

# THE MESSENGER

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## **Annual Meeting Proclaims A Promising Future**

St. John Lutheran Church of Boerne held its Annual Congregation Meeting on Sunday, September 26, 2010 following the late worship. All actions and reports pointed to a renewed excitement about being a congregation in mission for Christ in this community for the sake of the world he came to serve and to save.

The congregation approved the Mission Statement that had been developed at the congregation retreat and fine tuned by the council. That mission statement reads:

### **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**

We chose to arrange the four statements defining what being a congregation in mission for Christ is about by forming an acronym of the "MGPS". We think it will help us to remember the four points more readily.... MGPS,, Making, Growing, Proclaiming & Serving. Try telling it to another person. Memorize it! Let's use it!

Two new Standing Committees were added this year: the Administrative Committee and the Congregational Care Committee. In addition the job descriptions of two of the committees were expanded as the Evangelism Committee became the Mission Committee in charge of the local, regional, national and global out-reach of the congregation in proclaiming the good news and inviting response. The Social Ministries Committee became the Out-Reach Committee – Serving Those in Need helping the congregation to make love a verb in doing the acts of service in Christ's name.

The following new officers and committee chairs were elected:

President- Lanne Brehmer	Congregational Life – Lemuel Sinclair
Vice-Pres.- Darren Smith	Worship Comm. Chair – Larry Smith
Secretary - Fay Hagans	Youth Member – Connor Mitchell
Administration – Greg Rickert	Youth Member - Kathryn Klokker
Congregational Care – Debbie Welch	

We thank God for these members who were led to accept nomination for service in these positions. They will do 'shadow training' for the remainder of this year and begin their term of office on January 1, 2011.

The Treasurer's report showed a positive cash flow of income over expenditures for the first eight months of this year. The congregation also approved the proposed budget for 2011 of \$1,060,860.00, a less than 1% increase over the 2010 budget. Our gifts to God are based upon our thankfulness to God for the blessings received. Our faithfulness in proportion giving back to God makes our budget a means of doing ministry. We are indeed Blessed to be a Blessing in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord!

*Pastor Henry Schulte*



**Mark Your Calendars!**  
**St. John's Annual Church Picnic**  
**Tickets-\$7.00 and**  
**Children 10 and under \$2.00**  
**(Hot dog and chips)**  
**October 3, 2010 starting 2 pm**

Join us for good times, good food and great fellowship. We will have Bill Miller's Bar B Q for dinner and have your choice of fun activities to participate in.

Dominos, Soft ball, Volleyball  
 Kiddy train rides, Fishing

New to the picnic this year is our first bake off. Up for grabs is a prize and bragging rights for a whole year. Bake up your finest dessert for our "celebrity" judges and see how you fair. The remainder of the entries will be enjoyed by all in attendance. We will also have our first fishing contest with the person who catches the longest fish winning a prize and the honor of being St. John's top fisherman for a year.

**Council Contacts**

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**LARKS** - The LARKS will meet on Monday evening, 4 October, 6:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The evening will begin with the normal Pot-Luck dinner. The program is yet to be finalized. We have three possibilities we are working on, but nothing is firm as of this date. Marj and Don Adickes will host the evening. If anyone would like to assist them, kindly contact them at 981-8248. Hope you can come out for our initial meeting of the program year.



**Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**

The annual Shoebox Packing Event will be held on November the 7th during Sunday school in the Family Life Center. Everyone is invited to Attend, and a continental breakfast will be served. If you wish to pack your shoebox at home please bring your shoebox in by Nov. 7th for the Blessing. Shoeboxes will be delivered to the collection center on Nov. 17th. We would also appreciate donations for items for the shoeboxes. You can leave your donation or packed shoebox by the signs in the Gathering Place and in Luther Hall. Let's make this the best year ever and beat our previous record of 275 shoeboxes!

