

St. John's Lutheran Church

Announcements

May 19, 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, Tony Stadler, Judie Berreau, Ryan & Toya Fish, Joyce O'Hern, Joe Goskey, Randy Goerke, Renaye Day, Debi Anderson (mother of Tori Kuehne), Mandy (Schmidt) Berndt, Jamie Peterson, Elisabeth Lieske, Justin Brynjulfson, and Rev. Vance Milbrath (Pastor, Grace LCMS, Brooklyn Park)

For those who mourn, especially Pam Kothrade and family at the death of her mother, Norma Werner and for Mari Klesk and family at the death of her daughter, Jessica Klesk

Our homebound members: Dale Avenson, John Barrett, Rick Bymark, Lorraine Conley, Sue Erickson, Rev. David & Carole 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), Emily Singfield (Georgia), Kevin Mazurowski (Arizona), Nathan Mazurowski (Arizona), Isak Preus (California), Brian Pruhs (Oklahoma), Joseph Radintz (home), and Danny Schilling (Oklahoma)

All expecting families and their unborn children, especially Katie & Pastor Moss, Sarah & Austin Carter, Ryan & Stacie (Windsperger) Stanek, Chris and Krista (Mellum) Anderson, and Sam and Victoria (Niemira) Kulberg

Praying for our Church & School: This week we pray for our many church volunteers, including accounting professionals, funeral workers, fund raisers, and worship assistants. We also pray for our fourth-grade teacher, Miss Laura Ellinghuysen.

This week the congregations in our circuit are praying for Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Plymouth and their pastors, Rev. Joe Behnke and Rev. Derek Broten.

From the Pastors

Sunday Bible Study This week we begin studying Matthew's Gospel. We will not go in chapter order but will start with the Sermon on the Mount for this summer. Join us in-between services to learn from our Lord's great message.

- Next Sunday: Matt. 5:1-12 "The Beatitudes"

Tuesday Bible Study meets weekly at 9am in the auxiliary room. Pastor Moss is currently leading a study of *The Book of Psalms*.

- May 21: Psalm 69 Save Me, O God!

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, May 12: 325 total, 233 communed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A RETIREMENT PARTY honoring Gary and Deb Volberding **TODAY**, May 19th at 12:00pm. After 86 combined years of hard work, dedication, and service, the Volberdings are retiring.

OUR BUSINESS MANAGER, SAM KUPHAL, has accepted a position elsewhere and will be leaving St. John's. He will, however, be providing payroll services for us through June. We thank Sam and his service to St. John's and wish him the best. **The Council of Deacons** is in the process of forming a search committee to find a replacement for him.

THE COUNCIL OF DEACONS would like to thank Joe Koehler for volunteering to fill the current vacant position of church treasurer. Joe will be serving until this position is filled by a regular election at the fall congregational assembly meeting.



THE GIFTING & ENDOWMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE is pleased to host a 3-part educational series to help you not only better understand how St. John's utilizes the gifts it receives from you, but to also understand *your personal financial wellness*. The first

event will be **THIS Wednesday, May 22nd from 6:30-8pm** and will include dinner and guest speaker Greg Van Heest, an estate planning attorney at Gries & Lenhardt in St. Michael. This presentation will consist of a short overview from Chris Kruse of the 3-board structure of St. John's Lutheran Church and School (Board of Admin., Board of Ed., and Board of Spiritual Life) followed by an introduction into estate planning, including explaining what wills, trusts, and health care directives are and why they are needed from Mr. Van Heest. This is a very informative and worthwhile series, and we hope to see you there! Please RSVP using the QR code *or* by signing up on the sheet in the narthex.

HELP IS NEEDED to put flags on the veterans' graves in our cemetery for Memorial Day. We will meet **THIS Saturday, May 25th** at 10:00a.m. at the cemetery. For questions contact Gretchen Kliche.

THE ANNUAL MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBERANCE will be held in the Church cemetery **NEXT Monday, May 27** at 10:00 am. We will not be giving thanks for a particular service member, but rather for all those who have served our country from the congregation.

THE ANNUAL FOOD TRUCK & FELLOWSHIP EVENT will be Sunday, June 23rd from 12-2pm. Spend the afternoon enjoying lunch from The Lookout Bar & Grill, fellowship with friends, and even special activities like face painting and balloon art! Please RSVP by scanning the QR code by June 17th.





VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is June 10-14. This year's theme is "Digging in the Apostles' Creed," and registration is open now through June 1st. Children in preschool-5th grade may attend, and students in grades 6th - adult may volunteer to help. Scan the QR code to register or go to www.vbsmate.com/stjohnsvbs2024

SAVE THE DATE for the annual **STJL Golf Tournament!** Mark your calendars for Saturday, September 14th because you'll definitely want to join in on the fun. Participate as a golfer or a sponsor – it's up to you! All proceeds from this event go to tuition assistance and PTL-sponsored student events and activities.

Finances & Giving

Financial Update (July-April 2024)

- Year-to-Date budgeted operating revenue: **\$1,776,655**
- Year-to-Date actual operating revenue: **\$1,750,745**
- Year-to-Date actual expenses are favorable **\$71,461** under budget

Ways to Give

- 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!

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.

Questions regarding church financials should be directed to any member of the Board of Administration.

Nice to Know

The flowers on the altar today are given in celebration of Dave and Beth Geifer's 40th Wedding Anniversary. May God continue to bless their union.

Our deepest gratitude is extended to everyone who helped with Marv's funeral. Your support & prayers have been of great comfort to us, especially the visits by Pastor Moss, Pastor Johnson, and Pastor Briel.

~The Cummins Family

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). Office hours are 7:30am-3:30pm Mon.-Fri.

Bulletin announcements must be received by Thursday at noon each week to be considered for inclusion. Announcements may be emailed to Tori.Kuehne@stjlutheran.org.

A happy birthday is wished to those celebrating this week!

- Today: Colin Burfeind, Stu Glock, Janice Maurer
- Monday: Scott Christopher, Ashlee Eder, John Radintz
- Tuesday: Jordan Brustuen, Miles Radintz, Roger Wicklund, Lori Zupfer
- Wednesday: Owen Kaiser, Cole Kliche, Zach Stewart
- Thursday: Sally Kemna, Kevin Mazurowski
- Friday: Orazella Baltes
- Saturday: Daphne Schumann

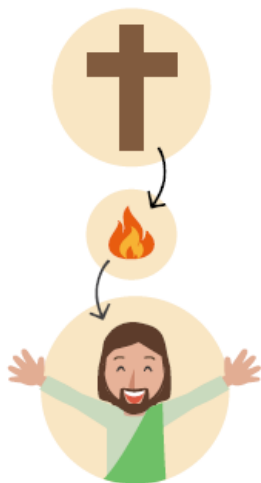
KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE

What is "Pentecost"?

The word "Pentecost" (pronounced PEN-tuh-kost) comes from the Greek word *pentekostos* which means "fiftieth." Exactly 50 days after Jesus rose from the dead, the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples in the form of flames of fire.

Why is Pentecost so important?

When Jesus died, the disciples were sad because they thought that their friend and Lord was gone forever. But Jesus rose again! Forty days after His resurrection, Jesus did finally ascend into heaven leaving the disciples below. However, before Jesus actually died, rose again and ascended into heaven, He made a promise to His disciples that He would send the Holy Spirit to them. He said that the Holy Spirit would come and guide them "into all the truth" (John 16:13). Jesus doesn't leave us alone to fend for ourselves. Jesus is here with us, and the Holy Spirit guides and leads the Church into the truth of the wonderful Gospel! We celebrate and remember this at Pentecost.



Parents:

At home, read the story of Pentecost in Acts 2 to your children. Remind them that the Holy Spirit comes to us through the Word and Sacraments just as our Lord has promised. Encourage them to thank God for the gift of His Holy Spirit in their lives.



This Week at St. John's

Today	YOUTH SUNDAY	
	8:00am	Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common cup
	9:30am	Adult Bible Study & Sunday School
	10:30am	Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common cup
	12:00pm	Retirement Reception for Volberdings
	6:00pm	Adult/high school volleyball open gym
Monday	6:30pm	History Committee Meeting
Tuesday	9:00am	Adult Bible Study
	2:25pm	Spring Band Concert
	7:00pm	Board Meetings
Wednesday	6:30pm	Financial Wellness Series Part I: Understanding <i>Your</i> Personal Financial Wellness
Thursday	6:30pm	School Closing Service & 8 th Grade Graduation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• All-school choir singing and handbells playing
Friday	8:10am	Chapel
	11:30am	School Dismissal <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last day of 2023/2024 school year
Saturday		
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