

# St. John's Lutheran Church

## Announcements

September 15, 2024



### *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), Barb Grambart, Judie Berreau, Ryan & Toya Fish, Joyce O'Hern, Randy Goerke, Renaye Day, Debi Anderson (mother of Tori Kuehne), Mandy (Schmidt) Berndt, Elisabeth Lieske, Justin Brynjulfson, Ilene Shepherd, Rev. Vance Milbrath (Pastor, Grace LCMS, Brooklyn Park), Caroline Schaefer, Alexis Brockberg, Sarah Carter, Thea Mazurowski (wife of Kevin)

**Our homebound members:** John Barrett, Rick Bymark, Lorryayne Conley, Sue Erickson, Rev. David Fechner, Wes Grambart, Ron Koehler, Joyce O'Hern, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Ilene Shepherd, and Robert Stashenko

**All those serving in our Armed Forces:** Agena Christophersen (Germany), Kevin Mazurowski (Arizona), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (California), Brian Pruhs (Oklahoma), Joseph Radintz (home), and Danny Schilling (home)

**All expecting families and their unborn children,** especially Chris and Krista (Mellum) Anderson; Sam and Victoria (Niemira) Kulberg; Ryan and Naomi (Johnson) Ludwig; and Cory and Daphne (Evans) Olson

**Praying for our church & school:** This week we pray for our custodian, Jonathon Skura and for our custodial team; we also pray for our preschool and ESP director, Tori Kuehne.

**This week the congregations in our circuit** are praying for Lutheran Church of the Triune God, Brookly Center and their Pastor Elect, Rev. David Farley.

## *From the Pastors*

**Sunday Bible Study** We are studying Matthew's Gospel. We covered the Sermon on the Mount over the Summer and now continue with some action! Join us in between services.

- Today: Matt. 8:14-27 "The Messiah's Miraculous Ministry"
- Next Sunday: Matt. 8:28-34 "The Gadarene Demoniacs"

**Tuesday Bible Study** meets weekly at 9am in the auxiliary room.

- September 17 Psalm 78 – The LONG History of Salvation

**To prepare for next Sunday**, we encourage you to follow Issues, Etc. (especially Pastor Will Weedon's "Looking Forward to Sunday Morning [the 1-Year Lectionary]") on your podcasting app or via their website.

### **Attendance Last Week**

- Sunday, Sept. 8 324 attended, 227 communed

## *ANNOUNCEMENTS*

**JOIN US FOR FOOD, GAMES, AND MUSIC** on Sunday, October 13<sup>th</sup> from 4:30-8pm at the Maple Tavern in Maple Grove for St. John's 3rd annual Oktoberfest event, hosted by the Fellowship Committee. Dinner buffet served from 5-6pm. See event flyer in Narthex for more info. RSVP by October 3rd by using the QR code, the sign-up sheet in the narthex, or call/text Sarah Bahr 612.597.7461. Hope to see you there!



**JOIN US AT CHIPOTLE** on Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> any time from 5:00-9:00pm and help support our school! Our amazing PTL is hosting this fundraising event, and it is sure to be delicious and fun. To ensure your order counts, mention St. John's when ordering in-person, or use code **ZGYRPXG** when placing an order online or via their app (only orders placed between 5-9pm are applicable for the fundraiser). See you there!

**CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY:** Our Fall Congregational Assembly will be held **NEXT** Sunday, September 22, 2024. The agenda and board report packets will be available in the narthex beginning on Sunday, September 8th. The selection of Deacons and election of Church Officers are the primary action items on the agenda for the meeting. You are invited to attend a traditional church potluck in the Fellowship Hall that will immediately follow the conclusion of the second service. The Fellowship Committee will provide lasagna, mac & cheese for the kids, a gluten free option, cookies and refreshments. Bring a dish to share and enjoy the fellowship before the Assembly meeting. The Assembly meeting will commence immediately after the meal has concluded, approximately 12:30 PM. All are invited to attend this fellowship opportunity and to stay for the meeting to participate in the operation of the congregation. You must be a communicant member of the congregation, in good standing, and at least 18 years of age in order to vote at the Assembly.

**DEACON NOMINATIONS:** At the Fall Assembly meeting four new Deacons will be selected from the following six candidates: Mark Ellinger, Tom Gardner, Joel Johnson, KC Kolstad, Ron Tarvin, and Gary Volberding.

**CHURCH OFFICERS ELECTION:** Officers will be elected from the following candidates:

- Congregational President – Steve Kruse
- Treasurer – Joe Koehler
- Secretary – Sarah Bahr, Rachel Kolstad

If anyone has concerns about the fitness of these members to serve St. John's in these offices, that person must contact one of the pastors or the Deacon Chairman, Ross Meyer. 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 Andrew Heinen, Dave Kiesow, Ted Schmidt, and Jesse Mathwig, and Congregational Secretary Jamie Radintz.

**ATTENTION FAMILIES OF COLLEGE AGE STUDENTS** Please send us your college age student's address (even if they are living at

home, working or their school address stayed the same) so that St. John's may keep in touch with them throughout the year. Email addresses to: [sjmabrockberg@yahoo.com](mailto:sjmabrockberg@yahoo.com). Please note if you do not supply an address, you will not receive the mailings. Thank you, and we wish everyone a blessed fall!

