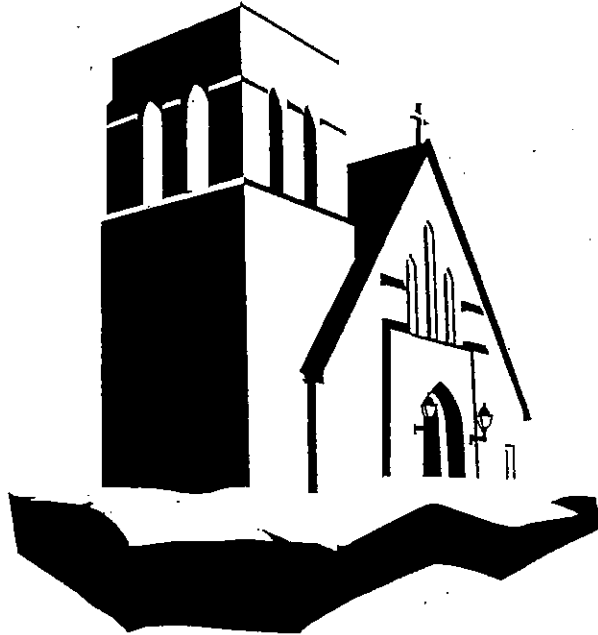


***THE LORD IS MY ROCK, MY FORTRESS AND MY DELIVERER,
MY GOD IS MY ROCK, IN WHOM I TAKE REFUGE.
PSALM 18:2***



ON CHRIST
THE SOLID ROCK WE STAND
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH
1892-2017

LWML Weekend
Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saturday & Sunday
September 30 & October 1, 2017



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Welcome

Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church. Blessings to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Together we share this worship experience and rejoice in this privilege. **Please sign our "Attendance Book" found on the inside aisle end of each pew.** If you are a visitor with us, please introduce yourself to the pastor and join us for coffee and refreshments in the Atrium after the service on Sunday.

The Liturgy for Today

Saturday & Sunday – Special Order of Service for LWML Weekend

The Hymns for Today

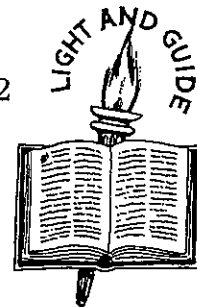
912, 506 verses 1 & 2, 947 verses 1 & 2, 656, 645, 832

The Scripture Readings for Today

1 Kings 8:54-61 2 Timothy 4:1-4 Matthew 10:26-33

The Sermon Title and Text for Today

"Be Ready To Confess Jesus" 2 Timothy 4:1-4 Rev. Gary Klatt



We Lift You Up In Prayer

Ken & Jan Busse; Nathan & Danielle Fick, Holly, Braeden, Jaelyn & Isaiah; Dorothy Hocking; Kathy Knap; Bryce & Ellie Oldre; Joel & Twana Smith

Worship on Saturday

Greeters-Flo Kannenberg, Verna Garnmeister; Door Offering-Kristin Suhr; Cookie Server-Kay Vollmer

Worship on Sunday

Greeters-Sharyn Klatt, Marge Knoll; Acolyte-Kayetlin Huiskes; Ushers-Fiddy Hamann, Lorna Schoeneman, Carol Weber, Dolores Weber, Dave Fick (Team Leader), Trent Svendsen, Mike Wenninger, Darin DeBoer, Glen Boler; Youth Ushers-Emma Abrahamson, Kloe Brockberg; Counters-Ron & Elaine Fick (Team Leaders), Bryce & Ellie Oldre, Randy Schneekloth, Gert Bruynes, Vicky Bruynes, JoAnn Strege, Eugene Marshall; Elders-Mike Gangestad (Team Leader), Ron Fick; Book Nook-Fiddy Hamann; Door Offering-Linda Goehle; Hand out Bookmarks-Esther Frakes; Coffee Servers-Sharyn Klatt, Marge Knoll

Our Brothers 'n' Sisters

Our sympathy to the family and friends of Evelyn Stueven who died this past Wednesday. Evelyn's funeral will be here at St. John on Sunday (October 1) at 2:00 p.m. . . . Congratulations to Dave & Shirley Huiskes on the occasion of their 44th Wedding Anniversary on Friday, October 6.

