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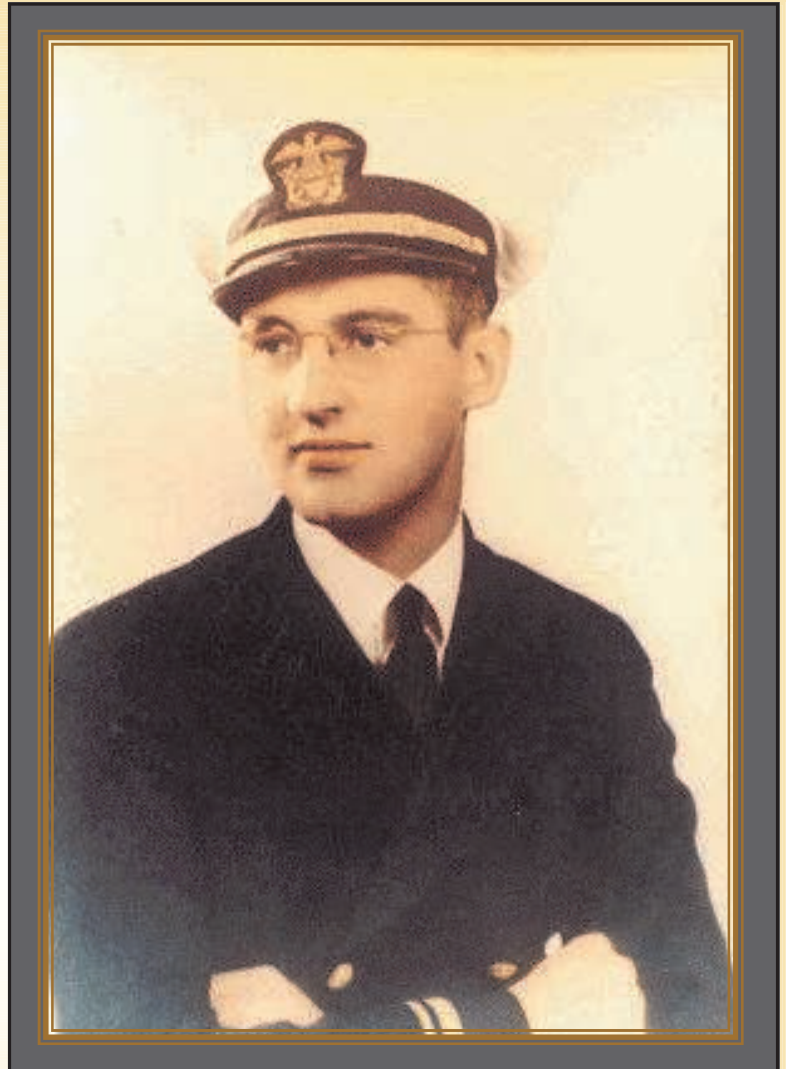
Fed by  
Word  
and Sacrament  
to Love  
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### **Father Aloysius Schmitt**

Father Aloysius Schmitt, a 32 year old Catholic priest and U.S. Navy chaplain from St. Lucas, Iowa, lost his life while helping twelve others to safety on the U.S.S. Oklahoma during the attack on Pearl Harbor, December 7, 1941. He was the first military chaplain to lose his life in the Second World War. He posthumously received the Navy and Marine Corps Medal and the Purple Heart for his brave actions that day. In September of this year, Father Schmitt's relatives received word that his remains had been identified and were being returned to them. Archbishop Jackels presided over a Memorial Mass at Christ the King Chapel, Loras College, in Dubuque on Saturday, October 8th. Military rites were held immediately following the Mass, and Father Schmitt's remains were laid to rest at Christ the King Chapel.

