

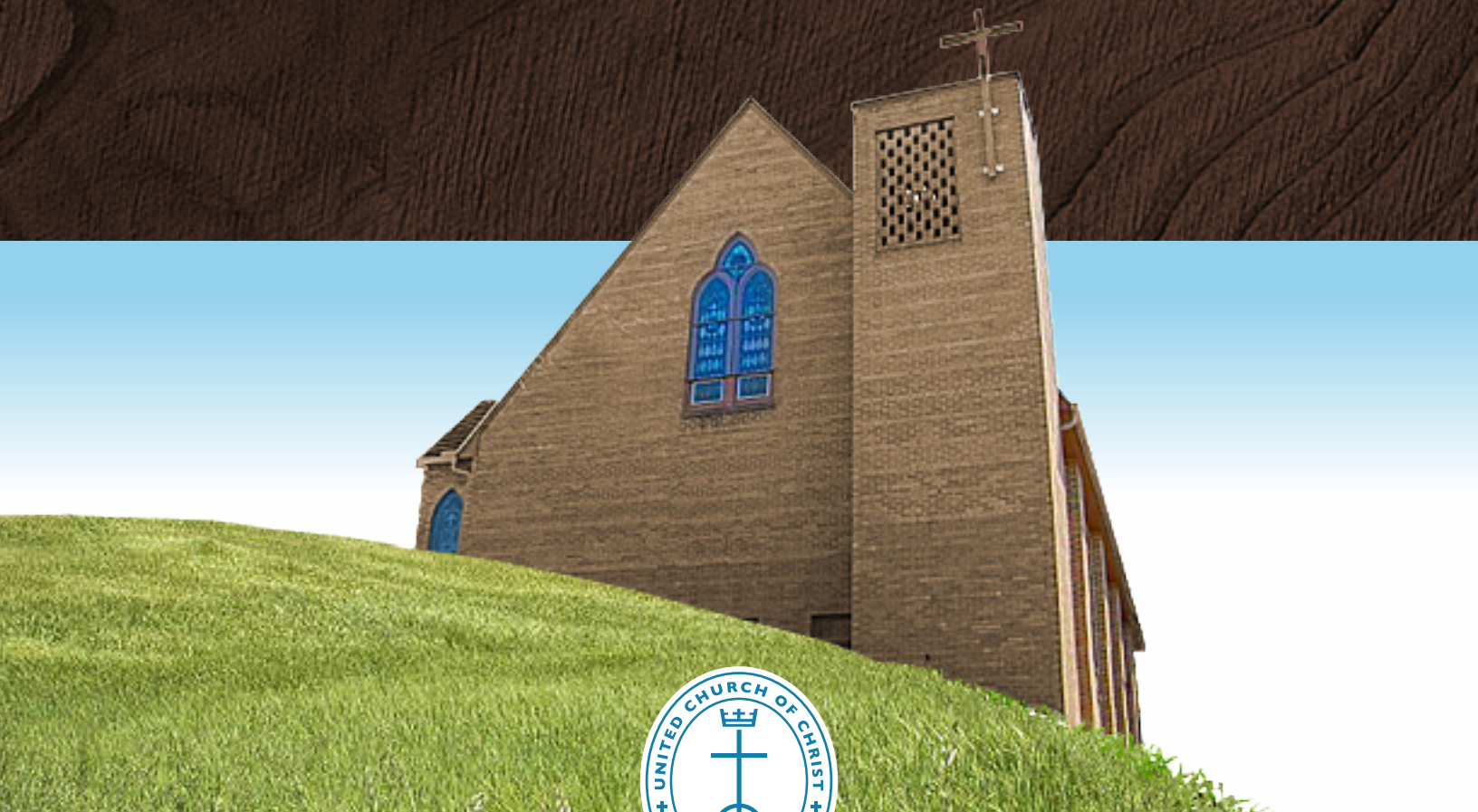


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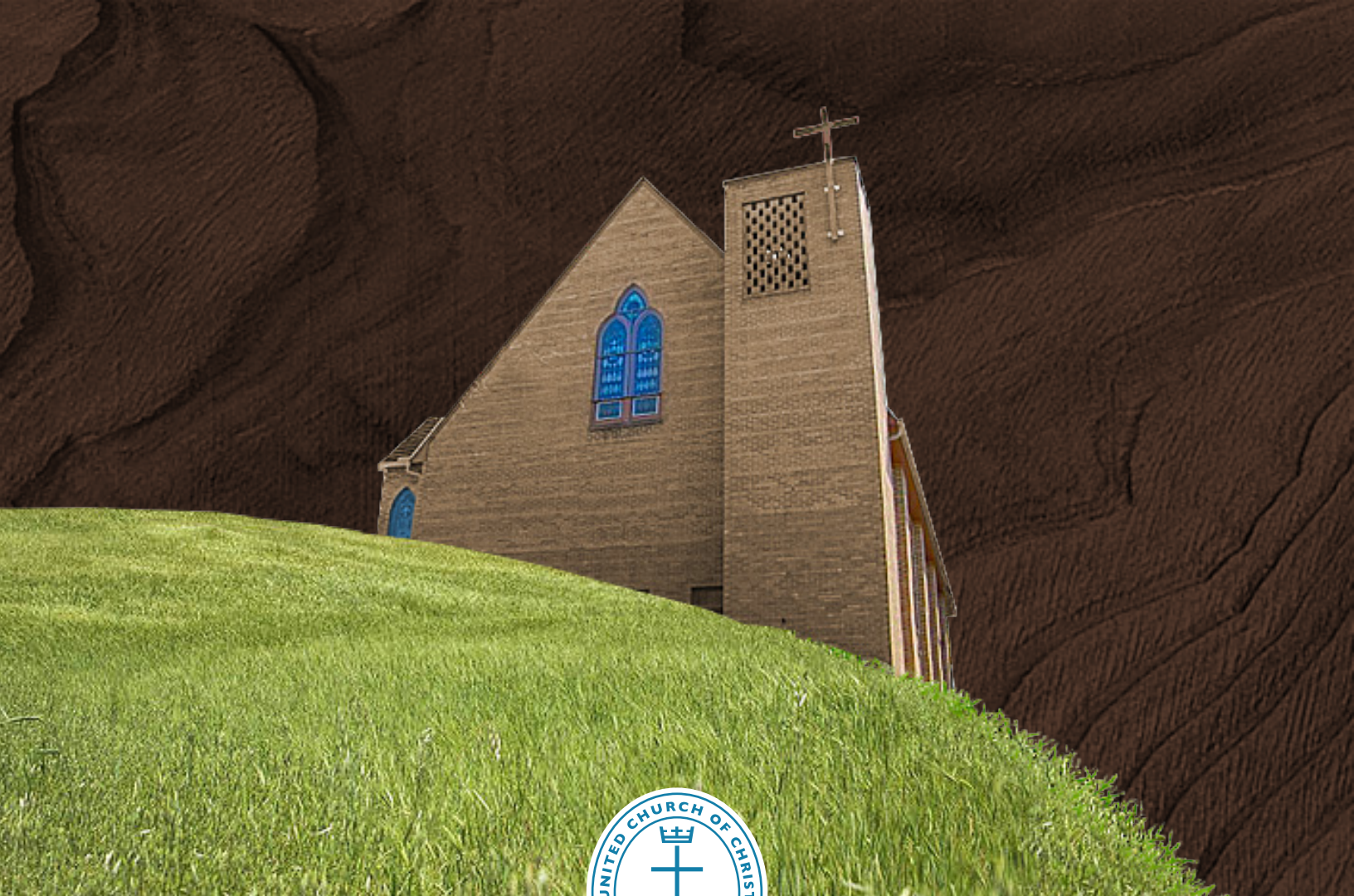
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Sunday Worship @ 10:30am

We offer two options for worship on Sundays: in person or online. Whether you prefer to worship from the safety of your home or with others, we at St. John's want to make sure you get the spiritual encouragement you need. Join us in person each Sunday at 10:30am or watch a video recording of the online service. The service is not recorded live but is uploaded after the service has ended. We look forward to worshipping with you!

