

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran
Church & School**



**Preacher &
Liturgist:** Pr. Matthew Moss
Kantor: Dr. Crystal Rossow

Thanks to all who serve this week:

Altar Guild:
Julie Mazurowski, Brenna Koehler

Worship Assistants:
8:00 am: Joe Koehler
10:30 am: Ed Kemna

Acolytes:
8:00 am: Leah Gordon & Joey Heisler
10:30 am: Ava Kanz & Bella Kanz

Ushers:
8:00 am: Joe Koehler, Philip Koehler,
Dan Orbin, Mike Orbin,
Jerry Rogge
10:30 am: Marvin Cummins, Tim Lodholz,
Dean Noren, Wayne Schutte

Money Counters:
Ruth Droogsma, Paul Radintz,
Craig Schutte, Mark Schutte

The Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17

¹⁰Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. ¹¹Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the schemes of the devil. ¹²For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the cosmic powers over this present darkness, against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly places. ¹³Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand firm. ¹⁴Stand therefore, having fastened on the belt of truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, ¹⁵and, as shoes for your feet, having put on the readiness given by the gospel of peace. ¹⁶In all circumstances take up the shield of faith, with which you can extinguish all the flaming darts of the evil one; ¹⁷and take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

The Alleluia Verse

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The Holy Gospel: John 4:46-54

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 4th chapter.

C: [sung] Glory to You, O Lord

⁴⁶[Jesus] came again to Cana in Galilee, where he had made the water wine. And at Capernaum there was an official whose son was ill. ⁴⁷When this man heard that Jesus had come from Judea to Galilee, he went to him and asked him to come down and heal his son, for he was at the point of death. ⁴⁸So Jesus said to him, "Unless you see signs and wonders you will not believe." ⁴⁹The official said to him, "Sir, come down before my child dies." ⁵⁰Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went on his way. ⁵¹As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was recovering. ⁵²So he asked them the hour when he began to get better, and they said to him, "Yesterday at the seventh hour the fever left him." ⁵³The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live." And he himself believed, and all his household. ⁵⁴This was now the second sign that Jesus did when he had come from Judea to Galilee.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: [sung] Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon Hymn: O God, O Lord of Heaven and Earth

LSB 834

A Sermon on Spiritual Warfare from Ephesians 6 and John 4

The Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Offering: Aus tiefer Not ich schrei zu dir (Friedrich Wilhelm Zachow)

Offertory

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The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

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Distribution Hymn: Jesus Has Come and Brings Pleasure

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Distribution Hymn: O Christ, Our True and Only Light

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Canticle: "Thank the Lord"

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Collect and Benediction

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Closing Hymn: Rise! To Arms! With Prayer Employ You

LSB 668

Postlude: Rise! To Arms! Let Prayer Employ You (Paul Manz)

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran
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(LCMS)**

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† **Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity** †
October 21, 2018

Pre-Service Verse, Prayer, and Music for Personal Preparation and Reflection

Verse: Alleluia. Those who trust in the LORD are like Mount Zion, which cannot be moved, but abides forever. Alleluia. (Ps. 125:1)

Prayer: Dear God, bless us through Your Word & Spirit to be well-armed and defended in the war against the Devil, the World, and our own sinful flesh- Amen

Prelude: Jesus Is Come and Brings Pleasure Eternal (Charles W. Ore)

The Divine Service

Hymn of the Day: *From Depths of Woe I Cry to Thee* LSB 607

Confession & Absolution page 167

Introit Ps. 119:1, 38-40; antiphon: Liturgical Text

The whole world is | in your power,*
 O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.
 For you have made | heaven and earth;*
 you are | Lord of all!

**Blessed are those whose way is | blameless,*
 who walk in the law | of the LORD!**

**Confirm to your servant your | promise,*
 that you | may be feared.**

**Turn away the reproach | that I dread,*
 for your just de- | crees are good.**

**Behold, I long for your | precepts; *
 in your righteousness | give me life!**

**Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
 and to the Holy | Spirit;**

**as it was in the be- | ginning, *
 is now, and will be forever. | Amen.**

The whole world is | in your power; *
 O Lord, King Almighty, no one can | gainsay you.
 For you have made | heaven and earth; *
 you are | Lord of all!

