

St. John's Lutheran Church

Announcements

September 22, 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 Anderson; Sam and Victoria Kulberg; Ryan and Naomi Ludwig; Cory and Daphne Olson; and Evan and Amelia Lane

Praying for our church & school: This week we pray for all members of our safety team, for our PTL, and for our principal, Dr. Kristen Skura.

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

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. 8:28-34 "The Gadarene Demoniacs"
- Next Sunday: Matthew 9:1-13 "Forgiving a Paralytic and Calling a Tax Collector"

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

- September 24 Psalm 78 – The LONG History of Salvation
continues

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. 15 269 attended, 193 communed

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL ASSEMBLY MEETING TODAY: Our Fall Congregational Assembly will be held **TODAY** 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.

WE ARE HAPPY TO ANNOUNCE OUR PRESCHOOL TEACHER HANNAH LANGE has recently completed the LCMS's colloquy program. She will be added to the Synod's roster of Commissioned Ministers of Religion, and her contract converted to a call to serve St. John's as a rostered Lutheran Teacher. Please congratulate her on the successful completion of this important piece of training for Lutheran educators.

JOIN US AT THE MAPLE GROVE CHIPOTLE (9881 Maple Grove Pkwy.) on **Tuesday, October 1st** 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!

JOIN US FOR FOOD, GAMES, AND MUSIC on Sunday, October 13th 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. Hope to see you there!



SAVE THE DATE for St. John's Lutheran School's annual Trunk or Treat on Saturday, October 26th beginning at 2pm. More info to come!

JOIN US ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27TH between services to honor and celebrate Mr. Kyle Peterman's 25th anniversary in Lutheran education.

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 Mary Brockberg. 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 to Date Update (July 1, 2024 - September 16, 2024)

- Year To Date budgeted operating revenue: \$421,960
- Year To Date actual operating revenue: \$479,134
- Year To Date revenue is favorable \$57,174 over budget

Questions regarding church financials should be directed to any member of the Board of Administration or the Business Manager, Stephanie Parris at Stephanie.Parris@stjlutheran.org.

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.

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

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.

A happy birthday is wished to those celebrating this week!

- **Today:** Wyatt Thurber, Donna Toelle, Zach Zupfer
- **Monday:** Isaac Kuehne
- **Tuesday:** Rev. Steve Briel, Dalton Holovnia, Ross Robinson
- **Wednesday:** Kara Birznieks
- **Thursday:** Tanya O'Hern, Paighton Thompson
- **Friday:** Kaitlyn Wass
- **Saturday:** Theresa Gaffer, Luther Mathsen, Mason Schmidt, Juliana Thon

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



What are “ceremonies”?

The word “ceremony” comes from the Latin word that means “ritual.” Ceremonies are the actions associated with the words we use in worship. For example, when the Pastor says “In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit” you may see people making the sign of the cross. Making the sign of the cross is a ceremony. Can you think of other ceremonies that occur during the Divine Service?

Why do we have ceremonies?

Ceremonies help to keep things reverent and in good order during worship, but **their main purpose is to teach the faith through sight, sound and action.** For example, when we make the sign of the cross, we are reminded of our Baptism. At your Baptism, you received the sign of the cross on your forehead and on your heart to mark you as one redeemed by Christ the crucified! Ceremonies also show what a congregation believes. You can learn a lot about a church by the ceremonies in their worship.



Parents: The Lutheran Confessions say: “The purpose of observing ceremonies is that men may learn the Scriptures,” and “the chief purpose of all ceremonies is to teach the people what they need to know about Christ.” If you have questions about the ceremonies of your church, ask your pastor. He will be happy to explain them!



This Week at St. John's

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| Today | 7:30am | Handbell Rehearsal |
| | 8:00am | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common cup• Handbells playing |
| | 9:30am | Adult Bible Study & Sunday School |
| | 10:30am | Divine Service <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Common cup |
| | 11:30am | Church Potluck |
| | 12:30pm | Congregational Assembly Meeting |
| Monday | | |
| Tuesday | 9:00am | Adult Bible Study |
| | 6:30pm | Gala Meeting |
| Wednesday | 12:00pm | Sunday Announcement Submissions Due |
| | 12:30pm | Gala Meeting |
| | 6:00pm | Public School Catechism Class |
| | 6:00pm | Handbell Rehearsal |
| | 7:00pm | Choir Rehearsal |
| Thursday | 8:30am | Gala Meeting |
| Friday | 8:10am | All-School Chapel <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 3rd & 4th grade choir singing |
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| Saturday | | |
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