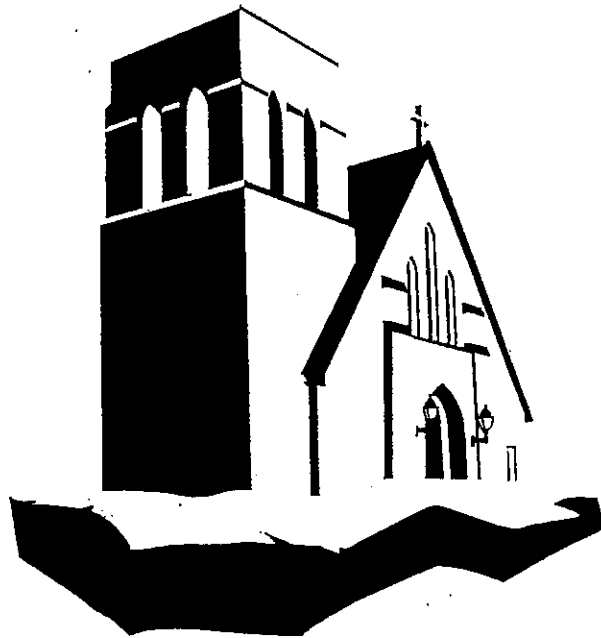


***THE LORD IS MY ROCK, MY FORTRESS AND MY DELIVERER,  
MY GOD IS MY ROCK, IN WHOM I TAKE REFUGE.  
PSALM 18:2***



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

***Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost***

***Saturday & Sunday  
October 7 & 8, 2017***



St. John Lutheran Church  
803 North Cedar Street  
Luverne, MN 56156  
(507) 283-2316

E-mail: [stjohn@iw.net](mailto:stjohn@iw.net)

Website: [www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org](http://www.stjohnlutheranluverne.org)

Dial-A-Devotion: (507) 283-4005

Rev. Gary Klatt, Administrative Pastor (507) 449-5951  
[gklatt@iw.net](mailto:gklatt@iw.net)

Rebecca DeBoer, Preschool Administrator (605) 759-0976  
[littlelambs@iw.net](mailto:littlelambs@iw.net)

Jessica Blocker, DCE (218) 731-3425  
[dcejess@gmail.com](mailto:dcejess@gmail.com)

---

### Visitors

We welcome you! We are thankful for your presence among us this morning. Please sign our guest book near the church entrance and/or pew attendance pad and introduce yourself to Pastor. We invite you to come again and worship with us, and read the announcement below concerning our practice of close communion.

### For All Guests of the Lord's Supper

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at St. John Lutheran Church is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we receive, under the bread and wine, our Savior's true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins. All who commune at this altar make a common confession of the faith as we believe and teach according to Holy Scripture and the Lutheran Confessions. If you are not a member of St. John Lutheran Church, please speak with the Pastor before communing.

### The Liturgy for Today

Saturday & Sunday – Divine Service 3, Page 184

**The Hymns for Today**

813, 851, 783, 781, 850, 789

**The Scripture Readings for Today**

Isaiah 5:1-7    Philippians 3:4b-14    Matthew 21:33-46

**The Sermon Title and Text for Today**

"Are You A Good or Bad Tenant in God's Kingdom?"

Matthew 21:33-46    Rev. Gary Klatt



"The earth has yielded its increase: God, our God, has blessed us."  
- Psalm 67:6

**Special Music**

Our thanks to the Senior Choir for their selection in our Sunday service entitled, "Bless This House".

**Chancel Flowers**

The flowers in the Chancel are given in loving memory of Evelyn Stueven by her family. To God Be the Glory.

**Worship on Sunday**

Greeter-Elaine Fick; Acolyte-Burke Johnson; Ushers-Dave Fick (Team Leader), Trent Svendsen, Mike Wenninger, Darin DeBoer, Glen Boler; Youth Ushers-Emmery Huiskes, Jude Johnson; 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

**We Lift You Up In Prayer**

Ron & Jane Cote; Ron & Elaine Fick; Cathryn Hoeck; Marge Knoll; Grant & Alicia Oldre; Jim & Judy Sonntag

**Our Brothers 'n' Sisters**

In the hospital this past week at Sanford Sioux Falls was John Krogmann; and entering Sanford Sioux Falls for surgery on Monday is Dorothy Hocking. . . .Our sympathy to the family and friends of Dale Hamann who passed away on Wednesday, October 4. . . .Congratulations to Dick & Clarice Herman on the occasion of their 51<sup>st</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, October 8; to Bob & Sharon Zinnel on the occasion of their 56<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, October 8; to Alan & Patty Hinz on the occasion of their 20<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Wednesday, October 11; to Keith & Audrey Aanenson on the occasion of their 54<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Thursday, October 12; and to Jeremy & Tara Wallenberg on the occasion of their 10<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on Friday, October 13. . . .Happy Significant Birthday greetings to Carlene Boll on Monday, October 9; and to Delores Petersen on Thursday, October 12.

