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From Pastor Patrick:

In a few weeks I'll launch a new sermon series. While I have an overarching theme already in place, I had at one time thought to call the series: "I Am the One."

From there I immediately thought of Jesus Christ, naturally, right? After all, the Gospel of John reveals numerous "I am" statements from Jesus.

I am the way; I am the door; I am the light of the world, the bread of life, the way, the truth, the life, the good shepherd, the gate for the sheep...

This series centers on the parable Jesus tells which we find in Luke 15 and Matthew 18 – the parable of the lost sheep. We remember that one of the 100 strong flock of sheep gets itself lost. And the shepherd leaves the 99 to go seek the one. So, when I say "I am the one" I'm not thinking about being the best, being the greatest, being "number 1!" I'm thinking, I'm the one who got lost. I'm the one who needs help. I'm the wondering, floundering, in need of help – one. And I'm so glad the Good Shepherd came to find me.

As I sussed this out in my head and my prayers, I realized there is significant importance not only for the one, but for the 99 as well. What compelled the shepherd to feel it's ok to leave 99% of his flock for the 1%? What would they do in his absence? How would they stay together ~ remaining found and not lost? How had the shepherd prepared the 99 to be ok while he was looking for the lost one?

These and so many other questions have come to mind for me that I knew this would need to be a series to get at least some of them answered. So, stay tuned for more information on my new sermon series coming soon: Be the 99!

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**COME JOIN US,
GUESTS ALWAYS WELCOME!**

February 6th—

St. Mark's: 9:00am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

St. James: 10:30am Worship

Dogs2DogTags attending Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

after Young at Heart Message

February 13th—

St. James: 9:00am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

February 20th -

St. Mark's: 9:00am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

St. James: 10:30am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

after Young at Heart Message

February 27th—

St. James: 9:00am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School

St. Mark's: 10:30am Worship

9-10:00am Sunday School



Sunday bulletins & links to prayer requests
are posted under the 'Messages' link on
our church website:
<https://www.stmstjucc.org/>



Facebook is not a place that I tend to post to regularly, When I do it's with great intention ~ I want the message to be felt and understood for what it is and not misconstrued for something else. Occasionally I will scroll through various posts to see what's happening in the lives of friends and family. For better or for worse, this is where I often "catchup" with what's newsworthy. I have been blessed to know pastors, ministry leaders, musicians, and academic professors throughout the US and in various parts of the world.

Pastor Juan who began a Latino Latina church ministry in Milwaukee before being called to Florida where he currently serves. In addition to his church, he is also aa chaplain at Grace Medical Home. Retired clergy and friend who lives in Canada, John. Christal, a pastor and

professor in Germany. Then there is Garrett – one of the brightest young men I know. He serves the Presbyterian church in California. He is humble and at times self-deprecating. He will post, at times, concerns and worries: of people, of church, of family, of himself – himself more than any of the others.

They all post to Facebook and since I can't visit them or sit down with them, our connection is through FB messages.

While that is mainly positive, there are numerous posts of people crying out for help. Sometimes they look like angry posts or even petulant posts; nevertheless, I see them as cries for help. Loneliness, fear, depressed, worried and anxious... you can read this in their posts. Having a place to cry out is important. We don't want that bottled up inside of us or taken out on our spouse, or children, or parents. Especially for those who don't have a church home – where do they go?

There is a place in our Bible where "posts, cries and laments" are written. It's the book of Lamentations ~ found directly after Jeremiah. It begins with a lament for Jerusalem's suffering. "Oh no! She sits alone, the city that was once full of people. Once great among nations, she has become like a widow. Once a queen over provinces she has become a slave." (Lam. 1:1)

The excruciation of her suffering is proclaimed loudly, with weeping and gnashing of teeth. "She weeps bitterly in the night... her tears on her cheek... all her friends lied to her; they have become her enemies." (Lam. 1:2)

I've heard this cry before. From those whom I've counseled. I don't think there is a worse feeling than to feel alone. Is it possible to feel lonely and alone in city filled with people? Of course, it is. Is it possible to feel like you had it all and were on top of the world? Sure – just ask someone recently widowed or divorced. Sometimes divorce can lead one to feel like all my friends are gone – they lied to me – now it seems that instead of friends, what I really had were frenemies.

