Weekly August 24, 2025

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Purpose: Joyfully taking God's love into the world!

Holiday Weekend Worship Schedule



August 31 - 9am

We WORSHIP TOGETHER at one service in the SANCTUARY.

(No 8am or 10am services)

YOUNG AT HEART

Join others from SJLC for a potluck dinner & a guest speaker from Retrieving Freedom on Wednesday, Sept 10th at 12noon @ Veterans Park (E. 14th St., CF). The park & shelter are located east of CF Rec Center & off Waterloo Rd on the south side of the street. A small parking lot is available w/parking allowed on the street. Bring a dish to share, your own table service and drink. (Please remember to keep food items at the proper temperature they need to be.)

After dinner, we will have a speaker from **Retrieving Freedom**, and we will take a free-will offering to support the important work Retrieving Freedom does.

Welcome to ALL!

Please let us know any questions you may have or anything we can do for you. Our volunteers are ready to help!

Pastor Brian Julin-McCleary would love to meet up, in person or otherwise, and share more about St. John, chat about the Gospel or whatever else might be on your mind. He can be reached at 319-888-3814 or PastorBrian@stjohncf.org.

RESTROOMS are located on the main level near the Sanctuary.

HEARING ASSIST DEVICES are available for **both** worship spaces. Go to an usher or the soundboard for assistance.

MEMBERSHIP: Contact the church office or complete the form on the website found on the Membership page. A "Welcome to St. John" series is held each fall.

CHILDREN are welcome in worship. Our nursery is located near the F&LC and available for you to use with infants/toddlers under 3.

WORSHIP SERVICES ARE LIVE-STREAMED ON FACEBOOK

@STJOHNCF OR watch CFU Channel 18 on Sundays, 7:30am or Wednesdays, 6pm (replay 10am service previous week)

WIFI Password: connectcaresharegrow

For Information

Online: www.stjohncf.org

•Call the office: 319-268-0165

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RECONCILING in CHRIST

Wherever you are on your journey, you are welcome here in the name of Jesus Christ. We celebrate that each person is loved by God. We affirm the gifts of race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression, and are committed to working for racial equity. Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church!



Sign up to serve at the Threehouse Block Party on Sunday, Sept 7 with others from SJLC at the Welcome Center table.

Including set up, the event runs 4-7pm so you can help as much or as little as you want. We will serve desserts this year — a SWEET way to welcome students and share about St John alongside our ecumenical partner

churches!

BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIP + This year's study, Exile and Return, invites you on a powerful journey through the Old Testament, where God's people were called to build His kingdom in a foreign land. Their story is our story—we, too, are strangers in a broken world, called to build for His glory. As we explore how God equips and positions God's people, we're challenged to ask: Am I building my life for Christ? Exile and Return reminds us that our time to build is now. To register, go to: joinbsf.com

Women's Group: Wednesdays, 9:30am at Cedar Valley Church (3520 Ansborough Avel, Wloo)

Men's Group: Mondays,7pm ONLINE / at Nazareth (7401 University Ave.., CF)



SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sept. 7, 9-10am weekly/Sundays

For 3 years & potty-trained—6th grade

<u>PreK/K:</u> Explorer Room A (lower level—turn right at bottom of stairs & go down hallway to room at end)

SCAN to REGISTER

1st & 2nd: Explorer Room B (lower level—turn right at bottom of stairs & go down hallway to room at end)

3rd & 4th: Room 310 (upper level)

5th & 6th: Room 319 (upper level)

CONFIRMATION

Sept. 7, 8:45-10am weekly/Sundays

7th, 8th & 9th grade students gather in the Youth Room and then break into smaller groups for indepth conversa-



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tion. Confirmation

Retreat: Sept. 27 & 28 @ EWALU

10TH GR CONFIRMATION: 11am, Youth Rm

MEN'S EVENTS—SAVE THE DATE:

Burnt Offerings: Sunday, October 5, 1pm at John McClellan's home. Join other guys from SJLC for this end of summer BBQ and smoked meats n' treats event! Sign up a the Welcome Center table.

Men's Breakfast: Saturday, October 25, 8-10am at Ritchie Kurtenbach's "garage mahal". We'll provide the food—you bring yourself! Come break bread & EGGS with your brothers! Sign up at the Welcome Center table.

JUBILATION RINGERS / HANDBELLS

Contact: Steve Peters (<u>music@stjohncf.org</u>) Our Adult Bell Choir is always looking for new members, regular or fill-in. If you can read music, that is great, but not required. Rehearsals begin on Wednesday, Sept. 3 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in Room 310.

INTERGENERATIONAL CHOIR

Contact: Steve Peters (<u>music@stjohncf.org</u>) Our newest musical offering is intended for people high school age and up. Rehearsals begin on Tuesday, September 2nd at 6pm in the Sanctuary.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

Consult the website for a complete listing of building use dates/times.