Sunday School

The Sunday School lesson studies "God Provides for Elijah." Just as God provided food and life for Elijah, the widow, and her son, so He provides food, forgiveness, and life eternal for us in Christ. Consider asking, "How did God provide food for Elijah? In what ways does God provide for us today?"

Life Quote - October 1

"To be weak, frail, vulnerable, and helpless does not reduce either your inherent worth or your ability to contribute meaningfully to the lives of those around you. In your weakness you can contribute great things. You can provide the opportunity to your loved ones to discover strength, compassion, and faith that they didn't know they had. You can ease their fears about their own final days. You can pull families together that haven't been together in a long time. You can simply be there so the ones you love can love you back."

Cheryl Magness, writer, musician, and homeschool mom

- A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life

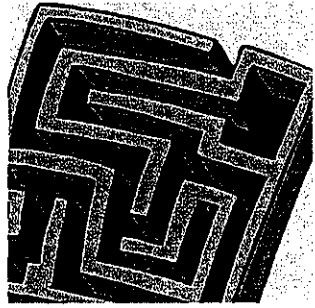
www.lutheransforlife.org

This Week at St. John

Sunday	October 1	Worship (Door Offering/LWML) (Stewardship Testimonial) Christian Education Hour Junior Choir (Grades 2-12) Funeral Service for Evelyn Stueven	9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
Monday	October 2	Circuit Pastors' Conference-Slayton Anniversary Planning Committee Meeting Elders' Meeting	9:00 a.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
Tuesday	October 3	Staff Meeting Quilting Communion at: Ellsworth Hills	11:15 a.m. 1:00 & 6:30 p.m. 1:15 p.m. 2:15 p.m.
Wednesday	October 4	Little Lambs' Devotions Bible Study Communion at: Brandon Sioux Falls Board of Stewardship Youth Dinner (Grades 6-12) Catechism (Grades 6-8) Senior Choir Kids For Christ (Grades 2-5) Youth Group (Grades 9-12) Kingdom Builders	9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. 9:30 a.m. 2:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Thursday	October 5	Little Lambs' Devotions Women's Society	9:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.
Friday	October 6	Pastor / DCE Family Day	
Saturday	October 7	Worship-Holy Communion	5:30 p.m.
Sunday	October 8	Worship-Holy Communion (Sr. Choir sings) (Stewardship Bible Challenge Report) Christian Education Hour Junior Choir Jr. LYF to Corn Maze	9:00 a.m. 10:15 a.m. 11:15 a.m. 1:00 p.m.

On TV & Radio

Sunday	October 1	The Lutheran Hour-WCCO Radio / 830 Time of Grace-KELO-TV/ Channel 11 The Lutheran Hour-KQAD Radio / 800 The Lutheran Hour-WNAX Radio / 570 Kid's Crossing - KDLT-TV "Main Street Living"-KDLT-TV The Lutheran Hour-KQAD Radio / 800 "On Main Street"-LCLM Channel 3	6:00 a.m. 6:00 a.m. 7:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 12:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 3	St. John Worship Service-Channel 3	4:00 & 7:30 p.m.



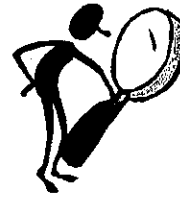
Corn Maze

Junior LYF will be going to the Heartland Country Corn Maze in Harrisburg, SD on Sunday, October 8. We will leave church's west parking lot at 1:00 p.m. and plan to return around 4:30 p.m. Cost of this event is \$5, though concessions are also available at the corn maze. All students in grades 6-8 are invited! Please **RSVP by Wednesday, October 4** so that enough drivers can be coordinated. All participants must also have their teal 2017-2018 permission slips turned in to be able to attend! Contact DCE Jessica with any questions, to RSVP, or to volunteer to be an adult driver/chaperone.