#### **A Prayer for Priesthood Sunday**

Lord Jesus Christ, eternal High Priest, you offered yourself to the Father on the altar of the Cross and through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit gave your priestly people a share in your redeeming sacrifice. Hear our prayer for the sanctification of our priests. Grant that all who are ordained to the ministerial priesthood may be ever more conformed to you, the divine Master. May they preach the Gospel with pure heart and clear conscience. Let them be shepherds according to your own Heart, single-minded in service to you and to the Church and shining examples of a holy, simple and joyful life. Through the prayers of the Blessed Virgin Mary, your Mother and ours, draw all priests and the flocks entrusted to their care to the fullness of eternal life where you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



October 30, 2016

Thirty-First Sunday of Ordinary Time

# Priesthood Sunday

**New to the Parish: Welcome!** Please call the office to make an appointment to register at 377-4869.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** Saturday 3:30 -4 p.m. or by appointment with Fr. O'Connor.

**Sacrament of Matrimony:** Call the office and make an appointment with the priest.

**RCIA:** If you interested in finding out more about the process of becoming Catholic, please contact Matt Selby at 377-4869 or [matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org).

**Infant Baptism:** The next baptism preparation session will be held on **Saturday, November 12, 2016** in the St. Joseph Room of the parish offices from 9 to 11 am. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) or 377-4869 to register and learn more.

**Notifications for Worship Aid:** Contact Cathy or Dawn at 377-4869.

**Mass Intentions:** Please stop in the office to schedule.

**Prayer Chain:** Contact Vicki at 241-9402 or contact Dawn by email at [dawn.feltman@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:dawn.feltman@stjoesmarion.org).

**St. Joseph Quilting Ministry:** Day sessions meet every 2nd Tuesday, 1 to 3 pm, in the Church Hall. To learn more, call Lynn at 377-6166. Evening sessions meet every 2nd Thursday, 6 to 8 pm. For location, call Sue at 377-1394.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry:** Compassion and the love of knitting/crocheting have been combined into a prayerful ministry which reaches out to those in need of comfort. If you are interested, please call Sharon at 373-2810.

**That Man is You:** Men's prayer and study groups meet on Tuesdays at 7 pm in the Church Hall and Thursdays at 6 am in the Church Hall. Contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at 377-4869 or [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) to learn more.

**Women's Connection:** Widows from the parish have the opportunity to share experiences, solve problems, support each other emotionally and spiritually and have fun, all while developing true and lasting friendships. Gatherings are the 2nd Thursday of the month, 1 to 3 pm in the Learning and Leadership Lounge at our school. Contact Carol G. at 319-200-6905 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

**Silent Prayer:** 6:30-7 pm, Friday, in the church.

**SCRIP:** Contact Jennifer Decker at [jennifer.jill.decker@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.jill.decker@gmail.com) or 558-9072.

**Pilgrim Virgin Statue:** Honor Mary Sun., Oct. 30-Fri. Nov. 4th with John and Deb Hennessey; 4200 Munier Rd., Marion. Rosary every evening from Sunday-Friday, 7:30 pm.

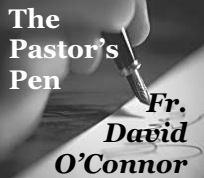
**Feed My Sheep:** The Marion Food Pantry needs canned breakfast cereals for November. Please place your offering in the basket on the altar or ask an usher to take it to the front.

Date	Mass	Intention
<b>Mon. 10/31</b>	Adoration: 7 am to 9 pm	
<b>Tue. 11/1 All Saints</b>	<b>8:15 am</b>	Paul and Shirley Knapp
	<b>5:30 pm</b>	For the People
<b>Wed. 11/2 All Souls</b>	<b>8:15 am</b>	All Holy Souls
<b>Thu. 11/3</b>	7:30 am	Rita Garwood
<b>Fri. 11/4</b>	7:30 am	John Frasher
<b>Sat. 11/5</b>	4:30 pm	Lester & Irene Kula
<b>Sun. 10/30</b>	8:00 am	For the People
	10:30 am	Leander and Esther Menke