**Ministry of the Month:**

Kendall County Women's Shelter	\$1715.00
Shepherd's Canyon Retreat	\$4000.00

**Ministry in Focus:**

Lutheran CORE	\$1000.00
NALC - North American Lutheran Church	\$1000.00
LCMC	\$1000.00
LCMC Texas District	\$ 500.00
World Hunger/World Vision	\$2898.16

**Monthly Benevolence Report August 2010**

<b>Crosstrails Operations</b>	<b>\$ 857.25</b>
<b>Lutheran Social Services</b>	<b>\$ 428.62</b>
<b>UTSA Lutheran Campus Ministries</b>	<b>\$ 642.94</b>
<b>Crosstrails Improvement</b>	<b>\$ 428.63</b>
<b>New Life Center for Girls—LSS</b>	<b>\$ 428.63</b>
<b>Lutheran World Relief —World Hunger</b>	<b>\$ 857.25</b>
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<b>Developing Lutheran Church Body</b>	<b>\$ 1,714.51</b>
<b>Cause of the Month</b>	<b>\$ 1,714.51</b>
<b>Foreign &amp; Domestic Missions</b>	<b>\$ 642.94</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 8,572.53</b>



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



**Name:** Joseph Katebe  
**Birth Date:** Sep/13/2004  
**Arrived at Village:** May/07/2008  
**Village:** Zambia **Child:** CF026  
**Siblings at Rafiki:** N/A  
**Rafiki Mother:** Mwanza

**Physical Development:** Joseph had the joy of learning some of the basic soccer drills during G.A.M.E.S. this past term. The children were taught kicking, passing, shooting and dribbling. The final day of G.A.M.E.S saw the first Rafiki World Cup Tournament. The children were divided into four teams representing four of the countries where Rafiki is located. Between face painting team colors and blowing the vuvuzela, a great time was had by all.

**Health:** Excellent **Education Current Grade Level:** Grade 1 **Education Comments:** Joseph's smile lights up the classroom. He is polite, respectful and very obedient. He has shown significant improvement in his reading and his handwriting. Joseph has a great attitude and loves learning. Pray for continued improvement in oral reading.

**Prayer Requests:** Pray that Joseph will love God's Word and like Timothy, "how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." (II Timothy 3:15)

**Letters to the child may be sent to:** Post Net BOX 232, P/Bag E891, Lusaka, Zambia, 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.**

[Donate to Joseph](#)

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## Congregation Celebrates Five Years of Post Katrina Ministry

On Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, St. John celebrated five years of continuing ministry to a Katrina Family with thanksgiving to God and to God's people. The Roosevelt Thornton Family was one of the thousands of families uprooted by the horrendous hurricane Katrina. This 69 year old paralegal's four week old was floated out of their 9<sup>th</sup> Ward home in an ice chest as the other three children escaped from waters that had risen up to six foot tall Roosevelt. The family was moved from the Kelly Field Evacuee Center to the Mount Zion Youth Camp on Highway 46 West.

We invited members of St. John to become involved with the servant corps serving the evacuees. Randy & Stephanie Ehmen were one of several who answered the call. They thought that they would serve an afternoon, but seeing the need, they returned for continuing service. They identified with Roosevelt Thornton and his family. Before long Roosevelt's wife returned to New Orleans leaving her three children with Roosevelt and her last born child. Roosevelt wanted to keep the children together and not let them return to the streets of New Orleans. St. John adopted the Thornton as a second Katrina family. Housing was found in San Antonio. Randy & Stephanie searched for assistance from the local, state and federal programs. There was little to be found. Finally the St. John Task Force decided to ask for assistance from folk at St. John and beyond on a continuing basis. People have responded so faithfully and thus far we have been able to make things work.

So, Sunday was to say, "Thank You" to God and to the many folk who have helped and many who continue to provide assistance in helping this family to not only survive, but to THRIVE. Persons who would like to be a part of this continuing ministry may make a gift to St. John Lutheran and mark it "Thornton Fund". By the grace of God and the benevolence of so many people we have made it thus far. God grant that we who have been blessed may indeed be a blessing for the remaining time.