## ***Finances & Giving***

### **Financial Year End Update (July 2023-June 2024)**

This year ended with a deficit of \$7,482, favorable to the budgeted deficit of \$64,949

- Full Year **budgeted** operating revenue: **\$1,947,357**
- Full Year **actual** operating revenue: **\$1,948,256**
- Full Year **actual** expenses were favorable **\$56,568** under budget

### **Ways to Give**

- Online at [www.stjohnscorcoran.churchcenter.com/giving](http://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!

**Viewing your online giving statement**, making a one-time online donation, and setting up recurring donations are all able to be done online at [stjohnscorcoran.churchcenter.com/home](http://stjohnscorcoran.churchcenter.com/home).

**Questions regarding church financials** should be directed to any member of the Board of Administration: Dan Koehler, Ron Tarvin, Pete Ims, Mark Radintz, Andrew Heinen, Joe Koehler.

## ***Nice to Know***

**Large print bulletins** that include the entire order of service are available. If you would like one placed in your mailbox each week for use, please 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.

**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 first (763-420-2426) as we would appreciate notice of your arrival (this helps us better coordinate and accommodate your visit).

**Bulletin announcements** must be received by Wednesday at noon each week to be considered for inclusion. Announcements may be emailed to [Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org](mailto:Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org).

**A happy birthday** is wished to those celebrating this week!

- **Today:** Calvin Thompson, Sabrina Vetsch
- **Monday:** Deb Koehler, Harlan Peterson
- **Tuesday:** Eric Toelle, Laura Wandersee
- **Wednesday:**
- **Thursday:** Lois Nelson
- **Friday:** Renaye Day, Jessica Gerda, Stephanie Parris, Sara Schmidt
- **Saturday:** Sophia Beck, Jake Miest, Nate Miest, Brigette Ritter



Thank You

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St. John's Church and School,

Thank you for your continued support of the ministry here in Parrita, Costa Rica. It is a true joy to partner with you as brothers and sisters in Christ to make Christ's immeasurable love known to youth in the Parrita community.

The second half of the school year here in Costa Rica has found my team and I deeply engaged in youth ministry. Praise God for open doors at the high school and the ways in which He is working through avenues such as teaching English and engaging with kids during their lunch hour. As we focus on cultivating relationships with students and staff, we seek to share the Gospel, shine Christ's light into their circumstances and share His love. Praise God for the ways that He is ever-present and working in these relationships! What a joy it is to be able to walk alongside students; to pray with them and for them. Pray that opportunities to continue connecting deeper with students and staff would abound and that they would know the love of our Savior poured out on the cross for us.

It gives me great joy to partner in mission with you to share the hope that we have, a hope that does not disappoint. Thank you for your hearts for mission and for sharing the love of our heavenly father with students. God's blessings to you as you continue carrying out His mission in Minnesota and beyond.

In Christ,  
-Janine Foggia

I THANK MY GOD EVERY TIME I REMEMBER YOU.  
~PHILIPPIANS 1:3

# KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

## What is a “Gospel Procession”?

You may sometimes see the Gospel reading take place in a different part of the church. On special Sundays, the Bible is carried into the center of the congregation where the pastor reads the Gospel to the people. There may also be some festive music or singing. After the reading, while the Bible is being carried back to its place, there may be more music and singing. This ceremony is called the Gospel Procession.

## Why do we have a Gospel Procession?

Jesus is the living Word. He set us free from the burden of sin through His life, death and resurrection. A Gospel Procession reminds us that this wonderful news is to be carried into the whole world. Jesus came for all people and He offers eternal life to all who believe by the power of the Holy Spirit! Wow! A Gospel Procession is a wonderful thing!



**Parents:** Before or after the Divine Service, remind your children of the meaning of the Gospel Procession. When it is taking place, point out the reverent way the pastor, crucifer, and/or assistants move. Reverence and humility are shown to the One who is truly among us declaring the Good News of forgiveness of sins by His Word! Read John 1:1–3, 14 and discuss it with your children. How is Jesus described in this reading?



## ***This Week at St. John's***

|           |         |   |
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| Today     | 8:00am  | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Common cup</li></ul>                             |
|           | 9:30am  | Adult Bible Study & Sunday School   |
|           | 10:30am | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Common cup</li></ul>                             |
| Monday    |         |   |
| Tuesday   | 9:00am  | Adult Bible Study   |
|           | 7:00pm  | Board Meetings  |
| Wednesday | 12:00pm | Sunday Announcement Submissions Due   |
|           | 6:00pm  | Public School Catechism Class   |
|           | 6:00pm  | Handbell Rehearsal  |
|           | 7:00pm  | Choir Rehearsal   |
| Thursday  |         |   |
| Friday    | 8:10am  | Chapel  |
| Saturday  |         |   |
| Sunday    | 7:30am  | Handbell Rehearsal  |
|           | 8:00am  | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Common cup</li><li>• Handbells playing</li></ul> |
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|           | 10:30am | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Common cup</li></ul>                             |
|           | 11:30am | Church Potluck  |
|           | 12:30pm | Congregational Assembly Meeting   |