St. John's Lutheran Church
Announcements
September 13, 2026

In Our Prayers This Week

Our members and friends who are sick and in need of healing and comfort: Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Ryan & Toya Fish, Thea Mazurowski (wife of Kevin), Caroline Schaefer, Lisa Kolander, Cindy Kmecik, Pat Hansen, Carol Eastborne, Judie Berreau, Pat Kalk, Randy Bredenberg, Duane Abraham, Lois Nelson, and Diane Radintz

Our homebound members: Judie Berreau, Rick Bymark, Lorrayne Conley, Rev. David Fechner, Pat Hansen, Darlean & Joe Goskey, Barb Grambart, Ron Koehler, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Rev. Terry & Debbie Small, John Radintz

For those who rejoice, especially Adam & Jessica Gottula at the birth of their daughter, Elizabeth

For those who mourn, especially the family of Loren Peterson and for Ron Tarvin and family at the death of his mother, Karen

All those serving in our Armed Forces: Agena Christophersen (Germany), Lucas Kiesow (Kansas), Kevin Mazurowski (Wisconsin), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (California), Brian Pruhs (Missouri), Joseph Radintz (home), Danny Schilling (home), Isaac Vogt (Colorado), and Alexander Rank (Minnesota)

All expecting families and their unborn children, especially Caitlin and Joe Pariseau and Johanna (nee-Rossow) and Darius Uditsky

Praying for our church & school: This week we pray for our Jr. and Sr. youth coordinator, Erika Rossow, all who oversee our parish education, and for our middle school teacher, Miss Erin Rudolph.

This week the congregations in our circuit are praying for MN South District Rev. Lucas Woodford, our District President, and all our elected officers and board members

From the Pastors

FALL 2026 ADULT CATECHISM CLASS IS SET Pastor Moss's Adult Catechism Class meets on Thursday evenings from 5:30 - 7:00 PM. It is not too late to join! Contact him ASAP if you plan to attend (pastor.moss@stjlutheran.org), especially if you need child care.

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY: REVELATION This year we will study The Book of Revelation. Please read the September Church Newsletter for Pastor Moss's introduction to the book. Join us every Sunday as we walk through this fascinating and important final book of the Bible.

- Sept. 13: Intro and Revelation 1:1-8- Prologue and Greeting to the Seven Churches

TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY meets weekly at 9:00am in the auxiliary room.

- Sept. 15: Psalm 145 A Song of Praise to Yahweh

ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

- September 6: 233 attended; 166 communed

TO PREPARE FOR NEXT SUNDAY, we encourage you to follow Issues, Etc. (especially Pr. John Bombaro's "Looking Forward to Sunday Morning [the 1-Year Lectionary]") on your podcasting app or via their website.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

TODAY! CELEBRATING ALL 3-YEAR-OLDS! If your child's birthday falls between **September 1, 2022, and September 30, 2023**, he/she will be invited forward to receive their Children's Bible during both services today! This is a special gift from our church family to help nurture their faith and encourage them to grow in God's Word.

SHANNON LANE PROPERTY CAMPAIGN We are grateful for the opportunity to move forward with our new Shannon Lane property. Starting **TODAY**, St. John's is launching a capital campaign with a goal of raising $100,000 toward the property's mortgage by December 31.

Gifts may be made in any of the following ways:

- Place a gift in the Sunday offering plate using an envelope marked "Shannon Lane Property Campaign."
- Give online at www.stjlutheranchurch.org. Select Sharing, then Giving, choose "Shannon Lane Property Campaign" from the dropdown menu, and follow the prompts.
- Scan the QR code to go directly to the online giving page, select "Shannon Lane Property Campaign," and follow the prompts.

Every gift, regardless of size, will bring us closer to our goal. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you might support this campaign and for your continued generosity to the ministry of St. John's.

SUNDAY SCHOOL,YOUTH BIBLE STUDY, & HIGH SCHOOL BIBLE STUDY BEGIN TODAY at 9:30am. Preschool-5th grade meet in the gym, 6th-8th meet in Mrs. Nauth's room (middle school hallway), and 9th-12th meet in the auxiliary room.

SUNDAY SCHOOL, YOUTH BIBLE STUDY, AND NURSERY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED! Contact Erika Rossow for youth group and Sunday school (there is a sign up outside the nursery for those interested in helping in between services).

SENIOR MINISTRY PROGRAM REMINDER Please join us for our September Senior Ministry Fellowship gathering on the third Tuesday, **September 15th** at noon in the fellowship hall. We'll start with a pizza bar followed by devotions and then games and social time. No sign up is necessary, but if you need a ride let us know by contacting STJLSenior@stjlutheran.org.

THE NEXT ALTAR GUILD MEETING will be **THIS Thursday**, September 17th from 7:00-8:00pm in the fellowship hall.

IT'S THE LAST CALL TO JOIN us for the St. John's Charity Golf Tournament! The tournament is **THIS Saturday, September 19**, and we would love to see church members, school families, and friends of St. John's on the course. Gather your foursome and register before it's too late!

POTLUCK & CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY The fellowship committee is hosting a potluck for our fall Congregational Assembly on **Sunday, September 27** after the second service. Please come to attend the meeting and break bread together in fellowship. Bring a dish to share! Beverages, lasagna, and mac and cheese will be provided.