**This Week at St. John**

Sunday	October 8	<b>Worship-Holy Communion</b> 9:00 a.m. (Sr. Choir sings) (Stewardship Bible Challenge Report) Christian Education Hour 10:15 a.m. Junior Choir (Grades 2-12) 11:15 a.m. Junior LYF to Corn Maze 1:00 p.m.
Monday	October 9	Pastors' Conference, Mankato NO Men's Club
Tuesday	October 10	Pastors' Conference Mankato Mom's Night Out 6:00 p.m. Women's Missionary Guild 7:00 p.m.
Wednesday	October 11	Little Lambs' Devotions 9:00 a.m. & 1:00 p.m. Bible Study 9:30 a.m. Communion at: Mary Jane Brown Home 1:30 p.m. Poplar Creek Estates 2:15 p.m. MN Veterans Home 3:30 p.m. Youth Dinner (Grades 6-12) 6:00 p.m. Catechism (Grades 6-8) 6:30 p.m. Senior Choir 7:00 p.m. Kids For Christ (Grades 2-5) 7:00 p.m. Youth Group (Grades 9-12) 7:00 p.m. Little Lambs' Devotions 9:00 a.m. Salad Luncheon 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Parkinson's Support Group 1:00 p.m.
Thursday	October 12	Pastor Klatt on Vacation October 13 - 20 DCE's Family Day
Friday	October 13	SW Conference LWML Rally, Windom 9:00 a.m. Stewardship Weekend
Saturday	October 14	Worship (Rev. Boeder) 5:30 p.m. Stewardship Weekend
Sunday	October 15	Worship (Rev. Boeder) (Jr. Choir sings) 9:00 a.m. (Little Lambs' Puffin Sales Begin) Christian Education Hour 10:15 a.m. Junior Choir (Grades 2-12) 11:15 a.m. Sr. LYF Scavenger Hunt 4:00 p.m.

**On TV & Radio**

Sunday	October 8	The Lutheran Hour-WCCO Radio / 830 6:00 a.m. Time of Grace-KELO-TV/ Channel 11 6:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour-KQAD Radio / 800 7:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour-WNAX Radio / 570 9:30 a.m. Kid's Crossing - KDLT-TV 10:00 a.m. "Main Street Living"-KDLT-TV 10:30 a.m. The Lutheran Hour-KQAD Radio / 800 11:30 a.m. "On Main Street"-LCLM Channel 3 12:30 p.m. St. John Worship Service-Channel 3 4:00 & 7:30 p.m.
Tuesday	October 10	

### Sunday School

"Elijah and the Prophets of Baal" serves as the lesson focus for Sunday School. Just as the true God revealed Himself on the altar of Mount Carmel, so on the cross-shaped altar of Mount Calvary Jesus revealed, once and for all, that He alone is the real God who loves us enough to die for us. Parents could ask, "How did God demonstrate His power on Mount Carmel? How does God reveal Himself to us?"



### 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.

### Life Quote – October 8

"Why do we strive to protect tiny embryos in Petri dishes or frozen in a fertility clinic? Because they are created, redeemed, and little ones whom God wants to call."

*Rev. Dr. James I. Lamb,  
former executive director of  
Lutherans For Life*

*– A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life  
[www.lutheransforlife.org](http://www.lutheransforlife.org)*

### The Lutheran Hour – October 15

"Luther the Man:

Called by God to Boast in Him"

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Lutheran Hour Speaker:

Rev. Dr. Gregory Seltz

Although Martin Luther is widely regarded as one of the most influential people of the last 500 years, he knew he was no big deal, compared to Christ.

### Main Street Living – October 15

Rev. Caleb Schewe of Trinity Lutheran Church in Corona, SD and Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Wilmot, SD brings the message. *Kid's Crossing*-Janitor Bob gets interrupted by several cell phone calls. He reminds us that talking to God through prayer is never an interruption for God.

### Reminder

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

### Save Your Teal's Receipts

Be sure to save your Teal's receipts and deposit them in the box provided in the Atrium. Little Lambs will receive 2% back of all receipts that are collected between now and December 31, 2017!



