



Abiding Peace NEWS & NOTES

January 20, 2013

Women's Bible Study

We have resumed our Women's Bible Study on **Thursday mornings @ 9:00 a.m.** at the Miller home. Our next book will be *Having a Mary Spirit* by Joanna Weaver. All are welcome.



Fellowship and Cleaning

A special thank you to all our members who provide fellowship snacks and to all who beautify and clean our facility each week. The time you spend to enhance services and activities at Abiding Peace is much appreciated.

Welcome New Members!

If you haven't already - introduce yourselves to our newest members - the Kammerer family. Dave and Tammy, along with their children, Samantha, Jon, Nate, and Zach recently joined our AP family.

Welcome!

Annual Adult Dinner Out



Our annual Adult Dinner Out is set for **Sunday, February 10th**, at 5:00 p.m. We are looking for a place with varied food items as well as variety of price range on their menu - something for everyone. Watch for a signup sheet in the entryway.

Congregational Meeting

A congregational meeting, at which a preliminary ministry plan and budget for 2012 will be discussed, will be held Sunday, February 10th @ 11:45 a.m. All are encouraged to attend. Those with questions may speak to any member of the church council - Dave Baird, Dale Manzel, Greg Miller, or Dan Woltman.

Tips for Welcoming Visitors

When you've been at a church for a while, you get comfortable and forget what it's like to be a visitor. Here are some tips to help us all make visitors feel welcome and want to visit again.



First impressions make all the difference, so...

- * Park your car far from door, so guests don't have to.
- * Greet guests with a smile as they come in the door!
- * Leave seats open in the back row and at the end of rows for late arrivals.
- * Before worship, quietly greet those seated near you.
- * Offer to assist guests with bulletins and hymnals, if they seem lost or confused.
- * Worship like you mean it. Let others see in your face and hear in your voice what Jesus means to you.

Birthday and Anniversary Greetings



This week, we extend birthday greetings to Gwynn Manzel (January 27) and God's blessings on the marriage of Dale and Gwynn Manzel as they celebrate their anniversary (January 25). Enjoy your special days!

Upcoming Rallies and Retreats



Pathways to Christ - a Spiritual Retreat

March 15 - 17, 2013
Oshkosh, WI

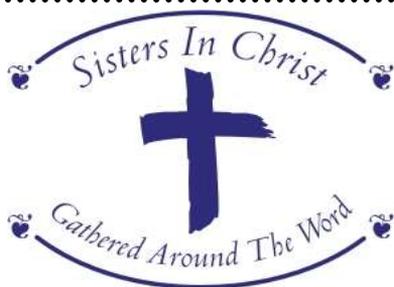
Theme: "God's Invitation to You"

pathways.martinlutheroshkosh.com

Today's Christian Women's Retreat

April 5 - 7, 2013
Lansing, Michigan

Register by mail or online @
www.tcwr.org



LWMS Annual Convention

June 27 - 30, 2013
LaCrosse, WI

for more information and registration
details, go to:

www.lwms.org



National WELS Women's Leadership Conference

Seeking Direction for Life and Service

July 19 - 20, 2013
Wisconsin Lutheran
Seminary, Mequon, WI

www.welswomen.net



An Encouraging Word

Vision for Christian Living - John 2:1-11

Logic might indicate that Jesus' first miracle should be something more amazing, more noble than this. It shows how concerned God is about every aspect of our lives.



Notice also the generosity of our Lord: 120 to 180 gallons – and not the cheap stuff either. It was the best! Don't overlook the last verse. It shows the purpose of all of Jesus' miracles. They revealed his glory as true God. He is exactly who

he says he is! The miracles did not create faith in the disciples' hearts. The Holy Spirit did that through the Word. The miracle reinforced what they already knew & believed.

Service to Our Lord

	January 14 - 20	January 21 - 27
Pianists	Margaret Schubring	Becky Miller
Ushers - 8:00	Dale Manzel Mark Kreklow	Jeff Bruemmer Jared Bruemmer
Ushers - 10:30	Doug Salzwedel Howard Smith Bob Fry	Dan Woltman Trent Whitney Amy Whitney
Refreshments	Lush Whitney	Kacer Kalenowski
Cleaning	Salzwedel E. Smith	Free Henningsen

Give Thanks to the Lord!

Worship Attendance: 63 (23 - 8:00, 40 - 10:30)
Sunday Bible Study: 27
Sunday School Attendance: 19