Where do we go with this expulsion of feelings, confusion, rage, or fear? There are better places than Facebook. My go to answer is to talk with God. Rage at him if you will. He can take it. Cry on his shoulders, they are broad and sturdy. Punch a pillow while imagining you've just punched God in the chest and know he is holding you closely while you wear yourself out sobbing.

Take it to God. Take it to your pastor – he or she is there for you. Your church is a good place to go, just to sit in the pews (non-Sunday mornings) when no one is there. And to let it all out. You will be neither condemned nor denounced. You are a child of God and God loves you.

Soup-er Bowl Sunday

February 13th, the Super Bowl will be played out determining the top NFL team. While the top team can (and usually does) change from year to year, our Lord God never changes.

And our God knows we can't always do it on our own. So, he instructs those who love him to help care for one another. Hebrews puts it like this: *“God is not unjust; he will not forget your work and the love you have shown him as you have helped his people and continue to help them.”*

In July, our mission team is joining with others on a trip to Knoxville TN to do just that – helping others in need. This team of missionaries: Anna Marie Bramstedt; Olivia Bramstedt; Sierra Bramstedt; Pastor Patrick will be leaving on the 15/16th and returning on the 22/23rd.

To support your missionaries we will have a “Soup-er” Bowl Sunday, during the regular morning worship services, where you can bring cans/boxes of soup which will be collected by our confirmation class and taken to SCIO when they are on a scheduled tour of the facility.

We would also ask you to bring a donation (\$5, \$10, or free will gift) which will go to the mission cost of the trip.

Sunday, February 13th, wear your favorite team's apparel to church!



ST. JAMES CONSISTORY

St. James Consistory Meeting January 3, 2022 6:30

The meeting was called to order by President Clarence Belitz. Members present were David Lorfeld – Vice-President, Wendy Henschel – Treasurer, Deb La Duke – Secretary, Jason Riesterer, Tammy Serketich, Jamey Binversie, and Pastor Patrick Schultz who led the group in prayer.

Motion to approve the Secretary's Report as printed made by Wendy and seconded by Tammy. Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Treasurer's Report as printed made by Jason and seconded by David. Motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Review of service with Dr. Julie Mavity Maddelena from Lakeland University went well. Nothing else to report.

Building and Grounds: The Sohn's are cleaning and reorganizing the attic. They have come across old Choir gowns. Looking to discard and/or share with a congregation that might be able to use them. Pastor mentioned a conference website to post items of this nature. Still investigating.

Committee Reports:

Vision of Hope: Next mtg. March 7

Stewardship Committee: Next meeting March 10, 6:00

Christian Board of Education: No meeting

Service Committee: Mary Ann Vogel is volunteering to Chair both the Service Committee and the Brat Fry. Thank you Mary Ann.

Audio Visual: We have a new amplifier and discussion on whether to mount it to a wall or not. Discussion about each church having their own cameras considering we will continue to post services on You Tube. Clarence will talk to Jerry Jetzer from St. Mark's for advice.

Old Business:

Safe Sanctuary helper – Sign-up sheet posted in the bulletin board upstairs in the Narthex.

New Business:

We reviewed the submitted reports for the Annual meeting. The decision was made to print a limited number this year and have a checklist for members present. Birthday books will be emailed and printing a few. Christmas trees to be taken down January. Annual meeting – Jan. 16 after shortened worship service. Chang Seiler's (from the Korean Methodist Congregation) husband passed – sympathy card to be sent.

Congregation concerns:

Sadly, Maureen and Lloyd Athorp will be leaving St. James. Another member received an email scam using Pastor's name. Pastor will send out email reminding members to be careful. Thank you note from the Cleveland Clever Clovers 4-H group for allowing them to use the kitchen for their candy making fundraiser.

Next Meeting Date: February 14, 6:30

Motion to adjourn made by Jamey and seconded by Jason. Motion carried.

Deb La Duke - Secretary – St. James Consistory

St. James United Church of Christ Annual Meeting January 16, 2022

The Annual Meeting of the St. James Cemetery Association preceded this meeting at 11:20.