Women's Society

Thursday, October 5, 2:00 p.m.

Devotion: "The Glad Game – Accent the Positive" by Dorothy Petersen; Program: "Paradoxical Promises" – Bible Study by Pastor Klatt; Mite Box Gathering and LWML Mission Grant Report; Lutheran Bible Translators Report and Offering; Hostess: Lorna Schoeneman.



Scavenger Hunt

Ever dreamed of recreating the Beatle's crossing Abbey Road? Or maybe Rafiki holding Simba up on Pride Rock? Join us for an iconic images scavenger hunt! All students in grades 9-12 are invited to be a part of the hunt on Sunday, October 15. Create a team and travel around Luverne to recreate as many iconic images as possible in an hour! Everyone will meet at the City Park at 4:00 p.m. to begin. All teams will meet back at St. John at 5:00 p.m. to see who has the most pictures! Prizes will be awarded to the team with the most photos AND to the team who had their image voted the best recreation of an icon! Contact DCE Jessica with any questions.

Fall Festival Soup Supper

Sunday, October 8

5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Zion Lutheran Church, Hardwick

Serving Homemade Soups: Cheesy Broccoli, Chicken Noodle, Vegetable Beef, Chili; Tea Rolls, Pies & Desserts

Free Will Offering

(To benefit local and regional missions)

Handicap seating is available.

125th Anniversary Cookbooks available.

The Lutheran Hour – October 8

“No Selfies Needed”

Philippians 4:4-14

Lutheran Hour Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

God isn't afraid of messy people. He loves the broken, embraces the outcast, and seeks the lost.

Main Street Living – October 8

The message “It's All About Jesus” is based on Matthew 21:33-46. **Kid's Crossing**-Lily makes a mobile for the church nursery that features many of the animals that were in Noah's ark. When the animals left the ark they were able to start over.

Guild

The St. John Missionary Guild will meet at 7:00 p.m. Tuesday, October 10, in the Fellowship Room. The devotion is “Woven Threads” by Dolores Weber and Linda Goehle. Program will be a Bible study with Jessica Blocker. Hostess is Sharon Zinnel. Guests are always welcome.

Fish Boil Dinner

Sunday, October 1

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.

Peace Lutheran Church
902 S. Carroll Street, Rock Rapids

Free-will Offering
For
Orphan Grain Train



Help Needed

For

Salad Luncheon

All varieties of salads are still needed to have a successful luncheon. Please check the sheets in the Atrium and sign up to bring a salad and to work on October 12.

The salads should be brought to the church kitchen no later than 9:00 a.m. on that day. Be sure to label your salad with the kind it is. You may stop any time after 1:00 p.m. to pick up your bowl and possible leftovers.

Your help will be appreciated.

Salad Luncheon Committee

<u>Attendance</u> last Saturday:	53
Attendance last Sunday:	136
Total Attendance:	189
Offering:	\$5,311.00
Adult Bible Study:	12
High School Bible Study:	0
Sunday School:	34
Sunday School Offering:	\$27.00
Sr. LYF:	8
Wednesday Bible Study:	8
Kids For Christ:	49
Wednesday H.S. Bible Study:	4



Youth Group on Wednesday nights is starting a new adventure of study: "Heroes of Judges." We will study some of the judges God raised up for the people of Israel - but in comic book style! All students in grades 9-12 are invited for evenings of devotions and fellowship on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. Dinner is available beginning at 6:00 p.m. A second high school Bible study is available Sundays at 10:15 a.m. in the Youth Room! Same room, different time and different topics!

Circuit News

Rev. Robert Moeller has accepted the Call (full-time position) to serve the Tri-Parish of St. John Lutheran, Trosky, Trinity Lutheran, Jasper, and Our Saviour's, Pipestone.