Week at a Glance		
<b>Mon. 10/31</b>	7 am-9 pm	Adoration, Church
	5:45 pm	Cub Scouts, Church Hall
	7:00 pm	Boy Scouts, Church Hall
	7:00 pm	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Rm.
<b>Tue. 11/1</b>	6:00 am	Women's Prayer Group, Church
	5:30 pm	Mass, Church
	7:00 pm	Bells, Church
	7:00 pm	That Man is You! Church Hall
<b>Wed. 11/2</b>	9:30 am	Scripture Study, St. Joseph Room
	1:00 pm	Prayer Shawl, St. Joseph Room
	5:45 pm	Altar Server Training
	5:45 pm	Minor Miracles, St. Joseph Room
	6:30 pm	JAM, St. Joseph Room
	7:30 pm	MAC, St. Joseph Room
	7:30 pm	YFF 8th Grade Parent Night, Church Hall
	7:30 pm	
<b>Thu. 11/3</b>	6:00 am	That Man is You! Church Hall
	12:30 pm	Jubilation Choir, Church
	1:00 pm	RCIA, St. Joseph Room
<b>Fri.</b>	6:30 pm	Silent Prayer, Church

Week of October 23, 2016—Week 15	
Budgeted Sunday Envelope Needs	<b>\$23,558.59</b>
Year-to-Date Budget	\$400,496.03
Collected Last Weekend	\$23,300.00
Actual Year-to-Date Envelope Income	<b>\$376,298.75</b>
Over/(Under) Budget	(24,197.28)
Social Concerns (5% of Donations)	\$1,165.00
Bricks and Mortar Envelopes	\$630.00

Ministry Schedule	Saturday, Nov. 6, 4:30 pm	Sunday, Nov. 7 8:00 am	Sunday, Nov. 7, 10:30 am
<b>Sacristan</b>	Linda Alexander	Julie Schmitt	Linda Maher
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Andrew Hamlett Anna Kelly Ciara O'Brien	Claire Vesey Jack Oehler William Oehler	Olivia Holm Marshall Boche Sophia Youngblut
<b>Lectors</b>	Marcia Schmidt Marjorie Jensen	Cynthia Line Mark Oehler	Kevin Holm Michelle Soyer
<b>Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	Doug Hoeger Gail Hawthorne James Ford Jen O'Brien Kelly Zimmerman Kris Hoeger Rita Greif	Ann Weber-Holdgrafer Darwin Schuttloffel Mike Cira Eric Ratliff Marge Carson Mary Mikkola Patti Zessin	Barb Wright Darlene Schmidt JoAnn Starr John Oates Kent Sodawasser Pat Soyer Wendell Gan
<b>Ministers of Hospitality</b>	Arlene Wiley Dan Hawthorne Dennis Maddy Lola McAreavy Peg Platner	Bill Kuennen Dennis Holdgrafer Dick Nurre Mary Nurre Roger Bonlander	Don Klostermann Norbe Boettcher Steve Wright Teresa Girard Verna Klostermann
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>	n/a	n/a	Megan Gan Lindsey Weber



**Seminarian Tyler Raymond**—On Wednesday of this week, Tyler was installed as an acolyte by Bishop Walkowiak of Grand Rapids, MI, in the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception at Mundelein Seminary. He was one of five men from the Archdiocese of Dubuque and among his forty classmates who were installed as acolytes. The installation into the ministry of acolyte appoints him to assist the deacon and priest at the altar during liturgical celebrations, causes him to be an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, allows him to expose and repose the Blessed Sacrament as well as purify the liturgical vessels used at Mass. This is the last step before being ordained a deacon, which God willing, will occur in 2018. Tyler, the son of Julie and Gary Raymond, is a parishioner of St. Joseph.

**Is Halloween a Holiday?**—It seems in our contemporary culture, the word “holiday” is being used with various connotations beyond its root meaning. Holiday comes from the Old English meaning holy day, in reference to special religious days such as Christmas and Easter. I must admit bristling when Halloween is popularly referred to as a holiday. I don’t see any reason to celebrate and hallow (make holy if that were possible) the ghoulish, dark and demented spirits, demons and ghosts. I note that the TV networks are advertizing programs with such themes, including shows that engage in necromancy (attempted contact with the dead, demons or spirits). There was a cancelled fund raiser in a northern Iowa community which would have involved the paranormal in an abandoned school. The problem with necromancy is that one really doesn’t know with whom a conversation is occurring. Is it a departed loved one, or a demon masquerading as such? Secondly, opening oneself to the occult, knowingly or not, risks contamination and influence by Satan and his dark forces. The Church is clear about these matters when teaching about the First Commandment, “I am the Lord your God . . . You shall have no other gods before me (See Exodus 20: 2-5; Deuteronomy 5: 6-9). She teaches, “All forms of divination are to be rejected: recourse to Satan or demons, conjuring up the dead or other practices falsely supposed to ‘unveil’ the future. Consulting horoscopes, astrology, palm reading, interpretation of omens and lots, the phenomena of clairvoyance, and recourse to mediums all conceal a desire for power over time, history and, in the last analysis, other human beings, as well as a wish to conciliate hidden powers. They contradict the honor, respect, and loving fear that we owe to God alone” (Catechism of the Catholic Church, n. 2116).