Kyrie & Gloria in Excelsis page 168

Collect of the Day
 O Lord, keep Your household, the Church, in continual godliness that through Your protection she may be free from all adversities and devoutly given to serve You in good works; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Genesis 1:1-2:3

¹In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. ²The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters.

³And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. ⁴And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. ⁵God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

⁶And God said, "Let there be an expanse in the midst of the waters, and let it separate the waters from the waters." ⁷And God made the expanse and separated the waters that were under the expanse from the waters that were above the expanse. And it was so. ⁸And God called the expanse Heaven. And there was evening and there was morning, the second day.

⁹And God said, "Let the waters under the heavens be gathered together into one place, and let the dry land appear." And it was so. ¹⁰God called the dry land Earth, and the waters that were gathered together he called Seas. And God saw that it was good.

¹¹And God said, "Let the earth sprout vegetation, plants yielding seed, and fruit trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind, on the earth." And it was so. ¹²The earth brought forth vegetation, plants yielding seed according to their own kinds, and trees bearing fruit in which is their seed, each according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ¹³And there was evening and there was morning, the third day.

¹⁴And God said, "Let there be lights in the expanse of the heavens to separate the day from the night. And let them be for signs and for seasons, and for days and years, ¹⁵and let them be lights in the expanse of the heavens to give light upon the earth." And it was so.

¹⁶And God made the two great lights—the greater light to rule the day and the lesser light to rule the night—and the stars. ¹⁷And God set them in the expanse of the heavens to give light on the earth, ¹⁸to rule over the day and over the night, and to separate the light from the darkness. And God saw that it was good. ¹⁹And there was evening and there was morning, the fourth day.

²⁰And God said, "Let the waters swarm with swarms of living creatures, and let birds fly above the earth across the expanse of the heavens." ²¹So God created the great sea creatures and every living creature that moves, with which the waters swarm, according to their kinds, and every winged bird according to its kind. And God saw that it was good. ²²And God blessed them, saying, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the waters in the seas, and let birds multiply on the earth." ²³And there was evening and there was morning, the fifth day.

²⁴And God said, "Let the earth bring forth living creatures according to their kinds—livestock and creeping things and beasts of the earth according to their kinds" And it was so. ²⁵And God made the beasts of the earth according to their kinds and the livestock according to their kinds, and everything that creeps on the ground according to its kind. And God saw that it was good.

²⁶Then God said, "Let us make man in our image, after our likeness. And let them have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over the livestock and over all the earth and over every creeping thing that creeps on the earth"

²⁷So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them.

²⁸And God blessed them. And God said to them, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." ²⁹And God said, "Behold, I have given you every plant yielding seed that is on the face of all the earth, and every tree with seed in its fruit. You shall have them for food. ³⁰And to every beast of the earth and to every bird of the heavens and to everything that creeps on the earth, everything that has the breath of life, I have given every green plant for food." And it was so. ³¹And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good. And there was evening and there was morning, the sixth day.

^{2:1} Thus the heavens and the earth were finished, and all the host of them. ²And on the seventh day God finished his work that he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all his work that he had done. ³So God blessed the seventh day and made it holy, because on it God rested from all his work that he had done in creation.

P: This is the Word of the Lord

C: Thanks be to God

Gradual Ps. 90:1-2

**Lord, you have been our | dwelling place*
 in all gener- | ations.**

**Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever you had formed the earth |
 and the world,***

from everlasting to everlasting | you are God.