# Ministry



## Happy Birthday

- 1 - Brooke Adickes
- 6 - Claire Murley
- 10 - Halle Hurt
- 12 - Sean Hollinshead
- 15 - Aiden Maltsberger
- 19 - Mckenna Jureczki
- 19 - Shae Stuart
- 22 - Joshua Carpenter
- 22 - Corey Klein
- 23 - Karson Kurtz
- 24 - Connor Wahl
- 28 - Molly Klutts
- 29 - Jake Allen
- 30 - Blake, Chloe & Grant Friar



## Baptisms Anniversaries

- 10 - Halle Hurt
- 10 - Brooke Parrish
- 11 - Cassie Naiser
- 11 - Chris Rogers
- 14 - Addison Fulling
- 22 - Emily Murley
- 25 - Riley Syamken
- 27 - Beckett Blystone
- 27 - Erin Pankratz
- 27 - Alton Kellen Pfeiffer
- Joshua Pounds
- Charlie Voigt
- Wink Voigt

## The Bible

### 6th Graders

Where does it come from?  
 Who wrote it?  
 How do we know it's true?  
*Come and discuss these and other questions and find the answers every Sunday morning.*

In the Holy Hangout  
 Upper Level Faith Hall  
 at 9:15  
 Grab a snack in Luther Hall  
 before you come!

## SHOEBOX PACKING



November 7th  
 During Sunday school  
 In the Family Life  
 Center

Donations needed!!!

Please place donations in the red boxes  
 in the Gathering Place and Luther Hall

Please feel free to pack your shoebox at  
 home and bring it on the 7th!

October 6th  
5th & 6th Graders

**1st Wednesday**

Pizza at 6:00 in the Diner

Fellowship & Service on  
 the 1st Wednesday of  
 every month!  
 6:00p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

1st - 5th Graders

October 10th - October 24th

### CHARACTER COUNTS - JOSHUA

During this 6 week study, the children are learning that their character counts in leading their daily lives. Joshua's example of an obedient leadership is helping them learn how faithful leaders can bring about new beginnings. As children follow Joshua from entering the Promised Land to his farewell address, they are learning about the qualities of a good leader who trusts and obeys God.

Workshops during the next 3 weeks include:

Computer - Children often have to make choices under pressure. Who would have ever thought that Rahab, a pagan, a Canaanite, and a woman of a sinful past, would choose to risk her life for a God she had only recently heard of? The children will learn how Rahab decided to put her faith in God and throw a rope to help the Israelites in the conquest of Jericho. Through a computer game, the children will learn that choices are best made when they put their trust in God and do the best they know how, just like Rahab.

Cooking - If you could concoct a potion to turn someone into a good leader, what would be in it? The children will boil and toil to discover these ingredients using Joshua as an example. The children will discover that some ingredients just don't mix – both in cooking and in people! They will understand that God cares about their character. The children will also learn that God can take a flawed "recipe" and make it good.

Game - Children will learn how Joshua was a good leader who listened and obeyed God. They learn how God's presence and justice was with Joshua as he divided the Promised Land among seven of the 12 tribes. Through workshop experiences the children will compare and contrast the concepts of equality, fairness, and God's Justice. Children travel to the Land of Milk and Honey in a game-like activity to illustrate fairness. In another game they learn of God's justice as Joshua divides the Promised Land in God's presence among the seven of the 12 tribes.

# Youth Faith Formation

## COMING EVENTS

10/06 - JIF and SH Bible Study  
 10/07 - S/H Concert  
 10/13 - JIF and SH Bible Study  
 10/20 - JIF and SH Bible Study  
 10/24 - S/H Concert  
 10/27 - JIF and SH Bible Study



Kirsten Marlow - 10/1  
 David Rogers - 10/2  
 Zach Long - 10/12  
 Emily Hilleman - 10/15  
 Emma Kruse - 10/20  
 Bobby Johnson - 10/25  
 Taylor Smith - 10/26  
 Breck Armstrong - 10/31

## Youth Ministry Director Update

We are currently prayerfully considering and interviewing candidates for the Director of Youth Ministry. We consider this to be a very important undertaking, and your patience and understanding during this time of transition is appreciated.

## Attention: Dates for Summer Camp!

### Sr Hi Adventure Camp 2011

For all current  
8th-12th graders!