The Call extended by St. James Lutheran Church in Holland to Rev. Matthew Mau has been declined.

Reminder

Please notify the church office if you or a member of your family enters the hospital. Thanks for your help!



LWML

Southwest Conference Rally

Saturday, October 14

Lutheran Church of Our Savior
1157 Third Avenue
Windom, MN

Registration & Coffee: 9:00 a.m.
(Fee - \$5.00)

Rally Begins: 9:30 a.m.

Speaker: Deaconess Faith Swenson
*"Women Serving Women
at Home and Abroad"*

Theme verse: *"And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works...encouraging one another."*

Hebrews 10:24-25

Gifts From the Heart: Hygiene items for Orphan Grain Train kits. Items include bath towel (dark color), washcloth, bath-size bar soap, adult-size toothbrush, sturdy comb, stick deodorant, band aids (1/2 or 3/4 inch). Other items for the Orphan Grain Train will be accepted to be sent for hurricane relief.



Dial-A-Devotion

Call 283-4005 each day for a message from God's Word.

125th Anniversary History Books

The History Books have arrived and we will begin to distribute them this weekend after our worship services. One book per household. Please stop by the table in the Atrium and pick up your household's copy and mark off your name on the list provided.



From the Worship Committee

Many thanks to everyone who attended the Chord-Ayres concert last Sunday at the Palace. What great music was performed by the group and what a great response from the crowd. We certainly appreciate all the help that made this event a success. Special thanks to Janet Marshall for her involvement to get this program arranged. As planned, we collected donations for the Rock County Food Shelf which included several bags of food items as well as cash. The generous cash donations totaled \$931.00! What an amazing contribution to the Food Shelf!

Thank You

A big thank you to everyone who helped serve with us at the Banquet. We had a wonderful evening and served around 130 people.

Board of Evangelism / Social Ministry



Mom's Night Out

Who: Moms of ALL ages

What: A night out

When: October 10th at 6:00 p.m.
(The second Tuesday of every month.)

Where: The Bluestem

Why: To relax, unwind and connect with other Christian moms!

Please RSVP to Heather Johnson
at 449-0510 or

heather.m.johnson@gmail.com.

Call or email with questions also!



Food Shelf

October is our month to supply items to the Food Shelf. Please place your generous donation in the grocery cart by the south Atrium door. There are grocery bags available in the cart or you may use your own. All non-perishable items are welcome and there is a list of suggested items in the cart also.



Christmas Gift Boxes

A number of St. John's Quilters have taken on a project of Orphan Grain Train (LCMS Ministry) for the next 10 months. *Christmas Gift Boxes* (for Christmas 2018) will be sent internationally to children that may not receive any other Christmas package. Ten items are needed for each box – and so we will be collecting one of those items each month (October 2017 – July 2018). Our “collection item” for the entire month of October will be **24-count boxes of Crayons**. Please place your crayons in the container provided under the Display Case by the southeast entrance of the education building. (See the October Newsletter for a complete listing of the items being collected each month.) Help us bring smiles to the faces of children around the world!



Benefit For
Jackson Van Maanen
&
Trenton Bass

Members of the Hills Fire Department are planning a benefit for Jackson VanMaanen, son of fellow firefighter Justin Van Maanen and Amanda (Berghorst) VanMaanen, and for Trenton Bass, son of Fire Chief Jess Bass and Missy (Leuthold) Bass.

What: Free will donation pulled pork meal, silent auction and bake sale.

When: Saturday, October 14

Time: 4:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Where: Hugo Goehle Gym (old high school) in Hills, MN

If you would be willing to donate an item for the silent auction, please contact Derek Bundesen at 507-962-3140. Items can also be mailed to 510 Josephine Drive, Hills, MN 56138. We would like to receive all items by October 9th. Any monetary donation should be made out to the Hills Fire Dept. Relief Association, and may be mailed to the same address. All proceeds raised from this event will go to the VanMaanen and Bass families to help with medical expenses.

Soli Deo Gloria!