



# Voice of One In Faith Parish



**January 2020**

*One in Faith Parish*

Hope ..... 8:30 a.m.  
St. Paul ..... 10:30 a.m.

St. John..... 8:30 a.m.  
St. Sebald ..... 10:30 a.m.

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*To the Saints - all one in faith!*

First may I say, "Happy New Year" to you one and all! Brothers and sisters, this letter is longer than usual but I think it's worth your time and attention so hang in there and read through to the end!

At the beginning of a new year, it's always a good idea to sit quietly for a bit, reflect and take stock of things... ask some questions of ourselves and of God. "What was good about the last year?" "What didn't go so well?" "Where did I see God working?" "Where do I think I was going it alone?" "Where do I think God is calling us, as a community of believers to go and to be - as disciples of Jesus?"

One of the things I find helpful (more than once a year, but especially as I'm taking stock of our ministry together as One in Faith parish as I change out my calendar) is to take out my *Letter of Call to ordained ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America* (E.L.C.A.) and mull it over.

This is a letter that the presidents and secretaries of each of our congregations as well as Bishop Ullestad signed prior to my coming to serve as pastor here.

This is what it says: "With prayer for the guidance of the Holy Spirit to do God's will, One in Faith Lutheran Parish, a parish of the Northeastern Iowa Synod of the E.L.C.A. extends to you this call to serve as pastor.

We call you to exercise among us the ministry of Word and Sacrament which God has established and which the Holy Spirit empowers: To preach and teach the Word of God in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions; to administer Holy Baptism and Holy Communion; to lead us in worship; to proclaim the forgiveness of sins; to provide pastoral care; to speak for justice in behalf of the poor and oppressed; to encourage persons to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel; to impart knowledge of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and its wider

ministry; to endeavor to increase support given by our parish to the work of our whole church; to equip us for witness and service; and guide us in proclaiming God's love through word and deed.

In accepting this call, you hereby promise to fulfill this pastoral ministry in accord with the standards and policies for ordained ministers of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America. Therefore, be diligent in the study of Holy Scripture, in use of the means of grace, in prayer, in faithful service, and in holy living.

With this call, we pledge our prayers, love, esteem, and personal support for the sake of the ministry entrusted to you by God and for our ministry together in Christ's name."

Now that's lots of words and some very long sentences to describe my work and our work together as church so let's break it down a little bit.

Many of you see and participate with me in the preaching and teaching, administering of the sacraments, leading in worship and pastoral care portions of this call. These are the pieces one might call the "shepherding" parts of being a pastor and I endeavor every day to prayerfully and effectively fulfill these as I preach, lead worship, administer the sacraments, visit many of you in your homes, in care facilities and hospitals and work together with a great visitation team to help accomplish this. *There are many other things I do as a pastor that I hope and pray work at the other important parts of my call. Notice, I'm not saying "job." The word, "job" implies "payment for services rendered." "Call" implies a larger purpose and in the Christian understanding, it's God's purpose. As theologian Frederick Buechner puts it, "the place God calls you is the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."*

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When we honor the time it takes to do my work with the NE IA Synod Candidacy Committee and meet with a group of new pastors once a month, when we all encourage people in our community to think about going to seminary, when we accompany our youth on our summer servant trips, and encourage them to go to camp at EWALU, I pray we're together fulfilling the call to "encourage persons to prepare for the ministry of the Gospel."

When we honor the time it takes to do my work with Shalom Hill Farm and other social service agencies, I pray we're together fulfilling the call to "to speak for justice in behalf of the poor and oppressed and to impart knowledge of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America and its wider ministry as well as to endeavor to increase support given by our parish to the work of our whole church."

When we together create quilts, school kits and prayer shawls, when we carry out benefits and other projects to help out families in our community, when we establish and implement our Little Free Food pantries, and give generously in our tithes and offerings, we're "endeavoring to increase support given by our parish to the work of our whole church, being equipped for witness and service; and being guided in proclaiming God's love through word and deed."

So, as I quietly reflect and pray this morning as the sun comes up on one of the last days of 2019, I believe God's doing some very good work among and through us together as people who are one in faith. I know too that God's got more for us to reflect on, and more adventures and exciting and challenging ministry ahead.



