



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 - Larry, Robert, Dave & John; 10:45 - Dan, Larry, Jeremy & Stephen. **Acolytes:** 8:00 - Jacob; 10:45 - Alexa.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - The altar flowers are given today by Tony & Jill in honor of the wedding of Scott & Taylor yesterday. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for peace and comfort:* Elton and family at the death of mother-in-law Marilyn; *for healing and recovery:* Tom, Esther, Michael - son of Karen, Pat, Joe, Norm, Jan, Judy, 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 strength, hope, and peace:* Ed, Anna -mother of Bill; *for successful treatments:* Dan -father of Beth, Philip -son of Starley, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Maxine; *for those in the military:* Nick, Mitchell, Heath, Taylor, Andy, Brandon, Suzzanna, Ben, Allyson, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Floyd, Phyllis, Frank & Lucille.

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

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

Thank you to everyone who submitted hymn requests for this morning's Hymn Sing. We will be singing as many as time allows, and look forward to continuing this occasional event.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – fellowship hall

Summer Sunday School – 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

Donation Board - School is starting and with it our teachers have some needs and requests. Items are posted on the donation board outside the fellowship hall. Take a tag and bring the item to the school office. Your generosity is a blessing.

Rally Day - On Sunday, August 26th, we will be having a church wide Rally Day Celebration. During the Sunday School/Bible Class hour we will be meeting in the gym to learn about the activities that will be happening at our church this academic year. There will be opportunities to learn about Bible Classes, Youth Activities, Sunday School Classes, Choirs, Faith and Family Nights and happenings at the school. Please plan on attending.

Keys & Fobs - All outgoing officers of the congregation please 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.

Summer Sunday School is coming to a close on August 19th. Thank you to all our volunteers: Karen, Faith, Katie, Don, Cindy, Janet, Sara, Pam, Sierra, Marlene. We are thankful for your service.

Sunday School Registration forms are available on the narthex table. Please fill them out and return to the church office or the box on the narthex table. This will help us in our preparation for Rally Sunday and for the new year. Thank you, Sunday School Staff.

Church Library - The Board of Parish Education along with Pastor Caithamer are making changes to the church library. The new focus of the library will be theological. We are in the process of moving books from the library cart to the conference room. As we are reviewing the books for the conference room we will have books and videos for you to have for your own libraries. These books and videos are located in the Fellowship Hall. Any books and videos that are left will be placed in the youth garage sale next spring.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>12th Sunday after Pentecost; Installation of Day School Teachers; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion</i>
Monday	5:00 E.A.T @ Old Chicago (until 8pm); 6:00 Finance Board
Tuesday	6:00 Elders, 6:00 Back to School Night
Wednesday	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 6:00 Summer Book Club; 7:15 Holy Communion
Thursday	<i>First Day of School K-8</i>
Friday	6:00 Little Lamb See the Room
Sunday	<i>13th Sunday after Pentecost; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, 10:45 Holy Communion</i>

Today is Installation Sunday - The Fellowship Board will be hosting a special brunch in honor of all of our teachers. Fruit, pastries, etc. will be provided. Everyone is invited to attend.

E.A.T. Night for August - The August E.A.T. night will be at Old Chicago on N. Neil St. on Monday, August 13th, 5-8pm. Old Chicago is giving back 20% of our purchases. Bring in the flyer to make sure those proceeds will be donated to St. John Lutheran School. Don't forget to get your Old Chicago Gift Cards from Ram Rebate.

Sunday School Teachers Meeting will be Saturday, August 25th at 9:00am.

Church Picnic - The Board of Parish Education is planning the annual church picnic on Sunday, August 26th, after the late service. We will provide hamburgers, hot dogs and/or brats, plates and silverware. We are asking everyone to bring a side dish or dessert to share, lawn chairs or blankets to sit on, and any lawn games you may have to play. We will have some games for the children. Please sign-up on the Sunday school bulletin board by Wednesday, August 22nd, so we can have enough food for everyone.

Expert Guests, Expansive Topics, Extolling Christ - 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 teachings include: A Military History of Islam and the West, Mary, the Mother of Our Lord, Old Testament Prophet Isaac, 17th Century Lutheran Theologian Johann Gerhard, 11th Century Hymnwriter & Theologian Bernard of Clairvaux and more. You can listen live or on-demand at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

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. 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 are 8am to 11am.

LERT Training - Saturday, September 22nd, 2018 from 9am to 2:30pm St. John is hosting a LERT Volunteer Training Event. Together we will walk through a simple training program designed to help you serve as a trained Christian volunteer when a disaster strikes. This training is part of a Synod-wide disaster response program, facilitated by a network of District Disaster Response Coordinators and Teams, under the direction of LCMS Disaster Response. At the close of the program, you will receive a certificate of participation and a LERT volunteer credential issued by LCMS disaster Response. Registration fee is \$35, checks are made payable to St. John Lutheran Church. You will receive your disaster response training manual, vest, Certificate of Completion, I.D. badge, breakfast, and lunch. Please register at least one week before the event. 20 Registrants are needed for this event to take place. Please see the display and the narthex table for more information and for registration forms.

Are you faster than a Ram? Join us on Saturday, September 8th, 2018 at 8am for this run/walk 5K followed by a FREE family fun fair featuring Johnny the Ram, inflatable obstacle course, and Blow It Up balloon animals. Awards will be given to top male and female race finishers in each age category with special awards for participants who beat a Ram. Cost for the event is \$15. Register online for the 5K (<https://tinyurl.com/stjl5k2018>.) or donate to the pie fund (<https://tinyurl.com/stjlrams>) - make sure to note the grade level in the message section. Forms will be available outside the school office and can be submitted to the school office beginning August 13th. New This Year: Each class is raising funds for the opportunity to throw a pie in the face of our Principal, Mr. Gabbert, and Pastor, Rev. Caithamer. All students in any class that raises \$100 (Principal) and/or \$250 (Pastor) will be entered into a drawing for the chance to do the "pieing" immediately following the 5K. All race proceeds benefit St. John Lutheran School.

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:

Baptism

How can water do such great things? Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three:

“He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” Titus 3:5–8

Bible Passage: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in man. Psalm 118:8

Psalm 138