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- *Since the Lord's Supper is testimony of our unity in the faith, the Sacrament is reserved for members in good standing of congregations of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.*
- *Visitors from sister LCMS congregations who agree with our doctrine and practice should announce your desire to commune to a pastor before joining us at the Lord's Table.*
- *Members may prepare by reading Luther's "Questions & Answers for those who intend to go to the Sacrament" (LSB 329-330).*

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Youth Group

GET CONNECTED: We have many Youth Group events throughout the year and we want to make sure YOU know about them. Keep an eye on your email, the Church bulletin and the School newsletter for info on the events. Contact Jayme Kruse with questions on how to get connected - jayme.kruse@gmail.com/612-807-6526.

YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY (grades 5-12): The STJL Youth Group program is geared towards 6th-12th graders; however, beginning this year, we have invited 5th graders to attend Youth Group Bible Study on Sunday mornings. This gives them an opportunity to start getting to know the other kids in Youth Group as well as take advantage of age-appropriate topics we discuss. Each Sunday, between services, 5th and 6th graders will meet in the Auxiliary Room and 7th-12th graders will meet in the 6th grade (Mr. Peterman's) room upstairs. We have some great topics planned, you won't want to miss it!

RANDOM RAKING: *NEXT* Sunday, October 28th - Bring a rake, a snack and a friend and join us as we rake leaves for members of our church. We will meet at St. John's and leave via caravan at 12:00. We will be back to St. John's by 3:00. PARENTS ARE NEEDED!

BUILDING PROJECTS / NEEDS / NOTICES:

Roof replacement project ~ We have a comprehensive plan to replace the aging school roof over the next 7-10 yrs. The SE section of the building is in the worst shape, and we would like to replace that portion next summer; estimated cost \$60,000. If we do not proceed with this replacement schedule, the damage repair cost could be even greater. Funds are needed to start this project.

Emergency lighting replacement ~ We are replacing the emergency lights throughout the building. The cost for the lights is \$1500 and we are doing the work ourselves.

(Please consider these needs by making a special contribution to the St. John's Improvement Fund.)

Parsonage window project ~ One of the volunteer jobs for the parsonage window project will be to stain the new window frames before they are installed. Please contact us if you'd like to help with this.

Piano giveaway ~ It has been determined that we do not need the piano that is in the auxiliary room and we are giving it away. Please contact us if you want it; otherwise it will be thrown away.

† **The Twenty-first Sunday after Trinity** †

October 21, 2018

REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort— Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Kristine Eversman, Bob Malwitz, Alvin Cook, Diann Bates (mother of Toya Fish), Ilene Shepherd, and Zachary Kappel. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

Our homebound members are Linda Bredenberg, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Audrey Hansen, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiede, and Ilene Shepherd.

All those serving in our Armed Forces— Agena Christophersen (Belgium), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Texas), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Germany), Joseph Radintz (home), Marty Schiltz (home), and Andrew Zupfer (home).

Those who have lost loved ones during the past year— Karen MacMillan & family (at the loss of her mother Yvonne Johnson), Scott Gehl & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Alex Hansen, the family of William Dodds, the family of Caroline Lucht, and the family of Dorothy Schutte, Paul & Diane Radintz (at the loss of their son Bill), John Malikowski & family (at the loss of his mother Frances), Cindy Cook & family (at the loss of her sister Jackie), the family of William Cahlander, and Kathleen Cooper & family (at the loss of her father John Giguere).

And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones— the family of Ron Conley.

THIS WEEK: The congregations in our circuit are praying for Glory of Christ Lutheran, Plymouth, and Pastor Jeremiah Johnson and Pastor Kyle Krueger.

PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL: This week we pray for our Safety Team, our PTL Members, and our Middle School Teacher Gretchen Dolan.

THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION is available the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary (and by appointment any time with your pastors). Take advantage of this opportunity to hear God's Word of forgiveness spoken to you individually in Jesus' Name. "If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9).

