

Weekly HAPPENINGS

August 1, 2025

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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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**

🎉 **Hot off the shirt press — now for sale, St. John TSHIRTS!**
AND . . . There is not just one, but TWO shirt options to choose from! (Or avoid making a choice, and just order one of each)

14 Shirts must be ordered online—for those unable to place an online order, please stop in the church office for assistance (during office hours).

1. Scan the QR code to access our online store.
2. Choose your shirt design
3. Choose your color: 6 color choices available: *heather kelly green; heather mellow yellow; heather royal; heather orange; heather purple; heather red.*
4. Choose your size. Shirts are ADULT sizing: A size chart is available on the online store.



📦 \$23/each + shipping

📦 Shirts will be mailed directly to your home.

This sale is being coordinated by our Reconciling in Christ team, with a portion of the sales supporting RIC activities.



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For Information

- Online: www.stjohncf.org
- Call the office: 319-268-0165
- Follow us on Facebook: [stjohncf](https://www.facebook.com/stjohncf)
- WIFI:** **connectcaresharegrow**



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!*

Call Committee Nominations Now Being Accepted

The Church Council is moving forward with plans to implement a call committee to start the search process to call an Associate Pastor to St. John. Nine people from the congregation, including Pastor Brian and Jen Hartman, our Council President, will make up the Call Committee.

Please express your interest in being considered for the Call Committee, or nominate someone else, by contacting Jenny in the church office. Nominees must be active members of the congregation. Thank you for your prayerful consideration.

Special Congregation Meeting: August 24

To elect the members of the Call Committee, we will hold a very short congregational meeting at 9:30 am on Sunday, August 24th. Electing the Call Committee will be the **ONLY** business at that meeting.

*The constitution defines **voting members with a voice** as members of St. John who are baptized and confirmed, who have contributed and communed this past year.*

Once the committee is solidified, the search process can begin. Thank you for your prayers as we move through this work.



Introducing Jackson Reynolds!

Jackson Reynolds is a St. John-sponsored candidate for ordination in the ELCA, who will be up for approval on August 8th. Just last month, he finished his pastoral internship in Springfield, MO, at Messiah Lutheran Church. Originally from Cedar Falls, graduating in 2016, he then received his BA from Wartburg College, in Waverly, IA, in 2020, and went on to study at both Wartburg Seminary

in Dubuque, IA, and Princeton Seminary in Princeton, New Jersey, receiving his MDiv from Princeton in 2024. He is excited and grateful to preach at St. John next Sunday as our Guest Preacher!



St. John Habitat for Humanity Women's Build

Hey ladies — join in the fun of this year's Women Build as ladies from throughout the Cedar Valley build two entire houses with our special Iowa Heartland Habitat families in Waterloo.

St. John's Work Date: August 23

We will have 2 sessions: 8:30-11:30 and 12:00-3:00

There is a \$41.50 per participant donation required. Habitat for Humanity will invoice participants after they register. **We've got a donor willing to pay for 2 registrants so if you'd like to help, don't let money stop you — we've got you covered!**

SCAN TO REGISTER:



WELCA Gather Group

WOMEN of the ELCA Gather.... You are invited to join our gather group Wednesday, August 13 in the library at 1:30 pm. Our topic will be *"Relationships that Push Us to Grow"*.

Susan Langdon will share five basic principles to use when you get involved in tough conversations with family and friends who do not agree with you. She will use a slide presentation along with discussion and role playing.

Feel free to bring a friend! Looking forward to seeing you!

Collecting Basic Care Items to Help Our Neighbors

We are collecting items to be distributed to our neighbors who are in the US through LSI's Immigrant & Refugee program. This program provides assistance to refugees upon arrival, when setting up a residence takes place and those initial costs can add up as the refugees work towards self-sufficiency. Donations of these items will help these individuals/families immensely and are a wonderful gift of support!

Current needs are:

- Toilet Paper
- Deodorant (men's & women's)
- Cleaning Supplies
- Laundry Detergent
- Toothpaste

Donations may be left in the office entryway.