**July 10-16**

**Camp Eagle  
Near Rocksprings, Tx**

**Total Cost: \$200**

**To reserve a spot for your  
child, a non-refundable  
deposit of \$100 is due  
by December 1st!**

### Jr Hi Confirmation Camp 2011

For all current 6th and 7th  
graders!

**July 17-23**

**Camp Eagle  
Near Rocksprings, Tx**

**Total Cost: \$200**

**To reserve a spot for your  
child, a non-refundable  
deposit of \$100 is due  
by December 1st!**

## Senior High Concerts

Thur. Oct. 7th 7:00p.m. Frank Erwin Center - Austin

Make a Difference Tour 2010

Max Lucado, Michael W. Smith, Third Day

Toby Mac, Jason Gray

Bus leaves St. John @ 4:30

Tickets - \$15.00 Students/\$25.00 Adults

Sun. Oct. 24th 7:00p.m. Tri Point - San Antonio

Kutless/Sidewalk Prophets

Bus leaves St. John at 5:30

Tickets - \$15.00

Reserve your ticket and space on the St. John Bus

**TODAY!**

Contact Dennis Kruse at [ppidennis@aol.com](mailto:ppidennis@aol.com) for  
reservations and more information

## Prayer

Praise God for His active role in our youth ministry! Ask around to see how He has been working, and please continue to pray for the youth to come to an owned faith through the blood of Jesus Christ. Pray also as you are led that God continues to provide opportunity and clarity for those in teaching roles and friends of the youth. God, send your Holy Spirit among this group and let them thirst for your involvement in their lives.



# 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.

### Fall Class Schedule:

#### Sunday

- Sunday School Classes  
See the side.

#### Monday

- Lit 'N' Lunch: A faithful and fun book club.  
This book club will meet the 3rd Monday of every month from 12-1 pm. The first book we are reading is . We will meet on October . 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.
- Cross Talk  
Cross Talk is a weekly women's bible study that meets on Tuesdays in Luther Hall from 10-12, The class is studying "Daniel" by Beth Moore.

#### Thursday

- Foundations  
Pastor Schulte is leading a theology-based bible study on Thursday nights from 7:00-8:30 pm in Luther Hall. This study began on September 23rd, but anyone can still join.

## Rod Run Food Booth

Saturday, October 9th

St. John is hosting a food booth at the Rod Run Car Show this October to raise money for our children's ministry room construction project.  
We need your help! Please contact Shannon Brehmer to sign up.



## 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. They are currently studying the book of John.

**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. This class is studying the book of Hebrews.

**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 a great interactive discussion. They meet in the Alpha Room in the FLC and is studying 1st John.

**"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. They are currently studying the gospel of Matthew.

**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 Saxon House over breakfast and discuss various bible study topics. They also meet occasionally for fellowship events. This class is studying the "Truth Project".

**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 Saxon house, which is next to Faith Hall. This is an open environment where they as men apply scripture to their lives. There is a lot of fellowship and discussion.

## 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:

- **LARKS:** This group meets on the 1st Monday of each month at 6:30 p.m. in the Family Life Center. Contact Pastor Don and Marge Adicks at 830-981-8248.
- **LUNCH BUNCH:** This group meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 12:00 p.m. at different restaurants. Contact Mary Ellen Gaubatz at 210-386-7222.
- **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 and Joyce Smith at 830-537-9120.
- **SCRAPBOOKING/CRAFTS:** This group meets on the 2nd Tuesday of each month in The Alpha Room (FLC). Contact Elane Jones at 210-877-9166.
- **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 8:30 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.
- **BUNKO:** This group meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month in Luther Hall.
- **Men's Lunch Group:** Meets on the 3rd Tuesday at Mamacita's at 11:30 am in San Antonio please contact Bart Graves during regular business hours at 210/734-8007 or [bart.graves@thrivent.com](mailto:bart.graves@thrivent.com).

## Evangelism Corner

The weather was hot and humid in San Antonio when I helped my son and daughter in law shop for flowers and plant them in their flower bed at their new home a couple of months ago. We planted them close together as I was always told "they grow best when they are placed that way". I wondered how the plants will survive the heat of the sun and all the weather elements and whether or not they would really grow best if planted close together.

