



# **SPRING WORSHIP SCHEDULE**



**Regular Worship Services  
at 8:30AM & 10:00AM**

**Sunday School (K - Grade 6)  
Sundays at 10:00AM**

*“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”*

*- Psalms 119:105*

### ***The Messenger***

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mail it to the church (Attn: Editor).  
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## † **PASTOR'S MESSAGE** †

Throughout the season of Easter, we'll be using the "Thanksgiving for Baptism" rather than the "Confession and Forgiveness" at the beginning of worship. We've done this for a season or two in the past, and I've had people who were curious about it.

*"Don't we need to confess, Pastor?"*  
or *"Pastor, I need that time for confession..."*

Of course we need to confess. We need to repent daily, to be always turning back to God. We need to be trying to live a life that says "Yes" to God instead of rebelling, and confession helps us to do this.

The reality is that confession, along with the repentance that leads us to confession, is tied to the waters of baptism. Martin Luther said, "What is repentance but an earnest attack on the old creature and an entering into a new life? If you live in repentance, therefore, you are walking in baptism, which not only announces this new life, but also produces, begins, and

exercises it. In baptism, we are given the grace, Spirit, and strength to suppress the old creature so that the new may come forth and grow strong." (The Book of Concord, p. 466.75)

When we return to the waters of our baptism, we remember that we are joined with Christ forever. We rejoice in God's gift of mercy and forgiveness. That's why I always lead the confession standing by the font. It is in God's baptismal waters that we hear God's words of forgiveness and God's promise of new life.

In this joyous season of Easter, let us give thanks for the gift of baptism, remembering that we are a people of a resurrection faith and hope, because our sins have been washed away. Thanks be to God!

*Pastor Becky*

### **MEMORIAL FUND**

A donation has been made to the Memorial Fund in memory of Vic Whitney by Doris E. Kortlang.

### **SYNOD & ELCA NEWS**

Interested in knowing what's happening in the Synod & the ELCA? Sign up for the synod's E-Newsletter! It's easy - just go to <http://www.mnys.org> - click on the "Communications" tab, scroll down to "Eletter" and click on sign up! Then just enter your email & the e-newsletter will be emailed to you once a week.

**MEMORIAL DAY WATER  
GIVE-AWAY AT  
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN  
CHURCH**

Come and help the Evangelism Committee spread the Good News and invite the people of Lynbrook to worship with us. For a few years now we have handed out bottled water with some special words and St. John's worship information. It has been a positive and inspiring day for everyone involved. Please watch for the sign up sheets and come out and help us on Monday, May 30th. We are all disciples with important news to spread.

*Susan Masciello, Disciple of God  
St. John's Evangelism Committee*

(And Pr. Becky adds - if you can't come help pass out the free water that day, we can still use your help! We'd love to borrow your coolers &/or wagons to help us keep the water cold and easy to carry up and down the streets. You can drop them off at church the Sunday before - just put them in the kitchen. Or bring them sometime that week - just call the office to make sure someone's there to let you in. Thanks!)

**FACEBOOK**

Do you use Facebook? Wanna keep up to date with what's going on at St. John's? Just "like" our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/StJohnsLynbrook](http://www.facebook.com/StJohnsLynbrook) !

**HARVEST FESTIVAL 2011  
BRIC-A-BRAC**

Spring is here and the cleaning has begun, please bring all of your unwanted household items and unwanted treasures to church for this year's Harvest Festival. All your merchandise can be brought down to church and placed in the old Nursery Room, which is located to the right of the stage. Should you have any questions, please give one of us a call.

Thanking you in advance from the Bric-A-Brac Committee.

*Diane Dake 599-2705  
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## SERVER SCHEDULE FOR MAY

DATE		ACOLYTES	ASSISTING MINISTERS	LECTORS
<b>5/1</b>	8:30AM	Jessica Muck	8:30AM Janet Pescatore	8:30AM Carol Larsen
	10:00AM	Matthew Fernéz	10:00AM Michael Fernéz	10:00AM Arlene Moglia
<b>5/8</b>	8:30AM	Elizabeth Hanson	8:30AM Dorothy Criscuolo	8:30AM Dot Richetti
	10:00AM	Jason Pace	10:00AM Bruce Feltkamp	10:00AM Karen Feltkamp
	Crucifer	Ryan Milano		
<b>5/15</b>	8:30AM	Sebastian Percy	8:30AM Susan Masciello	8:30AM Walter Wright
	10:00AM	Nils DeStefano	10:00AM Rick Dusenbury	10:00AM Joan Pirrone
Crucifer	Jason Lipitz			
<b>5/22</b>	8:30AM	Carrie Feltkamp	8:30AM Bruce Feltkamp	8:30AM A. Blinderman
	10:00AM	Kyle O'Connor	10:00AM Ryan Dusenbury	10:00AM Claire Lenz
	Crucifer	Matthew Fernéz		
<b>5/29</b>	8:30AM	Katie Lenz	8:30AM Jason Lipitz	8:30AM Bill Benson
	10:00AM	Jesse Pace	10:00AM Debby Lindman	10:00AM Susan Masciello
	Crucifer	Michael Fernéz		

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator:

Bob Koehler: Assisting Ministers and Crucifers/Gospel bearers- 678-6623

Dot Richetti: Acolytes and Torch bearers- 599-8702

Claire Lenz: Lectors - 872-2063

**CALENDAR OF EVENTS - MAY 2011**

Sunday, 5/1	2nd Sunday of Easter Worship, 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday School, 10 AM "Every Sunday is Easter Sunday" breakfast, after 10 AM worship
Tuesday, 5/3	Sewing Ministry, 9:30 AM Evangelism & Social Ministry, 7:30 PM (note schedule change)
Wednesday, 5/4	Choir, 7:30 PM Confirmation, 7:30 PM
Thursday, 5/5	100th Anniversary Committee
Friday, 5/6	Girl Scout Badge Event, 7 PM
Saturday, 5/7	Zumba, 9:30 AM Spaghetti Dinner and Bridal Fashion Show, 6:30 PM
Sunday, 5/8	3rd Sunday of Easter / Mother's Day Worship, 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday School, 10 AM Stewardship & Finance, 11:15 AM
Tuesday, 5/10	Sewing Ministry, 9:30 AM Council, 8 PM
Wednesday, 5/11	Choir, 7:30 PM Confirmation, 7:30 PM
Friday, 5/13	Synod Assembly - Melville, LI (All day)
Saturday, 5/14	Zumba, 9:30 AM Synod Assembly - Melville, LI (All day)
Sunday, 5/15	4th Sunday of Easter Worship, 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday School, 10 AM
Tuesday, 5/17	Sewing Ministry, 9:30 AM
Wednesday, 5/18	Choir, 7:30 PM Confirmation, 7:30 PM
Saturday, 5/21	Zumba, 9:30 AM
Sunday, 5/22	5th Sunday of Easter Worship, 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday School, 10 AM
Tuesday, 5/24	Sewing Ministry, 9:30 AM Evangelism/Social Ministry, 7:30 PM
Wednesday, 5/25	Choir, 7:30 PM Confirmation, 7:30 PM
Saturday, 5/28	Zumba, 9:30 AM
Sunday, 5/29	6th Sunday of Easter Worship, 8:30 & 10 AM Sunday School, 10 AM
Monday, 5/30	Memorial Day Water Give Away, 9:15 AM
Tuesday, 5/31	Sewing Ministry, 9:30 AM

***Looking ahead to June...***

Sunday, 6/12	Pentecost, Confirmation, Moving Up Day! - at the 10 AM worship
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