our operating cash balance at the beginning of the year was \$108,872. At the end of May it is \$74,727. We are at a critical turning point in our ability to continue to meet our expenses.

Capital Campaign - Due to some extraordinary and generous donations in May, we were able to pay off an additional \$44,630 of our loan. Our loan balance is now \$205,253, of which \$34,715 is for the apartment.

Our annual meeting was an uplifting of all things that make St. John's a wonderful and special place. In the coming months it is imperative that we address our financial health in anticipation of a new pastor.

BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Birthday and anniversary blessings to the following members who are celebrating special days during the month of July:

Happy Birthday to:

Carolyn Brunn (7/2)
Joanni Kric (7/8)
Caitlin Otte (7/8)
Tom Wendel (7/19)

Nancy Wood (7/20)
Aidan Maglocchi (7/27)
Jordan Leinberger (7/30)

Happy Anniversary to:

Buck & Susan Crist (7/9)

Tom & Jan Wendel (7/26)

WHO'S SERVING IN JULY, 2018

JULY 1, 2018, 9:30 A.M.

Assisting Minister: Dave Brunn
Communion Minister: Bill Kaspar
Minister of the Word: Brooke DeJong
Ushers: Tim Witt, Buck Crist, Luke Rasmussen
Greeter: Susan Crist, Margye Smith
Carillon: Rachel Cordts

JULY 8, 2018 - 9:30 A.M.

Assisting Minister: Jan Wendel
Communion Minister: Bill Kaspar
Minister of the Word: Robert McConnell
Ushers: Tim Witt, Buck Crist, Luke Rasmussen
Greeters: Tina Ziegler, Jan Wendel
Carillon: Susan Crist

JULY 15, 2018 - 9:30 A.M.

Assisting Minister: Alan Swanson
Communion Minister: Chad Johnson
Minister of the Word: Jim Dossa
Ushers: Jeff Danielsen, Tom Morrison, Peter Knobel
Greeter: The Danielsen Family
Carillon: Rachel Cordts

JULY 22, 2018 - 9:30 A.M.

Assisting Minister: Cindi Rachowicz
Communion Minister: Chad Johnson
Minister of the Word: Jan Wendel
Ushers: Jeff Danielsen, Tom Morrison, Peter Knobel
Greeters: Nancy & Larry Wood
Carillon: Tina Ziegler

JULY 29, 2018 - 9:30 A.M.

Assisting Minister: Jan Wendel
Communion Minister: Alan Swanson
Minister of the Word: Millie Braun
Ushers: John Hauser, Bill Kaspar, Larry Wood
Greeters: Ralph & Janet Kiernicki
Carillon: Peter Knobel

ALTAR GUILD: Janet Kiernicki