

Our God is...All-Knowing

Mr. Know-it-all has bad manners. You start to say, "I think the Brewers have a good chance to win it all this year because...." Mr. Know-it-all butts in, proclaiming loudly, "But they're too reliant on the home run, they don't know how to play small ball, and the first half of their lineup isn't producing nearly the way, and they don't have a home run hitter."

You can't have a normal conversation with someone who thinks he knows everything...he wants to interrupt every sentence.

We don't like know-it-alls. We realize that one person cannot be an expert in every subject. Nobody can know it all.

GOD
knows you

There is someone who does know it all! Jesus' disciple Peter said to him, "Lord, you know all things" (John 21:17).

Wasn't Jesus a man just like us? How could he know all things? Peter understood. Peter was talking to Jesus after his resurrection. Can an ordinary person do that? How could Jesus rise from the grave after the brutal treatment he endured?

Peter knew. Jesus is true God and true man. As God, he knows all things.

Does that comfort you or terrify you? Peter felt terrified that Jesus knew he had denied him three times. Peter longed for comfort. Jesus also knew how to forgive. He knew his death paid for Peter's sins.

Jesus truly knows every evil thought that comes from our hearts. He knows every secret sin that burdens our conscience. He has the knowledge that can damn us.

Jesus also knows that he came to rescue us from that punishment.

Thank God if you can say with Peter, "Lord, you know all things, you know that I love you" (John 21:17).

Do you want to know more about your Savior? We have bible information classes regularly and at your convenience, no obligations whatsoever.

Contact our pastor at 262.483.0407 or revsdb@aol.com

-adapted from WELS Outreach newsletter

Congregational News

Covid Protocols There isn't much to report because things have gotten pretty much back to normal. All services are taking place in the church proper, Holy Communion is being distributed the way we did it pre-Covid (except now you can drop the used individual cups off in the basket at the side of the church), and almost all of our pre-Covid practices are back in place.

Even though we don't have any mask requirements any longer, you are still welcome to wear a mask if you would like to do so. Also, if you are hesitant about returning to our normal Communion practice, the pastor is always willing to have private Communion with members who desire it. Also, for the time being we plan to continue taping our worship services for those who are still worshipping at home.

Thank you for your patience, your understanding, and your willingness to adapt during the past year and a half. Our gracious God promises to make things out for our eternal good, and even over the past 15 months we can begin to see how he has done just that.

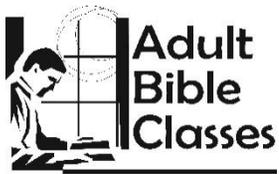
160th Anniversary Do you know that 2021 marks the 160th birthday of our congregation? 160 years doesn't have the same weight as 100 or 150 years, but it still stands to note because most things just don't last 160

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years anymore. It's a tribute to God's grace that he has grown a gathering of a handful of families to the congregation we know today. We don't plan on a big celebration, but we do hope to have an anniversary service before the end of the year. You'll hear more when plans are more definitive.

Branches Band We're in for a treat on July 1st and 4th this summer. Not only is it July 4th weekend, but we have scheduled Branches Band to be with us for worship during all of our services on Thursday and Sunday. As their website says, Branches Band uses their love of music to share the good news about the Savior of the world: Jesus! From ancient hymns to Bible-based original songs, from guitar and piano to vocal harmonies, the truth of God's love and grace is at the root of the Branches Band ministry. You'll enjoy a change of pace with worship led by guitar, piano, and some percussion instruments! Join us...and bring a friend on July 1st / 4th!

BIC Class Have you ever wondered what the bible says about how the world was formed, how we know there is a God, why is there so much wickedness in the world, who Jesus is, etc...We learn those things in confirmation classes, but for many of us, that's a long time ago. If you would like a refresher course, if you know of someone who would like to know more about what the bible teaches, or if you know of someone who would like to become a member of our church, we offer a bible information class (BIC). Whether you've never read a word of the Bible or you're a life-long member, the class will be a blessing to you as you are introduced to (or review) the basic teachings of the bible. Materials are provided. Contact the pastor (revsdb@aol.com / 262.483.0407) to schedule a class that is convenient for you.



