



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON MARCH 4 & 5, 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	Earl Myers Crew	Linda Hahn Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Linda Fisher	Becky Henkel	Sue Pagan
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Joyce Roenfeld, Becky Henkel	Jean & John Rinde
<b>Greeters</b>		Jan & Terry Moxley	Tatum & Burke Swenson
<b>Acolytes</b>	Ellie Casey, Addison Nano		

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – In loving memory of my son Ashton Weaver, given by Debbie Weaver.

**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, Susan Minchin, Beverly McAtee, Pastor Stephany Sanborn, Faye Wiig, Loren Blumhagen, Mary Lou Hansen, Sandie Smith

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

**SYMPATHY** to the families of ...

Pastor Roger Prescott, who passed away on February 13.

Doris Caughlin, mother of Linda Muehlig, who passed away on February 21.

**NAME TAG SUNDAY** - Name Tags are available on the first Sunday of each month to help worshipers meet and greet one another. Names can be difficult to remember and name tags help us learn names and invite us to get to know one another.

**ALL "LOOSE OFFERING"** on the first weekend of each month will be added to Pastor Jon's discretionary fund.

**WEDNESDAY LENTEN MEAL** – March 8 at 5:30 p.m. Please sign up on the back of the bulletin insert if you plan to attend.

**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.

**CONFIRMATION & HIGH SCHOOL SERVICE PROJECT** - March 8-5:30-7 p.m. The youth will help assemble toiletries care kits during dinner prior to the Lenten service. These kits will go to several local organizations that serve the homeless, refugees and others in need.

**GIFT** will be meeting at 5:30pm on Wednesdays during Lent, including Ash Wednesday. This is a great chance for families to make GIFT a part of their spiritual practice for Lent. Pastor Ben will be leading the first one on Ash Wednesday and there will be a chance for others to sign up for other dates.

**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.

**VBS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED** – Please indicate on the bulletin insert if you would like to help.

**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.

**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**

**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. 25	5:30	54	Last week's offering was \$5705 or 72.22% of weekly budget.		
Sunday, Feb. 26	8:30	139	Year-to-date offering is 70,640.39 or 99.35% of year to date budget.		
	11:00	<u>88</u>			
	Total	281			

## SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### **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**

### **MONDAY, MARCH 6**

1:30 p.m. Ruth Group

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 7**

6:30 p.m. Praise Team

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

5:30 p.m. Meal

5:30 p.m. GIFT

6:30 p.m. High School Youth

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir

**7:00 p.m. Worship**

8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 9**

9:00 a.m. Mary Group

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 11**

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

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 12**

**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**

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	Linda Fisher	Andreia & Mike Nebel	David Craighill
	Katie Comley	Ben Brougham, Connie Brougham	

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Genesis 12:1-4a; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17