I don’t consider Halloween a holiday. There’s little to nothing holy about how it is being depicted and observed. Our increasingly secularized culture is emphasizing something that is dangerous. You don’t mess with Satan or his minions. Dressing in costumes and trick-or-treating is one thing, but going with what is trending in our secularized culture is another. Besides, the word Halloween comes from the term, “All Hallows Eve,” which refers to the night before All Saints Day. That’s a real holiday for us to celebrate, to understand death in faith, which includes the Communion of Saints and the laudatory practice of praying for the dead on All Souls Day. That’s where our emphasis should be rather than on mediums and talking with the dead.

**All Saints Day**--November 1st, is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be celebrated on the day only, at 8:15 AM and 5:30 PM.

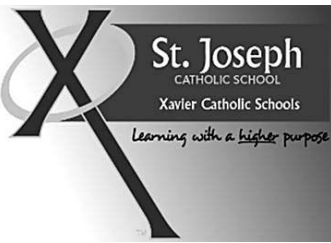
**All Soul’s Day, The Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed**--November 2nd, Mass will be celebrated at 8:15 AM.

As part of the commemoration of the dead, we will place the pictures of those whose funerals were celebrated by the parish over the past year in the prayer corner near the choir area and inscribe their names in the parish Book of the Dead, which will be located near the pictures. You are welcome to write in the book the names of the deceased for which you would like our parish community to pray throughout November.

**The Parish Missionary Coop**—which was preached by Fr. Donald Komboh in September to support the Diocese of Jalingo in Nigeria, Africa, yielded monetary gifts from you in the amount \$8,674.95. This was a wonderful collection. Thanks for your generosity!

### **Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner!**

The Parish Community Life Committee is resurrecting this event which has been popular in the past! **Mark your calendars for Sunday, January 29, 2017.** Details will come later, in the bulletin. Right now, we are in need of couples or singles to host a dinner group of other adult parishioners. You decide how many people you are comfortable hosting, and then prepare the entrée and provide drink. Your guests will provide salad and vegetable. After the meal, everyone meets up at the Church Hall for dessert. The fun part is that no one will know who is in their dinner party until they all show up at your house! Guests are only provided the address and what kind of food item to bring. This is a fun way to meet some of your fellow parishioners other than just seeing them on your way in or out of church! So, if hosting might be for you, now is the time to call or email Sharron Konzen at 319-350-9861 or [rkonzen@yahoo.com](mailto:rkonzen@yahoo.com).



### Clip and Earn Money for St. Joseph School!

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collects: *Box Tops, Hy-Vee  
receipts, Campbell Soup  
labels, Tyson Foods and  
A+ labels.*

### St. Joseph Catholic School

If you are interested in a tour or in learning more about how St. Joseph Catholic School and Preschool can serve as a partner in growing your child's heart, mind and faith, please contact principal Casey Kettmann at 377-6348, or email [ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org](mailto:ckettmann@sjcsmarion.org).

### Leadership and Service

*St. Joseph Catholic School students are INVOLVED!*

Students are invited to join our many teams and activities to build their collaboration and time management skills. Beginning in third grade, students have the opportunity to participate in extracurricular activities. St. Joseph Catholic School offers four instrumental ensembles, two choirs, nine athletic teams, a musical production and a variety of math, engineering, and science opportunities. Opportunities expand as students reach the middle school age. Involvement in extracurricular activities complements classroom learning and gives many opportunities for practical application of learned content.

