



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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## LEADING IN WORSHIP ON JANUARY 14 & 15, 2017

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Scott Hartman Crew	Chad Burdick Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Sue Mize	Bob Johnson	Kim Townsend
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Katie Comley, Becky Taylor	Diane & Mike Ashbaugh	Beth & Kim Townsend
<b>Greeters</b>		Tonya & Eathan Achenbach, Tye Nebel	Mary Lou Hansen, Eric Hansen
<b>Acolytes</b>	Hannah Lucy	Addison Nano, Ryley Nebel	Reegan Swenson

**\*PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Ronald Thompson, Betty Stelter, Jason Jensen, Mary Gittins, Debbie Drustrup, Jenny Grap, Derek Ravlin, Rose Hansen, Mary Mauch, Shirley Jorgensen, Larry Gittins, Giles Whitney, Ed Ebersold, Robin Jastorff

*\*Names will be kept on the Prayer List for 2 weeks unless the church office is notified otherwise.*

### HOSPITALIZED

Mercy – \* Ed Ebersold, \* Larry Gittins      \*Discharged

**SYMPATHY** to the family of Michael Oehme, who died at the Fort Lauderdale airport last week.

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL** – January 18 at 5:30 p.m. Please sign up on the back of the bulletin insert if you plan to attend.

**SAINT JOHN MUGS** are still available to buy. The cost is \$7.00. Look for the table in the Welcome Center.

**WE ARE TAKING ORDERS** - Luther's "Day By Day" and other Luther books can be ordered through January. Look for them at the table in the Welcome Center.

**FOUNDATION AWARDS PRESENTATION** – Sunday, January 29, 2016, at 10:00 a.m.

**2016 BUDGET FORUM** – Sunday, January 15 at 9:45 a.m.

**PRIME RIB DINNER** - Please join us for the annual Prime Rib Dinner on Saturday, February 11th. Light hors d'oeuvres at 6:30, dinner at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are \$20/ticket or 2 for \$30. Tickets will be on sale in the Welcome Center Jan. 15-Feb. 5. Deadline to buy a ticket is Wed, Feb. 8th. We apologize but tickets will not be available at the door. All proceeds will go to support the youth attending the Omaha Urban Plunge mission trip.

**SAINT JOHN ANNUAL MEETING** – Sunday, January 29 at 12:45 p.m. Lunch will be served at 12:15 p.m. Please make a reservation if you plan to eat.

**EARLY BIRD SAVINGS** – If you register your child for camp before January 31 you will get a **\$50 discount** for a full-week session. Look for the Carol Joy Holling flyer on the table by the office.

**SCRIP NOTE** – Have you thought of making a New Years Resolution that benefits the church? Try using Scrip to pay for all your grocery shopping for 2017. And don't forget that Pizza King is available with an 8% profit.

**TO ALL WHO ASSIST WITH WORSHIP SERVICES:** Thank you for serving the Lord and His people as they worship!

**HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH IMPORTANT DATES:**

**JANUARY 15** (Sun), 9:45-10:30 a.m. - Mission Trip Informational Meeting (for those who couldn't make it earlier)

**JANUARY 31** - Mission Trip REGISTRATION & \$100 DEPOSIT DUE

**FEBRUARY 11** - Prime Rib Dinner (First fundraiser opportunity)

**REMEMBER THE HUNGRY** – Here are a few items suggested for Our Savior's Food Pantry: boxed dinners, canned soup, canned tuna or chicken, cat food. Please place your food donations in the grocery cart in the Welcome Center. Thank you.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – If you would like to provide altar flowers in memory of, or in honor of someone, please call the church office, 323-7173.

*Weekends in January and February are still open.*

Altar flowers (set of 2) are \$25.68 and Chancel flowers (1) are \$21.40

**DONATIONS OF FLEECE NEEDED FOR SERVICE PROJECT-**

In February the confirmands and their mentors will be making fleece blankets, hats, and scarves for the Center for Healthy Families and Bloomer School. Donations of fleece to help with this project would be much appreciated. Blankets: 1.5-3 yards of fleece; Hats ½ yard of fleece, Scarf ⅓ yard of fleece. Fleece will be collected throughout the month of January for this special service project. Donations can be placed in the box near the office. Anyone else (all ages) wanting to participate is welcome us on February 1st, 6:30pm. If you have sharp scissors please label and bring them with you to use.

**STEPHEN MINISTRIES** - Do you, a family member, or someone you know have a need or a care? If so, contact Pastor Benson (323-7173), Mary Lou Hansen (322-7248, Debbie Plugge (256-5310) or Alan Meilike (328-1671) and a Stephen Minister will be assigned to you. Please note that all communications are always CONFIDENTIAL

<b>Last Week's Attendance:</b>		<b>From the Finance Committee:</b>	
Saturday, Jan. 7	5:30 68	Last week's offering was \$6708 or 84% of weekly budget.	
Sunday, Jan. 8	9:30 112	Year-to-date offering is \$13,893 or 88% of year to date budget.	
	11:00 108		
	Total 288		

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 14**

**5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 15**

**8:30 a.m. Worship with Communion**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Budget Forum

**11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion**

**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, JANUARY 16**

February Caller Deadline

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 17**

9:00 a.m. Golden Oldies ChristCare

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

9:00 a.m. Sewing Group

5:30 p.m. Meal

**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18 (continued)**

6:30 p.m. Confirmation

6:30 p.m. High School Youth

6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, JANUARY 19**

9:00 a.m. Life Group

11:30 a.m. Men's Club

6:30 p.m. Stephen Ministers meeting

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 21**

**5:30 p.m. Worship**

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9:45 a.m. Budget Forum

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

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Chad Burdick Crew

Phyllis Damgaard

Anne & Dale Vorce

Hannah Jensen. Ellie Casey

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Isaiah 9:1-4; Psalm 27:1, 4-9; 1 Corinthians 1:10-18; Matthew 4:12-23