President Clarence Belitz called the Annual Meeting to order at 11:25 and Pastor Patrick Schultz led the congregation in prayer.

The summary of the procedures as to the pivot for an Annual Meeting in 2021 was reviewed by Deb La Duke. St. James had gone to virtual services due to Covid concerns. After much thought, conversation, and consultation, it was decided that we would send informational letters, ballots, and self-addressed return envelopes out to members. Once the deadline had arrived, the ballots were counted and approved. Results were presented in the following newsletters. Motion to approve the Secretary's Report as printed made by Scott Henschel and seconded by Henry Langenhahn Sr. Motion carried.

Wendy Henschel presented highlights for the 2021 Treasurer's Report outlining the Income and Expenses totals. Motion made by Bill Heckmann and seconded by Pat Kleinhans to accept the Treasurer's Report as printed. Motion carried.

Pastor Schultz presented his report summarizing accomplishments. Particularly noted were the Vacation Bible School and You Tube Channel for services.

Wendy Henschel presented the church budget for 2022. Motion to accept the budget as printed was made by Pat Kleinhans and seconded by Henry Langenhahn Sr. Motion carried.

Mary Ann Vogel spoke about the Stewardship Committee's work this year and thanked everyone for stepping up to meet the 2021 budget.

Galen La Duke presented the Vision of Hope Report highlighting the various sections the committee monitors and finished with the ending balance. Henry Langenhahn Sr. thanked the Committee for their work. Cindy Sohn made a motion to accept the Vision of Hope Report as printed and seconded by Doris Sprenger. Motion carried

Clarence shared the completed and future projects lists.

He then announced the Consistory nominees for the Vision of Hope Committee and asked 3x if there were any other nominations. Barring none, Scott Henschel made a motion to accept the Consistory nominees and seconded by Cindy Sohn. Motion carried. Daniel Kleinhans (three year term), Linda Lorfeld (second - three year term), Randy Sohn (second - three year term). Clarence thanked Galen for his serving two – three year terms and Linda and Randy for serving the first of two terms.

The Christian Board of Education Consistory nominee is Christine Gumm for a three year term. Clarence asked for nominations 3x for any from the floor. Barring none, Linda Lorfeld made a motion to accept Christine as the nominee followed by a second from Henry Langenhahn Jr. Motion carried. Clarence thanked Amanda Russart for her service.

Consistory nominee for the Stewardship Committee was Geraldine Scheffler (second term). Barring no nominations from the floor, motion was made by Deb La Duke to accept Geraldine as the nominee and seconded by Jackie Mueller. Motion carried. Clarence thanked Geraldine for serving her first term.

Doris Sprenger shared highlights of the successful CROP Walk and Rural Church Fellowship. She talked of plans to hold fundraisers to help off-set the expenses for the Mission Trip planned for this summer.

(St. James Jan. 16th Annual Meeting Minutes continued)

Scott Henschel spoke of The United Churchmen and Women's Banquet. While virtual also this past year, they were able to raise \$5,189.00 and provide three scholarships. St. James/St. Mark's will be hosting the banquet in 2022. He will also continue to serve as the representative for this group. Thank you Scott!

Clarence stated that the Korean Methodist Congregation continues to use and appreciate the church. Presently there are no concerns.

We are looking for delegates to attend both the Northeast Association and Wisconsin Conference Annual meetings. Please let Pastor know if you are interested.

Doris will continue to represent the Rural Church Fellowship and invited any church members to join in. Thank you Doris!

Motion was made by Tammy Serketich to forward the Brat Fry proceeds to OCWM (Our Church's Wider Mission) and seconded by Mary Ann Vogel. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Scott Henschel to forward proceeds of the Mission Fest to OCWM and seconded by Pat Kleinhans. Motion carried.

Clarence listed all the Special Offerings for 2022. Henry Langenhahn Sr. made a motion to accept the Special Offering Sundays and seconded by Allen Wippermann. Motion carried. Linda Lorfeld made a motion to approve January 15, 2023 for the next Annual Meeting and seconded by Dave Mueller. Motion carried.