### Using Your IRA to Contribute to Our Faith STO, Parish or Catholic School.

If you are 70 ½ or older you are required to take a minimum distribution from your IRA, whether you need the income or not. If you are in this situation, you can gift up to \$100,000 of that required withdrawal to the Our Faith STO or any Catholic parish or school. This IRA distribution must be given directly to the STO, parish or school by the financial institution managing the IRA in order to qualify. To learn more visit [www.ourfaithsto.org](http://www.ourfaithsto.org), call the parish or school office or call the Archdiocese of Dubuque at 800-876-3546 ext. 219 or 307.

### Plan Ahead for Your Baby's Baptism

The next infant baptism preparation session will be held on Saturday, November 12th, in the parish office, 9-11 am. Infant baptism preparation sessions are held once every two months. If you are expecting, or have an infant, please contact Deacon Dennis Ternes at [deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:deaconternes@stjoesmarion.org) or 377-4869 to register or learn more.

**Ladies of the Parish:** A huge thank you to all who attended the annual "tie-blanket making" day. Your hard work allowed St. Joseph to donate twenty-six blankets to children in our community.

**Boy Scout Service to Elderly or Disabled:** Boy scouts from St. Joseph Troop 68 are offering their service to the elderly or disabled of St. Joseph parish. Service could include raking, show shoveling, putting away yard furniture for the fall or other tasks. Scouts would be supervised by an adult at all times. To arrange a time, please contact [stjoestroop68@gmail.com](mailto:stjoestroop68@gmail.com) or call Kate at 360-2466.

### St. Joseph Blood Drive

St. Joseph School will be hosting a Blood Drive on Thursday, November 10 from 3:00-7:00 p.m. If we have enough donors the school will be awarded a grant for more than \$250. The need for blood donations is very high right now. We are also looking for volunteers to help greet people as they arrive, especially at 2:00 to 4:00. You can sign up at [www.bloodcenterimpact.org](http://www.bloodcenterimpact.org) and Enter Code 2350 or call Amanda Weaver 447-8965. All parishioners are welcome to participate!

### Women's Connection

Women's Connection, a support group for parish widows, will meet Thursday, November 10th, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the church hall. We will be making food baskets for the needy, so please bring your donations. For more information, please contact Carol G. at 319-200-6905 or Sally W. at 373-5484.

### Advent Giving Project

Our parish will again continue its tradition of offering support to our parish and community families in need. If you are in need, or know of a family who is in need of assistance this Advent, please phone the YFF Office at 377-8402 right away to inquire about the possibility of being included in the Parish Advent Giving Project. Nominees will be contacted to determine if they would like to be included.

### Parish Directory Photos: Updated!

If you were not able to make it to a portrait session and would still like to be included in the new parish directory, you may submit your own portrait for \$10 (checks made out to St. Joseph). Please email a digital copy to [trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:trish.peyton@stjoesmarion.org) or drop off a hard copy with payment at the parish offices by November 18th.

### Mt. Mercy Fall Faculty Series:

*The Catholic Church and the Ethics of Immigration* November 10th, Betty Cherry Heritage Hall, Mt. Mercy University. What does the Catholic Church teach about the ethics of immigration? Assistant Professor of Philosophy Brian Cross will be address this issues in this talk.

### CATHOLIC EVANGELIZATION OUTREACH

While still newlyweds, Emily and Jordan Meyer were expecting their first child. Life, however, didn't go as expected. Born with Trisomy 13 against the recommendations of doctors and against the odds, their son, Bennett, was their little miracle. Come hear St. Joseph parishioner Emily Meyer share how the power of prayer, the sacraments, and love transformed her son and her heart. St. Joseph Catholic Church, Sunday, November 13th, 6:00 to 7:30 p.m. A light meal will be served and free child care will be provided. There is no charge and all are welcome. Visit [CRCEO.INFO](http://CRCEO.INFO) for more information.