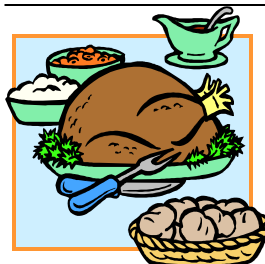
As I looked at their flower bed a couple of months later I see that the plants did survive. The closeness worked, the plants continued to bloom and grow. Living things need each other to survive and grow.

As Christians, we grow too when we are in community, sharing life with one another. The writer of Hebrews knew the strength of fellowship and that in community believers find encouragement and motivation for love and good deeds. When the winds and storms of life hinder our growth and threaten to beat us down, in community we can face the storms, strengthened by our devotion to Christ and to each other.

*"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another - and all the more as you see the Day approaching."* - Hebrews 10:24-25

God does not intend us to grow it alone. O god, help us to encourage and to learn in community with one another. Amen

Respectfully submitted in His name,  
Deanna Grist, Evangelism Chair



**The Annual Turkey Dinner, Bazaar & Flee Market**  
Sponsored by the Women of Highland Park Lutheran Church, 705 Hammond Avenue, Will be held on Wednesday, October 27th,

2010. Serving hours are from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm and 4:30 pm to 7:00 pm  
Ticket donation prices are \$7:00 for adults and \$3.50 for children.

**TOMORROW'S CHILD GOLF BENEFIT**

- Monday, November 1, 2010 at the Fair Oaks Ranch Golf and Country Club. Registration is at 8:00 AM and the Shot-Gun start is at 9:00 AM. "Megan is a Tomorrow's Child. She is a 13 year-old from Bexar County who was removed from her home due to unimaginable sexual abuse. To escape her pain, Megan often cut herself in suicide attempts. After six failed foster care placements, Megan was admitted to New Life in Canyon Lake where she received 24 hour psychiatric-based care and treatment from a loving staff. There is hope for Megan. During a nine month stay, she began to heal and is now able to move to a loving foster home." PLAY GOLF and make a difference in the lives of children like Megan. Golfers can pay a minimum of \$150 or serve as an ambassador for Tomorrow's Child by raising a minimum of \$150 in pledges from friends. EVERY DOLLAR DONATED WILL DIRECTLY BENEFIT THE CHILDREN AT THE NEW LIFE CHILDREN'S CENTER. The Center is a ministry of Lutheran Social Services. This will be our sixth golf benefit. To date we have raised over \$400,000 for the New Life Ministry. Last year we had 121 golfers. We hope to increase donations and golfer this year. Please consider being part of this special day. Registration forms are in the gathering space.

**Christmas Eve Worship Plans**



We are reconfiguring the Christmas Eve Communion Services this year so that we may serve more people and provide a special service geared toward families with young children. The schedule will be:

- 4:00 PM Children/Young Families/All – With Children's /Youth Choir, Candles & Communion
  - 6:00 PM Traditional Candlelight Service with Holy Communion – Sanctuary Choir
  - 9:30 PM Traditional Candlelight Service with Holy Communion – Special Music
- Please mark your calendar, invite your friends and make your plans for worship.



*Children's / Youth Choir*  
*Members Wanted*

For grades 2nd thru 8th.  
This choir will be singing at the 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Service.  
Practice times will be during Sunday School beginning November 7th thru December 19th.  
If you would like more information contact Ann at 249-3651 ext. 210 or [ann@stjohnlutheran.com](mailto:ann@stjohnlutheran.com)

**New Children's Faith Formation Chair**

Anne Fulling found it necessary to step down as Chair for the Children's Faith Formation Committee. The Congregation Council accepted her resignation with sadness and with thanksgiving for her service. The Council has appointed Jennifer Wyle to fill the unexpired term, ending at the end of 2011. In behalf of the congregation we express our thanks to Anne for her service as we express our joy and thanksgiving for Jennifer's acceptance of the position. Jennifer will work closely with our Children's Ministry Director, Ann Knuppel, as they continue to develop the best Children's Christian Education Ministry for our children and the children of the community we serve.