FROM THE PASTORS:

SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK: 10/23 St. James of Jerusalem (Acts 15:12-22a; James 1:1-12; Matthew 13:54-58); 10/28 St. Simon & St. Jude (Jer. 26:1-16; 1 Peter 1:3-9; John 15:12-21)

Bible Study



SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOSS: This Fall we will take up a different theological topic each week. In the wake of Luther's death theological controversies shook the Evangelical Lutheran Church down to its very foundation: the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We will study these various controversial topics, see their connection to the Gospel, and learn how to speak clearly in accord with God's Holy Word.

This week: What Should a Preacher Preach and a Hearer Hear?

Next week: What Is in Your Mouth? Communion & the Two Natures of Christ

Video Recordings Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lutheranbiblestudy>

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY: We study the *Book of Proverbs*, meeting Tuesdays in the Auxiliary Room; we meet at 9:45 am. You can also watch live online using Facebook Live; just go to St. John's Facebook page. Join us as we reflect on Jesus Christ, the Wisdom from on High. All knowledge begins with the Fear of the Lord and many practical insights flow from that knowledge- the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



ADULT INSTRUCTION CLASS: A new course through the Catechism has begun. Anyone -member or non-member- interested in joining should contact Pastor Moss (pastor.moss@stjlutheran.org)

NIGERIA: I returned from Nigeria having spent three weeks instructing men at the Jonathon Ekong Lutheran Seminary of the Lutheran Church of Nigeria where I taught elementary Hebrew, the book of Isaiah, and a more advanced Hebrew reading course to the men I taught last February. I want to thank everyone who kept me in your prayers and who contributed financially to this important mission. I am still in need of additional funds to cover my expenses and would appreciate any additional contributions you may provide. I will provide a detailed account of my expenses to our congregation secretary when everything has been finalized. Please write out any checks to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church with a note, "Briel Nigeria Trip". Any funds contributed over and above my expenses will be sent to the Seminary pending approval by our Board of Deacons. May God continue to bless our brothers and sisters in the Nigerian Lutheran Church, especially those men preparing for the Ministry at the seminary.



~Pr. Briel

This Week at St. John's Lutheran

TODAY	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	6:00 pm:	Robotics Club
MON:	7:00 pm:	Adult Instruction Class
TUES:	9:45 am:	Adult Bible Study this week
	7:00 pm:	BOA Board Meeting
WED:	6:00 pm:	PS Catechism
	6:15 pm:	Brass Practice
	7:00 pm:	Choir Practice
THUR:	7:00 pm:	Table Tennis
FRI:	8:00 am:	Chapel ~ 3 rd Grade Sings
SAT:	9:00 am:	LWML Service Project: Pro-Life Sewing
SUN:	8:00 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	9:15 am:	Sunday School
	9:30 am:	Bible Study
	10:30 am:	Divine Service with Lord's Supper
	6:00 pm:	Robotics Club

Those Serving Next Week, Reformation, Sunday, October 28th:

Altar Guild:		Julie Mazurowski and Brenna Koehler
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Greg Christopher
	10:30 am:	Dean Noren
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Jeremy Kappel & Zachary Kappel
	10:30 am:	Matthew Koosman & Joy Koosman
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Joe Koehler, Philip Koehler, Dan Orbin, Mike Orbin, Jerry Rogge
	10:30 am:	Marvin Cummins, Tim Lodholz, Dean Noren, Wayne Schutte
Money Counters:		Scott Kulberg, Tim Lodholz, Bob Stashenko, Jack Wold



**Please lock all doors before leaving this building.
If you unlock to enter, please lock as you leave!**

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):

Ways to Give ~ ~



In Person...

Place checks or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate as it goes by.



Text... St. John's New "Text to Give" # 763-225-2689 Set up a one time or recurring donation by texting the amount you wish to give. ***



Giving App...

Download the 'GivePlus Church' app to set up one-time or recurring donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone! ***



Online...

Visit www.stjlutheran.org to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts. ***



***you can use the printed "I Give Electronically" cards as a visible sign of your stewardship during services...The supply is available upon entering service and will be returned to replenish for re-use after the money counting process.