*My dear saints,  
May you discover Jesus in many new and amazing ways this year. May he walk always before you to show you the way, may he go behind you to encourage you, beside you*

*to befriend you, above you to watch over and within you to give you peace!  
In love and service,  
Pastor Margaret*

**HOPE'S ANNUAL MEETING**

**January 26, following  
8:30 am worship with complementary meal after  
the meeting**



**HOPE**

The Hope Council met Dec. 10 at the home of Pastor Margaret. Attending were Joddy Roys, Ron Kuehl, Lori Fannon, Gary Thurn, Jamie Burgin, John Hunt, Richard Thurn, Joyce Thurn and Pastor Margaret.

President Richard called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Pastor Margaret read Devotions from John, followed by the singing of "O Come, O Come Emmanuel." Minutes of the previous meeting and treasurer's report were read and approved. Income for the month was \$2,430, and expenses were \$6,094. Money will be transferred from the money market account to cover the cost of the new copy machine.

Pastor Margaret presented her written report: BYOB has resumed at Pastor's house. The next study will be Jan. 12. A monetary gift has been received for the youth group for their servant work. Vicar Clark has been approved for ordination. Eight people from the parish will serve on the call committee to formally call Vicar Clark.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

The Thanksgiving service was recapped and deemed a big success. The group is in favor of inviting the Anderegg Family again next year to lead the service. 113 lb. of food and \$213 were collected for the food shelf.

Lori Fannon reported that Morgan had completed the metal Nativity scene, and it is ready for display.

John reported on plans for the Meisgeier Benefit Jan. 12.

The budget committee presented a proposed budget for 2020. It was approved by the council and will be presented at the annual meeting for approval by the congregation.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

The date for the annual meeting will be Jan. 26 following the 8:30 worship. A complementary meal will follow. The audit committee will meet in Jan.

Fellowship will follow worship each Sunday during the winter months.

Jamie had helped at the holiday shop and reported that the number of give-away items was greater than last year.

The next meeting will be Jan. 14 at 6:30 at Pastor Margaret's. The meeting adjourned, followed by the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully submitted, Joyce Thurn, secretary

**ST. PAUL**

No minutes available.

**ST. PAUL'S ANNUAL MEETING**

**January 26, following  
8:30 am worship**

**St. Sebald**

St. Sebald Council members met December 12 in the church basement. Present: Bill Hunt, Kris Morarend, Nancy Yelden, Wayne Yelden, Randy Johnson, Pastor Margaret. The meeting was called to order by Kris and Pastor led devotions.

The November minutes were reviewed; Bill motioned to approve the minutes, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy; motion passed. The November ending balance and year to date balance treasurer's report were reviewed. Year to date ending balance was \$1,408.23. Wayne will check into insurance options.

Pastor provided a report of her recent activities. February 23 the Umland youth group will visit with One in Faith youth and lead service on February 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. John and St. Sebald.

The Christmas program will be December 22<sup>nd</sup> during the church service. The group will be hearing the Christmas story and singing carols. In new business, Keppler has started logging in the timber and the council reviewed the travel guidelines in the Synod assembly packet.

Wayne motioned to adjourn the meeting, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randy; meeting adjourned at 7:45.

Submitted by  
Tracy Kregel, Secretary

### ST. SEBALD'S ANNUAL MEETING

February 2nd following  
10:30 am worship  
Potluck lunch to follow.



#### Happy Anniversary John and Clara Pleis!

The family of John and Clara Pleis is holding a card shower for John and Clara in honor of their 70<sup>th</sup> Wedding

Anniversary!! Please remember John and Clara with a card for their anniversary. Their address is: Maplecrest, Bolger Drive, Fayette, IA 52142



Our sympathy and prayers to the families of Bonnie Wescott, Betty Meisgeier, and John Fedeler

May they be comforted by the promise of the resurrection, which we

have through Jesus Christ.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Carl Kuehl. Funeral services will be held Jan. 4 at 10:30 am at St. Paul Lutheran Church, Garnavillo with visitation at the church Jan. 3 from 4:00-7:00.

### St. Sebald Christmas Program

Sunday, December 22, the children of St. Sebald shared the wonder of Christmas at the 10:30 service.

Vicar Clark opened the service with the lighting of the 4<sup>th</sup> Advent Candle and read the Christmas scriptures from Matthew and Luke.

"A Night the Stars Danced for Joy" was read while the children put the nativity figures in the stable manger scene and Christmas Carols were sung by the congregation during the program.

Thank you to the St. Sebald WELCA for the children's treat sacks.



