



SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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LEADING IN WORSHIP ON JANUARY 28 & 29, 2017

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Ushers	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Scott Hartman Crew	Chad Burdick Crew
Lectors	Deb Ingwersen	Patricia Minchin	Kyle Gann
Greeters	Kelli & Larry Gann	Tonya & Eathan Achenbach	Marilyn & Lenny Burke
Acolytes	Ben Brougham, Connie Brougham	Allison Steppuhn	Reegan Swenson

ALTAR FLOWERS – In honor of Elaine vonGillern and her many years of service to Saint John Lutheran Church as Financial Secretary.

***PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Betty Stelter, Mary Gittins, Debbie Drustrup, Jenny Grap, Derek Ravlin, Rose Hansen, Mary Mauch, Robin Jastorff, Brittany Campbell, Elaine Campbell, Dennis Smith, Kenneth Musser

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

HOSPITALIZED

Immanuel – Pastor John Plowman

SYMPATHY to the family of ...

Dorothy Smith, who passed away on January 19.

BEAT THOSE WINTER GERMS – The Service/Witness Committee is having a “Cold & Flu Season” drive for Bloomer. The teachers need Kleenex, hand sanitizer & disinfectant wipes for their classrooms. Look for the collection box in the hall by the office.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL – February 1 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.

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.

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 – Valentine's Day is just around the corner. Remember that special sweetheart with a scrip card. We have an assortment of cards to choose from – stop by our table and we will assist you in your choices!

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH IMPORTANT DATES:

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

FEBRUARY 11 - Prime Rib Dinner (First fundraiser opportunity)

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 to join us on February 1st, 6:30pm. If you have sharp scissors please label and bring them with you to use.

REMEMBER THE HUNGRY – Here are a few items suggested for Our Savior’s Food Pantry: boxed dinners, canned soup, canned tuna or chicken, or 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.

Most weekends in February are still open.

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

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

CARE NOTES - If you or a loved one is having difficulties, please stop by the Care Notes display in the Welcome Center.

Last Week’s Attendance:		From the Finance Committee:	
Saturday, Jan. 22	5:30 54	Last week’s offering was \$4766 or 60.33% of weekly budget.	
Sunday, Jan. 23	8:30 129	Year-to-date offering is \$27,165 or 86% of year to date budget.	
	11:00 140		
	Total 323		

SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 28
5:30 p.m. Worship

SUNDAY, JANUARY 29
8:30 a.m. Worship
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
 10:00 a.m. Foundation Board Awards Presentation
11:00 a.m. Worship
 12:15 p.m. Lunch
12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship
12:45 p.m. Saint John Annual Meeting

TUESDAY, JANUARY 31
 9:30 a.m. Golden Oldies ChristCare
 6:30 p.m. Praise Team

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1
 9:00 a.m. Adult Study
 5:30 p.m. Meal

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 1 (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

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 4
5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5
8:30 a.m. Worship with Communion
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion
12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 6
 1:30 p.m. Ruth Group
 6:45 p.m. Seekers ChristCare

LEADING IN WORSHIP ON FEBRUARY 4 & 5, 2017

Ushers	5:30 p.m. Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	8:30 a.m. Jeff Hamling Crew, Addison Nano	11:00 a.m. Bob Kossov Crew
Lectors	Noel Kropp	Monica McIntire	Doug Thompson
Communion Assistants	Katie Comley, Noel Kropp		Pat & Doug Thompson
Greeters			
Acolytes		Tye Nebel, Riley Nebel	

NEXT WEEK’S READINGS: Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12]; Psalm 112:1-9 [10]; 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16]; Matthew 5:13-20