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK Sunday, October 14th ~ 8:00 am: CT: 146 CM: 112
10:30 am: CT: 192 CM: 165



	<u>Last Week</u> 10/14/18	<u>Year-to-date</u> since 07/01/18
FINANCIAL UPDATE		
Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources	\$ 12,979	\$ 441,231
Amount Needed	\$ 27,069	\$ 631,984
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ (14,090)	\$ (190,753)
% Ahead (-Behind)		-30%
Current Building Mortgage Balance (September 30)	\$594,597	

Important Notes:
Amount Needed above includes the prior years' cumulative deficit of \$131,500 at June 30, 2018, plus the pro-rated portion of the \$53,217 Congregation-approved deficit for the current budget year beginning July 1, 2018.

Please contact Board of Admin Deacons Mike Gaffer (mtgaff@comcast.net) or Tom Eversman (Theversman@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

CONGREGATION PRESIDENT / DEACON CHAIRMAN (Erik Preus, Chris Kruse):

BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):



RECEPTIONIST POSITION: As approved in the Budget meeting in March of 2018, St. John's is looking to hire a part-time receptionist for the school year. If you are interested in the job description and applying, please contact the Church Office during normal business hours, or look on our website for that to be posted soon.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES: Kindly remember to write your offering amount on the front of your envelope ~ this helps the Money Counters and the data entry of your contribution into your giving records.



Please note~ If your preference is to contribute to a mission, St. John's currently designated Mission Project options are: *Issues, Etc., Japan/Iastrom, Lutherans for Life, Nigeria/Wokoma, or Synod.* (If any other mission is indicated on your envelope, your offering will be divided between all of these current mission options with the exception of Issues, Etc.)

Also, if you have not indicated on the envelope where you want your money to be directed, the application of those undesignated funds will default to the General Fund to pay the ongoing expenses of the Church and School.

BOARD OF EDUCATION (Stu Glock):

PT ESP JOB OPPORTUNITY: Responsibilities will include supervising children after school with homework and playtime. Availability Mon-Fri 2:15-5:30; flexible days & hrs. Contact Julie Zemke: 612-940-6065, julie@zemke.com



GALA: Invitations are out and registration is OPEN! If you did not receive an invite, that was a mistake! Please let us know about the error so it can be corrected!

~Liz Glock 612-247-4794

BOARD OF TECHNOLOGY (Sam Kulberg):

BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP, EVANGELISM, WORSHIP, and ALTAR CARE (Mark Ellinger, Phil Schutte):



VOTE NOVEMBER 6TH: A voter's guide to pro-life candidates is in the narthex to help you make an informed decision. Question about how the LCMC church stands on life issues can be answered at the LCMC website or if you have any questions please talk to Patty Gardner, LeAnn Cummins or Gretchen Kliche.

BABY ITEMS NEEDED: Our pro-life pregnancy centers, WomenSource and City Life Center, are in need of fall and winter baby clothes, sleep sacks, diapers, and wipes. Please put in the pack 'n play in the narthex. We will be collecting the month of October.



LWML SERVICE PROJECT: *THIS* Saturday, October 27th, our circuit churches are meeting at St. John's to quilt, sew, & tie blankets for pregnancy centers. Come anytime between 9am-3pm & bring your scissors & sewing machine. Fleece in 1½ yards is also needed. Lunch will be provided. RSVP to LeAnn Cummins 763-420-2317 or Gretchen Kliche 763-477-6136.

CROSS...FOOD NEEDS: Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **OCTOBER** are: Rice and Toothbrushes. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



LIFETOUCH PHOTO DIRECTORIES are here! If you participated in this year's Lifetouch Photo Directory sessions, you can pick up your directory out in the Narthex. For those who did not participate this time, there is a limited number available for purchase for \$5. If you have any questions, please contact Sue Rezneck @ 763-477-4959.