KNIT. CROCHET. PRAY.

### "Prayer Shawls for the People of God,"

the One in Faith Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet January 19th in the lounge at St. John. If you would like to

participate or have questions contact Shiloy Baldwin (563-929-6910) or Pastor Margaret (563-329-1366).



Stay for fellowship at Hope following worship each Sunday during the winter months consisting of a light brunch. Contact

Joyce Thurn if you would like to provide food.



**Hope WELCA**  
Thursday, January 2nd, 9:30 am.  
Potluck lunch  
Everyone invited!!  
**St. Sebald WELCA**  
Tuesday, January 14th, 1:30 pm  
Gernand Center.  
Members bring goodies to share.

### HOPE WELCA

The regular meeting of the Hope WELCA was held Dec. 5. President Annette Dahling called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. Pastor Margaret led the Bible study followed by the business meeting.

Minutes of the previous meeting and treasurer's report were read and approved. The bake less bake sale continues through Dec. Monies will be accepted at any time.

The amount collected on Thank Offering Sunday increased from last year.

Donations will be sent to eight charitable organizations.

The meeting adjourned followed by the birthday song, table prayer and Lord's Prayer, after which the women and guests enjoyed a bountiful Christmas potluck.

The next meeting will be Jan. 2, 2020 at 9:30 a.m.

### ST. JOHN WELCA

St. John WELCA members met December 1, 2019. Six women were present: Sharon Reed, Judy Meisner, Karen Hamlett, Deb Watson, Sherri Seedorff, and Bonnie Nus.

Sharon Reed called the meeting to order at 9:40 a.m. Bonnie Nus was appointed secretary.

#### **Correspondence:**

A thank you note was received from EWALU (on bulletin board) for the quilt donated to the auction. The St. John Quilt sold for \$400.

Thank you notes were also received from Maplecrest and EWALU for monetary donations. A request for a quilt for the Meisgeier Benefit was made and the quilt will be finished for the auction.

#### **Treasurer's Report:**

Sherri Seedorff moved to accept the treasurer's report as received, Karen Hamlett seconded, carried.

It was acknowledged that Sharon Reed shared her Thrivent Dollars with the WELCA quilters (2 rolls of batting) and for miscellaneous LWR kit items. This allowed the quilters to have a balance of money even after having quilts for EWALU and Meisgeier Benefit quilted.

It was noted that this year our only money maker was the pie sales at Osborne. Discussion will continue on this topic under New Business.

Please see St. John 2019 Annual Meeting report for detailed spreadsheet.

**LWR Report:** Please refer to the report presented at the Annual Meeting.

**Old Business:** Please refer to the report presented at the Annual Meeting for the last year activities.

#### **New Business:**

**Benevolence Giving:** The WELCA budget was discussed. Because the decreasing income for the group – no longer having three circle offerings per month (Bible Study Group sends their offerings to groups of their choosing), and only one or two WELCA meetings per year:

Deb Watson moved to drop monthly offering gifts, seconded by Sherri Seedorff, carried.

Karen Hamlett moved to eliminate heating donation to the St. John treasury, seconded by Deb Watson, carried.

**Year End Giving:** Treasurer, Judy Meisner, presented a listing of possible charities for the approximately \$300 that we have to donate at the end of 2019. Deb Watson made the motion, Sherri Seedorff seconded, the motion carried to donate to the following:

- \$75 to the Grumans for the Homeless Project
- \$50 to Shepherd of the Hills Christmas for Kids
- \$100 to One in Faith Youth Group
- \$25 to Prairie View RCF
- \$25 to Fayette County Food Shelf
- \$25 to Maplecrest Nursing Home

April 18, 2020, St. John will host the Cluster I Spring Gathering. We will provide morning coffee and lunch. A fee will be charged to those attending. Sherri Seedorff will be catering the meal with possible solicitation for salads, desserts, and

rolls/coffee cakes. Linda Adams will be our Cluster I Board Member.

With no further business, Karen Hamlett moved to adjourn, seconded by Sherri Seedorff, carried. Next meeting will be set at the discretion of the President. Bonnie Nus, Acting Secretary

## **ST. JOHN QUILTERS**

St. John quilting ladies have been very busy the last two months. Two quilts were sent to SOTH Christmas For Kids as well as several teddy bears donated by Marilyn Seedorff. Four quilts and two lap quilts were donated to Fayette County Food shelf.

