



# THE MESSENGER

St. John Lutheran Church of Boerne  
A Lutheran Congregation in Mission for Christ

Making Disciples,  
Growing in Faith,  
Proclaiming The Good News,  
Serving in Christ's Name

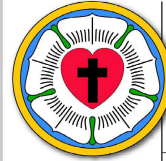


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## From Pastor Schulte's Pen

The North American Lutheran Church Convocation and Theological Conference held in Columbus, Ohio August 10-12, proved to be an super event. Our pastors, Schulte, Carpenter and Bergquist along with our voting delegates Lanne Brehmer, Deanna Grist and Dennis Kruse joined over 800 at Upper Arlington Lutheran Church outside of Columbus for the event. The theological conference focused on the theme "*Salvation*" and each presenter did an excellent job. We ordered the DVD's and hope to use them in some adult education classes. This church is "Christ-Centered!"



# NALC

North American Lutheran Church

*Christ-Centered*

*Mission-Driven*

*Traditionally-Grounded*

*Congregationally-Focused*

The Convocation (NALC term for convention) was held on Thursday and Friday for the new denomination. The NALC had operated on a provisional constitution for the first year with Bishop Paull Spring serving as the Provisional Bishop. We, the delegates to this first Convocation of the NALC, were able to approve the first constitution and elect the first bishop for a four year term. We elected Pastor John Bradosky on the first ballot from the list of four nominees presented by the nominating committee. (See News Release included in this mailing.)

The Convocation approved a relationship of full communion with the Ethiopian Evangelical Church Mekane Yesus. This action along with the adoption of the constitution will now need to be ratified by NALC congregations to become official. This required action speaks volumes about the NALC's commitment to be "Congregationally-Focused".

The wonderful spirit of harmony within the body of the 800 delegates was such a joy! The worship opportunities were special blessings, done using traditional liturgies of the Lutheran Church. Bishop Bradosky was installed at the closing Service of Holy Communion. As a former bishop, I was privileged to participate in his installation. It seems that this church truly wants to be "Lutheran" and to be "Traditionally-Grounded".

The decision was made to call the different geographical areas of the church "**Mission Districts**". Thus we will be a part of the South Texas Mission District. Even our name is to describe our purpose to be a church in mission. The Convocation approved a goal for the NALC that each congregation seek to designate a minimum of 12% of member offerings for benevolence ministries in the local, area and global arenas. Many congregations seek to invest up to 50% or more, but the 12% was a "prayerful goal" to encourage congregations to be "Mission Driven".

My thanks to God for the blessings of the convocation! Thanks also to our Lay Delegates who took time from their schedules to participate in this historic event.

*Pastor Henry Schulte*

## Adult Inquiry Class Starts Sept. 18<sup>th</sup>

I will be starting a new Adult Inquiry Class on Sunday morning, September 18<sup>th</sup> at 9:15 am in the Saxon House. I invite all who may be considering membership at St. John to attend this six week course as we do a quick review of the Old and New Testaments, Apostles Creed, Church History and worship.

Persons who choose to join St. John will be received into membership on Reformation Sunday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at the 10:30 am worship.

Members, this is your opportunity to invite someone that you know who may be interested in being a disciple at St. John Lutheran to come to the class with you. A little review of the Christian Faith is good for the soul!

*Pastor Henry Schulte*

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## Church Picnic Set For October 2<sup>nd</sup>

St. John Lutheran Church will have its Annual Congregation Picnic on Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> at the Balous and Julie Miller Ranch, 28 Upper Balcones Road in Boerne. This picnic is always one of the highlights of the year and we know that it will be this year as well.

Yes, the grass is dry, and the temperature is high, but by October 2<sup>nd</sup> we will have had rain and the temperature will be just perfect! So mark the date and say the day. We will have games and activities for all ages and we will celebrate a wonderful Bill Miller's Barbeque meal around 5 pm. Tickets will go on sale in The Gathering Place the first Sunday in September. Save the date and plan to attend!

### Information for Seniors:

4-Hour AARP Drivers Safety Course—September 13<sup>th</sup>, 2011, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. in Kronkosky Place, New Rainbow Senior Center, #17 Old San Antonio Rd, Boerne, Texas. This course designed and is available to seniors in the City of Boerne and surrounding areas, but this course does not fulfill requirements for court ordered Defensive Driving. Cost for course: \$12 for AARP Members and \$14 for Non-Members. To sign up and register, call (830) 249-8130.

