



SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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LEADING IN WORSHIP ON AUGUST 12 & 13, 2017

Ushers
Lectors
Greeters

5:30 p.m.
 Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor
 Linda Fisher
 Ruby Runte

9:30 a.m.
 Tim Chew Crew
 Carol Wood
 Libby Woods

ALTAR AND CHANCEL FLOWERS – In memory of Robert Jeffrey on his birthday, given by his family.

PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR: Tracy Doebelin, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Mary Gittins, Jenny Grap, Robin Jastorff, Larry Gittins, Susan Minchin, Ed Ebersold, Lynn Bertelsen, Sue Mize, Lynne Hannon, Pastor John Plowman, Barbara Stuckey, Tim Ring, Pastor Stephany Sanborn, Pastor Noel Kropp, Dylan Nodean, Mary Lou Hansen, Ron Mowery

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

HOSPITALIZED

Select Specialty Hospital– Pastor Stephany Sanborn
Nebr. Methodist - Pastor Noel Kropp

BAPTISMS on Sunday

Adam Joseph Roane, son of Jennifer & Nate Roane
Elias James Petersen, son of Megan & Trevor Petersen

THE CHANCEL CHOIR will begin regular rehearsals on Wednesday, Aug. 30. Everyone is invited and no prior experience necessary! Come have fun and learn some great music! If you have any questions, feel free to email Eric Wyler at wyler.eric@gmail.com

BLESSING OF BACKPACKS – Aug. 20, 9:30 Service - Bring your bags and receive a blessing for all those working within the school system supporting learners, and/or Christian education. Sunday School registration forms will be available as well.

DURING THE MONTH OF AUGUST we will be collecting school supplies for Bloomer School and for LWR School Kits.

Bloomer needs glue sticks, Crayola markers, crayons and pencils, erasers, 2-pocket and pronged folders, scissors and Kleenex.

LWR School Kit list:

- Five black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel ink); secure together with a rubber band
- Four 70-sheet notebooks (280-300 sheets total) wide or college-ruled paper approximately 8 x 10 1/2. No loose leaf paper.
- One pencil sharpener
- One 30-centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other.
- One pair of blunt scissors (safety scissors embedded steel blades work well.)
- One box of 16 or 25 crayons
- One 2 1/2 " eraser

Thank you in advance for your donation of school supplies. The Service/Witness Committee

SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS NEEDED: Please sign up on the back of the insert if you are interested.

ARE YOU MISSING a jacket? Several have been hanging on the coatrack in the hallway since spring.

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

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 August and September are open.

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

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.

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.

BETHANY AUXILIARY SALAD LUNCHEON AND BAKE SALE - Mark your calendar and plan to enjoy great food and fellowship at the annual Bethany Auxiliary Salad Luncheon, **September 20th** from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The luncheon and bake sale will be held at Saint John Lutheran Church 633 Willow Avenue in Council Bluffs. Tickets are \$7. We promise you won't go away hungry!! Join us for lunch and grab some goodies from the bake sale for later. Help support the Bethany Auxiliary. Proceeds support Resident projects at Bethany. Thank you.

GARDEN PRODUCE WANTED - Our Bethany Residents and Tenants always enjoy home-grown summer and fall garden produce. We know the weather has been difficult on many gardens, but if you have extra produce you would be willing to share, we would love it. Please feel free to bring it to either Bethany Lutheran Home or Bethany Heights. Thank you in advance for sharing your bountiful garden harvest and for remembering Bethany.

Last Week's Attendance:

Saturday, Aug. 5	51
Sunday, Aug. 6	<u>168</u>
Total	219

From the Finance Committee:

Last week's offering was \$13,457 or 170% of weekly budget.
Year-to-date offering is \$244,731 or 97% of year to date budget.

SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

5:30 p.m. Worship

SUNDAY, AUGUST 13

9:30 a.m. Worship

Baptism - Elias James Petersen

10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour

12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship

TUESDAY, AUGUST 15

1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 16

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

9:00 a.m. Sewing Group

THURSDAY, AUGUST 17

11:00 a.m. Life Group

11:30 a.m. Men's Club

SATURDAY, AUGUST 19

5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion

SUNDAY, AUGUST 20

9:30 a.m. Worship with Communion

Blessing of Backpacks

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Roy Adams Crew

Heather Nano

Tom Brown, Coreen Trost

Tatum & Burke Swenson

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Isaiah 56:1, 6-8; Psalm 67; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15:[10-20] 21-28