



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



## SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON OCTOBER 29 & 30, 2016

	<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	Giles Whitney Crew, Tye Nebel	Bob Kossow Crew, Luke Meyer
<b>Lectors</b>	Rose Hansen	Doug Thompson	Jeremy Hulshizer
<b>Greeters</b>		Andreia & Mike Nebel, Madison Stark	Anne & Dale Vorce
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ben Brougham, Connie Brougham	Ryley Nebel, Aubrey Stark	Elizabeth Casey, Addison Nano

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – In celebration of the 90<sup>th</sup> birthday of Jim Moss.

**\*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, Diane Kalskett, Debbie Drustrup, Jenny Grap, Derek Ravlin, Gail Bates, Junior Boerjan, Dylan Gaines, Floyd Fischer, Robin Jastorff, Sue Mize, Heather Harold, Lisa Smith, Al Gerdes, Tom Brown

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

**HOSPITALIZED**  
 Mercy – Al Gerdes

**SYMPATHY** to the family of John Dat, a 55 year old member of South Sudanese Thanksgiving Lutheran Church who meet here at Saint John. Contributions toward burial costs are being gratefully accepted. Checks can be made out to Saint John Lutheran Church.

**BAPTISM** on October 30 at the 11:00 service  
 Gracelynn Josephine Clanton, daughter of Amanda & Joe Clanton

**CONGRATULATIONS** to  
 Michelle Boyd & Zach Williby, married on October 29  
 David & Shannon Smith, married on October 29

**SHOE TREE** - We will be participating in this fundraiser for Pottawattamie Center for Healthy Families again this year. The tree is right inside the door by the Coffee Bar.  
***The deadline to donate is November 3.***

**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 Caller or on the bulletin board above the collection box. Money is also appreciated to help pay for mailing the Christmas boxes.

**PUMPKINS NEEDED!** And any other fall decorations that can be used to decorate our float for the Veteran's Day Parade on Saturday, November 5. If you have any potted mums or other fall flowers we could borrow please have them at the church by November 4, and you can pick them up at church after the parade on Saturday or on Sunday. Please put your name on everything you bring. **PARADE WALKERS** are also needed to hand out wristbands and seed packets. Meet at church by 10:30 a.m. Please indicate on the insert if you plan to walk. See you there!

**ESTIMATE OF GIVING CARDS** are available on the table in the Narthex. Thanks to everyone who has already returned their card.

**90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE** for Jim Moss is on Sunday, October 30, 2:00-4:00 p.m. in the Faith and Life Center.

**BAPTISM CLASS** – Sunday, Nov. 13 at 12:15 p.m. Parents who wish to have their child baptized are expected to attend this class prior to baptism. Please call the church office if you are interested, 323-7173.

**SCRIP NOTE:** Scrip is a great way to take the stress out of Christmas shopping, is easy, simple to mail and the church benefits. Check out the new shelves and storage containers in the kitchen pantry, Scrip profits paid for them.

**FIRST COMMUNION CLASS on Nov. 13 & 20.** Youth who are 5<sup>th</sup> grade or older who have not received their first communion are invited to attend the First Communion class on Sunday Nov. 13 & Nov. 20 from 2:00-4:00pm. It is important that you attend BOTH sessions. Parents are encouraged to attend as well

**SAINT JOHN FOUNDATION GRANT APPLICATIONS** will be accepted between October 24 and December 1, 2016. Application forms will be outside the church office door or you can call the church office, 323-7173 and one will be sent to you.

**ANNUAL PIE SOCIAL** – We will hold our fourth annual pie social on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 23 following the 7:00 worship service. Please bring a **PRECUT PIE** to share and enjoy fellowship together!

**CHILDREN'S SQUARE** – Is in need of 2yr old toddler girl clothing for the fall/winter. Donations can be dropped off at Children's Square, or in the Church office.

**FREE CONCERT:** Voices of Omaha invites you to attend the 48<sup>th</sup> Annual Performance of Handel's "Messiah," Sunday, Nov. 20, 3:00 p.m. at Holland Performing Arts Center. No ticket required.

**MEDICARE PART D UPDATE** - The open enrollment window is October 15-December 7. This is the time to review your current prescription drug plan for 2017. (Any changes will take place beginning January 1, 2017). Bethany will once again be offering **free assistance** in reviewing your current plan and options for the coming year. Now is the time to review your policy for next year. It is not uncommon for changes in your policy to occur each year. We're here to help you. For more information or to make an appointment, please contact Diane Carlon at 712-329-5451.

<b>Last Week's Attendance:</b>			<b>From the Finance Committee:</b>		
Saturday, October 22	5:30	41	Last week's offering was \$3905 or 51% of weekly budget.		
Sunday, October 23	8:30	137	Year-to-date offering is \$327,785 or 100.3% of year to date budget.		
	11:00	114			
	Total	292			

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29**

3:30 p.m. Wedding- Michelle Boyd & Zach Williby  
**5:30 p.m. Worship**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**  
 9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
**11:00 a.m. Worship**  
 Baptism- Gracelynn Josephine Clanton  
**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 31**

9:00 a.m. STARS ChristCare  
 1:30 p.m. Altar Guild

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 1**

9:00 a.m. Golden Oldies ChristCare  
 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
 5:30 p.m. GIFT  
 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Meal  
 6:30 p.m. Confirmation

**WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 2 (continued)**

6:30 p.m. HS Youth  
 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study  
 6:30 p.m. Bell Choir  
 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 3**

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 4**

6:30 p.m. Players Group

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 5**

11:00 a.m. Veterans Day Parade  
**5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion**  
 7:00 p.m. 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dinner

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 6 - All Saints Day**

**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**  
 12:15 p.m. Baptism Class  
**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

**LEADING IN WORSHIP ON NOVEMBER 5 & 6, 2016**

	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>8:30 a.m.</b>	<b>11:00 a.m.</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Earl Myers Crew, Leah Wilson	Linda Hahn Crew, Addison Nano
<b>Lectors</b>	Sue Mize		Kim Townsend
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Sue Mize		Beth & Kim Townsend
<b>Greeters</b>			
<b>Acolytes</b>	Dalton Mohatt		Megan Elam, Connie Brougham

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18; Psalm 149; Ephesians 1:11-23; Luke 6:20-31