# Thank you !!!

To God be the glory! Because of the outpouring of God’s love through you, I have been able to climb over what seemed to be an insurmountable mountain of physical and psychological difficulties. I had no **Proprioception** (pronounced (*PRO-pree-o-SEP-shən*)) Being totally blind and paralyzed was just the tip of the iceberg. I had to learn to brush my teeth, comb my hair, and eat, just to name a few things. My head fell over like a broken bobble-head doll and I had to be placed in an auto amabulator to teach me to walk again. If I was asked to find my ear or nose, etc., I could not, because I had no sense or perception of the position of neighboring body parts. Today my proprioception is good, I can see about 3 feet straight ahead (enough to sing in the choir again), I can walk with a brace and walker for short distances (getting better) and my right arm is moving in the right direction. The improvement has been a miracle. Saying thank you does not seem enough. There should be a special word to describe my feelings for everyone who called, visited, sent cards, sat with me day in and day out (every day), those that brought food (smile), and for those who sat diligently with me in rehab every day to encourage me and root for me when I was trying to sit up or stand. You showed everyone at RIOSA what God looks like. Thank you to our pastors who have been and continue to be there every step of the way. You are the “mostest”. It has been and continues to be a journey of faith and I appreciate those who have made it with me.

Sharon Tschirhart

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

- |                        |                            |
|------------------------|----------------------------|
| Michael Cosby - Kuwait | Ryan Maltsberger –Iraq     |
| Casey Turk - Iraq      | Justin Golla               |
| Jonathan Rogers - Iraq | Damon Pipkin– Afghanistan  |
| Charles Hefner-Iraq    | Jeff Crownover—Afghanistan |

Nursing Home Schedule

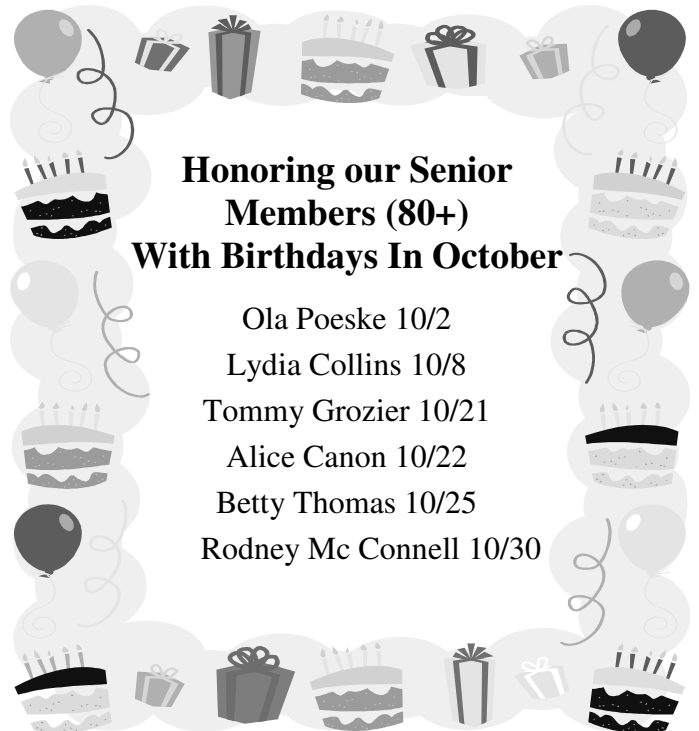


# Family Life

- 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
- Menger Springs Menger House**  
3rd Sunday 3:30pm Service w/communion
- Home Visits** - Tuesdays and Wednesdays

Pastor Mariola Bergquist - Visitation Pastor  
pastormariola@stjohnlutheran.com

Church (830)249-3651 ext 207  
Or Home at(830) 249– 2121



**Honoring our Senior Members (80+) With Birthdays In October**

- Ola Poeske 10/2
- Lydia Collins 10/8
- Tommy Grozier 10/21
- Alice Canon 10/22
- Betty Thomas 10/25
- Rodney Mc Connell 10/30

**Sharism:** A kind word picks up a man when trouble weighs him down



To the Families of Dick Magers, Peter & Cooper Bond, Marvin Becker, Ashley, Fleming and Joyce Smith as they mourn the loss of their loved ones.