No additional business.

Clarence announced the nominees for the 2022 Consistory then asked the congregation 3x for any other nominees. No others suggested. Allen Wippermann made a motion to nominate Jason Riesterer and Jackie Mueller for three year terms. Mary Ann Vogel seconded and the motion carried. Thank you to Jason for completing a first term vacated by a former member. David Lorfeld thanked Clarence for his service to the Consistory. Well done and appreciated Clarence! Allen thanked the Consistory for all their work during these unprecedented times throughout the Covid pandemic.

Motion to adjourn made by Henry Sr. and seconded by Bill. Motion carried.

Submitted by Deb La Duke – St. James Consistory Secretary

Following the Annual Meeting, Clarence Belitz called the group together to reorganize the Consistory. Jackie Mueller nominated David Lorfeld for President and seconded by Tammy Serketich. Motion carried.

Jason Riesterer nominated Tammy Serketich for Vice-President and seconded by Wendy Henschel. Motion carried.

Wendy nominated Deb La Duke for Secretary and seconded by Jackie. Motion carried. Deb nominated Wendy for Treasurer and seconded by Tammy. Motion carried.

Next Consistory meeting is February 14, 2022, 6:30.

Motion to adjourn was made by Tammy and seconded by Wendy. Motion carried.

Submitted by Deb La Duke – St. James Consistory Secretary

St. James Consistory Board 2022

David Lorfeld – President
Tammy Serketich – Vice President
Wendy Henschel – Treasurer
Deb La Duke – Secretary
Jason Riesterer
Jamey Binversie
Jackie Mueller

Please welcome Jackie Mueller and Jason Riesterer as Consistory Board members. Each will be serving three year terms.
Phone numbers of the Consistory can be found at church on the bulletin boards.



Thank You

Thank you to Clarence Belitz for his service as a Consistory Board member at St. James. Clarence went above and beyond his call to serve the church and he will be sorely missed. His dedication to God and St. James are truly exceptional examples of a Christian serving the Lord.

Thank you and welcome again to Jason Riesterer for not only filling in a term on Consistory but for joining us for an additional three years. Jason provides wonderful leadership and is such a valued member of the Board.

OLIVER IS RETURNING TO ST. JAMES WITH A PHOTO OPPORTUNITY FOR YOU!



Sunday, Feb. 6th, Dogs2DogTags, the group that spoke in October at St. James Mission Fest will be attending the 10:30am Worship Service at St. James and they are bringing Oliver! There will be a photo shoot after the service outside in front of the church sign with Oliver. Please plan on joining us to be part of this wonderful memory.

ST. MARK'S CONSISTORY MEETING

The January 6th, 2022 Consistory meeting was called to order by President Lori Roelse at 6:30 P.M. Members Present: Pastor Schultz, Dave Call, Glenn Grunwald, Jacob Grunwald, Judy Steinbeck, Louise Jetzer. Absent: Julie Herrmann.

The Secretary's and Treasurer's reports were accepted and approved.

We discussed problems with the present camera used to record church services.

- 1). Since the camera that we use now is shared with St. James, Pastor Schultz needs to carry the camera between the two churches to record the 9:00 service.
- 2). This camera has poor picture quality. The videos have an orange tint, it is unable to focus properly or zoom in on participants in the service. Jerry Jetzer had researched various cameras and it was voted to trial the one he recommended.

An evaluation of the Christmas Eve services at 4 and 7 P.M. was positive. Attendance was 133 people between the two services. Consideration will be given to continue the two services in the future.

Pastor e-mailed us a list of contemporary music to be used in worship services. He encouraged us to listen to the hymns and give him feedback as to which ones we liked and felt were appropriate for our worship services.

The annual report and 2022 Calendar will be e-mailed to church members so that they can look at them before the annual meeting. Printed copies will be available at church.

Because of the increased number of active Co-Vid cases, we will return to every other pew seating. Masks are encouraged. We want everyone to feel safe when they come to church.

Respectively submitted,

Louise Jetzer

Acting Secretary in Julie's absence.