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Letter From The Pastor

April 2024

It seems strange to be talking about Easter Sunday being in the past at the beginning of March. Thank you to all who dedicated extra time and effort to make the Holy Week and Easter services so special.

Throughout Lent I used poetry in some services and offered one each week for you to take home for your Lenten devotions. So here are two more poems for use in reflections this Easter season. Both are by Ann Weems from her book "Kneeling in Jerusalem".

God's grace and peace.

Pastor Deb Kunkel

Easter

Just when I thought
there would be no more light
in the Jerusalem sky,
the Bright and Morning Star
appeared
and the darkness has not overcome it.



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And The Glory

The silence breaks into morning.
That One Star lights the world.
The lily springs to life and
not even Solomon...
Let it begin with singing
and never end!
Oh, angels, quit your lamenting!
Oh, pilgrims,
upon your knees in tearful prayer,
rise up
and take your hearts and run!
We who were no people
are named anew
God's people,
for he who was no more
is forevermore.

The Cake Auction Is Back!

Sunday, May 5, 2024

Bring your checkbooks and your appetites with you for the Annual Cake Auction which will be held in Fellowship Hall after the worship service. Tasty cakes, pies, and other goodies will be available for purchase. We look forward to your participation in baking and bidding. This is one of our favorite events & proceeds go to our Sunday School Program. A light lunch will be served by your Christian Education Committee.



Sunday Penny Collection

First Sunday of the Month

The Church School Students will be collecting pennies the first Sunday of every month. We haven't done this in a long time and are anxious to start again. This money enables us to do donations to people or needy projects in our area or throughout the world.

Sunday, April 7, 2024



Online Calendar

Visit Us Online 24/7

Please go online and visit our NEW easy to use website for current up-to-date, detailed event information. Our calendar is updated daily. Email us with any questions or comments.

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Leadership Positions

Leadership Positions Are Available For 2024

St. John's Church is seeking the following Leadership Positions for the upcoming year. Please contact us if you are interested!

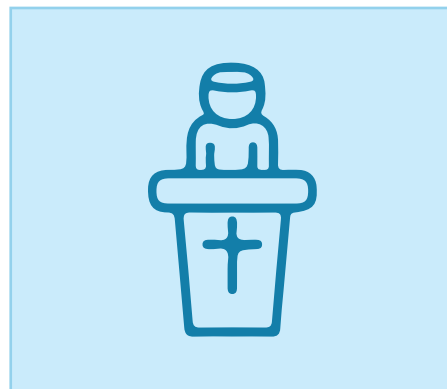
- ✓ **PRESIDENT (Steve Prussing)**
- ✓ **TREASURER (Dale Schmidtknecht)**
- DEACON (Open Position)**
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- ✓ **INVESTMENT (Randy Boehm)**
- ✓ **INVESTMENT (John Stettler)**
- INVESTMENT (Open Position)**
- ✓ **SMAT (Linda Clark)**

Volunteers Are Needed...
Contact Us Today To Volunteer For Any Open Position.

Liturgists & Others Wanted

Do you like to read during the service?

Then you will be happy to know that Pastor Deb is seeking liturgists to start the first week in November. Liturgists will lead the Call to Worship and read the first Scripture Reading. If you would like to be included in the pool of liturgists or readers, please let Pastor Deb know or look for the sign-up sheet. Or do you like the spotlight or have a little bit of “ham” in you? Pastor Deb would love to have you join her in skits or dramatic monologues used on occasion during the service. Please let her know (all ages welcome.)



Stewardship

Stewardship Moment from the Deacons

Stewardship is as important in today as it is in December.

From the Stewardship Theme last year we are reminded that stewardship is all year long.

“Because of You our Church changes lives”.