Thank-you, Ursula Cordes for putting the tops together and delivering these.

A quilt was made for the Arlington Fire Department. A tied quilt was made for the David Opperman Benefit and a machine quilted quilt made for the Meisgeier Benefit.

We continue to meet every Monday morning to quilt and welcome anyone to join us.

Thank-you to everyone who gave to the Thankoffering.

St. John WELCA is looking for a solicitor to take over Bonnie's call list. If interested, please contact Sharon Reed. We will meet prior to the Spring Gathering in April, as we are hostess and will need to plan for the coffee in the morning and the lunch.

Hope everyone had a spirit filled Christmas and a happy start to 2020.

Sharon Reed

## **ST. SEBALD WELCA**

St. Sebald WELCA members met on December 10, 2019, at 1:30 pm in the Gernand Center Activity Room. President Kris Morarend presided at the business meeting.

Christmas bags will be filled for the Sunday School children. The Sunday School Christmas Program will be on Sunday, December 22, as the worship service goodies.

Nancy Klingman lead the Bible Study. The next meeting will be January 14 at 1:30 pm. at the Gernand Center, bring snacks to share.

Respectfully submitted, Kris Morarend



All men are invited to the Men's Bible study held the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday, of January 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup>) at 6:30 am at the **Camp EWALU Stone Center**. We will be studying the lectionary texts with discussion questions from the *Master Builders Bible from Lutheran Men in Mission*. Please come for fellowship, Bible diving, coffee, and rolls or donuts. Come and be fed in your heart, belly, and head!

**Come for coffee, rolls and fellowship.  
Tuesday, January 14<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 am**



Thank you to the ladies who planned and prepared the lovely Festive Holiday Brunch on December 1 at Hope. Jamie's table decorations were spectacular!

Thank you to all who helped set up and decorate the Christmas Tree in Hope's sanctuary. Thank you to Richard Thurn for providing the tree. Each year we say, "It's the best ever."

to Morgan Fannon for designing and creating the lovely Nativity silhouette, which can be viewed night or day. It's worth a trip to Littleport to see.

Thank you to the children and teachers for presenting the Story of Christmas on December 20 at Hope. We counted 19 children who participated.

Thank you to all who have provided poinsettias to decorate Hope's sanctuary and enhance our worship.

### St. John Christmas Poinsettias 2019

From Pastors Margaret & Mark Yackel-Juleen...

#### In Honor of our One In Faith Partners in Ministry

From Craig & Sherri Seedorff & family...

#### In Memory of Max Seedorff and Gerald & Geraldine Daisy

From Dean & Judy Meisner...

#### In Memory of Kermit & Mabel Glass

From Duane Schmidt...

#### In Memory of Alfred & Margaret Schmidt and Arla Schmidt

From Eldon Benz...

#### In Memory of Hazel Seedorff

From Jeri & Debbie Watson...

#### In Memory of Howard Cordes and in Honor of Ursula Cordes

From Randy & Joyce Knickerbocker...

#### In Memory of Andrea Rose

### Shepherd of the Hills Notes

MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR!

Our Annual Christmas Just 4 Kids Giveaway was held Dec 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. At the time of this writing, we have served 484 children from 181 families

Our First Annual Service of Prayer for Christian Unity is being held at Peace, UCC in Elkader on Wednesday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>. Supper will be served at 5:45pm. Worship will begin at 6:30pm. All are Welcome. Offerings will go to the **Clayton County Food Shelf**.



## Mark Your Calendar

### LENTEN SERVICES

Feb. 26 Ash Wednesday	2:00 p.m. – St. John 7:00 p.m. – Hope w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
March 4	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – St. John w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
March 11	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – St. Paul w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
March 18	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – Hope w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
March 25	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – St. John w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
April 1	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – St. Sebald w/ 6:00 pm Soup Supper
April 9 Maundy Thursday	2:00 p.m. – St. John w/Coffee following 7:00 p.m. – St. Paul w/ 6:00 pm Seder Meal
April 10 Good Friday	7:00 p.m. – St. Sebald
April 12 Easter Sunday	6:30 a.m. – Hope with Communion w/ Breakfast following 8:30 a.m. – St. John With Communion 10:30 a.m. – St Paul and St. Sebald with Communion

### SOTH Annual Conference Assembly

will be held February 16 at Zion Lutheran in Oelwein, beginning at 2pm. Fellowship will follow. Delegates, Pastors & Visitors are welcome to join us that day!

