



SAINT JOHN THIS WEEK



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LEADING IN WORSHIP ON SEPTEMBER 10 & 11, 2016

	<u>5:30 p.m.</u>	<u>8:30 a.m.</u>	<u>11:00 a.m.</u>
Ushers	Bob Hansen, Bill Taylor	Gary Woods Crew, Ryley Nebel, Cael Malskeit	Chad Burdick Crew
Lectors	Bob Hansen	Rose Hansen	Burke Swenson
Greeters		Carol & Rick Tallman	Deb Ingwersen, David Craighill
Acolytes	Connie Brougham, Ben Brougham	Addison Nano, Seth Frush	Devin Nailor

CHANCEL FLOWERS – In celebration of Margaret Oviatt on her 96th birthday today and in remembrance of Walter Oviatt on their wedding anniversary.

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, Caiden Loose-Ives, Arla Halvorson, Derek Ravlin, Giles Whitney, Gail Bates, Pastor John Plowman, Beverly McAtee, Susie Baughman,

HOSPITALIZED
 Jennie Ed. – Beverly McAtee

ADULT STUDY (Concurrent with Confirmation, Wed. 6:30-7:30 p.m.) With 2017 marking the 500th anniversary of the Reformation, Pastor Jon will be exploring a study of two works by Martin Luther (The Freedom of a Christian and The Large Catechism), in addition to conducting a brief survey of the history of Luther's life. No prior knowledge is required, only an interest in deepening your understanding of our Lutheran roots.

PRAISE TEAM – Do you play an instrument and/or love to sing? The Praise Team now practices every Thursday night at 6:30 p.m. 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.

SJ-101 (NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION) – On Sunday, September 18 & 25 and October 2 at 9:45 a.m. in the Conference Room. Please indicate on the bulletin insert if you are interested or call the church office 712-323-7173.

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.

"MORE THAN QUILTS" SILENT AUCTION - Do you enjoy handmade crafts? The Sewing Group is planning a "More than Quilts" Silent Auction at Saint John this coming September 17-25th to help support our youth activities at Saint John and Lutheran Lakeside Camp. For sale will be handmade fabric items, large or small, quilts, wall hangings, tote bags, table runners, kitchen towels, and more. Also featured will be an especially gorgeous, 'must see' quilt called "The Road to Kansas", made by Almeda Diwoky. For more information, please call Sue Pagan at 712-325-0257.

SCRIP FUNDS were used to pay for the new shelves and storage containers in the kitchen pantry. The cost was 487.58. Thank you to all of the Scrip participants to help make this possible!

SHOE TREE - We will be participating in the "Shoe Tree" fundraiser for Pottawattamie Center for Healthy Families again this year. Look for the tree in the Welcome Center the first week in October.

PASTOR BEN'S OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, 9:00 a.m. – noon

Wednesday, 1 – 5 p.m.

Friday, 1 – 5 p.m.

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 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

Last week's offering was 10,663. Year-to-date offering is \$283,766 or 104% of offering budget.

Last Week's Attendance:

Saturday, September 3	49
Sunday, September 4	194
Total	243

From the Finance Committee:

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SAINT JOHN CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

- 5:30 p.m. **Worship**
- 7:00 p.m. Good Time Group

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship**
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship**
- 12:30 p.m. **Sudanese Worship**

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

- 1:30 p.m. Ruth Group

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

- 9:00 a.m. Golden Oldies ChristCare
- 9:30 a.m. Esther Group
- 1:00 p.m. Prayer Shawl
- 4:30 p.m. Finance Committee
- 5:00 p.m. Executive Committee
- 6:00 p.m. Girl Scouts
- 6:30 p.m. Property Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Worship Committee
- 7:00 p.m. Seekers ChristCare

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

- 9:00 a.m. Adult Study
- 9:00 a.m. Sewing Group
- 5:30 p.m. GIFT
- 5:30 p.m. Wednesday Meal
- 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class
- 6:30 p.m. Adult Bible Study
- 6:30 p.m. HS Youth
- 7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

- 9:30 a.m. Life Group
- 11:30 a.m. Men's Club
- 6:30 p.m. Praise Team

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 – Quilt Auction Begins

- 5:30 p.m. **Worship with Communion**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

- 8:30 a.m. **Worship with Communion**
- 9:45 a.m. SJ-101 (New Member Orientation)
- 9:45 a.m. Sunday School
- 9:45 a.m. Coffee Hour
- 11:00 a.m. **Worship**
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Lectors		Bob Johnson	Mary Jensen
Communion Assistants		Cookie & Bob Johnson	Marietta Bittle, Mary Jensen
Greeters		Mandy & Paul Stark, Hannah Jensen	Lois Biggs, Kris Docken
Acolytes		Madison Stark, Aubrey Stark	

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Amos 8:4-7; Psalm 113;1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13