For more information, contact Randy Williams at (830) 249-8130.

## 24th Annual Fall Festival / Family Fun Day

On Saturday, September 17th, The Lutheran Men in Mission Hill Country Conference will host the 24th Annual Fall Festival in downtown Fredericksburg. This event has raised approximately \$370,000.00 for our Camping Ministry in the last 23 years. All Churches are invited to participate in this festival. Ladies groups, mens groups, youth groups, as well as individuals are welcome.

A noon meal will be served from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm . The meal will be free will offering.

Please see Deneice at the church office for more information or application for the Chili cook off.

## Thornton Family Update

The summer has flown by and we wanted to take this time to say Thank You so much for all your love and support with the Thornton family.

The kids are ready for school to start! They start asking around the first of July when we are going to get their school supplies ready. This year Marquel has a Big Sister through the Big Sister/Big Brother program. Her Big Sister asked her coworkers to donate supplies and was very proud to collect enough for all the kids. We are in the process of finding a Big Sister for Annie, as we hope this will be very beneficial to the girls. Marquel is 14 and will be in 8<sup>th</sup> grade. She stays on the AB Honor Roll and loves her sports. Her teachers love her and work hard for her. She attended Confirmation Camp thanks to all of you, and from what we hear, it was a very good experience for her.

Annie is 12 and will be in the 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We are working to get her tested for some extra help. Annie loves to swim and was thrilled with her swimming lessons again this summer.

Charlie is 9 and will be in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade. He loves school and is proud to be playing football on the JV team. He has come a long way in a year, learning to eat and gaining weight. He was thrilled to be able to go to a day camp this summer, and made many new friends.

Chip is 6 and will be in 1<sup>st</sup> grade. He is always upbeat and happy and loves to sing and dance. As time goes by we realize more and more the results of the abuse, neglect and alcohol on these kids. We are very thankful that they are all very smart and have the potential for a good future. We often remind ourselves that if it wasn't for your support, these kids would be on the streets with no future ahead of them.

Thanks to all of you who help provide these kids with a home to live in, clothes to wear, summer activities and new shoes for school. None of this could be done without you!

Most importantly, please keep us and the kids in your prayers, as there are new challenges at every turn. With our heartfelt gratitude,

Randy and Stephanie Ehmen



**Rafiki Foundation, Inc.**  
Child Sponsor Report

**Name:** Dadi Ishimwe  
**Birth Date:** Jul/29/2005  
**Arrived at Village:** Mar/01/2009  
**Village:** Rwanda **Child:** CI014  
**Siblings at Rafiki:** N/A



### Latest News

**Mother/Rafiki Parents:** Beatrice

**Physical Development:** Dadi likes to swing and play on the chin-up bars. He does well in P.E. class. In April a local dentist came to assess the children's teeth. Dr. Pineda and her husband are originally from the Philippines. They have been in Africa for over ten years doing dentistry for many people, including President Kigame. Dadi had an excellent checkup.

**Health:** Good

**Education Current Grade Level:** Pre-Primary 3

**Education Comments:** Dadi is very bright and loves to make others laugh. Dadi continues to excel in school and loves every subject he is learning right now. His hand is always up in class and he is a delight to his teachers. Dadi is starting to read short words and enjoys math time. Recently, the entire Kindergarten class was treated to a special movie as a reward for their extra good behavior at school!

**Spiritual Growth:** We are studying the book of Isaiah right now and Dadi takes part in answering questions asked after Bible stories. Dadi likes to help his Rafiki Mother and brothers at home.

**Prayer Requests:** Please pray for Dadi to have strength and energy in school. Please pray he will be able to sleep through the night without any interruptions, such as stomach aches. Pray for God's favor in scheduling and completing some needed catch up immunizations.

**Additional Comments/Story:** Easter was an exciting time! When the children arrived at breakfast on Easter morning, they saw a tomb set up in the dining hall, with the stone rolled away. As the children peeked inside and saw only white linens, they squealed with surprise.

"The tomb is empty! Jesus is risen!" The joy of Jesus' resurrection genuinely reflected on Dadi's face. Last week the boys in Ephesians Cottage went "camping" at the cottage next door while some of their walls were given a coat of new paint. It was very exciting!

**Letters to the child may be sent to: PO Box 6856, Kacyiru, Kigali Rwanda, EAST AFRICA**

Please do not send packages, checks, or cash to the Village. You may send cards and any item that fits inside such as bookmarks, stickers, pictures or a postcard.