New Hymnal Project This coming Advent the WELS will be rolling out the new hymnals that have been in the works for several years. You may have read some updates in the Forward in Christ or past newsletters, but if you'd like to get a better preview of what it will look like, there are a limited number of blue and white booklets on the cabinets in the narthex. Inside you'll find a sneak peek of new liturgies, hymns, psalm settings, etc.

You can also go to www.christianworship.com to for more information on the hymnal project.

Basement Update This should be the last update on the basement remodeling project, because it has, for all intents and purposes, been completed! Furniture still needs to be ordered for the space, but it can be used right now if need be. There were a host of members who worked on the project under the chairmanship of Tom Schulz. Without you, it would have taken a lot more time and cost a lot more money. Thanks to all who have contributed in any way over the last couple years and we look forward to putting it to use for educational purposes, small groups, bible studies, etc...

Cemetery Watering The beginning of summer has been pretty dry already. If you'd like to water your flowers in the cemetery, you can fill up your sprinkler cans from the water faucet on the east side of the parsonage.

KML Korner

KML Summer Camps KML summer camps are upon us - come join the fun! Experience a variety of summer camps for all interests and ages including boys and girls basketball, art, volleyball, chess, cooking, strength training, and so much more. To view our list of camps, visit www.kmlhs.org/camps. Registrations go fast - don't miss out!

Charity Golf Outing Join us on Monday, **July 19**, for the KML Charity Golf Outing & Dinner at the West Bend Country Club! Enjoy a day of golf, fellowship, food, and fun while supporting the KML ministry. Proceeds from this event benefit the KML Foundation Fairway Fund to support tuition assistance. For more information and / or to register, visit www.kmlhs.org/golf21

Save the Date! Annual KML Gala (Auction) - **Friday, August 13** Mark your

calendars & plan to attend this event at KML! For information, visit www.kmlhs.org/gala

Summertime Opportunities

Planning Your Future You are invited to two special estate-planning seminars at KML. On **Wednesday, June 9**, we feature Attorney Rob Melick and KML's Estate Plan Counselor Paul Snamiska as they review the estate-planning process. This valuable seminar will start at 6:30 PM and will be held at KML. We will also live stream this event. The second event is scheduled for **Tuesday, June 15**, at 6:30 PM. This hands-on workshop will actually get you working on your own plan. Past attendees have said these seminars are extremely valuable and informative.

Go to foundation.kmlhs.org for more information and to register for either, or both of these events. There is no cost to attend, but please RSVP so we can plan accordingly.

Historic Cemetery Tour The annual West Granville Cemetery Tour will take place on Saturday, **June 12, 2021**, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Please meet at the main cemetery entrance at 6815 N. 107th Street which is one block south of the intersection of 107th Street and Fond du Lac Avenue. Parking is available across the street at the historic Salem Landmark Church.

West Granville Cemetery is one of the oldest cemeteries in Milwaukee County. It is located in the far northwest corner of the county that was known as Granville Township. This year's cemetery tour looks at several families whose names were well known in the farming communities of Granville Township.



The location of the cemetery was a deciding factor in the founding of one of the oldest Christian congregations in Milwaukee County. The Evangelical and Reformed Church of Granville, founded on December 25, 1847, was located directly south of the cemetery. Today that church is Salem Lutheran Church located across the street from the cemetery. The Salem Landmark Church, built in 1863 which served the

congregation until 1977, today is a museum for the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod.

Christian Family Solutions Charity Golf Outing Make sure to save **June 28, 2021** on your calendar for our 13th annual Christian Family Solutions *Healing & Helping Golf Outing* at *Chenequa Country Club* in Hartland, WI. Through your participation and/or sponsorship you help us "stay the course" to continue to heal and help those in need through the ministry of Jesus Christ. Go to <https://christianfamilysolutions.org/> to register.

