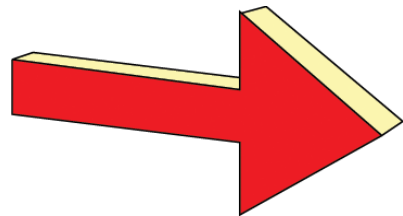


Operation Christmas Child



The LWML is putting together Christmas Boxes for children overseas and invite you to help supply the gifts for the boxes. There is a display in the narthex of the church with envelopes of the needs. All items will be placed into shoeboxes and shipped. Please feel free to stop by and pick up an envelope(s). All items need to be brought back to church by Sunday, October 18. Help make Christmas special for children!



All are welcome to get this great food. The more that take advantage of it, the more they are able to continue this awesome program.

Low Cost Food Sale


a program of the food group

Open to ALL! No pre-registration needed

Fridays once a month: 11am - 1pm
Upcoming Sales: Sept 11,
Oct 16, Nov 13, Dec 11

Location: Rush City High School,
51001 Fairfield Ave. Rush City
Enter Door 5

Affordable frozen meats and fresh produce.
Cash, Credit/Debit and SNAP accepted.



For locations and info:
Call 763-450-3880
Visit fareforall.org



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Normal Office Hours:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday 8am-2pm

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Secretary: Amanda Bruggman

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September 2026



The call committee will begin meeting on Monday, August 31 to go over the SETS of eleven pastors and will narrow the list down for a

**Joint Congregational Call Meeting on Sunday,
September 13 at 6:00 pm at St. John's**

where there will be a vote to extend a call to a pastor. The list of names is listed on the bulletin board at the back of the sanctuary. Out of respect for these men and their congregations, please do not post or comment about them on any social media. Please come to the meeting to help select our new pastor!

Worship Assistants at St. John's This Month

<u>St. John's</u> Elder: Bob Downing Altar Guild: Lynette Downing Communion Volunteer: Donna Mulholland	
<u>September 6</u> Musician: Digital (Roxanne Orvis) PA Tech: David Haley Camera/PowerPoint: Arlen Peterson/Karen Peterson Counters: Sandy Minor & Lynette Downing	
<u>September 13</u> Musician: Digital (Bernice Moreau) PA Tech: David Haley Camera/PowerPoint: Arlen Peterson/Karen Peterson Counters: Jill Erickson & Lynette Downing	
<u>September 20</u> Musician: Cindy Wendorf PA Tech: Roxanne Orvis Camera/PowerPoint: Arlen Peterson/Karen Peterson Counters: Susan Scheff & Lynette Downing	
<u>September 27</u> Musician: Cindy Wendorf PA Tech: Roxanne Orvis Camera/PowerPoint: Arlen Peterson/Karen Peterson Counters: Diane Buehring & Lynette Downing	

*A Measure of our Discipleship
Together in Christ*

Day of Worship	Attendance	Offering
7-26-2026	43	\$3,655.00
8-2-2026	33	\$1,190.00
8-9-2026	50	\$1,960.00
8-16-2026	39	\$2,075.00
8-23-2026	39	\$1,020.00



Thank you for all the well wishes, cards and goodies for my 98th birthday! You truly made my day special.
~ Gladys Enzenauer

Thank You

A special shout out of thanks to Rick Friday and Gary Wendorf for keeping our church lawn looking beautiful all summer. And to Tracy McCoy and Kay Christensen for tending to the flowers and plants that beautify our yard.

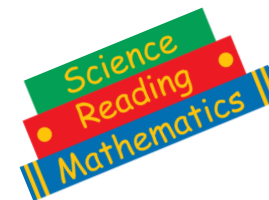
This Month's Birthdays & Anniversaries In Our Parish

St. John's Lutheran Church

- 1 Sebastian Blomquist
- 4 Susan Scheff
- 7 Parker Soine
- 8 Samantha Willert
- 10 Diane Friday
- 12 David Haley, Ben & Brandi Lewis
- 16 Jessica Brown
- 17 Mike Willert, Wendy Willert, Brandon & Jessica Brown, Wendell M & Nickole Swanson, Mike & Wendy Willert
- 20 Katie Downing
- 25 Tessa Knickerbocker
- 27 Brandon Brown
- 28 William & Gracen Bartos, Matthew & Sarah Kranick, Arlen & Karen Peterson

St. Stephen's Lutheran Church

- 2 Kaysen Swanson
- 5 Dave Berg
- 7 Eric Duvernay
- 8 Neil Schminkel, Katie Swanson
- 9 Crystal Campbell, Ryan Orvis, Mason Ramberg, Mark & Jessica McCurry
- 12 Kate Zelinsky
- 13 Caroline Duvernay, Kim Pierson
- 17 Kyle Lundahl, Lucas Sitz
- 18 Kayla Zelinsky, Kyle & Bailey Citterman
- 21 Ruth Hagfors, Lisa Lucht, Walter Peterson, Gerry & Justine Anderson
- 23 Scott Lucht
- 26 John & Sandy Sutcliffe, Jason & Tasha Swanson
- 28 Jon Knapp, Daniel & Lori Klepsa, Benji & Yvonne Leaf
- 30 Trevor & Deidre Bolz



A Prayer for the beginning of the school year!

Dear God,
Thank you for a new school year. Please watch over all students, teachers and paras, staff and bus drivers as they begin this journey.

- **Give students** eager minds, clear focus, and the courage to ask questions.
- **Give teachers** deep patience, wisdom, and joy on every hard and good day.
- **Give families** peace to calm any worries and comfort in times of transition.

Surround our schools with safety, kindness and understanding. Help everyone grow in knowledge, love, respect and strength all year long.
In Your holy name. Amen.

