



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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## LEADING IN WORSHIP ON FEBRUARY 25 & 26, 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	Jeff Hamling Crew, Tye Nebel	Bob Kossow Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Deb Ingwersen	Patricia Minchin	Mary Jensen
<b>Greeters</b>		Larry & Kelli Gann, Ryley Nebel	Shelly, Thomas & Kathryn Graham
<b>Acolytes</b>			

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – Praise God and his beloved son Jesus.

**\*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, Robin Jastorff, Elaine Campbell, Larry Gittins, Pr. John Plowman, Vicki Thompson, Connie Petri, Susan Minchin, Beverly McAtee, Pastor Stephany Sanborn, Faye Wiig, Loren Blumhagen

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

### HOSPITALIZED

Mercy – Larry Gittins

### SYMPATHY to the family of ...

Don Tawzer, brother of Chuck Tawzer, who passed away on February 19.

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

**GOOD TIME GROUP** - If interested in joining the Good Time Group, please send an email to: [roenfeld@cox.net](mailto:roenfeld@cox.net) along with your name, email address and contact phone number.

**SUNDAY BRUNCH** - Sunday, March 5 at 9:45 a.m. - Brunch and Capital Appeal informational meeting. Please mark on your bulletin insert or call the church office (712-323-7173) to make reservations.

**90<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY OPEN HOUSE** – You are invited to an Open House on Saturday, March 4, to celebrate Jean Vuagniaux's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday. It will be in the Faith & Life Center from 2:00 – 5:00 pm.

**SAINTJOHN 101 (NEW MEMBER CLASS)** will be on three Sundays, **March 19 & 26 and April 2** at 9:45 a.m. in the Conference Room. Please indicate on the back of the insert if you are interested or have questions.

**PRAYER CHAIN VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** Please consider volunteering for Prayer Chain. Phone calls are made on Tuesdays. Sign up on the back of the insert if you are interested.

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN MEAL** – March 1 at 5:30 p.m. Please sign up on the back of the bulletin insert if you plan to attend.

**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.

**SCRIP NOTE** – Scrip doesn't cost you anything to use for your shopping or gift giving. What it does do is profit the church. Just last year Scrip funds were used for 12 foot Christmas trees, shelves and storage containers for the kitchen pantry, and a roaster. The year before 3500.00 was used for the lighting in the sanctuary. Try buying a card to pay for your groceries or eating out this week. It becomes addictive very quickly.

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

**ARE YOU A THRIVENT FINANCIAL MEMBER?** You may have benefits that could help the high school youth get funding for their mission/service projects! Please contact Alli Van Roekel at 402-201-9588 or [allivanroekel@gmail.com](mailto:allivanroekel@gmail.com) to see how you can help!

**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**

**PRAYER CHAIN** – If you want to submit a name for the Saint John Prayer Chain please call the church office any time on Monday or by 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, if possible.

**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 March are still open.**

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

<b>Last Week's Attendance:</b>		<b>From the Finance Committee:</b>	
Saturday, Feb. 18	5:30 63	Last week's offering was \$8612.50 or 109.02% of weekly budget.	
Sunday, Feb. 19	8:30 102	Year-to-date offering is \$64,935.39 or 102.75% of year to date budget.	
	11:00 181		
	Total 346		

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 25**  
5:30 p.m. **Worship**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 26**  
8:30 a.m. **Worship**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour  
11:00 a.m. **Worship**  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, FEBRUARY 27**  
1:30 p.m. Altar Guild  
6:00 p.m. Seekers ChristCare

**TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 28**  
9:00 a.m. Golden Oldies ChristCare  
9:30 a.m. Women's Board Meeting  
4:30 p.m. Finance Committee  
5:00 p.m. Executive Committee  
6:30 p.m. Praise Team  
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 1**  
9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
5:30 p.m. Meal  
5:30 p.m. GIFT  
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, MARCH 2**  
7:00 p.m. The Book Club ChristCare

**SATURDAY, MARCH 4**  
2:00 p.m. Jean Vuagniaux 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
to 5:00 p.m. Open House  
5: 30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**

**SUNDAY, MARCH 5**  
8:30 a.m. **Worship with Communion**  
9:45 a.m. Sunday School  
9:45 a.m. Brunch & Forum  
11:00 a.m. **Worship with Communion**  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

<b>LEADING IN WORSHIP ON MARCH 4 &amp; 5, 2017</b>			
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<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Earl Myers Crew	Linda Hahn Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Sue Mize	Becky Henkel	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Joyce Roenfeld, Becky Henkel	
<b>Greeters</b>			
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ellie Casey		

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19; Matthew 4:1-11