# Children's

Birth thru 6th Grade

**Director of Children's Ministry**  
**Sandra Walker**  
 (830) 249-3651 X-210  
 sandra@stjohnlutheran.com

Mark Your Calendars!

**September 3:** Kendall County Parade  
**September 7:** First Wednesday 6-8 PM  
 (4th & 5th Graders) in Luther Hall  
**September 11:** First Day of Fall Classes

### Sunday School Schedule:

**9:00-9:15 AM:** Snack in Luther Hall  
**9:15-9:30 AM:** Opening 2nd-5th in Luther Hall; 6th in Holy Hangout  
 Pre-K & Kinder-1st class in Father Abraham's Tent with Mrs. Urban.  
**9:30 AM** Dismiss to classrooms  
**10:15 AM** Parents pickup in classrooms



## Nursery News

Nursery Director Tiffany Jureczki  
 (830) 230-5440 email tiffanyhermann@hotmail.com

### Mark Your Calendar Next Parent's Night Out

**Saturday, October 1**  
**6:00-10:00 pm**

Reservations at the  
 Nursery sign-in counter.  
 \$12 per child  
 includes dinner  
 Infants - 12 years old

No reservations will be  
 taken after Sunday  
**September 25. Invite a friend**  
**non-members are welcome!**

### Nursery Sunday School topic for September

**"God Made Families"**

God made families, and he  
 made my family too.

God made families, and  
 families help each other.

God made families, and  
 families worship together.

I'm happy God made families.

### Children's Church

Children's Church is held on communion Sundays for children ages 3 - Kinder. Younger children may join in too, as long as they are accompanied by a parent, or nursery worker. Join us in the Historic Chapel for a child-centered worship.

The children will be released from the main service before the first reading and will return for communion. Parents are welcome to attend with their children.

In Sunday school the Pre-Kinder class & Kindergarten - 1st grade class  
 will learn about

### Genesis: Creation

September 4 - God made our world & God made us and our world.

September 11 - God made our world and animals & God made us special.

September 18 - God made our world and us & God wants us to take care of world.

September 25 - God made our world and wants us to care for it & God made us and loves us even when we do wrong.

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# Ministry



9/1 Aidan Schwarz  
 9/2 Cali Nauman  
 9/3 Grady Jackson  
 9/5 John Pearson  
 9/18 Christopher Rogers  
 9/26 Annalese Maltzberger  
 9/28 Jack Basil

## Baptisms Anniversaries

9/4 Kaiden Fischer  
 9/11 Madisyn Jones  
 9/13 Justin Taylor  
 9/16 Jacob Carpenter  
 9/26 Mallory Klein  
 9/27 Conner Berardi  
 9/28 Madilyn Faldyn  
 9/29 Travis Klokker  
 9/30 Dilan Bruns

**2nd & 3rd and 4th & 5th Grade Rotational Sunday School Is studying**

# Esau & Jacob

**Video & Potter's Publishing Curriculum**  
**Weekly Schedule:**

**September 4 - Creation Review Video Lesson**

**September 11 - Video and Story Telling Lesson**

**September 18 - Arts & Crafts and Video Lesson**

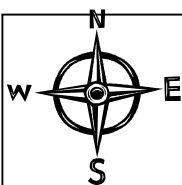
**September 25 - Story Telling and Arts & Craft Lesson**

## 6th Grade Scoop

Our sixth grade Sunday school class will continue to meet on Sundays at 9:15 AM. Grab a snack and head up to the Holy Hangout.

In addition to your Sunday school class, your invited to join the JIF: Journey in Faith group every Wednesday evening for 6th-8th grades from 6:00 - 8:00 PM. Dinner will be provided for you.

# Youth Faith Formation



## MGP\$... "G" is for "Growing in Faith"

Why is cross-training (exercising through a variety of activities such as swimming, running, weight lifting, etc.) so important for an athlete? The experts say, "Cross-training...

*...helps reduce the risk of injury, enhances exercise adherence, improves total fitness, develops better flexibility and stability let alone adds some spice to exercise."*

As followers of Jesus, we have additional and much more important Cross-training to do. Paul tells young Timothy the following:

*"For physical training is of some value, but godliness has value for all things, holding promise for both the present life and the life to come."* I Timothy 4:8

The tweaks and changes to this year's Youth opportunities may seem confusing at first (Huddle times, Learning times, Serving times, Fellowship etc.) but know that like athletic cross-training where a variety of exercises can improve an athlete's fitness and ability...our Cross-training, Lord willing, will enhance our effectiveness as a disciple of Jesus Christ.

