

### Sunday School Classes

Sunday school classes are held each Sunday morning from September through May before the worship service for ages three through adults.

Contact: Jodi Sanken 320-894-5189

### Youth Group

The youth group at St. John's church meets approximately once a month year-round. The meetings are simply a gathering of Christian friends ranging from 5<sup>th</sup> to 12<sup>th</sup> graders. The meeting dates and times vary depending on the meeting or activity planned.

Contact: Andrea Wigern 320-552-1292

Dawn Norrbom 952-484-1326

### Choir

The St. John's Choir practices and sings weekly September through May.

Contact: Mary Huebert 320-864-4724

### Women's Guild

In 1905 the Women's Guild was organized. The guild, which is open to all the women in the church, meets monthly. The guild organizes the annual Christmas Family Night Program and Potluck, prepares plates for the shut-ins, and oversees funeral luncheons and various other things for the church through the year.

Contact: Julie Karl 320-583-0328

Lea Ette Peters 320-864-3282

### Church Council

The St. John's church council is made up of 6 members of the congregation elected by the congregation. The council meets monthly to discuss the Lord's direction for the church and oversee the affairs of the church.

Contact: Joe Blackbird 320-583-1026

*Matthew 11:28: "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest."*

### Bible Passages to Read When...

Problems seem too great.....Ps. 18; 55  
John 16:33

You feel too old .....Ps. 90; Is. 46:3,4

You are sick ..... Ps 30:2; Matt. 11:28  
Heb 12:7-11

You are well again.....Ps. 116:8, 9

You are lonely..... Ps. 16:11; Matt 28:20

You are afraid .....Ps. 56:3,4  
Matt. 14: 22-23

You fear death..... Ps. 23; 73: 23-26  
John 14:1-6

You are sad .....Ps. 5:11, 12; Phil. 4:4-8

You are confused, needing direction .....  
Ps. 119:105, 133; Prov. 3:5, 6

### Directions to St. John's Church.

#### From Hutchinson:

Go south on Highway 15 for about 5 miles. Turn left on CR 70. Stay on CR 70 for 4 miles. Turn left on CR 62. Go 1/2 mile to St. John's Church on your right.

#### From Glencoe:

Take Hwy 22 North 4 miles. Turn left on CR 62. Stay on CR 62 for 4 miles (road curves to the north at 3 miles). St. John's Church is on the right.



## St. John's Church

13372 Nature Ave

Hutchinson MN 55350

Interim Pastor: Barry Marchant

Church Phone: 320-587-5104

Contact Joe Blackbird 320-583-1026

We believe that there has never been a better time to serve Jesus and receive the word of Christ. We'd be happy for you to make this your place of worship, and feel free to ask any questions you'd like. St. John's is a welcoming, bible-centered church in rural McLeod County. We continue to look forward to what the Lord will do in and through us as a congregation for decades to come. The leaders and members of our church are deeply committed to biblical truth and a desire to honor the Lord Jesus Christ in all that we do and stand for. We trust you too will sense that the Spirit of God inhabits this place and this people.

## **Our Beliefs**

- We believe the Bible, consisting of the Old and New Testaments, to be the only inspired, inerrant, infallible authoritative Word of God written.
- We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
- We believe in the deity of Christ, in His virgin birth, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
- We believe that for salvation of lost and sinful man regeneration by the Holy Spirit is absolutely essential.
- We believe in the present ministry of the Holy Spirit, by Whose indwelling power and fullness the Christian is enabled to live a godly life in the present evil world.
- We believe in the resurrection of both the saved and the lost; they that are saved unto the resurrection of life and they that are lost unto the resurrection of damnation.
- We believe in the spiritual unity of all believers in Christ.

## **History of St. John's Church**

The congregation was organized in 1865, making us one of the oldest existing congregations in McLeod County. The 17-originating members were of German heritage. The early settlers first held services at the Philip Block home and then in the school near Biscay.

In the late 1860's the 40-acre site where the church now stands was purchased, and the first church was built. It burned down about 1890.

The second church building was constructed in 1883. A tornado destroyed the second church building along with the barn and schoolhouse in 1904.

Our present church building was erected in 1904. The basement was added in 1950, and the narthex in 1976.

All the original services were done in German with the official language changing to English gradually during the mid-late 1920's and into the 30's.

Our name has changed over the years. The original name of our church when it was incorporated in 1868 was First Lutheran Church and Society of Glendale, Minnesota. Now, some refer to us as "The Biscay Church", officially our name is "St. John's Church".

## **Denomination**

St. John's Church is a member of the Conservative Congregational Christian Conference (CCCC).

## **Sunday Service Times**

Regular Sunday worship services are held each Sunday at 10:30am Adult Bible Study and Children's Sunday School meet Sunday mornings from September thru May; the children meet at 9:15am, and the adults meet at 9:00am.

Worship services are 9:30am during the Summer (Memorial Day Weekend through Labor Day Weekend).

## **Membership**

Membership in this church is open to any person who has been baptized, and has made public confession of faith in Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior. Members pledge themselves to be faithful in attending worship; to actively look for ways to be of service to others at St. John's; contribute financially to the work of the church; and make every effort to maintain and enhance the peace and unity of the church.