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# October 2010

Holy Communion  
 1st and 3rd Sunday

**Church Services**  
**8:00 am & 10:30 am**  
**Sunday School 9:15 am**

	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Fabulous Folders	2
3	Church Picnic 2pm Dinnoes 6:00 pm LH	4 LARKS 6:30 pm FLC Quilting 9-12 pm SX	5 Men's Breakfast 6:30 am Alpha Room Beth Moore LH 10 am Men's Basketball 7pm	6 1st Wed 5th & 6th Grade FH JIF 6-8 pm FLC Sr. High 6:30-8:30 pm SH Choir 7:00 pm Sanctuary Dave Ramsey 6:30 pm BR Learn to read music 6:30 pm	7 No Precept Study BR Men's Basketball 7 pm FLC Handbells 7:00 pm Pastor Schulte Bible Study 7pm LH	8 Fabulous Folders	9 Rod Run
10	Burco 6:00 pm LH	11 Quilting 9-12 pm SX Council Mtg. 6:45 pm BR	12 Beth Moore LH 10 am Men's Basketball 7pm	13 JIF 6-8 pm FLC Sr. High 6:30-8:30 pm SH Choir 7:00 pm Sanctuary Dave Ramsey 6:30 pm BR Learn to read music 6:30 pm	14 Precept Study BR 9 am Men's Basketball 7 pm FLC Handbells 7:00 pm Pastor Schulte Bible Study 7pm LH	15 Fabulous Folders	16
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24	New Member Reception Hand & Foot 6:00 pm LH	25	26 Beth Moore LH 10 am Men's Basketball 7pm	27 SR Collation BR 11:30 1:00 pm JIF 6-8 pm FLC Sr. High 6:30-8:30 pm SH Choir 7:00 pm Sanctuary Dave Ramsey 6:30 pm	28 Precept Study BR 9 am Men's Basketball 7 pm FLC Handbells 7:00 pm Pastor Schulte Bible Study 7pm LH	29 Fabulous Folders	30
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<b>Acolytes</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Sam Murley	Cara Rickert	Tim Shook	Kaila Daniels	R. J. Rutherford
		Hailey Bitzkie	Catie Rickert	Kevin Justice	Karla Daniels	Ashley Hillman
	<b>10:30</b>	Riley Knippa (S)	Tanner Smith	Matt Blackburn (S)	Matt Blackburn	David Kruse
		Madison Rogers (S)	Ryder Welch	Katie Naiser (S)	Josh Putnam	Andrew Oster
		Jared Schramm (A)		Kaylee Hornung (A)		
<b>Acolytes /A</b>		Anna Bergquist (A)		David Hilleman (A)		
<b>Sacritants /S</b>		Brock Grabarkewitz (A)		Benn Bond (A)		
<b>Assisting</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Ed Whitacre	James Meckel	Paul Harris	Doris Beath	James Hurst
<b>Ministers</b>	<b>10:30</b>	Dennis Ruck	Glorify!	Kate Landrum	Randy Ehmen	Brad Blackburn
<b>Altar</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Debbie Ealy		Vickie Reilly		
	<b>10:30</b>	Darrell & Betty Steubing		Claudia Lawson		
<b>Communion</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Fred Keller				
<b>Assistants</b>	<b>10:30</b>	Deanna Grist				
<b>Flowers</b>		Jeff & Liz Johnson	Judy Kiefer	Paul & Judy Stuart	Jack & Elaine Moore	Dave & Gwen Morris Lillian McConnell
<b>Lectors</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Sherry Speir	Skip Stefansen	Carrie Tyner	Edward Whitaker	Andra Wisian
	<b>10:30</b>	Goerge Klein	Pat King	Marissa Klein	Balous Miller	Julie Miller
<b>Ushers</b>	<b>8:00</b>	Al Poeske Team				
	<b>10:30</b>	MatthewPearson Team				