



St. John Lutheran Church and School
The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod
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Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN! We ask members and guests to fill out an attendance card located by the hymnals; indicate your attendance at Holy Communion. Cards may be placed in the offering plate. Note that there are two glasses in the center of each tray with diluted wine.

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER: Our congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same doctrines. We invite those persons who are members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of a church in fellowship with the LCMS to receive the sacrament. We want to express our sincere welcome to guests and to assure them that it is in their spiritual interest that we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to make an appointment to speak with our pastor.

SERVING TODAY - Organist: Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 - Bob, John, Stephen & Dan; 10:45 - Dan, Joe, Larry & Jeremy. **Acolytes:** 8:00 - Nicholas; 10:45 - Hannah. **Greeters:** 10:45 - Linda.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - The altar flowers are given today by Rex & Cindy in honor of daughter Erin's 18th birthday on June 19th. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for healing and recovery:* Chris, Norm, Jan, Michael - son of Karen, Judy, Cindy -daughter in law of Bob & Joan, Judy -sister of Larry, Bill - son in law of Dave & Donna, Dan -brother of Bonnie; Bruce, Rachel -niece of Judy, Lois, Ellie, Stephen -son of Ken, Dale -brother in law of Ellie, Cathy -sister of Millie, Merv, John, Todd -grandson of Harold, Tom; *for successful treatments:* Dan -father of Beth, Philip -son of Starley, Johnny -son in law of Letty, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Maxine; *for those in the military:* Nick, Mitchell, Heath, Taylor, Andy, Christopher, Brandon, Suzzanna, Ben, Allyson, Tom, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Floyd, Lavina, Frank, Walt.

For requests for the prayer chain or to be added to the chain:

<http://stjohnmedia.org/church/PrayerList.html>

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – Pastor Caithamer, fellowship hall

Summer Sunday School Begins Today – For the summer all students who have completed 1st – 7th grade, and teachers will meet in the sanctuary at 9:30am. Preschool (3/4yrs.) & Kindergarten students will have their opening in Room 4C.

3/4yrs. - K	Room 4C
1 st - 3 rd	Room 2C
4 th - 7 th	Room 4A
High School	Youth Room

Summer Sunday School - We are in need of volunteers to teach. All the material is provided. There is a sign-up sheet on the Sunday School bulletin board. Please consider choosing a date or two. Thank you for your help.

Keys & Fobs - All outgoing officers of the congregation need to turn in keys and fobs so that we are able to distribute them to the incoming officers. Please contact the church office with any questions.

Vacation Bible School 2018 - June 18-22, 9-11:30am – Life is full of thrills and spills; we may not know what is around the bend, but God does. At *Splash Canyon* kids discover that, on life's wild ride, Jesus is by our side. God saves us through Jesus and gives us life and hope every day and forever. Registration is open for children 3 years old to completed 5th grade. Come along with us as we sing fun songs, do crazy crafts, eat yummy snacks, play awesome games, and *more*. Plus, you'll learn in Jesus, the victory is won. Can't wait to see you there. Register online at www.vbsmate.com/stjohnchampaign. E-mail for more information or if you have any questions

VBS Volunteers: Be a part of *Splash Canton* - Youth (completed 6th-12th grade) and adult volunteers are needed. If you can help full or part time, we have many ways to be involved to suit your schedule and interests. E-mail for more information or if you have any questions.

Prairie Gardens Gift Cards - PTF is selling \$10 gift cards. 20% is received back for each card sold. Cards are available in the school office.

Daily Exercise For The Christian Mind - Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. This week's topics include: Technology in the Home, The Movie "Incredibles 2," Paul Baptizes the Philippian Jailer, The Nativity of John the Baptist and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>4th Sunday after Pentecost; Father's Day; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion</i>
Monday	<i>Vacation Bible School begins today-9:00am to 11:30am</i>
Tuesday	<i>6:00 Council</i>
Wednesday	<i>6:00 Summer Book Club; 7:15 Holy Communion</i>
Friday	<i>Newsletter Deadline</i>
Sunday	<i>5th Sunday after Pentecost; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion</i>

Men's Softball - Please come out and cheer for our Men's Softball team. Their next game is Monday, June 25th, at 6:15pm, Dodds Park-Field #2.

Summer Book Club - Come join us for an enlightening read of 'Has American Christianity Failed' by Bryan Wolfmueller. Let Cassandra (casswilcoxen@gmail.com or 309-830-0357) or Jenny Baldwin (jennybaldwin10@gmail.com or 618-340-0458) know if you are interested in participating. We will meet Wednesdays, starting June 20th through August 29th in the Teacher's Lounge.

Save The Date – LERT Training - September 22nd we will be hosting a LERT training session. We need at least 20 people to sign up in order for this event to happen. Look for future announcements for more information.

Fire Alarm Project – The components needed for final approval are awaiting installation before we can obtain the final approval by the city in the near future. The final cost of this will be approximately \$88K, and the congregation has donated nearly \$36K towards this project. The Trustees would like to thank those who have donated time and/or finances so far.

St. John Lutheran Church has been given permission to sell CD's and flash drives of the 150th anniversary book, "A History of Saint John Lutheran Church Champaign Illinois." The CD is priced at \$1 and the flash drive for \$2. If you wish to have this complete e-copy of the 150th anniversary book, please contact the church office.

Summer Hours - The Church Office will be open 10am to 2pm during the week. Pastor Caithamer will be available in his office during regular office hours Monday through Thursday for all Pastoral needs. His number is 649-8017. He will not be available to let people in the building before 10 or after 2, so if you will need access to the building during that time, please contact the church office about obtaining a key fob. The School Office summer hours will be 8am to 11am.

LEARN BY HEART
THE FAMILY ALTAR

The families of St. John are encouraged to learn these words from the Small Catechism by heart this week:

The Lord's Prayer - The Introduction

Our Father who art in heaven.

What does this mean? With these words God tenderly invites us to believe that He is our true Father and that we are His true children, so that with all boldness and confidence we may ask Him as dear children ask their dear father.

Bible Passage: Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working.
James 5:16

Psalm 119:153-160