In looking ahead, the 2020 Synod Assembly held in June, will be an important one, as we will be electing a new Bishop. We have just received a mailing from the Synod Office, with articles "Calling a Bishop" along with our Synod Profile. Both documents will be made available and discussion may be held during our SOTH Annual Assembly.



### Serving in January at Hope

Acolytes ..... Youth of the congregation,  
 Ushers:  
 Jan. 5 Richard Thurn, Gene West  
 Jan. 12 ..... WesLee Gould, Hunter Thompson,  
 ..... Zander Purman  
 Jan. 19 ..... Richard Thurn, Gene West  
 Jan. 26 ..... WesLee Gould, Hunter Thompson,  
 ..... Zander Purman  
 Communion Assistant John Hunt  
 Altar Comm. .... Helen Rowell, Joyce Thurn,  
 Lu Ann Hunt  
 Church Cleaning ..... Annette & Marvin Dahling  
 Special Offering ..... Lutheran Chaplaincy

### Serving in January at St. Sebald

Acolyte ..... Confirmation Student/Usher  
 Ushers:  
 Jan. 5 ..... Mace & Kristin Klingman  
 Jan. 12 ..... Les & Elaine Peterson  
 Jan. 19 ..... Jerry Harvey  
 Jan. 26 ..... Dave & Kris Morarend  
 Reader(s): .....  
 Jan. 5 ..... Kristin Klingman  
 Jan. 12 ..... Jerry Harvey  
 Jan. 19 ..... Shiloy Baldwin  
 Jan. 26 ..... Andy & Jennifer Otdoerfer  
 Church Cleaning Week of:  
 Jan. 5 ..... Tracy Kregel  
 Jan. 12 ..... Jessica Haynes  
 Jan. 19 ..... Tracy Kregel  
 Jan. 26 ..... Dave & Kris Morarend  
 Flowers:  
 Jan. 5 ..... Poinsettias  
 Jan. 12 ..... Poinsettias  
 Jan. 19 ..... Poinsettias  
 Jan. 26 ..... Marjorie Lewis

### Serving in January at St. Paul

Acolyte ..... Dennis & Lorna Christeleit  
 Ushers ..... Marcus Evans

### Serving in January at St. John

Acolyte ..... Hali McIntyre  
 Ushers :  
 Jan. 5 ..... Jeri & Deb Watson  
 Jan. 12 ..... Meisgeier Benefit  
 Jan. 19 ..... Larry & Brenda Fliehler  
 Jan. 26 ..... Dean & Judy Meisner  
 Altar Guild ..... Art & Dorothy Eckheart  
 Flowers ..... Sharon Reed  
 Communion Assistant  
 Readers:  
 Jan. 5 ..... Jeri Watson  
 Jan. 12 ..... Meisgeier Benefit  
 Jan. 19 ..... Dorothy Eckheart  
 Jan. 26 ..... Hali McIntyre



*(Please contact the church office when family members and friends can be removed from the Prayer List.)*

**Prayer Requests** may be phoned to (563) 633-3885/563-419-5329 or emailed to the One in Faith office – [oneinfaith@windstream.net](mailto:oneinfaith@windstream.net)

**In our prayers:** Kevin Blue, Karla Duff, Les Peterson, Merlin Goedken, Lester Groth, Daryl Baade, David Opperman, Luther Pugh, Caroline Klingman, Lawrence Kuehl, Xander Herrig Watson, Joyce Erickson, Luke Baade, Ken Kamper, Clair Kruger, Elgene Kamper, Brenda Landis, Margaret Harvey, Mike McDonough, Becky Meisgeier, Robert Blue, Bernice Fletcher, Carol Thomas, Leila Minger, Kent Klingman, Elaine Peterson, Roger Knehans, Joe Knipper, Amanda Peterson, Charley Daisy, Adeline Andreae, Lucas Baker, Barbara Garms, Pastor Martin Osterloh, Jim Miller, Wayne Coonfare.

**Service people:** Josef Von Handorf, Justin Minger, Patrick Pryer, Justin Pryer, Jesse Gossett, Tabitha Lambert, and other service men and women. **Service people:** Cody Bennington, Justin Minger, Patrick Pryer, Justin Pryer, Jesse Gossett, Tabitha Lambert, and other service men and women.