~ St John’s Church



Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: Alliance Bank

✓ 03.29.24

A shout out to Alliance Bank here in Cochrane for thinking of the Cochrane-Fountain City Area Food Shelf for their Jeans for Charity this quarter! The wonderful donation of food and \$452.06 in cash is much appreciated! Thank you!



Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: St Mary's Catholic Church

✓ 03.01.24

The Cochrane-Fountain City Area Food Shelf was fortunate to receive a wonderful donation of a pull wagon, paper and plastic bags, and generous food donation from our neighbors up the street at St Mary's Catholic Church. We really do appreciate their generosity! Thank you!




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Tres Ecclesiae

Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: St Michael's Lutheran Church

✓ 01.22.24

Eric Horstman from St Michael's Lutheran Church in Fountain City, just down the street, brought in a wonderful monetary donation and food items they had collected at their Brass Concert in December. Thank you again for all the support.



Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: Waumandee State Bank

✓ 12.18.23

Thanks to Waumandee State Bank for their donation along with cookies and milk for our volunteers! Left to Right: Vice President and Branch manager Heather Grotjahn presents a donation of \$250.00 to the Linda Clark of the Cochrane-Fountain City Area Food Shelf.



Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: C-FC Parent Teacher Organization

✓ 12.15.23

We would like to thank Karla Patzner and the C-FC Parent Teacher Organization for collecting food at the Holiday Craft Fair at school in December. These donations help the Cochrane-Fountain City Area Food Shelf are appreciated.



Food Shelf

Businesses Of The Month: The Grove Golf Course

✓ 12.04.23

A big thank you to The Grove Golf Course for thinking of the Cochrane-Fountain City Area Food Shelf. They collected food during their 1st Annual Grove Gobbler Run/Walk Event! These donations are much appreciated.



C-FC Area Food Shelf

Report For March 2024

As part of our Stewardship as a church please consider a monetary donation or food donation for our Food Shelf here at Church. See list below of our most needed items. This summer and fall we have been much busier than usual providing food to people in need in our community. If we want to continue this service we do need your assistance to continue. Please put your donation of food in the bin at church by coat rack or your monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate or mailed to church with checks made out to C-FC Area Food Shelf - St John's Church, PO Box 130, Fountain City WI, 54629.

Donations Most Needed:

- ✓ Toilet Paper
- ✓ Canned /Ham/Salmon
- ✓ Cake/Brownie
- ✓ Muffin Mixes
- ✓ Canned Frosting
- ✓ Instant Oatmeal
- ✓ Cereal (Healthier)
- ✓ Crackers (Saltines)
- ✓ Rice/Pasta Pouches
- ✓ Vegetable Spray
- ✓ Brown Rice
- ✓ Juice Boxes
- ✓ V8/Tomato Juice
- ✓ Boost/Ensure
- ✓ Canned Chili
- ✓ Canned Stew
- ✓ Spices
- ✓ Applesauce
- ✓ Salad Dressing
- ✓ Ketchup
- ✓ BBQ Sauce

1st & 3rd Monday: 4:30pm - 6:30pm
2nd & 4th Wednesday: 3:00pm - 5:00pm

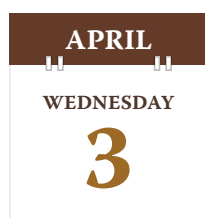


- ✓ 687 Pounds Of Food Distributed
- ✓ Averages 30 Pounds Of Food Per Person
- ✓ 23 Total People Helped
- ✓ 00 Children
- ✓ 17 Adults
- ✓ 13 Seniors
- ✓ 15 Households (2 Came Twice)

Choir Practice

1st & 3rd Wednesdays Of The Month

St. John's Church will have Choir Practice on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays Of The Month starting at 6:30pm in Fountain City, WI. Do you have ideas of things the Choir could try? Please share your thoughts on new ideas for musical offerings for our congregation. Please contact us with any questions or comments.