RURAL CHURCH FELLOWSHIP

Mission Trip Fundraiser



The Rural Church Fellowship will be sponsoring a fundraiser for the mission trip for our Youth Fellowship.

The event will be a soup cookoff to be held at Laack's Hall in Johnsonville on Sunday, March 20th.

Please contact Judy Steinbeck if you are interested in participating in the cookoff. Any kind of soup is welcome. Registration deadline is February 20.

Each church is responsible for furnishing a raffle basket. If you are interested in donating the entire basket or individual items to be put in the basket, please let Judy know. There will also be a 50/50 raffle

Our heartfelt expressions of sympathy are extended to.....

Sarah & Richard Lutze and family on the death of Sarah's brother,
Todd Daane, on December 9th.

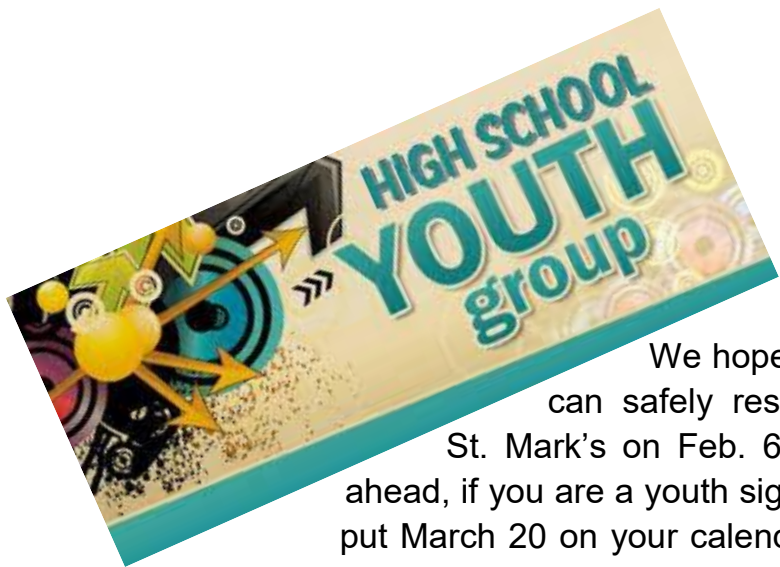
Wendy & Brian Henschel and family on the death of Wendy's father,
Paul Seifert, Sr., on January 6th.

Galen & Deb LaDuke and family on the death of Galen's brother,
Warren LaDuke, on January 6th.



If you or a family member are in need of pastoral care, please contact
Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858 or leave a message on the church's
answering machine at: 920-693-8361.

There have been some changes to the confidentiality laws. These changes make
it difficult for pastors to obtain information about anyone in the hospital. If you
or a loved one will be in the hospital, please call the church office 920-693-8361
or contact Pastor Patrick at 920-693-2858.



Some of our youth (and a future youth-Peter Grunwald) made the best of the little snow we had and enjoyed sledding at Vollrath Bowl recently. In lieu of an indoor meeting due to rising covid cases, they enjoyed each other's company as they slid and sometimes crashed down the hill

We hope that case levels of covid will level out and we can safely resume our indoor gatherings. We will meet at St. Mark's on Feb. 6, and at St. James Feb. 20. Looking further ahead, if you are a youth signed up for the mission trip this summer, please put March 20 on your calendars as a day of service with the Rural Church Fellowship. This group is hosting a fundraiser for the mission trip through a soup cook off at Laack's Hall in Johnsonville.

Sunburst! If you'd like to go tubing with us at Sunburst in Kewaskum, the date is Saturday, February 26. We would leave St. Mark's at 1 and get back around 5 (unless we stop to eat somewhere, then it might be a little later). Please feel free to invite a guest, however, our youth group fund will cover current members of our two churches' youth group but not guests for the tubing fee of \$20.00. If you need a ride, or if you are a parent who would like to help chaperone, please let me know! I need at least one other parent to go with us. If you have any questions, please email me at schultzbrenda@gmail.com, or call at (920) 693-2858.

IT'S COMING.....THE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP CHILI DINNER!

