

**FAMILY FRESH RECEIPTS:** The collection of receipts for the 2017-2018 school year is over. We have reached our goal! We can start saving again for the next school year starting on August 1, 2018. Please watch your dates when giving your receipts to us. Thank you to everyone who has helped us with this program.

**WELS MINISTRY TO THE MILITARY:** Do you know someone in the military? Go to [wels.net/refer](http://wels.net/refer) and fill out the referral form and WELS will follow up with email devotions, meditations and outreach from the nearest WELS pastor. If you have any questions, call 414-256-3241 or email: [specialministries@wels.net](mailto:specialministries@wels.net).

**NIGHT TO UNITE—Tuesday, August 7 from 5:30-7:30 p.m.** This event is sponsored by the St. Peter Recreation and the St. Peter Police Dept. Join us at Veteran's Park. There will be free activities for all ages.

**A HOT LUNCH COORDINATOR/SUPERVISOR** is needed for the 2018-19 school year at Mt. Olive Christian Day School. Contact Principal Born (507-345-7927 or [school@mtolivelutheran.org](mailto:school@mtolivelutheran.org)) if you are interested.

**THE LADIES GUILD** of Trinity Lutheran Church in Nicollet, MN. at 604 Main St is inviting your congregation to join us for an Ice Cream and Pie Social on Wednesday, July 25th from 4:30-7:00 pm. Other items served are BBQs, Ham & Egg Salad Sandwiches, Baked Beans, Pie, Ice Cream, Assorted Desserts, Root Beer Floats, Coffee and Pop. We hope to see you!



# The EVANGEL

**July 12 & 15, 2018**

**ALTAR GUILD CONTACTS** for July are as follows: Sandy Jackson (931-56240), Jan Manzey (934-5235), & Jean Haas (507-665-6698). If you are placing flowers on the altar for a special July date, please call one of these members.

**FAMILY BIBLE HOUR:** On Sundays at 9:15 a.m. throughout the summer, we're excited to have "Family Bible Hour". People of all ages - from little children to senior citizens - are invited to meet together in the fellowship hall. Our Family Bible Hours this summer will focus on Jesus' miracles.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS:** We are looking for anyone who wants to volunteer and help out with VBS this year. Our theme is Happily Ever After, focusing on Revelation 2:10. It's going to be a fun time, with Jesus, games, puppets, and even unicorns (not real ones). We are looking for anyone who has completed 6th grade or older to help out. VBS will be in the mornings of July 30—August 2nd. Talk to Pastor Heise for more details. Sign up on the bulletin board across from the office.

**YFC:** YFC will be meeting the first and the third Wednesdays of each month during the summer at 8:00 p.m. Ask Pastor Heise for more details. This summer we will also have a guys Bible Study and a girls Bible study one night during the summer. Let Pastor Heise know a night that works for you.

**LIKE YOGA?** Our member Kay Brandt has organized a yoga group that's been meeting each Monday at 6:15 p.m. in our fellowship hall. Stop by on Monday or give Kay a call (507-382-2320) for information.

## DATES TO REMEMBER

July 23-26 ..... Jesus Saves! Soccer Camp  
July 30-Aug. 2 ..... Vacation Bible School  
Aug 8-12 ..... Nicollet County Fair Booth

**NO MORE USHERING OUT:** In our spring worship survey, our members expressed a strong desire to have more opportunities to connect with and talk with each other. As one *small* step to encourage connections between our members, **we will stop ushering out after our services, beginning on Sunday, July 15th.** Worshipers can mingle or talk with each other for as long as they would like after our services before leaving when they are ready.

**MOVING PASTOR HEISE:** Do you need a workout? Do you like lifting heavy things? Do you like the smell of freshly painted houses? Then Saturday July 21st is the day for you. On that day, Pastor Heise is moving into his new house! If you'd like to help him and Leslie move, come to their current location at 301B Beacon Cir, and help them bring something large and furniture like to their new house at 1463 Loren St. We will start at 10 a.m., and try not to take too long. Let Pastor or Leslie know if you'd like to help!

**CHURCH BUDGET APPROVED:** At our voters' meeting this past Sunday, our church's voters approved our 2018-2019 church budget. We give thanks to God for all the offerings our congregation receives! At the same time, we heard that our offerings for 2017-2018 ended up being \$18,000 short of what we had anticipated. It will be difficult for us to maintain our current staffing and ministries without an increase of around 7% in our general fund offerings over the coming year. God has given our congregation so many opportunities to preach and share his Word, and we pray that God move us to give generously to support Gospel ministry in our congregation.

**BOOK CLUB!** Hello book club friends. The next book we are going to read is called *Me Before You* by Jojo Moyes. We will meet to discuss it on July 21 at 8:30 a.m. Talk to Pastor Heise for more details.

**MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—JOIN US!** After a brief break, our Men's Bible Study has started up again on **Tuesday mornings from 6:00-7:00 a.m.** All men in our congregation are invited. There's no better way to start your day than with time in God's Word with your brothers in Christ.

**MEDITATIONS & PORTALS OF PRAYER** fund is very low. Our next publication is due before December 1. If no additional funds are received, no publications will be available.

**FAIR BOOTH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Nicollet County Fair is coming up soon, from August 8-12th. Our church will once again have a

booth at the fair. It's a great way to promote our congregation in our community. Volunteers are needed to represent our church by sitting at our fair booth during the fair. We will have lots of brochures and information for you to share with anyone who stops by our booth. If possible, it's great to have at least two people at our booth at a time. A sign up sheet is posted on the Outreach bulletin board in the hallway at church. Feel free to sign-up for as many two-hour shifts as you would like. Thanks!

**OUR MEMBERS AT ASIA LUTHERAN SEMINARY:** Two of our newest members - Dr. Mike and Anita Smith - will soon be moving to Hong Kong, where Mike will serve as a professor at Asia Lutheran Seminary. Dr. Smith served at Bethany Lutheran Theological Seminary in Mankato for a number of years before accepting a call to Asia Lutheran Seminary this past spring. Since there are no official WELS congregations in Hong Kong, the Smiths will remain members of our church even as they serve on the other side of the world. **Mike and Anita will give a presentation on their upcoming ministry at the end (9:50-10:15 a.m.) of our Family Bible Hour on Sunday, July 22nd.** We'd love to have you join us for Family Bible Hour that day, to both study God's Word and hear about how our new members will be sharing God's Word in Hong Kong.

**HOME VISITS WITH PASTOR HEISE:** Pastor Heise would love to come and visit you at your home (even though he's been here a year now). Please contact him and suggest a time that works for you. His number is (920) 264-7665 or you can email him at [heise.justin@gmail.com](mailto:heise.justin@gmail.com).

**FRIENDSHIP SUNDAY—JULY 29th:** Do you know someone who doesn't go to church? Maybe someone who doesn't even believe in Jesus? I bet you do! The best way to connect people with Jesus isn't through big events or programs. It's through personal invitations from family and friends. We're planning a "Friendship Sunday" for July 29th. We'd especially like to encourage you to invite a family member or friend to join us for our 10:30 a.m. service that morning. We'll have a special, simplified service that will be easy for guests to follow. We have a baptism planned for that morning, along with welcoming new members who have joined our church over the past year. Since it's the Sunday after soccer camp, we'll also be inviting families from our camp to join us too. Whom could you invite?