### Hope Birthdays

- Jan. 1 ..... Brian Stewart
- Jan. 2 ..... Kay Nagel, Ricky Thurn, Debra Wagner
- Jan. 3 ..... Larissa Shaw, Noel Steenhard
- Jan. 4 ..... Kaycee Bright
- Jan. 6 ..... Hannah Chamberlin
- Jan. 7 ..... Nicole Smith
- Jan. 9 ..... Jill Kulper
- Jan. 10 ..... Lynn Rowell, Donald Davis
- Jan. 13 ..... Mildred Beck, Dexter Kuehl,  
Becky Voshell
- Jan. 14 ..... Christina Kuehl
- Jan. 15 ..... Lee Lenth
- Jan. 17 ..... Heidi Meyer, Cheryl Scott
- Jan. 18 ..... Owen Sylvester, Kyle Kramer
- Jan. 19 ..... Peter Purman, Danielle Wagner  
Tina Kuehl
- Jan. 22 ..... Brian Minger
- Jan. 24 ..... Ashley Clinton, Adriane McClintock
- Jan. 27 ..... Patty Hankins, Sandy Ashline
- Jan. 29 ..... Dustin Smith
- Jan. 30 ..... Brett Nagel

### St. John Birthdays

- Jan. 1 ..... Hunter Bachtell
- Jan. 3 ..... Cynthia Hamlett, Kenneth Chappell,  
Olivia Thomas
- Jan. 4 ..... Duncan Schott
- Jan. 5 ..... Dick Wells
- Jan. 7 ..... Karen Glass
- Jan. 8 ..... Dale Adams, Janice Breitsprecher
- Jan. 12 ..... Ruth Gamm, Karen Hamlett
- Jan. 14 ..... Blake Meisner, Jon Mitchell  
Tom Knickerbocker
- Jan. 16 ..... Maria Gruman
- Jan. 20 ..... Adeline Andreae, Louis Hamlett
- Jan. 22 ..... Hannah Andreae
- Jan. 24 ..... Jeff Watson
- Jan. 31 ..... Jaren Evans

### St. Sebald & St. Paul Birthdays

- Jan. 1 ..... Allen Coan, Mikayla Evans
- Jan. 3 ..... Kevin Hakert
- Jan. 4 ..... Caitlin Howard
- Jan. 8 ..... Jason Corell
- Jan. 12 ..... Kenneth Faust, Janice Moore
- Jan. 15 ..... Mary Kay Hummel
- Jan. 17 ..... Logan Everitt
- Jan. 19 ..... Marisa Baker
- Jan. 23 ..... Carol Leonard, Marcus Evans
- Jan. 25 ..... Kristin Klingman
- Jan. 26 ..... Meghan Bergan, Mike Leonard
- Jan. 30 ..... Karen Trautman



### St. John Anniversaries

- Jan. 15 ..... John & Clara Pleis
- Jan. 16 ..... Chuck & Jan Hamlett
- Jan. 17 ..... Fred & Rose Hilsenbeck
- Jan. 27 ..... Ron & Sheila Corbin

### Hope Anniversaries

- Jan. 15 ..... Lester & Una Groth
- Jan. 30 ..... Mike & Julie English

### St. Paul Anniversaries

No anniversaries in January



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**10:30 Ecumenical Church Service**  
**11:30 Luncheon – Soups & Hot Sandwich**  
**12:30 Auction**



# **Fundraiser**

**for Brian & Becky Meisgeier Family**  
**Sunday – January 12, 2020**  
**Arlington Community Event Center**



Brian and Becky were married in 1993. They farmed the family farm north of Arlington. In 2005 Brian was diagnosed with Parkinson's disease. Two years later they were forced to sell cows and rent out the land. Brian is now in the end stage of Parkinson's and has lost most of his motor and muscle function.

Becky, the primary caregiver to her husband, was diagnosed this year with Invasive Ductal Carcinoma (breast cancer). Becky began chemotherapy, radiation and underwent two surgeries.

Please consider helping this family that has endured so much, but remains positive and uplifted. Let's pack the Event Center on January 12<sup>th</sup>. Funds raised will help the family purchase a lift chair, stair lift, and remodel their shower to make it more handicap accessible. Financial Donations can be left at Farmers Savings Banks in Arlington or Strawberry Point.

*Faith can move mountains – Matthew 17:20*



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