WHAT'S HAPPENING THIS WEEK

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

TUESDAY, AUGUST 5

10 Ladies Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

7am Walking Wednesday @ Big Woods Lake/south lot

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

6:30pm Youth Group

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7

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

SUNDAY, AUGUST 10 Jackson Reynolds Preaching

Scripture: Gen 15:1-6; Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16; Luke 12:32-40

8am Worship (Sanctuary)

10am Worship OUTSIDE in COURTYARD

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

August 10 — 8am inside; 10am service outside

August 17—8am inside; 10am service outside

last of the summer

August 24 — both services inside



Holiday Weekend Worship Schedule

August 31 - 9am

We WORSHIP TOGETHER at **one service** in the SANCTUARY.
(No 8am or 10am services)

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

DO-DAY QUILTERS

Aug 11—8am, Fellowship Hall

We create tie-quilts together

Sewers: Would you like to take fabric home to make your own design and return a completed top? We have lots of fabric you could use! Talk with Arleen Burkhardt (arleenb45@gmail.com, 319-231-0536)

WELCA (WOMEN OF THE ELCA) GATHER

Aug 13—1:30pm, church library

Sept. 17—1:30pm, library

RIC BOOTH @ PRIDEFEST

Fri, Aug 22-Sat, Aug 23

SJLC is a sponsor of Pridefest

SPECIAL CONGREGATION MEETING

Sunday, Aug 24, 9:30am

To elect Call Committee for Associate Pastor

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Sunday, Aug 24

Special treats provided in thanks for all our volunteers do!

BACK TO SCHOOL BLESSING

August 24—during both worship services

1ST GRADE BIBLE MILESTONE

8/24—blessing & Bibles distributed

8/24—8:30-9:25 Learning Time #1

9/6—9-10am Learning Time #2

3RD GRADE BIBLE MILESTONE

8/24—blessing & Bibles distributed

9/14—9am, Learning Time #1

9/21—9am, Learning Time #2

ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP TEAM MTG.

August 26, 5pm

ADULT CHOIR REHEARSAL BEGINS

Sept 2—6pm, Sanctuary

weekly/Tuesdays

HANDBELL REHEARSAL BEGINS

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS

Sept. 7, 9-10am
weekly/Sundays

CONFIRMATION BEGINS

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

DVD BIBLE STUDY

Sept. 11, 3:30pm
weekly, Thursdays

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Sept. 27 & 28 @ EWALU

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

HEALING & CONCERN. . .

Jennifer Kurtenbach; Bonnie Smith; Rick Richter; Paul Moser (Diana Smith's ex-husband); Steve Robb; 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 Huetten (Guse friend); Barb Smith (Diana Smith's mother-in-law); Abby Palsic (April Hannam's sister); Mary Kahl; Janelle Fereday (John's daughter-in-law); Jennifer Snitker; Nonie Duff; Dorothy Perry.

COMFORT & CONSOLATION. . .

For Larry & Michelle Prohaska & their friend Brian's family as they grieve the unexpected death of their teenage son.

For Kathy Diehl & the family of Jacque Knief as they mourn her death.

THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS!

Our 10:00 altar flowers are given by Don & Sandy Kohagen in thanksgiving for God's many blessings!

	Jun-25			Fiscal YTD		
	Revenue	Expense	Net	Revenue	Expense	Net
Church	63,533.10	46,948.66	16,584.44	208,200.88	153,584.62	54,616.26
Preschool/Childcare	78,294.29	63,252.81	15,041.48	196,983.23	194,068.46	2,914.77
Total	141,827.39	110,201.47	31,625.92	405,184.11	347,653.08	57,531.03

Submit A Prayer
Request:



Visitor
Connection Card:



Support Financially:



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St. John Staff Located on the St. John website

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John Kohagen. **Shawn Smeins, Treasurer**
Josh Green..... **Jen Hartman, President**
Blake Borwick, VPNick Frerichs
Ali Puls, SecretaryKathy Diehl
Andrew Bruns

Ministry & Resource Team Leaders

Hospitality & Congregational CareRobin Abraham
Serving & Discipleship.....Janelle Smeins
Worship & CelebrationBrenda Truelsen
Faith Formation & Lifelong LearningRose Lorenz
Human Resources.....Jim Denholm
Financial Resources.....Jim Langel
Property Resource Team.....Larry Prohaska
Technology & Communication.....Nick Frerichs

Worship Attendance:

July 27—225 inperson