



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: Nicholas Liese. **Elders:** 8:00 - Kendall, Robert, Dan & Dave; 10:45 - Joe, Kurt, Dan & Jeremy. **Acolytes:** 8:00 - Jack; 10:45 - Tyler. **Greeters:** 8:00 - Ron & Susan.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY - The altar flowers are given today by Elton and family in loving memory of Lea, who went to be with the Lord a year ago today. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for peace and comfort:* The family of Tom at his death on August 20th, Beth and family at the death of her mother Rosemary; *following surgery:* Diann; *for healing and recovery:* 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:* Todd - husband of Kim, 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:* Lavina, Geneice, Bob & Alice.

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

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

Rally Day - Today 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.

Coffee and Donuts will be served in the gym foyer for Rally Day.

Church Picnic is Today - The Board of Parish Education is hosting the annual church picnic after the late service today. 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.

Lifelight is back. Join us for Romans: Part 1, a 9-week Bible study. You can join us Wednesday evenings at 5:45pm, Thursday mornings at 9:00am, or Thursday evenings at 6:30pm. Classes start September 19th/20th. Today, for Rally Day, the lessons and sign-up sheets have been moved to the gym. On future Sundays you can find our table in the overflow. You can also contact Neil Anderson, Matt Kaufman or Eunice Carmichael with any questions, or to sign-up.

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 the new year. Thank you, Sunday School Staff.

St. John Lutheran School greatly appreciates all those who helped get us ready for the new school year. The computer lab has been updated and painted, and the library looks great with a fresh coat of paint and new carpet. The halls have been painted, and new shades, purchased by PTF, have been installed in the school hallway. Without our wonderful volunteers these projects could not have been accomplished. Special thank you to our amazing Trustees, who coordinated these efforts and worked diligently to accomplish these tasks. To God be the glory.

Donation Board - School has started 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.

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.

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.

OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>14th Sunday after Pentecost; Rally Day; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Rally Day Celebration; 10:45 Holy Communion; 12:00 Church Picnic</i>
Tuesday	10:00 Adult Bible Class; 6:00 Parish Ed; 6:30 Stewardship; 7:00 Youth Board
Wednesday	6:00 Summer Book Club; 7:15 Holy Communion
Sunday	<i>15th Sunday after Pentecost; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, 10:45 Holy Communion</i>

Faith & Family Night - Please join us for our first Faith & Family Night of the season on Friday, September 7th, 5:30-7:00pm. We will meet in the fellowship hall and have dinner and a brief devotion along with some family fellowship time. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board near the fellowship hall. There is no cost and families with children of all ages are invited. These evenings are great opportunities to get to know other families, while also helping your children grow in their faith. Please join us.

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. Forms will be available outside the school office. All race proceeds benefit St. John Lutheran School.

LERT Training - Training for disaster response will be held on September 22nd. Registration is \$35 per person for materials and a donation to Lutheran Church Charities. Registration forms are available by the LERT display at the church's main entrance. Please have your registrations turned into the office by September 14th. Light refreshments and lunch will be provided by the Fellowship Board. If you have any questions please contact Cassandra.

New Member Class is starting on Sunday, January 31st in Room 1A. If you are interested in joining St. John Lutheran Church, or if you know anybody who is interested in joining, or if you would like to refresh your own Lutheran catechesis, than this class is for you. Pastor Caithamer will teach this class on Sunday mornings from 9:30-10:30am through May 15th. If you have any questions, please let pastor know.

This Week at St. John Lutheran School & Little Lamb Preschool – August 26th - September 2nd
- Monday – Ram Rebate Orders Due, 3p; Wednesday – Chapel, bring offering for CID Campus Ministry; Friday – Ram Rebate Order Pick-Up; St. John Athletics: Chrisman Cow Chip Jr. XC Meet on Friday; GBB practices begin this week

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.

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 Ten Commandments

The Third Commandment – Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise preaching and His Word, but hold it sacred and gladly hear and learn it.

The Fourth Commandment – Honor your father and your mother.

What does this mean? We should fear and love God so that we do not despise or anger our parents and other authorities, but honor them, serve and obey them, love and cherish them.

Bible Passage: Beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, [Jesus] interpreted to them in all the Scriptures the things concerning Himself.
Luke 24:27

Hymn 665 *Be Strong in the Lord* (st. 2)

Psalm 25:15-22

Bible Readings for the Week:

Jonathan Keeps His Promise to David – 1 Samuel 20:1-23

David Flees from Saul – 1 Samuel 21:1-22:2

Saul Murders the Priests of Nob – 1 Samuel 22:3-23