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Group Ministry

# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON JULY 1 & 2, 2017

#### Ushers

#### Lectors

#### Communion Assistants

#### Greeters

#### Acolytes

#### 5:30 p.m.

Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor

Linda Fisher

Deb Ingwersen

Ruby Runte

#### 9:30 a.m.

Giles Whitney Crew

Jennifer VanMoorleghem

Jennifer & Jim VanMoorleghem

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – In loving memory of Pauline Harford on her birthday, given by her friends Richard & Madlyn Olson.

**ALTAR FLOWERS** – In celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of Alfred & Diane Welch.

**PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Mary Gittins, Jenny Grap, Robin Jastorff, Larry Gittins, Susan Minchin, Heidi Taylor, Ed Ebersold, Lynn Bertelsen, Sue Mize, Lynne Hannon, Walter Sherman, Pastor Jon Plowman, Barbara Stuckey, Madlyn Olson, Phyllis Blumhagen, Stevi Brougham, Tim Ring, Faye Fox

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

#### HOSPITALIZED

Mercy – Barbara Stuckey

#### SYMPATHY to the family of ...

Faye Wiig, sister of Eldred Butts, who passed away on June 25.

Kent Madison, who passed away on June 29.

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** on Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4 for the Independence Day holiday.

**THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED** at noon on Fridays during the summer months.

#### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

#### “Camp Agape: Gathering Around God’s Love”

July 10<sup>th</sup>-13<sup>th</sup> from 5:00pm-8:00pm.

Children ages 3 years old through entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade.

A meal will be served from 5-5:30 with program starting after the meal.

You can register at: <http://saintjohnelca.org/> or contact Katie Warner at [saintjohnvbs@gmail.com](mailto:saintjohnvbs@gmail.com)

**CAMP AGAPE** is coming to Saint John's. VBS will be July 10-13<sup>th</sup> and we are asking for your assistance. If you have any of the items below that we could borrow please drop them off in the office.

- Tents and Sleeping Bags
- Lawn Chairs, fold up chairs
- Any other Camping Equipment (camping stove, kayak, lanterns, etc.)

**FOOD FOR VBS** - The sign-up sheets are in the Welcome Center by the bookshelves for food items needed for Vacation Bible School. Please help us make 2017 VBS another great experience for our little ones!

**RAISE ME TO READ** – In conjunction with VBS we are asking the congregation for donations of new or gently used books for children. The Raise Me to Read program seeks to have all children reading at grade level by the end of third grade. The program is focused on children from birth through age 8. Look for the collection box in the hallway by the office.

**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.

**SCRIP NOTE** – Last week Scrip profit from just HyVee was \$30.00. And someone who bought a card for \$100.00 got to spend \$100.00 but the church also got \$3.00. Not a lot, but it adds up when more people participate.

**CONFIRMATION PHOTOS** are in the Welcome Center on the table by the bookcases.

**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.

**BETHANY AUXILIARY MEETING** - The Bethany Auxiliary will be meeting Monday evening, **July 10<sup>th</sup>** at Bethany Heights. A short business meeting will be held at **6:00 p.m.** followed by Bingo and a pie social with the tenants. Please note the time change from the regular meeting time. Contact your church key lady for more information.

**GARDEN PRODUCE ALWAYS APPRECIATED**- We all enjoy the taste of homegrown vegetables and fruits over the summer. Many of the residents and tenants were avid gardeners in their day and miss the taste of homegrown foods. If you are gardening this summer and have extra produce you would like to share, please feel free to drop it off at Bethany Heights or Bethany Lutheran Home during the week. We would greatly appreciate it and the smile you'll see on the faces of our residents and tenants is priceless!

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

**Last Week's Attendance:**

Saturday, June 24	5:30	61
Sunday, June 25	9:30	<u>242</u>
	Total	303

**From the Finance Committee:**

Last week's offering was \$8,213 or 103.96% of weekly budget.  
Year-to-date offering is \$197,834 or 96.32% of year to date budget.

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, JULY 1**

5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion

**SUNDAY, JULY 2**

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

**MONDAY, JULY 3**

*Office Closed*

**TUESDAY, JULY 4**

*Office Closed*

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 5**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

**SATURDAY, JULY 8**

5:30 p.m. Worship

**SUNDAY, JULY 9**

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

**MONDAY, JULY 10**

1:30 p.m. Ruth Group  
5:00 p.m. VBS Begins

**TUESDAY, JULY 11**

9:30 a.m. Esther Group  
5:00 p.m. VBS

**LEADING IN WORSHIP ON JULY 8 & 9, 2017**

	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor
<b>Lectors</b>	Katie Comley
<b>Greeters</b>	Katie Comley
<b>Acolytes</b>	

<b>9:30 a.m.</b>
Earl Myers Crew
Sandie Smith

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Zechariah 9:9-12; Psalm 145:8-14; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