FROM OTHER CONGREGATIONS:

FROM THE CONGREGATION AT LARGE:

THANK YOU to Pr. Moss for his pastoral care and hospital visits as well as the congregation for your prayers while Jim was ill. We are pleased to report he is doing much better and is back home.
Thank you! ~ Jim & Renaye Day

FROM THE SECRETARIES:

EACH QUARTER: FIVE COPIES OF LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER will be available to share with those who need this magazine in larger print.

"LUTHERAN HOUR" this week on WCCO 830 AM at 6:00 a.m., WWJO 98.1 FM at 7:30 a.m., and KRWC AM Buffalo at 9:30 a.m.

SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S:

Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event; all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar. Thank you!
763-420-2426 Julie A.: secretary@stjlutheran.org

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Items received by midnight Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Kindly please submit your request timely to ensure your announcement gets published as needed. Ruth D.: secretary2@stjlutheran.org

**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF
October 21 - October 27**

SUNDAY	WEDNESDAY
Kim Pomeranke	Brian Cleaveland
MONDAY	THURSDAY
Tracey Blanck Oliver Borcharding Harold Grambart Karen Orth David Renner Mara Schmidt	K. C. Kolstad Cheryl Lucas Kari Preus
TUESDAY	FRIDAY
Cory O'Hern Britttany Strohschein	Kimberly Bredesen Noah MacMillan Grace Windsperger
	SATURDAY
	Weston Holovnia Aaron Rossow Johanna Rossow Matthew Weishaar

If you notice an update is needed, kindly advise the church secretary to make sure we have the correct information to publish.

E-Giving at St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



GIVE+ GIVING OPTIONS: St. John's offers three electronic giving options for convenient stewardship! **Online giving** has been in place for some time (formerly known as Simply Giving...re-branded as the Give+ electronic giving program of Vanco Payment Solutions),

The Mobile App and **Text**. As convenient alternatives to envelope offerings, all of these options are fast, more secure, and manageable for one-time or repetitive contributions, **and** you can direct your money to any of St. John's current giving funds! No longer do you have to carry cash or checks to make contributions – and, if you are unable to give in person while out ill, on vacation, or business, you can initiate a transaction anytime, anywhere! Additionally, when there are special giving opportunities, attending congregational social events, or responding to special appeals, your supplemental discreet gift can easily be submitted. **When you participate in electronic giving, you may still want to demonstrate your stewardship during services; so our offering plate cards (that read "I give electronically") are available to drop in the offering plate as it is circulated.**

In weeks to come, expect postings on Facebook and our website. While traditional envelope offerings are still an option, any donations made electronically provide accurate record posting, and do not require the tedious manual handling of the money counting process, or endure the physical environment of bank check processing. St. John's relies on the financial support of the congregation and electronic giving offers an easy way to give on a recurring basis; please consider setting up a recurring giving plan. By knowing what you are willing to commit financially, we are able to better plan for the future.

New members will be advised of our giving method options, and guests/non-members will have the ability to contribute anywhere, anytime and have a record of their donation. *You are encouraged to utilize any and all of the ways now available to you for giving to St. John's Lutheran Church.* Members will receive a statement at the end of the year that will reflect your total combined giving by fund distribution.

For detailed information on these options, check out the display in the narthex. Comments or questions: secretary2@stjlutheran.org



The Gala Committee is enthusiastically planning their **5th Annual Gala, "Give Thanks, Give Back"**. This event has had a direct impact on our Church and School.

This year's event goal is to ensure that the generosity of our donors and attendees will be used for tuition assistance and roof repairs of our Church and School.

Please consider the various opportunities of support:

- ✓ Attend the event!
- ✓ Donate an item or service for the live auction or silent auction.
- ✓ Make a monetary contribution.
- ✓ Invest in a Sponsored Table that will expose your Business (table sponsorship includes 10 tickets, a glass of wine for each Guest, Business name recognition in the event program, website, social media and table centerpiece - \$750 per table (\$425 tax-deductible portion).
- ✓ Invite Family, Friends, Co-Workers and Neighbors. Showcase St. John's Lutheran Church & School!

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