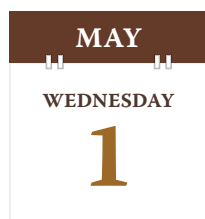
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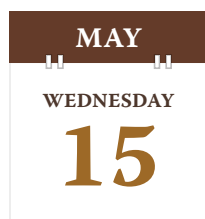
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Volunteers: April

Ushers

T. Ruben, S. Ruben, Joanne Muench, Larry Muench

Greeters

04.07.24 Christina & Ivy Mohlke

04.14.24 Dale & Jenny Schaffner

04.21.24 Larry & Joanne Muench

04.28.24 Bryan & Laura Madsen Family

05.05.24 Karen Pehler

Counters

Judy & Randy Boehm

Communion & Flowers

Sue Schaffner

Financial Report

For detailed information regarding the financial standing of St. John's Church, contact the office to review financial documents.

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Birthdays

Autumn Schaffner

Gary Sutter

Donna Beck

Jacob Guenther

Jessica Osborn

Mickki Prussing

Amber Morse

Ruth Ehmcke

Jenny Schaffner

Becky Vestal

Sally Ratz

Vira Mae Engel

Jenny Krause

Katie Wachowiak

Brent Skroch

Hale Madsen

Becky Kamrowski

Carol Colbenson

Bob Baures

Mary Kirchner

Sherry Guenther

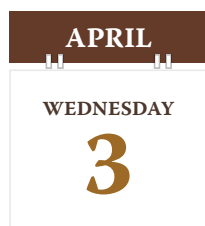
Ethan Osborn

Eyan Knecht

Confirmation

Confirmation Class Schedule

We offer Confirmation class for middle or high schoolers. This process which includes class meetings, service opportunities, leading worship, and other activities created to fit the needs and interests of each particular class. Our youth will be enriched by these conversations and planning so that we can welcome them into the journey of our life together.



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Education



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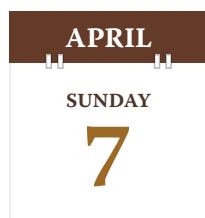
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Other Special Events

St. John's Church

Along with our Sunday Worship Service schedule, Pastor Deb's Office Hours, Consistory Meetings, Food Shelf Schedule and other recurring events. Below is a list of SPECIAL EVENTS located at St. John's Church and or the local area. Please contact us with any questions. Thanks again for all the support from volunteer and the community.



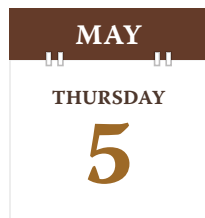
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Consistory Meeting St. John's Church

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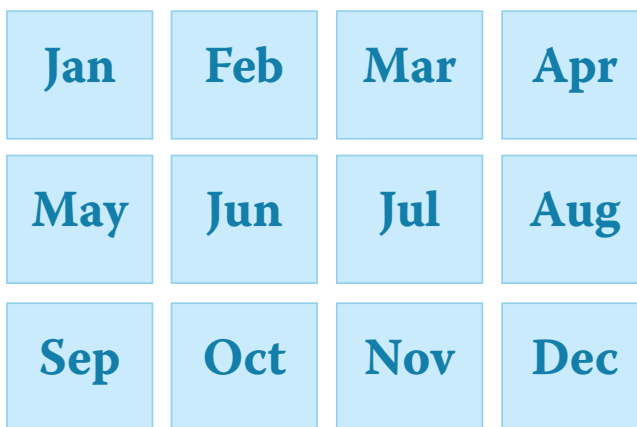
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After Worship



Fifth Sunday Joint Worship Invitation

Hope United Church
Cochrane, WI
Worship @ 10:30am



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Prayer Requests

St. John's Church - Pastor Deb Kunkel

Congregation members and non-members are encouraged to request prayers for times of need, comfort, healing, celebration and joy. If you would you like a visit from Pastor Deb, please call her to set up a time today!



Pastor Deb's Office Hours:

Monday's Noon to 2:00pm
Wednesday's 10:00am to Noon
239.994.2528
pastorstjohnsuccfc@gmail.com

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