It's that time of year again for our annual Chili Dinner!! The Youth Fellowship Chili Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 6th and we will be running it as a drive-thru only. I will be sending out an e-mail to all of our youth involved to sign up for slots to work in the next week or two. We will be needing help on Saturday, March 5th in the morning and on Sunday, March 6th.



If members of the congregation would like to support the Youth Fellowship Chili Dinner either through a monetary or food donation, please contact Kari Langenhahn at 920-629-7630. Thank You for your support!!

St. James Sunday School News



We have received positive comments on our new starting time of 9:00am to 10:00am to be all the time and every time. We are exploring new ideas for Outreach goals.

Christine Gumm is continuing to sell Seroogy's candy for our Sunday School fund raiser. Thank you Christine for your time and effort!

Any questions may be directed to Sandy Beiersdorf at 920-693-8000 or sandrabeiersdorf@gmail.com.

St. James

United Church of Christ

13312 Pioneer Road, Spring Valley
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Chili Dinner

Drive-Thru

Hosted by St. Mark's / St. James' Youth Fellowship

Sunday, March 6th, 11:00 am-2:00 pm

Carry Out Only!!

Quart of Chili: \$10.00

Gallon of Chili: \$22.00

All carry outs will include chili, crackers, fresh bread, cheese, and a dessert!

Sheboygan County Interfaith Organization

Bulletin Bites, February, 2021

- ◆ Bridgeway Update: We have welcomed a new mom into our program with two small children and one on the way in spring. They have been a wonderful addition and the energy of toddlers in the house is refreshing. On the down side, we have had a pretty significant outbreak of covid in Bridgeway among residents and staff. Your extra thoughts and prayers are appreciated as we look forward to healthier days.
- ◆ After several months of building the Family Pathways supervised visitation program, we are almost at capacity! We have nine families who spend 90-minutes each week in a safe and nurturing environment. These visiting parents and children otherwise would not have the opportunity to connect and share special moments together.
- ◆ Bridgeway could use the following items: Scrubbies/sponges for kitchen use, Aluminum foil, Hand soap, Gift cards to Home Depot - we are in need of replacing light fixtures in our craft room.
- ◆ The Winter Farmers Market will be held every first and third Saturday through April, The market runs from 9a-12p inside the First Congregational Church UCC located at 310 Bluff Avenue. We have a wide variety of farm, food and craft vendors. We will also continue to offer EBT and Double Your Bucks through the end of April.



VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES ~ 2022

Event Planning Committee

We have various events planned in 2022 and would LOVE an extra hand!

Spring Luncheon
Farmers Markets
Night Markets

Giving Tuesday
Halloween party
Solicit in-kind donations for community business for our yearly fundraisers.

Home Repair

We have various odds and ends that need to be taken care of around our home. From general maintenance to spring/fall cleaning.

Kitchen Creations

Coordinate our Meal Share Program
Bring a meal to share
Coordinate guest chefs to come and cook or assist our families with cooking a meal, giving our families an opportunity to learn to try new meals and get to know our community supporters.

Craft/Activity Time

Coordinate and assist with craft time for the families. Help make Christmas crafts, pumpkin carving, painting projects

Field Trips

Assist staff with field trips with our families. This may include Children's Museum, pumpkin farm, Christmas lights ride.

Farmers Market

Assist our staff at the Farmers Market with counting attendance and helping assemble meal boxes,

Lawn Mowing/Yard Work/Edging

Weekly lawn mowing and gardening for those that love the outdoors

Mailings

Assist with mailings a few times a year for fundraisers and events.

HOLY TRINITY PARISH

11928 Marken Road, Kiel ~ (Located in School Hill)

21st ANNUAL PERCH FRY

FRI. FEBRUARY 18, 2022

Dine-In Serving from 3:30-7

Carry-outs from 11:00-1:00 and 3:30-7 ~ Call 920-773-2380

Raffle Tickets, Visit the HT Lounge, Handicapped Accessible

Fillets

2 Pieces...\$10	3 Pieces...\$12
4 Pieces...\$14	
Perch Sandwich...\$10	

Served with french fries, homemade American potato salad, or baby reds, with coleslaw, homemade applesauce, bread, milk or coffee.
Also available:
Grilled Cheese
Homemade Tortes

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INVITATIONS FROM OUR NEIGHBORS TO KEEP IN MIND...