May His Cross-Training teach us how to *die* and how to *live* as we hear His Word and obey it. - mko



## Sunday Mornings in September

Begin in the *Historic Chapel*

**8:00—9:00 a.m. Prayer Time**

**9:15—10:25 a.m. Opening & Class Time**

**4th** Huddle Sunday: Youth "Chili Feed" Meeting  
 -Teachers Meeting 9:30 a.m.  
 -Youth Faith Formation Committee 10:30 a.m.

**11th** Classes to choose from...

- ◆ **Jesus as Teacher:**  
How & why is Jesus' teaching so different?
- ◆ Nooma DVD #001:  
**Rain** (*Where is God when it really hurts?*)
- ◆ The Visual Bible: **Genesis** (Get a picture of the scriptures.)  
Creation, the Fall, Noah & the Call of Abram.
- ◆ **Heaven is for Real:** An introduction to this incredible true life story of a little boy who visited heaven.
- ◆ **COURAGE, Developing Character to Stand Strong:**  
Stand Alone (GUYS only, this time around)

**18th** Sunday of Service (SOS): Join a small group to help prepare for an **Advent Extravaganza** (*skit team, party planning, singing, instruments, video production, craft making, decoration team...*)

**25th** Worship at neighboring church. (9:15—11:30 a.m.) For those not able to go, Nooma DVD #002:  
**Flame** (*What's up with the word, "love"?*)

## Wednesdays in September

Everything starts in the *Family Life Center*

**6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.**

**7th** Journey in Faith (JIF) *Creation (Gen. 1 & 2)*  
 \*VENTURING (V) Introduction Night

**14th Huddle Night**  
 JIF Fellowship Night  
 V Guide Meeting  
 Planning Meeting

**21st** JIF *The Fall (Gen. 3)*  
 V Skill Night

**28th Night of Service**  
 JIF Rotational Service Projects  
 V Service Options:

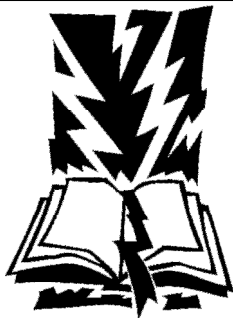
Drama Team

Audio Visual Team

Helping Hands Team

\* *Venturing* is a ministry program for students in 9th grade - 20 yrs. Focusing on high adventure learning.





### Sr. High Bible Study / Fellowship

2 SUNDAY Nights a Month

6:30 - 8:00 p.m. @ the Shepherd House (just for 9th - 12th graders)

*Diving even deeper!*

September 4th: We will get acquainted and find a topic to study or specific book of the Bible to explore.. September 18th: Let the exploration begin!!!



### Sr. High Ski Trip

*& Sacred Pilgrimage to Keystone*

*An adventure for all the senses, including one's heart!*

**March 9th - 15th, 2012**

Registration now OPEN.

(Pick-up a brochure in the *Gathering Place*)



◆◆◆ **“LOVE**  
**YOUR**  
**NEIGHBOR**  
**AS YOURSELF.”**  
 ROM. 13:9

#### Christian Concert

An Evening of STORIES & SONGS with

**Matthew West**

Experience The STORY of YOUR LIFE

**Oct. 30th**—San Antonio  
 Leave from *St. John* at 5:30 p.m.

An all age St. John fellowship event for Oct.  
 \$17.50 - 20 spots saved  
 (Sign up in the *Gathering Place*)

#### Happy Birthday!

- 9/01 Anna Bergquist
- 9/09 David King
- 9/21 Caitlin Ruck
- 9/22 Seth Thompson
- 9/23 Taylor Walsh
- 9/25 Remington Welch
- 9/28 Anna Blakely



**\*Youth Chili Cook - OFF** @ the  
*24th Annual FALL Festival / Family Fun Day*

**Saturday, September 17, 2011**

**9:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.**

**Fredericksburg Markt Platz**



- \* Carnival Games
- \* Washers & Volleyball
- \* Live Auction
- \* Children's Activities
- \* Arts & Crafts Booths
- \* Noon Meal

**Proceeds will go toward Camp Chrysalis lighting & new entrance sign.**

\* Planning meetings (theme, costumes, secret recipes) Sunday, September 4th & 14th 9:30 a.m. *Shepherd House*

# Adult Faith Formation

Shannon Brehmer \* Adult Faith Formation Coordinator \* 830-249-3651 \* shannon@stjohnlutheran.com

## St. John University

St. John University is a collection of various studies and courses offered throughout the week designed to help all members grow in Christian knowledge and faith.

