



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



## SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON JUNE 4 & 5, 2016

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>9:30 a.m.</u>
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Bob Kossow Crew, Seth Frush
<b>Lectors</b>	Katie Comley	Mackenzie Frush
<b>Communion Assistants</b>		Tracy Frush, Mackenzie Frush
<b>Greeters</b>	Linda Fisher	Mary Lou Hansen, Eric Hansen
<b>Acolytes</b>		Madison Stark

**ALTAR FLOWERS** are given in honor of our new members.

**PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Taylor, Keith Warford, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Ronald Thompson, Shawn Taylor, Betty Stelter, Cindy Jordan, Tom Pagan, Caiden Loose-Ives, Jason Jensen, Claudia Besco, Mary Gittins, Chuck Murnan, Fred Farris, Barb Paulson, Lauren Hale, Diane Kalskett, Tommy Lang

**SYMPATHY** to the families of ...  
 Eileen Carlson, who passed away on May 28.  
 Richard Ring, who passed away on May 29.  
 Dennis Behrens, father of Scott Behrens, who passed away on May. 29.

**BAPTISM** at the 5:30 service  
 Mallory Rose Olson, daughter of Kari & Chris Olson

**WEDDING** on Saturday, June 4  
 Sarah Hamling and Bart Boehm

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

**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.

**SUMMER OFFICE HOURS** - During the summer months the office will close at noon on Fridays.

**SHARING MEMORIES** - *We are gathering memories from the last six years we've shared with Pr. Shannyn* - Work is underway to put together a scrapbook for Pr. Shannyn as a gift to take with her on her new adventure. If you would like to submit a scrapbook page for her book with pictures of your family, your Church group, or your Saint John friends; Please use 12x12 cardstock or 12x12 scrapbook paper. (You can use both sides if you would like). Turn in completed pages by July 15<sup>th</sup> to the Church office or in the box in the fellowship area. Questions? Talk to Heather Thompson at 402-981-6249.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** - Mark your calendar for July 11-14<sup>th</sup> 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

**CHURCH PHOTOS** - The 125 anniversary committee is in the process of planning activities for all of 2016 as we celebrate this significant anniversary. We would like to use any pictures of the previous church that you might have. We will scan and return them to you. Please drop pictures off in the office or give them to Patricia on the weekend. Thanks so much.

**SHIRTS** can be picked up during office hours M-F and before & after services on Saturday or Sunday.

**SAINT JOHN WEBSITE & WEEKLY CONTACT** - The website continues to be updated with new content and resources. Two recent additions: "Resources for the Home" under the Faith Formation tab and "This Week at Saint John" under the News tab to read and sign up for weekly email updates.

### LANDS OF LUTHER TRIP: FILLING UP FAST!

As of last Thursday, there are 33 people who have made a deposit for the Lands of Luther Trip. This leaves 15 spaces remaining for a full tour. If anyone is seriously considering this trip, decisions should be made as soon as possible. For more information, talk to Pastor Jon.

**BRICKS TO REMEMBER** –We are selling paving bricks that can be engraved to honor or remember someone. The bricks are at the entrance to the church, laid in rows between the pillars framing the entrance. The cost is \$125.00 per brick. Order forms can be found on the Coffee Bar and the table in the Narthex. **Deadline to order is Sunday, June 19.**

**I SCREAM, YOU SCREAM, WE ALL SCREAM FOR ICE CREAM!!** *Sunday, June 5th from 2-4 p.m.* at Bethany Lutheran Home, 7 Elliott Street in Council Bluffs. Proceeds will be used for resident and tenant projects at Bethany.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT BETHANY-** Bethany currently has several positions available. For more information, please visit our website at [www.bethanylutheranhome.org](http://www.bethanylutheranhome.org) or contact our HR Coordinator, Cindy Schechinger at 712-328-9500

**LET'S GET REAL** - On June 12th at 10:45am we will be holding the first in a series of workshops called "Let's Get REAL!" as we partnering with Kanesville Therapy in CB. These workshops will focus on the "real" issues and challenges of life. We will talk how to support adults, youth, children, family members, and peers who deal with depression, anxiety, grief, fear, and other areas of life. Many people struggle with these issues and we are often at a loss of how to support or help or how to deal with it ourselves as individuals. Licensed counselors will be coming to talk about productive and helpful ideas for the self, parents, and friends. We also hope to start the conversation and support for one another so you do not feel alone as you experience these very real areas of life. Feedback will be gathered at this first workshop that will help guide the topics of the following workshops. Options include: brain development in teens, how to deal with mean kids at school (all ages), behavioral issues, supporting friends and family with mental illness, and much more.

**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.

***Weekends in June and July are open.***

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

***Last Week's Attendance:***

Saturday, May 28	43
Sunday, May 29 9:30	199
Total	242

***From the Finance Committee:***

Last week's offering was \$3577, or 47% of offering budget. Year-to-date offering is \$171,622 or 103% of budget.

### SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

2:30 p.m. Wedding- Sarah Hamling & Bart Boehm  
5:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**  
Baptism- Mallory Olson

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

9:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**  
10:45 a.m. Saint John 101  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

#### **MONDAY, JUNE 6**

1:30 p.m. Ruth Group

#### **TUESDAY, JUNE 7**

7:00 p.m. Praise Team

#### **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
5:30 p.m. Witness & Service Committee

#### **THURSDAY, JUNE 9**

9:00 a.m. Mary Group

#### **FRIDAY, JUNE 10**

9:30 a.m. Synod Event

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 11**

5:30 p.m. **Celebration of Life Choir**

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 12**

9:30 p.m. **Worship**  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

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**Ushers**  
**Lectors**  
**Greeters**  
**Acolytes**

**5:30 p.m.**  
Celebration of Life Choir

**9:30 a.m.**  
Bob Kossow Crew, Tye Nebel  
Kevin Abelein  
Kitty Richardson, David Craighill, Ellie Casey  
Hannah Jensen, Ryley Nebel

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** 2 Samuel 11:26—12:10, 13-15; Psalm 32; Galatians 2:15-21; Luke 7:36—8:3