



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON AUGUST 26 & 27, 2017

Ushers  
 Lectors  
 Greeters

#### 5:30 p.m.

Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor  
 Deb Ingwersen  
 Sue Coe

#### 9:30 a.m.

Roy Adams Crew  
 Carlie Wilson  
 Tatum & Burke Swenson

**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, Pastor Stephany Sanborn, Pastor Noel Kropp, Dylan Nodean, Mary Lou Hansen, Ron Mowery, Sue Pagan, Adam Roane, Barbara Timm, Toni Bowman, Madlyn Olson, Dawn Wilson

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

### HOSPITALIZED

**Nebr. Methodist** - Pastor Noel Kropp

**Northcrest** - Mary Lou Hansen

**Jennie Ed.** – \*Madlyn Olson \*Discharged

### BAPTISMS on Sunday, August 27

Jordyn Judith Mauch and Daniel Alan Mauch, children of Mary & Josh Mauch

### NEW ARRIVAL

Audrey Ann Schneider, daughter of Heath & Sara Schneider, was born on August 16. Grandparents are Margaret & Richard Schneider.

### SYMPATHY to the family of ...

Ricky Stegall, grandson of Leola Poppen, who passed away on August 22.

**SERVICE & WITNESS COMMITTEE** will meet on Wednesday, August 30 at 5:45 p.m.

**TWO SERVICES ON SUNDAY MORNING** (8:30 & 11:00) will resume on September 10.

**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 unsharpened #2 pencils (previously omitted)**
- 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

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

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** will begin on September 10. Please register on our website or use paper forms that are on the wall by the office.

**BAPTISM CLASS** – If you plan to have a child baptized in the near future or want to learn more about the rite of baptism there will be a class offered on **Sunday, September 24** at 12:15 p.m. This class is mandatory for parents who wish to have their child baptized. Please call the church office if you are interested, 323-7173.

**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 [wyl.eric@gmail.com](mailto:wyl.eric@gmail.com)

**ALTAR FLOWER DELIVERY** – Help is needed to deliver altar flowers to members who are homebound, in a nursing home or a hospital. Flowers can be picked up following the 11:00 service or on Mondays. The sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board by the office.

**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.

**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.

***Weekend of September 2 & 3 is open and most weekends in October.***

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

**PRAISE TEAM** – Do you play an instrument and/or love to sing? The Praise Team will practice every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. beginning August 29. Everyone is welcome, come join us. You don't have to commit to singing every week. We are going to have 5-6 singers commit to each weekend and rotate singers.

**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.

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

Saturday, Aug. 19	51
Sunday, Aug. 20	<u>178</u>
Total	229

***From the Finance Committee:***

Last week's offering was \$7,984.50 or 101% of weekly budget.  
Year-to-date offering is \$259,121 or 96% of year to date budget.

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 26**  
5:30 p.m. **Worship**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 27**  
9:30 a.m. **Worship**  
Baptisms - Jordyn & Daniel Mauch  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 28**  
1:30 p.m. Altar Guild

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 30**  
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study  
5:45 p.m. Service/Witness Committee  
7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 31**  
Caller Mailed

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
5:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
9:30 a.m. **Worship with Communion**  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
***Labor Day – Office Closed***

**LEADING IN WORSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 2 & 3, 2017**

	<b><u>5:30 p.m.</u></b>	<b><u>9:30 a.m.</u></b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Chad Burdick Crew
<b>Lectors</b>	Deb Ingwersen	
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Deb Ingwersen	
<b>Greeters</b>	Katie Comley	Marie Neal, Tim Wegner
<b>Acolytes</b>		

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Jeremiah 15:15-21; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28