RURAL LIFE DAY 2022



THURSDAY, APRIL 7: MASS WITH BISHOP RICKEN + THE BLESSING OF SOIL, SEEDS, ANIMALS, & MACHINERY

EVENT DETAILS

April 7, 2022

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish
8100 Brunner Road, Newton

- **10:00 a.m.** - Mass and blessing of soil, seeds, animals, & machinery
- **11:30 a.m.** - Lunch and after-lunch speaker, Corey Geiger
- **Lunch Ticket Information:** Meal tickets (\$10 each) must be purchased seven days in advance of the event by mailing, calling, or emailing the host parish.

QUESTIONS & MORE INFO

St. Thomas the Apostle Parish
(920) 726-4228 | stthomasnewton.org
stthomasreceptionist@gmail.com
Diocesan Office of Living Justice
(920) 272-8321



THE SPEAKER

Corey Geiger is a sixth-generation farmer. His family has been members of Holy Trinity of Kasson, St. Patrick's of Maple Grove, St. Mary's of Reedsville, and St. Mary's of Brillion, and today Corey is a member of Holy Family Parish in Brillion. The family's dairy farm has hosted The Bachelor television series, NFL Films, and CBS Sports. A graduate of UW-Madison, Geiger has served on the editorial team for *Hoard's Dairyman* since 1995 and has been the lead editor for the past decade. In March of 2021, Geiger released his first book "On a Wisconsin Family Farm: Historic Tales of Character, Community, and Culture." In the first nine days, copies sold to all 50 states and six countries.

Save the Date

for

Thursday, April 7th at 10:00 AM!

Rural Life Days Mass

at

St. Thomas the Apostle, Newton

Bishop Ricken, celebrant

Dinner following Mass. (\$10 for dinner tickets-available soon)
Speaker following dinner.

Take advantage of this is an opportunity to have animals, equipment, and seeds blessed.

Contact Dale Birenbaum at 920-860-7700 or
Zach Birenbaum at 920-901-2438 for details & to inform if bringing animals, equipment, etc .



ST. JAMES USHERS

February 2022

*Richard & Sarah Lutze
David Lutze
Matthew Lutze
Joe & Cindy Klapperich
Cole Binversie
Jamey Binversie
Sadie Koenig

March & Lent 2022

*Henry & Bonnie Langenhahn, Sr.
Henry & Kari Langenhahn, Jr.
Chelsea Langenhahn
Madisan Langenhahn
Jason & Jenny Riesterer
Austin Riesterer
Briana Riesterer
Tim & Amanda Russart
Emma Russart



"Application for Funding" forms are available in the narthex, from **VISION OF HOPE** Committee members, or under "More" on our website.

We welcome specific requests as well as your suggestions for using our semiannual gifts from the Wagner Foundation.

PLEASE NOTE THAT A PRIVACY SECTION HAS BEEN ADDED TO THE FORM. Effective Jan. 1, 2021, old forms without a completed "privacy choice" section will not be accepted.

STUDENTS: Use the "Application for Funding" form for tuition help (currently \$1,000) each year.

ST. MARK'S GREETERS

February 2022

Brenda Miota
Brianna Miota
Rebecca Miota

March 2022

Glenn Grunwald
Julie Herrmann
Linda Schroeder

Midweek

Lenten Services

Gary Kaestner
Jim Taylor
Patty Taylor

CANDLE LIGHTERS

FEBRUARY

6 - Wyatt & Colton Scharl
13 - Hailey & Hillary Hermann
20 - Reid & Brianne Vandoske
27 - Colten Sommer and
Sierra Bramstedt

MARCH

6 - Annabelle & Julia Uttech
13 - Brooklyn & Brianne Vandoske
20 - Sierra Bramstedt and
Claire Clemens
27 - Wyatt & Colton Scharl

Weather Cancellations will be made available on the church voicemail 920.207.8361, the Church's Facebook Page, and via our email messaging.

You can also call a Consistory Member.

Please use your own discretion in deciding whether to go out in inclement