To sign up for any course listed below, contact Shannon Brehmer by email or telephone.

## Fall Class Schedule:

### Monday

- **Lit 'N' Lunch: A faithful & fun book club.**

This book club will meet the 3rd Monday of every month from 12-1 pm, beginning on September 20th. Bring your own lunch and meet at the church for this great new class.

### Tuesday

- **Men's Breakfast**

This group meets for breakfast and bible study every other Tues. at 6:30 a.m. in the Sm Dining Room.

- **Morning Bell Choir**

Have you ever wanted to play handbells? Are you free on Tuesday mornings? If so, then this group is for you. T.J. will start the first morning handbell choir on Tuesdays from 9-10 am. You will learn how to read music, count, and all those fun bell techniques.

- **Foundations for Faith-Morning**

Pastor Schulte will lead "See Through the Scriptures" on Tuesday mornings from 10-11:30 am in Luther Hall. This study will meet beginning on September 20th for 8 weeks.

### What is See Through the Scriptures?

See Through the Scriptures provides the framework you need to understand the grand, complex narrative that unfolds between Genesis and Revelation. Grasping the big story that runs through the biblical narrative can be daunting. How does the average person make sense of it all—and put all the pieces together? What relevance do all those genealogies and descriptions of ancient battles have to our world today?

Author Dr. Harry Wendt has written a study that explores the story of God's amazing patience and forgiving grace for His people, then and now—a story that reveals God's plan for humanity in time and for eternity. This study stresses the importance of understanding all that preceded Jesus in order to grasp the truly immense and earth-shattering nature of His life and ministry.

### Wednesday

- **Cross Talk-Morning**

Cross Talk is a weekly women's bible study that will meet on Wednesdays in Saxon House from 10-12, beginning on September 7th. The class will study "A New Song, Planted by Streams of Water." A study of Psalms.

- **Disciple Groups**

Disciple Groups are a new opportunity for the adult members of St. John to experience life together. As it states in Hebrews 10:24-25, "And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds. Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another".

In a "Disciple" group, 10-12 people will meet together the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month to study, pray, and laugh together. This fall, join a Disciple group and experience life together with fellow believers. Disciple groups will start on Wednesday, September 7th from 6:00-8:00 pm.

- **Cross Talk-Evening**

This women's Bible study will also study "A New Song, Planted by Streams of Water", A study of Psalms. They will meet in Saxon House from 6:30-8:00 pm, beginning on Sept. 7th.

### Thursday

- **Precept Bible Study**

This class will meet on Thursday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 am in the Alpha Room. The first class will be on Thursday, September 8th and will be taught by Pastor Mariola Bergquist. This fall we will offer a "lighter" version of this study called "In & Out" and will study the Book Hebrews.

- **Foundations for Faith-Evening**

Pastor Schulte will lead "See Through the Scriptures" on Thursday nights from 7:00-8:30 pm in Luther Hall. This study will meet beginning on September 22nd for 8 weeks.

## Sunday School SCHEDULE

**Kindred Spirits:** This class is taught by David Houston and meets in Room 211, the council room. This is a small caring class of couples and singles, ages 45+, committed to helping each member know God in a deeper way through Biblical study and discussions.

**The "Logos" Class:** Small Dining Room. In this large class, a facilitator leads an engaging discussion of various books of the bible. Couples and singles will feel welcome in this warm, caring community. All members contribute to the conversation and through the group we come to an understanding of God's Word.

**Seekers:** This fun and unique class, led by Lanne Brehmer, studies a wide range of biblical topics from books of the bible to contemporary issues. In this class, you can always count on enjoying something good to eat and joining in an interactive discussion. They meet in the Alpha Room in the FLC and will be doing a book study, "Power Surge."

**"Ask, Seek, Knock. Class":** This class is facilitated by Rob Bradley. This class enjoys delving into scripture, chapter by chapter. New study topics are chosen by the class at the close of each book. Discussions revolve around God's Word - its historical context and relevance to our lives today. The class currently meets in Pastor Schulte's office. Grab your coffee and bring your questions. This class is studying the book of Mark.

