

Announcements

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES Child development experts say three A's are needed for a healthy self-esteem to develop in children: Affection-a sense of belongingness, of being wanted, accepted, cared for, enjoyed, and loved; Acceptance-a sense of worth, an inner feeling that I count, I'm valued, I have something to offer; and Approval-a sense of being competent-confident that I can perform a task, meet a challenge, cope with life. It's essential for parents to provide these for their young children but depending on others (including our parents) to meet these needs for us as we grow older is risky and ultimately doomed to fail. How about looking for and finding the three A's – always and forever without disappointment - here instead? John 1:12; 1 Corinthians 3:16; John 15:5. Lutheran Family Service is Iowa's only Recognized Service Organization (RSO) by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) for Pregnancy Support, Adoption Services, Family Wellness, Mental Health & Marriage Counseling. Find help at LutheranFamilyService.org. **Lutheran Family Service of Iowa** - 6200 Aurora Ave., Ste 410W, Urbandale, IA 50322 (515-251-4900)

HOMEWARD BOUND will meet **TODAY Sun., Nov. 3rd** at the Lowell Zimmermann home at **1:00pm**. We will be studying 1 John chapter 3. Come join us, you are always welcome, as we are in the word and sharing good fellowship.

DOUG'S BIBLE CLASS is **TODAY at 6:00pm** at Pettet's

OSL COMMITMENT SUNDAY IS NOV. 17th Please check your church mailbox for a Stewardship envelope. *Prayerfully consider how each member of your family can use those gifts to serve God through many opportunities within Our Savior Lutheran church.* Return the forms on Sun., Nov. 17th to offer your family commitments during the worship service. If you wish to return your envelope early, you may drop it off in the church office.

DEAR MEMBERS OF OUR SAVIOR AND PASTOR Lowell and I want to express our heartfelt thanks to all of you for your prayers, cards, encouraging words and many caring acts over the past months, as we dealt with our health issues. We are so blessed to have such caring Brothers and Sisters in Christ. *Sincerely, Lowell and Carole*

LWML MEETING LWML will be meeting on Monday evening, **November 18th at 6:30pm** in Fellowship Hall. Please join us for our regular meeting and Bible study. This is just an hour meeting, but always great fellowship and a wonderful way to be in God's Word. Hope to see you there.

St. Nick's Christmas Club

Once again we have the opportunity to be involved in the St. Nick's Christmas Club. Each child will receive pants, shirt, socks, underwear/or diapers and a gift. If anyone ask for winter coat, boots, or mittens those are an automatic purchase in my book. We gotta keep our children warm. Please consider helping by sponsoring a child or a family. There is a great need in Jasper County. Envelopes will be handed out by the ushers. You may choose from 2 options, sponsoring a child or family and buy the necessary items they need or make a donation towards this project. Place your envelope in the offering.

We will be accepting money November 3, 10 and 17th.

One common statement I have heard is I wouldn't know what to buy, so let's talk about this for a minute. There is a book with at least 225 families that are needing help. I read through each one available and make sure that items on their list is something that I think our Elves can find. I also at times get a tug on my heart which to me is a sign from God saying "Yes take this one". You are given sizes and colors that a child likes along with wish list items. Whatever you get will be fine. Hopefully an item on the wish list can be purchase in town or on line if you are a heavy duty shopper like our Elf Gail. These are only suggestions, any toy for a smaller child works and any gift card for an older child works if you can't find anything. Take a chance this year, ask to shop for a child. Our gifts may be the only gifts that child receives this year. I speak from experience you will feel the warmth in your heart knowing you have made someone smile Christmas morning.

If you have any questions, please call Mary Ervin 521-8600.

