



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



## SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON AUGUST 27 & 28, 2016

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

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

**9:30 a.m.**  
 Roy Adams Crew  
 Pat Nepple  
 Linda Hahn, Elaine von Gillern

**PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Keith Warford, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Ronald Thompson, Betty Stelter, Cindy Jordan, Jason Jensen, Claudia Besco, Mary Gittins, Barb Paulson, Diane Kalskett, Debbie Drustrup, Isabelle Dunai, Susan Minchin, Jenny Grap, Jan Girton, Carol Brigandi, Caiden Loose-Ives, Arla Halvorson, Derek Ravlin, Sue Mize, Judy McIntire

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEALS** - Confirmation will soon be starting. Food and fellowship was a huge success last year and we are going to continue this endeavor this year. If you would be willing to help with a meal, or if you are feeling brave and would like to chair a meal, it would be much appreciated. Please contact Peggy Tye 712-256-5302 (H), 712-308-1203, [kptye49@gmail.com](mailto:kptye49@gmail.com)

**STARTING ON SEPTEMBER 11** there will be 2 services on Sunday morning, 8:30 & 11:00 a.m.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL** resumes on September 11 at 9:45 a.m. Meet in the sanctuary for music and to meet the teachers. Registration forms are in the Caller or outside the office in the "wall pockets".

**GIFT: Growing in Faith Together** will resume on Wed., September 14 at 5:30 p.m. GIFT is geared toward families with infants and children up to eight years old, but all are welcome at any age.

**PRAISE TEAM** – Do you play an instrument and/or love to sing? The Praise Team practices every Tuesday night at 7:00 p.m. Please come join us. Everyone is welcome.

**PARENT MEETING FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS** – Wednesday, August 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Faith & Life Center.

**CONFIRMATION** - For students in 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades, class begins on September 14 and meets on Wednesdays. We will gather for a meal at 5:30pm and then have class from 6:30-7:45pm. Included in confirmation is the opportunity to get involved in the worship life of Saint John by acolyting, ushering and greeting. **Acolyte training** will be September 7 at 5:30pm (for 6<sup>th</sup> grade), 6:30pm (for 7<sup>th</sup> grade), and 7:30pm (for 8<sup>th</sup> grade). Families with students in multiple grades need only attend one session together.

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED FOR BLOOMER** – Thank you so much for your continued support of Bloomer and its students! Below is a list of supplies that are MOST needed by Bloomer students and those that are not needed quite as frequently.

#### NEEDED:

Crayola crayons, Colored pencils or markers, #2 pencils  
 GLUE STICKS, Large pink erasers, Scissors  
 Kleenex, Hand sanitizer, Ziploc bags (any size)  
 2-pocket folders with prongs, Composition notebooks  
 Plastic school boxes (5 ½ X 8)

#### NOT NEEDED:

White school glue, Pens, Notebook paper, Rulers  
 Two pocket folders, 3-ring notebooks, Protractors

#### PASTOR BEN'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. – noon  
 Wednesday, 1 – 5 p.m.  
 Friday, 1 – 5 p.m.

**GOOD TIME GROUP** - As summer ends and fall begins, it is time for The Good Times Group to start their routine. We will be going to Spaghetti Works in the Old Market for our September 10th activity. Go a little early and enjoy the sights and sounds of the Old Market, then plan to meet at Spaghetti Works for 7:00 dinner. Please email your reservations to Keith and Peggy Tye at [kptye49@gmail.com](mailto:kptye49@gmail.com) or send a text to Peggy at 712-308-1203 or Keith at 712-308-2875. Reservations must be made by Monday, Sept. 5th. We are looking forward to seeing all of you and hearing about everybody's summer. Let's make this the beginning of another great year of fun and fellowship!

**PASTOR SHANNYN'S CONTACT INFORMATION:**

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**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.

**CHANCEL CHOIR** - Do you like to sing? Are you looking for a way to be involved in Saint John Lutheran? Everyone is welcome to join this fun and inviting worship experience. Please email Eric Wyler for more information! ([wyler.eric@gmail.com](mailto:wyler.eric@gmail.com))

**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 21st from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The luncheon and bake sale will be held here at Saint John. Tickets are \$7 and are available from your Church Key Lady or at the door. 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

**BETHANY GOLF OUTING UPDATE** -Bethany Golf Outing Update-The Annual Bethany Best Ball Golf Outing is just around the corner. The event will be held this year at Dodge Riverside Golf Course in Council Bluffs on Saturday, September 24th. Registration is at 8:00 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9:00 a.m. The registration fee is \$75/per person and includes 18 holes of golf, cart, hole prizes, food and much more. Come spend an enjoyable time golfing and support Bethany at the same time. We hope you will be able to join us. Please feel free to invite others. The outing is open to everyone. Individuals, Couples and Foursomes are welcome!! If you have questions or need a registration form, please contact Diane Carlon at 712-329-5451

<b>Last Week's Attendance:</b>		<b>From the Finance Committee:</b>	
Saturday, August 20	46	Last week's offering was \$5206 or 68.5% of weekly budget.	
Sunday, August 21	<u>238</u>	Year-to-date offering is \$269,287 or 104% of year to date budget.	
Total	284		

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 27**  
5:30 p.m. **Worship**

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 28**  
9:30 p.m. **Worship**  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

**MONDAY, AUGUST 29**  
9:30 a.m. Dream Team meeting

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 31**  
9:00 a.m. Adult Study  
7:00 p.m. HS Parent meeting

**THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1**

**FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 2**  
6:00 p.m. Players Group

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 3**  
5:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4**  
9:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

**LEADING IN WORSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 3 & 4, 2016**

**5:30 p.m.**  
Ushers Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor  
Lectors Sue Mize  
Communion Assistants Sue Mize  
Greeters  
Acolytes

**9:30 a.m.**  
Chad Burdick Crew  
Phyllis Damgaard  
Phyllis & Mike Damgaard  
Paul & Mandy Stark

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