**Breakfast Club:** This lively class designed for couples and singles, ages 35-50's, provide a remarkable support system for each other. On Sundays, they meet in the Sax-on House over breakfast and discuss various bible study topics. They also meet occasionally for fellowship events.

**Renewal:** Adult Ministries Office. This class, designed for women, is led by Mary Kruse. They are currently studying "Lord, I Want to Know You," by Kay Arthur.

**Faith Builders:** This class is led by Dennis Kruse. They meet in the Historic Chapel, side room, which is to the right of Faith Hall. This is an open environment where they as men apply scripture to their lives.

### Men's Lunch Group:

- The San Antonio luncheon will be Monday, September 19th at Mamacita's at 11:30 am. For more information please contact Bart Graves during regular business hours at 210/734-8007 or [bart.graves@thrivent.com](mailto:bart.graves@thrivent.com). We are looking forward to a great time of fellowship and hope that you will be able to attend.

## Friends N Faith

Below is a list of our current Friends 'N Faith Groups, when they meet, and who to contact if you're interested in attending:

- **LUNCH BUNCH:** This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at different restaurants. Contact Elizabeth Markell at 755-4410.
- **EAT OUT GROUP:** This group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm at different restaurants. Contact Kjell & Arliss Oliverson at 830-981-8501.
- **DOMINOES:** This group meets on the 1st Sunday of each month at 6:00p.m. in Luther Hall. Contact Patsy Brehmer at 830-816-2221.
- **CANASTA:** This group meets on the 3rd Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in Luther Hall.
- **HAND AND FOOT CANASTA:** This group meets on the 4th Sunday of each month at 6:00 p.m. Contact Dave Smith at 830-537-9120.
- **QUILTING:** This group meets on the 1st and 2nd Mondays of each month. Contact Nancy Felps at 336-2768
- **BASKETBALL:** This group meets every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. This group also meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. in the FLC. Contact Zack Fisher at 830-816-4452.
- **FABULOUS FOLDERS:** This group meets every Friday morning in room 212 at 9:00 a.m. to fold bulletins. Contact Deneice Cheves at 830-249-3651.
- **MARVELOUS MAILERS:** This group meets as needed to help with church mailings. Contact Deneice Cheves at 830-249-3651.
- **YOUNG FAMILIES:** This group meets monthly for social activities. Contact Marissa Klein at 830-336-4487.
- **GROWING FAMILIES:** This group meets monthly for social activities. Contact Jill Daniels at 830-249-8141.
- **MEN'S BREAKFAST:** This group meets every other Tuesday at 6:30 a.m. in the Small Dining Room. Contact the church office for more information.
- ◆ **"RUTH'S JOURNEY":** This group will consist of St. John Members who are widows. "Ruth's Journey" will meet together monthly for social activities. For more information, contact June Gaubatz at 210-698-3404.

### Lit 'N' Lunch: A faithful and fun book Club

The St. John book club met last month to discuss August's book "The Shack" and "The Choice". Our next meeting will be Monday, September 19th. We will discuss "The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks" by Rebecca Skloot. Bring your own lunch and meet at the church for this great class. All are welcome! For more information, email Shannon Brehmer at [shannon@stjohnlutheran.com](mailto:shannon@stjohnlutheran.com).

# Thank You

Thank You from Sue Witt:

This thank you is long overdue to Pastor Schulte & Frances, Pastor Jeff Carpenter, and Pastor Mariola Bergquist, for being with us whenever we needed you and your prayers. Recently I was never so aware of your presence as the time I was in the hospital two months ago. Thank you's go also to Pastor Ernie Serr and Frank Bush for driving me to appointments with the doctors in San Antonio.

And to my dear friends, Betty and Darrell Steubing, what would I have ever done without you two?

This didn't just happen.

And finally, thanks to my dear friends in the congregation, thanks for your prayers and caring.

God Bless You All,

Sue Witt

**The family of Lottie Langehennig** would like to thank the Pastors and members of St. John Lutheran Church for their many prayers and hospital visits during the last few months. We would also like to thank the members who prepared food and helped with the reception following the funeral service. Your kindness and sympathy will always be held in grateful remembrance.  
Langehennig Family

Dear Pastor Schulte,

Thank you so much for the \$750 donation for the churches in Nicaragua. I received it personally while on our June 5-16th Mission trip.