Operation Christmas Child collects shoeboxes filled with gifts and delivers them to children in need around the world. Every one of these shoebox gifts is an opportunity for the Gospel. In the hands of local churches, it is a powerful tool for evangelism, discipleship, and multiplication. Many shoebox recipients also enroll in a 12-lesson follow-up discipleship program, The Greatest Journey, where they learn to follow Christ and share Him with others. You can be a part of this worldwide effort to grow the Kingdom of God even in places where the Gospel has never been heard! Pack a shoebox (any shoebox will do) with toys, hygiene items (no liquids), school supplies for a child, and a \$9 donation to cover shipping cost. For more information, visit:

[samaritanspurse.org/occ](http://samaritanspurse.org/occ).

Shoeboxes can be dropped off in DCE Jessica's office!

### 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.

### 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*

### Puffin Sales!

Little Lambs will begin a fundraiser selling Puffins and PuffCrust Pizzas on Sunday, October 15 through Monday, October 30. Make sure to check out all of the wonderful varieties! Pastry Puffins will be \$12.00 a box and PuffCrust Pizzas are \$13.00 a box. Any questions, please contact Becky DeBoer.

### Invitation

The members of Our Saviour's Lutheran Church in Pipestone; St. John Lutheran Church in Trosky; and Trinity Lutheran in Jasper, invite you to join them for the installation of The Rev. Robert E. Moeller, Jr. as their Tri-Parish Pastor. Divine Service and the Rite of Installation will be Sunday, October 15 at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 1102 7<sup>th</sup> Avenue SW, Pipestone. The service begins at 3:00 p.m. with the Rev. Dr. Dean Nadasdy, President of the MN South District of the LCMS conducting the installation. A supper will follow. All are invited to attend.

### High School Bible Study

High School students have a second opportunity to be in the Word together! Join us Sunday mornings during the Christian Education Hour at 10:15 a.m. in the Youth Room for a Bible Study featuring different topics from Wednesday night activities.



### Christmas Gift Boxes

Item Being Collected in October:

**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.

### 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.

<u>Attendance</u> last Saturday:	51
Attendance last Sunday:	145
Total Attendance:	196
Offering:	\$7,575.00
Adult Bible Study:	7
High School Bible Study:	0
Sunday School:	36
Sunday School Offering:	\$37.00
Wednesday Bible Study:	9
Kids For Christ:	40
Wednesday H.S. Bible Study:	4



Mom's Night Out

Who: Moms of ALL ages

What: A night out

When: October 10<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:heather.m.johnson@gmail.com).  
Call or email with questions also!

Circle Meetings

Tuesday, October 17, 2:00 p.m.

Eve Circle at the home of Doris  
Rockman, 907 N. McKenzie Street.  
Deborah Circle at the home of Imogene  
Krogmann, 426 S. Fairview Drive.

125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary History Books

The History Books have arrived and  
we will continue 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.



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 9<sup>th</sup>. 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.



### 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.

### 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.

125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbooks available.

### One Warm Coat Project

Have an extra coat in your closet? Rock County's 2017 ONE WARM COAT PROJECT is collecting new and/or lean, reusable coats and snow gear (Cash donations welcome to purchase hard to find sizes). Drop off at ATLAS for Life, 201 E. Main Street, Luverne – Drop Box on main floor or 2<sup>nd</sup> floor (elevator available); or Monday – Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. at the Luverne Elementary School. **Deadline: October 31.**

### 125<sup>th</sup> Memorabilia

The following memorabilia items may be ordered through November 12, 2017. After this date, no more orders will be taken. These items are great keepsakes and would make wonderful Christmas gifts. All items need to be pre-paid at the time you place your order.

- \$10.00 Ornament of St. John Lutheran Church
- \$35.00 Blanket with St. John inscription
- \$12.00 St. John T-shirt

Contact Sheila Schneekloth (507-920-6158) or Shirley Huiskes (507-920-9477).

### Fall Heritage Festival Dinner & Bake Sale

Sunday, October 15

Brandon Lutheran Church  
600 E. Holly Blvd., Brandon

Dinner 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m.

Bake/Craft Sale: 9:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Dinner Menu: Turkey & Homemade Swedish Meatballs; Glazed Carrots; Cranberries; Cole Slaw; Mashed Potatoes & Gravy; Homemade Lefse; Rolls; Apple & Pumpkin Desserts

Dinner Prices: Adults: \$12.00; Children 6-12: \$6.00; Children 5 & under: Free. Handicapped Accessible.

## **Soli Deo Gloria!**