



SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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LEADING IN WORSHIP ON OCTOBER 15 & 16, 2016

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Ushers	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Giles Whitney Crew	Bob Kossow Crew, Devin Nailor
Lectors	Linda Fisher	Mandy Stark	Mark Hansen
Communion Assistants		Marilyn & Lenny Burke	Karen & Alan Meilike
Greeters		Andreaia & Mike Nebel, Allison Steppuhn	Lois Biggs, Elizabeth Casey
Acolytes		Tye Nebel, Ryley Nebel	Hannah Jensen, Reegan Swenson

ALTAR FLOWERS – In celebration of the wedding of Sierra & Harry Beauchamp.

***PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Keith Warford, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Ronald Thompson, Betty Stelter, Cindy Jordan, Jason Jensen, Claudia Besco, Mary Gittins, Barb Paulson, Diane Kalskett, Debbie Drustrup, Susan Minchin, Jenny Grap, Derek Ravlin, Gail Bates, Junior Boerjan, Larry Gittins, Dylan Gaines, Floyd Fischer, Paula Roth, Veronique LeGuillou, John Dat, Robin Jastorff, Lisa Smith, Sue Mize

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

SYMPATHY to the family of ...
 Vern Lenz, grandfather of Chris Brandt

WEDDING on October 14
 Sierra Short and Harry Beauchamp

COUNCIL BLUFFS EVENING MUSICALE – Sunday, October 16 at 7:30 pm here at Saint John.

125th ANNIVERSARY DINNER – Mark your calendars for Saturday, November 5. A catered dinner will be served in the Faith and Life Center at 7:00 p.m. Bishop Rodger Prois will join us and be a part of the evening's program. Tickets will be for sale at the Saturday service and between Sunday services beginning October 1 and ending on October 23.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL – There will NOT be a meal served on Wednesday, October 19.

TREAT THE TROOPS – We are collecting items for the Holiday Comfort Boxes to be sent to our deployed military personnel. A list of suggested items is in the October Caller or on the bulletin board above the collection box. Money is also appreciated to help pay for mailing the Christmas boxes.

HALLOWEEN PARTY/ TRUNK OR TREAT – **Oct. 23, 1:00-2:30 pm.** The kids can dress up and come "trick" the trunks in the parking lot. ALL ages are welcome. Adults are invited to hand out candy in the parking lot. We will have cookies and punch and a craft indoors. We will move indoors if it's raining for the "trunk" or treat. Any donations of candy will be appreciated. Please sign up on the bulletin insert if you can help with this event.

SHOE TREE - We will be participating in the "Shoe Tree" fundraiser for Pottawattamie Center for Healthy Families again this year through October. The tree is right inside the door by the Coffee Bar.

GOOD TIME GROUP - It's that time of year when Happy Holidays are with us again... For November, the Good Time Group will decorate the Church for Christmas on Saturday November 26 at 9 AM till approximately 11 AM. Juice and rolls will be served. Questions - please contact Giles and Debbie Whitney at 712-328-3074. We Wish Everyone a Happy Blessed Holiday Season ahead!

ALTAR GUILD is in need of a few new members. We are looking for women, men and couples who would enjoy serving God in this manner. Altar Guild is responsible for preparing the altar area for all services. We are divided into teams with 3 people on each team. Each team is responsible for one week a month. Usually the week-end services are our only work for the week but there are some exceptions. Please call the church office at 712-323-7173 or Altar Guild president, Mary Lou Burke at 712-322-003 if interested or you may have questions but might be interested

BLOOMER SCHOOL - If you're interested in becoming part of the bridge between Saint John and Bloomer Elementary school please contact Annie Vorthmann for more information. Call or text 816-646-9431 or email at avorthmann@cbcsd.org. The Bloomer/Saint John neighborhood kids need you!

SCRIP NOTE: Using Scrip prepaid gift cards to do your shopping, is one way to keep your credit information safe, you just write a check to the church, and use the gift card online.

BETHANY TRICK OR TREAT- Donations of candy are being accepted to help treat the children who will be visiting Bethany for Halloween on *Monday, October 31st from 6:00 -7:00 p.m.* If you are able to donate candy, it would be greatly appreciated. All items must be individually wrapped and can be dropped off at Bethany Lutheran Home or Bethany Heights. We would also like to invite you to join us on the 31st. Thank you for your support.

INFORMATIONAL MEDICARE MEETING -

Wednesday, October 19 at 3:00 pm at Bethany Heights Community Room. Discussion topics will include:

- Medicare Part D (Prescription Drug)
- Medicare Advantage
- Medicare Complete Plans

Learn additional information about the Open Enrollment period as well as upcoming or possible changes in Medicare. This event will be presented by a representative from the local SHIIP office (Senior Health Insurance Information Program) along with Diane Carlon from the Bethany Lutheran Home and Bethany Heights. Contact Diane Carlon for more information or inquiries at 712-329-5451.

Last Week's Attendance:			From the Finance Committee:		
Saturday, October 8	5:30	75	Last week's offering was \$7941 or 104% of weekly budget.		
Sunday, October 9	8:30	186	Year-to-date offering is \$316,715 or 102% of year to date budget.		
	11:00	153			
	Total	425			

SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15

- 8:30 a.m. Keep Council Bluffs Beautiful
5th Avenue Clean Up
- 8:30 a.m. Call Committee
- 5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16

- 8:30 a.m. Worship with Communion**
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship with Communion**
- 12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**
- 7:30 p.m. Evening Musicales (please note time)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 18

- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19

- 9:00 a.m. Adult Study
- 9:00 a.m. Sewing Group
- 5:30 p.m. GIFT
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Meal
- 5:30 p.m. Confirmation Bonfire at Thompson's
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19 cont'd

- 6:30 p.m. HS Youth
- 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 20

- 9:00 a.m. Life Group
- 11:30 a.m. Men's Club
- 6:30 p.m. Praise Team

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 4:30 p.m. Wedding –
Danielle deFrates & Keith Damgaard

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 22

- 5:30 p.m. Worship**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 23

- 8:30 a.m. Worship**
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 11:00 a.m. Worship**
- 12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**
- 1:00 p.m. Trunk-or-Treat

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Ushers	5:30 p.m. Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	8:30 a.m. Giles Whitney Crew	11:00 a.m. Bob Kossow Crew
Lectors		Gary Woods	Burke Swenson
Greeters		Andrea & Mike Nebel	Mary Lou & Eric Hansen, Devin Nailor
Acolytes		Leah Wilson	Luke Meyer

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22; Psalm 84:1-7; 2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18; Luke 18:9-14