



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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## LEADING IN WORSHIP ON APRIL 22& 23, 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	Tim Chew Crew	Roy Adams Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Deb Ingwersen	Lane Plugge	Alan Meilike
<b>Greeters</b>	Deb Ingwersen	Peggy Tye, David Craighill	Mary Lou Hansen, Eric Hansen
<b>Acolytes</b>			

**ALTAR FLOWERS** - In loving memory of our dad, Les Hansen, on his birthday, given by Les & Rose Hansen.

**PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Mary Gittins, Jenny Grap, Robin Jastorff, Larry Gittins, Susan Minchin, Heidi Taylor, Ed Ebersold, Lynn Bertelsen, Jack Freese, Pastor John Plowman, Glenn Tuttle, Scottie Taylor, Sharlene Morrissey, Sue Mize, Mel Allen, Bev Musser, Ryan Lucy

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

### HOSPITALIZED

Mercy – Larry Gittins  
UNMC – Ryan Lucy

**SYMPATHY** to the family of Debbie Drustrup, who passed away on April 19. Her memorial service is scheduled for Monday, April 24 at 11:00. Visitation will be on Sunday night from 6:00-8:00 here at Saint John.

**BETHANY VOLUNTEER RECOGNITION TEA** will be held on Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. in the Dining Room of Bethany Lutheran Home. No RSVP is needed. We would like to show our appreciation to all Bethany Volunteers for all they do.

### CAPITAL APPEAL UPDATE – Great News!

So far \$635,040 of our \$750,000 goal has been pledged towards our “Rooted In Faith” capital appeal. This is a fantastic affirmation of the mission and ministry God has called us to do. If you have not yet made a pledge, please use a card from the pew or obtain a card from an usher or at the church office Thanks be to God!

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – The VBS committee is still looking for one Lesson Teacher for grades Pre-2<sup>nd</sup> grades. We also need one Lesson Teacher for Grades 3-6. Would you like to join us for a fun week at Camp Agape? Come help us Gather Around God’s Love – July 10 – 13. Lessons will be provided for your classes. Prayerfully consider helping “Share the Word” and Love of God during VBS week. Please contact Deb Ingwersen of Tracy Frush with any questions. We’d love to hear from you.

**AUTOMATIC GIVING** - We want to remind you that we offer electronic giving as a way to automate your offerings Electronic giving offers convenience for individual congregation members and provides much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. For more information and the authorization form please contact the church office, 712-323-7173.

**SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE** – Beginning on Sunday, May 28 there will be one service at 9:30 a.m.

**APPLICATIONS** for the **Alfred E. and Diane Welch Scholarship** for 2017-2018 will be accepted beginning April 15 and are due by May 15. Some specifics about this scholarship are: **1.** Any member of Saint John who has demonstrated an on-going involvement in the life and mission of the church and is attending a post-high school institution of learning is eligible. **2.** Student must have achieved a high school GPA of 3.0 or above. This scholarship of \$2,000.00 will be awarded each year, \$1,000.00 per semester, made payable to the school. If you, or someone you know, are interested in applying for this scholarship, contact the church office or simply pick up an application.

**APPLICATIONS** for the **Joseph Kaltenborn Scholarship** for 2017-2018 will be accepted beginning April 15 and are due by May 15. Some specifics about this scholarship are: **1.** Any member of Saint John who has demonstrated an on-going involvement in the life

and mission of the church and is attending a post-high school institution of learning is eligible. **2.** Student must have achieved a high school GPA of 2.6 or above. **3.** Preference is given to students who have not previously received this scholarship, though, depending upon number of applicants, previous recipients may reapply. **4.** Scholarship amounts range from \$500 - \$1000. If you, or someone you know, are interested in applying for this scholarship, contact the church office or simply pick up an application.

**BETHANY HEIGHTS NOW OFFERING INDEPENDENT LIVING** - Bethany Heights is now offering Independent Senior Living. Enjoy apartment living with great amenities! Apartments range in size from a Studio to Two Bedroom/Two bathroom. Small pets are welcome. For more information or to set up a visit, please contact Paula Fandry at Bethany Heights 712-328-8228.

**Last Week's Attendance:**

Saturday, April 15	5:30	76
Sunday, April 16	6:30	34
	8:00	158
	9:30	282
	11:00	<u>170</u>
	Total	720

**From the Finance Committee:**

Last week's offering was \$9386.00 or 118.8% of weekly budget.  
Year-to-date offering is \$126,329.89 or 99.9% of year to date budget.

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, APRIL 22**

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

**SUNDAY, APRIL 23**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

9<sup>45</sup> a.m. Coffee Hour

**11:00 a.m. Worship**

**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, APRIL 24**

6:45 p.m. Seekers ChristCare

**TUESDAY, APRIL 25**

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, APRIL 26**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

6:30 p.m. Confirmation

6:30 p.m. High School Youth

6:30 p.m. Bible Study

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, APRIL 27**

*Caller Mailed*

**SATURDAY, APRIL 29**

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

**SUNDAY, APRIL 30**

**8:30 a.m. Worship**

9:45 a.m. Sunday School

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Tim Chew Crew  
Bill Taylor  
Barb Paulson, Peggy Tye

**11:00 a.m.**

Roy Adams Crew  
Jeremy Hulshizer  
Linda Hahn

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41; Psalm 116:1-4, 12-19; Luke 24:13-35