Family Adventure Days Lutheran Pioneers is hosting an awesome fellowship event that you don't want to miss. You are invited to Family Adventure Days – July 14-18 at Pineridge Campground (W5132 County Road N - Waldo, WI 53093 - near Plymouth, WI).



Activities are already planned for you, entertainment is provided, and you don't even need to cook...two meals a day with hot breakfasts and great dinners...even a pig roast!

If you think you'll be bored, think again. Activities include an archery range and 3-D archery course, bounce house, treasure hunt, campfire singalongs, zip-lining, bags tournament, pine car demo derby, flying drones, remote control vehicles, tie-dyeing (bring your own shirt or other item to dye), BB gun and wrist rocket ranges, disc golf, bingo, cricut crafting demos and more. You'll even be treated to a special worship service on Sunday morning before everyone leaves for home. Curious? Check <https://www.lutheranpioneers.org/family-adventure-days/> for more information.

LWMS Virtual Convention The Lutheran Women's Missionary Society (LWMS) is planning for a virtual convention again this year. It had originally been scheduled for **June 24-27, 2021**, in Sharonville, Ohio.

"We are excited to try our hand at another virtual convention. We have

some exciting speakers,” says Natsis. From Home Missions, Rev. Allen Kirschbaum, Spirit of Life, Caledonia, Mich., and Rev. Ryan Kolander, Palabra de Vida, Detroit, Mich., will be presenting. Gary and Beth Evans from the Central Africa Medical Mission, which is marking 60 years of service this year, will be talking about their work in Africa. From World Missions, Rev. Stephen Wiesenauer will share about the gospel work in East Asia.

Additional workshops are also planned.

All videos will be posted June 24-27, 2021, on the LWMS convention website, which can be found by visiting lwms.org. View the entire announcement at fb.com/LWMS.WELS.

Continuing Education Looking to grow in your knowledge of the Bible and in your faith? Martin Luther College is offering several spiritual growth courses this summer. They are *Creation Apologetics 101 & 102* (June 28 – July 30), and *The Mission of the Church* (June 21 – July 19). **For more information call 1.507.233.9139 or e-mail continuing@mlc.edu.** There is a cost, but the courses would be well worth it.

Band Camp Did you know that for 20 years there has been a WELS summer band camp for your middle school students? It is a fabulous opportunity for the students in your congregation to learn about music and the arts, take part in performances, grow spiritually through twice daily devotions, meet other WELS musicians, be mentored by some of the leading WELS band directors and music professionals, and have lots of summer time fun. This year an in-person camp is being planned for **July 11 - 16, 2021**, to be held on the beautiful campus of Wisconsin Lutheran College. Students must be in Grades 6-9 for the fall of 2021. There will also be a virtual week-long band camp for students who are unable to attend but would like to participate in the activities. Learn more at www.welssummerbandcamp.com. They are also on facebook if you search *WELS Summer Band Camp*.

Taste of Missions Join the WELS Missions office for Taste of Missions, an online missions experience, from **July 11-17, 2021**. Get to know our

synod’s home and world missionaries and get a closer look at their mission work through short video updates, activities and recipes for the entire family, daily devotions, and multiple live events where WELS members can come together online and interact with missionaries. Tune in LIVE at the following times throughout the event:

- Sunday, July 11, 1 p.m. CT: Welcome and introduction from Home Missions administrator, Rev. Keith Free, and World Missions administrator, Rev. Larry Schlomer
- Tuesday, July 13, 7 p.m. CT: World Missions Q&A panel
- Thursday, July 15, 7 p.m. CT: Home Missions Q&A panel
- Saturday, July 17, 6 p.m. CT: Closing worship service where, God willing, new missionaries will be commissioned

Learn more and register for this free event at tasteofmissions.com. Each day’s recommended videos and live events will be promoted on the event website, in e-mails to registered attendees, and on the [WELS Missions Facebook page](https://www.facebook.com/WELSMissions). This annual online event will be paired with an in-person celebration at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon, Wis., in future years to provide all WELS members an opportunity to connect with brothers and sisters in Christ from around the globe and be a part of the important gospel outreach occurring through our synod. [Register today!](#)