During May-June of each year food is very scarce in the area we work in. We bought \$250 worth of beans and rice that was distributed to people in 3 separate small communities.

I will send pictures soon. The other \$500 went into the churches general fund.

Thank your entire congregation for sharing their love and blessings.

I'm impressed by your work in Alabama also.

Wanda Garcia

Nursing Home Schedule



# Family Life

**Heritage Place** 1st Wednesday pm

**Riverview** 2nd Wednesday am –room visits

**Care Choice**

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1:00 pm Service w/communion

**Town and Country** 4th Wednesday 10:30 am

Service w/ communion

**Menger Springs Cibolo House** 2nd Wednesday am

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3rd Sunday 3:30pm Service w/communion

**Home Visits** - Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Pastor Mariola Bergquist - Visitation Pastor

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## Honoring our Senior Members (80+) With Birthdays In September

- Verta Bergmann 9/2
- Nadine Flathouse 9/3
- Janette Hamilton 9/5
- Jayne Puls 9/20
- John Rademacher 9/21
- Marjorie Maxwell 9/26

**SHARISM:** "The problem is not that there are problems. The problem is expecting otherwise and thinking that having problems is a problem."

## Our Members and Friends Serving in the Military in Iraq and Afghanistan:

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| Michael Cosby - Kuwait     | Justin Golla             |
| Tim Smith - Afghanis       | Brian James– Afghanistan |
| Justin Spriggs             | Tyler Voss               |
| Charles Hefner-Iraq        | Jeff Burgess             |
| Jeff Crownover Afghanistan |                          |

**8 & 10:30 AM Worship Service**  
**9:15 am Sunday School**

# September 2011

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 Fabulous Folders 9 AM	3 Kendall County Fair Parade
4	5 LABOR DAY HOLIDAY - Church Offices Closed	6 Men's Breakfast 6:30 AM Good Morning Bell Choir 9-10 AM Young Adult Bible	7 Women's Bible Study 10-12 Noon or 6:30-8 PM Choir Practice 7 PM JIF 6-8 PM	8 Women's Precept Class 9:15-11:30 AM Bell Choir 7 PM Men's Basket Ball	9 Fabulous Folders 9 AM	10	
11 Sunday School Fall Semester Rotation Start Up	12 Quilting 9 AM	13 Good Morning Bell Choir 9-10 AM Young Adult Bible Study 7PM	14 Women's Bible Study 10-12 Noon or 6:30-8 PM Choir Practice 7 PM JIF 6-8 PM Sr. High 6-8 PM	15 Women's Precept Class 9:15-11:30 AM Bell Choir 7 PM Men's Basket Ball 7PM	16 Fabulous Folders 9 AM	17 Lutheran Fall Festival	
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**Return Service Requested**

		09/04/2011	09/11/2011	09/18/2011	09/25/2011
<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>8:00</b>	RJ Rutherford (A)	Hannah Jordan	Catherine Rogers (A)	Trevor Meier
		George Arnold (A)	Catie Rickert	Lilly Goodale (A)	Kevin Justice
		Brock Grabarkewitz		Ashley Hillman (S)	
	<b>10:30</b>	Anna Bergquist (A)	Haley Peters	David Kruse (A)	Karlie Daniels
		Sydney Olson (A)	Reagan Clow	Sean Hollinshead (A)	Sydney von Rosenberg
		Karlee Hornung (S)		David Hilleman (S)	
		Shae Stuart (S)		Andrew Peters (S)	
		Cassie Jenkins (S)		Riley Syamken (S)	
<b>Assisting Ministers</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Doris Beath	Ed Whitaker	Paul Harris	Katie Rickert
	<b>10:30</b>	Dennis Ruck	Glorify	Steve Rogers	Rachel Edwards
<b>Altar Guild</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Judy Kiefer / Kathy Blakely			
	<b>10:30</b>	Fay Hagans / Paige Schmedemann			
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Fred Keller			
	<b>10:30</b>	Jennifer Wyle			
<b>Flowers</b>		LOGOS Class	Dave Smith	Bruehler	
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Kathy Cruz	Patricia Evans	Randy Evans	Cindy Hawkins
	<b>10:30</b>	Frances Schulte	Beverly Serr	Laurie Syamken	Sharon Tschirhart
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Brian Hillman Team			
	<b>10:30</b>	Scott Syamken Team			