



# SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



## SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH STAFF

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### LEADING IN WORSHIP ON AUGUST 6 & 7, 2016

**Ushers**  
**Lectors**  
**Communion Assistants**  
**Greeters**  
**Acolytes**

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

**9:30 a.m.**  
 Linda Hahn Crew  
 Kim Townsend  
 Kim & Beth Townsend  
 Lois Biggs, Barbara Paulson

**PEOPLE WE HAVE BEEN PRAYING FOR:** Tracy Doebelin, Keith Warford, Nancy Andersen, Leola Poppen, Kent Madison, Ronald Thompson, Betty Stelter, Cindy Jordan, Caiden Loose-Ives, Jason Jensen, Claudia Besco, Mary Gittins, Barb Paulson, Lauren Hale, Diane Kalskett, Junior Boerjan, Larry Califf, Lynne Hannon, Richard Boyd, Debbie Drustrup, Isabelle Dunai, Monica McKenny, Kelsey Benson, Susan Minchin, Jenny Grap, Bob Hansen

**BAPTISMS** on Saturday, August 9  
 Destiny Sullivan and Dustin Sullivan

**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.

**SHARING MEMORIES – IT'S NOT TOO LATE!** *We are gathering memories from the last six years we've shared with Pr. Shannyn.* 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). **You can still submit pages until August 15<sup>th</sup>.** Questions? Talk to Heather Thompson at 712-323-8391.

**THANKS** to Dr. J. Gordon Christensen for being our guest organist this weekend.

**THE 125<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE** is looking for interest facts to share during our year of celebrating. We discovered that we have three long standing members of our Saint John family. Can you guess who they might be? Well they are Gladys Pedersen, Dorothy Smith and Walter Sherman. All three have been members since the late 20's and early 30's. If by chance we missed someone please let the office know so we can update our records.

**LANDS OF LUTHER TRIP: FILLING UP FAST!**  
 There are 46 people who have made a deposit for the Lands of Luther Trip. This leaves 2 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.

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**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.

**All weekends in August are still open.**

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

**SCHOOL SUPPLIES NEEDED** - The Service / Witness Committee is asking for donations of school supplies for Lutheran World Relief and Bloomer School.

Each school kit for LWR requires the following:

- 1 box of 16 or 20 crayons
- 4 30-sheet notebooks
- 1 ruler with inches and centimeters
- 1 pair of blunt scissors
- 5 unsharpened #2 pencils with erasers
- 5 black or blue ballpoint pens (no gel pens)
- 1 2 1/2 inch eraser.

Similar items are needed for Bloomer School with the addition of a backpack to put them in. We will gladly accept any of the items on the list.

Please place your donations in the collection box in the Welcome Center by Sunday August 28.

**NEW GREETING CARDS WANTED** - Our residents and tenants love sending greeting cards. Each building has a location designated where they can go and pick out a greeting card to send. The cards are made available to them FREE OF CHARGE thanks to your generosity. We are currently in need of Birthday, Sympathy, Thinking of You and Friendship Cards. If you would like to donate new greeting cards, please feel free to drop them off at Bethany Lutheran Home or Bethany Heights

**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 21 from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. The luncheon and bake sale will be held here at Saint John. Tickets are \$7 and 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.

**BIBLE STUDY/BIBLE DISCUSSION VOLUNTEER NEEDED** - The Activities Department at Bethany Lutheran Home is looking for someone to lead a Bible Study or Bible Discussion in our Ivy Terrace Memory Care area. The time and date are flexible depending on schedule. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Kaily at Bethany Lutheran Home.

**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, July 30	46
Sunday, July 31	<u>385</u>
Total	431

**From the Finance Committee:**

Last week's offering was \$8186.50 or 107% of offering budget.  
Year-to-date offering is \$240,325 or 102% of budget.

**SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 6**

**5:30 p.m. Worship with Communion**  
Baptisms – Destiny Sullivan & Dustin Sullivan

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 7**

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

**TUESDAY, AUGUST 9**

9:30 a.m. Esther Group  
2:00 p.m. Wedding – Destiny Sullivan & Tyler Long  
4:30 p.m. Finance Committee  
5:00 p.m. Executive Committee  
6:30 p.m. Property Committee

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 10**

9:00 a.m. Adult Study

**THURSDAY, AUGUST 11**

9:00 a.m. Mary Group

**SATURDAY, AUGUST 13**

**5:30 p.m. Worship**  
Baptism – Brooks Plumer

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 14**

**9:30 p.m. Worship**  
Baptism -Elijah Wyler  
10:30 a.m. Coffee Hour  
**12:30 p.m. Sudanese Worship**

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

**9:30 a.m.**  
Tim Chew Crew  
  
Peggy Tye

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:** Jeremiah 23:23-29; Psalm 82; Hebrews 11:29—12:2; Luke 12:49-56