*If you are interested in helping our parish host this CEO event by greeting guests, providing a dessert or helping with the either the set-up, serving or clean-up of the light dinner, please email Trish Peyton at [trishpeyton47@gmail.com](mailto:trishpeyton47@gmail.com).*



## ADULT FAITH FORMATION

For more information about the events, programs or materials listed below, please contact Matt Selby, Director of Adult Faith Formation at 377-4869 or [matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org](mailto:matt.selby@stjoesmarion.org), or visit our website at [www.stjoesmarion.org](http://www.stjoesmarion.org).

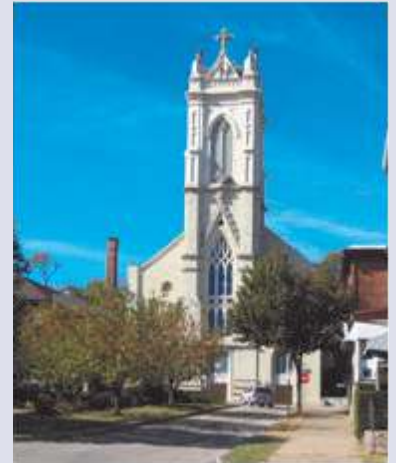


### Wine & Wisdom

The next Wine & Wisdom will be Sunday, October 30th in the Hickory Room at Lowe Park (4500 N. 10<sup>th</sup> Street) from 7:00-8:30 PM. There is a \$10 cost to attend. Light snacks and delicious wines will be served. Matt Selby will be speaking on "Help Them Return: Keys to Reaching Family Members Who Have Left the Church." Come learn and discuss ways to positively witness the Catholic faith to loved ones who have left. No registration is necessary.

### Year of Mercy Pilgrimage to Dubuque

On Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> our parish will offer a bus trip to visit the Cathedral of St. Raphael in Dubuque to walk through the Door of Mercy and attend the Archdiocese closing Mass for the Year of Mercy presided over by Archbishop Michael Jackels. The bus will depart from St. Joseph at 12:30 PM and make a stop at the New Melleray Abbey for the group to learn about monastic life. Then, we will move on to the Cathedral for a tour, a visit the Door of Mercy, confession, and Mass. After Mass, we will have dinner at Tony Roma's in Dubuque and will return to St. Joseph by 9:30 PM. There is a \$50 cost person to cover travel and dinner. For more information and to register, please visit [www.stjoesmarion.org/dubuque-pilgrimage](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/dubuque-pilgrimage), pick up a pamphlet in the vestibule, or contact Matt Selby. Space is limited, so register soon!



### Holy Land Pilgrimage

Join Fr. Dave O'Connor and Matt Selby on a pilgrimage to the Holy Land from January 16-26, 2017! Experience the places Jesus walked and ministered. See the sites we hear about in the Scripture readings at Mass! The cost is \$3,599 per person (additional cost for a private room). To find out more information, pick up a flyer in the vestibule, contact Matt Selby, or visit [www.pilgrimages.com/selby](http://www.pilgrimages.com/selby). The deadline to sign-up for the trip is November 17.

### Advent Scripture Study Series on Lectio Divina

Lectio Divina means "Divine Reading" and is an ancient Christian form of praying with the Scriptures. Enter into the season of Advent and grow in your prayer life by joining the next Scripture Study series on this topic called "Prayer: Finding Intimacy with God." This four-week study will take place Mondays from 7:00-9:00 PM, starting on November 28<sup>th</sup>, and Wednesdays from 9:30-11:30 AM, starting on November 30<sup>th</sup>, in the St. Joseph Room. There is a \$20 cost for materials. Please register at [www.stjoesmarion.org/scripture-study](http://www.stjoesmarion.org/scripture-study) or by contacting Matt Selby.

### Young Adult Bowling

All Young Adults, ages 21-39, are invited to the YAM Bowling Night! Mark your calendars to go bowling as a group on Sunday, November 6th at 3:30 PM at the Cedar Rapids Bowling Center (265 Blairs Ferry Rd. NE, Cedar Rapids). We'll bowl a few games and have the option of staying to eat dinner at the bowling alley (each person is responsible for paying for their own games and food/drinks). For questions, contact Matt Selby.



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