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Joint Mission Statement: Saints united to be the body of Christ in the world, freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully.

Keeping in Touch, March 7, 2021

Prayer Concerns

Ray & Wendy Chojowski — (Wendy is Mark Bargender's sister) their home was a total loss following a fire.

Scott Baeseman—back home in Chicago, beginning cancer treatments. **Judy Totzke**—Recovery from hip replacement surgery.

Ann Bonsall—Living with chronic, severe back pain.





Here's some GREAT news! There will be SUNDAY SCHOOL <u>Next</u> Sunday, March 14. We hope to see ALL our students in-person again! There will be more information to come regarding how we will plan to proceed after that. Input from parents is WELCOME!



Some 10 years ago the **St. John Charities** account was established for the purpose of assisting people in our community in times of financial or other need. The idea was that anyone, for any reason, could make a withdrawal from the account as "seed money' for a fundraiser.

Mark Bargender's sister Wendy Chojnowski and her husband Ray lost everything they had in a house fire a few weeks ago. The Council has agreed that this is a perfect situation for the Charities account to be used.

I invite all who read this, members or not, to get in touch with our President Cal Tackes, VP Rick Mueller, or me, Pastor Gail, if you feel called to undertake this adventure.

Meanwhile, I ask all of you to keep the Chojnowskis in your prayers as they live in this inbetween time. Pastor Gail

Last Sunday (February 28, 2021)

On-site attendance: 33 Offering: \$505.00

This Week at a Glance

Wednesday, March 10 at 6pm—MID-WEEK LENTEN SERVICE at St. John, upstairs. NO Soup Supper.

■ Thursday, March 11 at 6:30pm—Council Meeting

There will not be a Women's General Meeting today following the service.