TUESDAY, AUGUST 26

10 Ladies Bible Study

5pm Environmental Stewardship Team Mtg. (Library)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27

7am Walking Wednesday @ Big Woods Lake/south lot

THURSDAY, AUGUST 28

7:30am Men's Bible Study (courtyard)

2pm NewAldaya/SJLC Gathering @ 2nd Fl New Arbor

6:30pm Worship Band Rehearsal (F&LC)

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

Scripture: Proverbs 25:6-7a; Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16; Luke

14:1, 7-14

9am Worship together in Sanctuary

Sunday Donuts + *Contact Kim Miller (319-269-4773).* If you would be interested in purchasing donuts for a Sunday (approx. \$30) & take care of getting them set out using supplies here at church, sign up at the Welcome Center table

Coffee Crew + Contact Meghan Bruns (meghanrunyan@gmail.com). Our coffee crew is looking for a "latte" of hands to do coffee set up on Friday or Saturday and clean up following the 10am service. Contact Meghan to join this crew. Have a BREW-tiful day!

Black Hawk County Hazardous Waste Clean-up + Saturday, Sept 6.

Scan the QR Code to sign up for a timeslot to drop off materials and/ or for a complete list of materials accepted.



A Snippet of What's Coming Up Next (So you can add it to your calendar)

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP TEAM MTG.

August 26, 5pm

God calls us to care for others and for God's creation. Join with others to support the work of a team focused on inspiring & informing SJLC about environmental stewardship.

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS

Sept 2—6pm, Sanctuary weekly/Tuesdays

HANDBELL REHEARSAL BEGINS

Sept. 3—5:30pm, Rm. 312 weekly/Wednesdays

DVD BIBLE STUDY STARTS

Sept. 11, 3:30pm weekly, Thursdays

WELCA GATHER BIBLE STUDY

Sept. 17, 1:30pm

study focus is on "Money"

WEEKLY / RECURRING / ONGOING :

9am, Sundays—Perennials Bible Study

9am, Sundays—Taking Faith Home Scripture & Sermon Discussion

9am,Tuesdays—Women's Bible/Book Study

7am, Wednesdays— Wednesday Walks @ Big Woods Lake

7:30am, Thursdays—Thirsty Thursday Men Study

Enrich Your Faith Life:

Check out the half-sheet handout "Taking Faith Home" for the lectionary daily scripture passages, as well as a weekly prayer & devotion you can use!

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Could you be a part of this picture? Or this one?



We're planting seeds to share a special invitation

MEDICAL DENTAL CONSTRUCTION GENERAL HELPERS

HEALING & CONCERN. . .

Carol Mae Osborn; Barb Feuerhak; Mary Ann Howe; Scott Wirtz; Jennifer Kurtenbach; Paul Moser (Diana Smith's ex-husband); Emma Bose (John Fereday's grandchild); John Bruha; Ted Gerdes (Lori Schneider's dad); Bart Peyton (Terry Phillips son-in-law); Elaine (Sue Holm's cousin); Jay (Prohaska friend); Chris (P Brian's friend); Cathy (Karen Larimer's daughter-in-law); Karen Beneke; Becca (Paula McDougall's niece); Christine (Lori Schneider's friend); John Morgan; Jeff Bowers; Bev Leahy; Julie Kane (Sarah Langel's sister); Eileene Katcher; Dorothy Bright; Diana (Jean Morehouse friend); Kelly (sister of Kathy Taylor); Jennifer Huette (Guse friend); Abby Palsic (April Hannam's sister); Mary Kahl; Janelle Fereday (John's daughter-in-law); Jennifer Snitker; Nonie Duff; Dorothy Perry.

COMFORT & CONSOLATION TO

The family of Dale Osborn upon his death.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

Our 8:00 altar flowers are given by Linda Parrott.

Our 10:00 altar flowers are given by Lori & Tim Schneider—happy heavenly birthday, mom & bedstemor!

The cookies for our Volunteer Appreciation were provided by Joyce Riley.

| | Jul-25 | | | Fiscal YTD | | |
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| | Revenue | Expense | Net | Revenue | Expense | Net |
| Church | 76,204.45 | 73,000.13 | 3,204.32 | 284,405.33 | 226,584.75 | 57,820.58 |
| Preschool/Childcare | 61,702.14 | 73,704.54 | (12,002.40) | 258,685.37 | 267,773.00 | (9,087.63) |
| Total | 137,906.59 | 146,704.67 | (8,798.08) | 543,090.70 | 494,357.75 | 48,732.95 |

Submit A Prayer Request:



Visitor Connection Card:



Support Financially:





Pastoral Staff Pastor Brian Julin-McCleary cell: 319-888-3814; email: PastorBrian@stjohncf.org

St. John Staff Located on the St. John website

Church Council (Council@stjohncf.org)

| John Kohagen | Shawn Smeins, Treasurer |
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| Andrew Bruns | |

Ministry & Resource Team Leaders

| Hospitality & Congregational Care | Robin Abraham |
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| Property Resource Team | Larry Prohaska |
| Technology & Communication | Nick Frerichs |
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Worship Attendance:

August 17-241 in person