DEACON NOMINATIONS: At the Fall Assembly meeting on Sunday, September 27th, four new Deacons will be selected from the following candidates: Brian Callahan, Greg Christopher, Mark Ellinger, Antony Fisher, Bob Gerda, David Huth, David Kulberg, Tim Radintz, David Rank. Also, the following will be up for re-election for congregational officer positions: Leif Briel (president), Sarah Bahr (secretary), and Joe Koehler (treasurer).

If anyone has concerns about the fitness of these members to serve St. John's, that person must contact one of the pastors or the Deacon Chairman, Chris Kruse. The congregation gives thanks to God for those willing to serve in this capacity, especially those whose term of service is coming to an end: Deacons Pete Ims, Mark Radintz, Dan Kolander, and Grant Birznieks

FEAST OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL Join us after the 7pm service for a wine and cheese social on Tuesday, September 29th.

JOIN US AT THE 2026 FALL FESTIVAL The Fellowship Committee is delighted to invite you to the **St. John's 2026 Fall Festival**. Come celebrate the beauty of the autumn season, the joy of Christian fellowship, and the warmth of community with friends, family, and neighbors. Enjoy delicious fall favorites, seasonal activities for all ages, and the

opportunity to gather as a church family while celebrating God's blessings.

- **Date:** Sunday, October 4th, 2026 (rain or shine at St. John's)
- **Time:** 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. (immediately following the second Divine Service)

Please RSVP by scanning the QR code so we can ensure there is plenty of food and supplies for everyone attending. We look forward to celebrating this special fall tradition with you!

FALL FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS WANTED! If you'd like to lend a hand with setup, games, or the food tables, your help is greatly appreciated. Reach out to Lori Kiesow or Jamie Peterson.

Finances & Giving

Financial Year To Date Update (July 1, 2026 - August 31, 2026)

- Year To Date actual **revenue: $449,237**
- Year To Date **revenue** is favorable **$32,241** to budget

- Year To Date actual **operating expenses: $391,859**
- Year To Date **operating expenses** are favorable **$5,992** to budget

Ways to Give

- Scan the QR code
- Online at www.stjohnscorcoran.churchcenter.com/giving
- Download the "Church Center" in your app store
  - Add St. John's as your church to give
  - Track your pledges, giving and more!

Did You Know?

Through your faithful giving, St. John's supports several mission partners both locally and around the world. Members may designate offerings to any of the following missions:

- LCMS Minnesota South District missions
- Rev. Charles Wokoma – Nigeria
- Rev. Dr. Daniel & Joan Jastram – Japan
- Janine Foggia – Hong Kong

When **giving by check**, simply note the mission name in the memo line. **Online giving** options are also available through the church website by clicking on the "Sharing" tab and then selecting "Giving."

Thank you for supporting the spread of the Gospel through these mission opportunities.

Questions regarding church financials should be directed to Stephanie.Parris@stjlutheran.org or any member of the Board of Admin.

Nice to Know

Recorded worship services may be viewed on our St. John's YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/@STJLutheran.

Large print bulletins are available. If you would like one in your mailbox each week for use, contact the church office at 763-420-2426.

Large print Portals of Prayer are available in limited numbers. Please speak with an usher if you would like one.

St. John's Constitution & By-laws are available at the front office.

The Lutheran Hour can be found this week at the following: 6:00am WCCO 830 AM; 7:30am WWJO 98.1 FM; 9:30am KRWC AM Buffalo

Planning to stop in? Please call ahead before arrival. Office hours are 7:30am-3:30pm Monday - Friday. You may reach us at 763-420-2426.

Bulletin announcements must be emailed by **noon each Wednesday** to Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org to be considered for inclusion.

A happy birthday is wished to those celebrating this week!

- **Today**:
- **Monday:** Alan Stromback, Emery Radintz, Sue Reznecheck
- **Tuesday**: Calvin Thompson, Mason Halvorson, Sabrina Vetsch
- **Wednesday**: Deb Koehler, Harlan Peterson
- **Thursday**: Eric Toelle, Laura Wandersee
- **Friday**:
- **Saturday**: Lois Nelson

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

What is an "acolyte"?

The acolyte is the person (or persons) who lights the candles before the service. The word acolyte comes from the Greek word *akolouthos* which means "follower." In English, the word acolyte sometimes means "attendant."

Why do we use acolytes in the Church?

Acolytes have always been an important part of worship. For centuries, acolytes have attended to the service of God's people by helping the pastor in many different ways. In our churches today, acolytes primarily serve by lighting the candles. Acolytes wear robes and sit apart from the congregation because they are helping the pastor to serve God's people during the service. Wow! What an important job!

Parents:
During the Divine Service, point out the acolyte to your children. If they are too young at the time, encourage them that one day they will get the opportunity to be an acolyte. Remind them that being an acolyte is a very important job for children to have in the church.

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This Week at St. John's

Today	8:00am	Divine Service • Common cup
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study
	10:30am	Divine Service • Individual cups
	12:00pm	5th-12th Grade Acolyte/Processional Training & Pizza Party
	6:00pm	Adult/High School Open Gym Volleyball
Monday		
Tuesday	9:00am	Adult Bible Study
	12:00pm	Senior Ministry Fellowship Event
	7:00pm	Board Meetings
Wednesday	6:00pm	Public School Catechism
	6:00pm	Handbell Rehearsal
	7:00pm	Choir Rehearsal
Thursday	5:30pm	Adult Catechism Class
	7:00pm	Altar Guild Meeting
Friday	8:15am	Chapel
Saturday	12:30pm	13th Annual Charity Golf Tournament
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