

General Announcements:

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS. We are glad you have joined us in worshipping our Lord and Savior. We trust you will draw strength, peace, and hope as together we hear God's Word spoken here today. So that we may serve you better, we ask that you fill out an attendance card located on the back of the pew, including your address and noting that you are a visitor.

ETERNAL CANDLE The eternal candle glows to the glory of God from Evan & Dawn Antolik, in honor of Kristen's and Easton's birthdays.

ALTAR FLOWERS The flower bouquet that adorns the Altar are from the Altar Guild.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS Romans 5:8 - "But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us." God did not wait for mankind to make the first move. He did not wait for Adam and Even to come looking for Him — He went and found them. And while we were still sinners, still enemies of God, still set against Him, God looked on us with kindness and generosity, and so loved us that He sent His Son Jesus to suffer, die and rise for us. We now seek to grow up into His image as loving, generous and kind sons and daughters of our Heavenly Father.

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: "If you change the way you look at things, the things you look at change." It's a simple idea—but a powerful one. This week, you'll almost certainly face a moment that tests your patience or perspective. When it comes, don't rush past it. Pause. Breathe. Reflect. Remember: you have a choice—not just in how you respond, but in how you see the situation in the first place. Take a step back and lean into the source of true wisdom: "But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, open to reason, full of mercy and good fruits, without uncertainty or insincerity." (James 3:17) What would it look like to answer with wisdom, grace, gentleness, reason, and sincerity?

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MEMBER ASSISTANCE We have a member in need of financial assistance due to unforeseen circumstances. If you would be willing/able to donate aid, please mark an offering envelope "member assistance". Any help would be greatly appreciated.

LADIES LUNCHEON All the ladies of St. John's are invited to lunch at the Deerfield Family Restaurant in Silvis, on Thursday, June 18th at 11:30am. The more the merrier!

CHURCH WORKER SCHOLARSHIP St. John's is taking a special offering for financial aid to any students who are working towards a career in church work. If you would like to contribute to this 'scholarship', please mark your offering envelope as "Church Scholarship".

VBS This year, St. John's will not be hosting a VBS; several of our circuit churches are though--please see the flyer on the bulletin boards, the Information table, and the Informer for details of where you can go for faith-filled fun!

NIGHT AT THE BALLPARK Join your Rock Island Circuit friends for Faith and Family Night at Modern Woodman Park in Davenport on July 11th. Game time is 5:30pm. For \$15 you get a River Bandits ticket, hot dog, chips and a drink. Please sign up by June 14th.

ATTENTION MEN All men in the congregation are invited to the first ever "Brats, Bibles, & Beverages" on Sunday, June 28th at 5:00 PM at the church. Brats, hot dogs, and buns, unsweetened iced tea and water will be provided. We ask you bring something to share such as condiments, chips, casseroles, desserts and your own beverage if you desire something other than tea or water. Please sign up no later than June 21st so we know how much food to purchase. This will be a great opportunity for fellowship with our congregational men and possibly other men from local congregations. Contact Rod Hopkins, 920-217-1484, for questions.

THANK YOU Flo Moore would like to thank everyone for the cards and prayers as she recovers from her shoulder surgery; a special thank you to Clinton Merritt and Jonathan Schmidt, who were on hand to help her at the scene of her accident.

LWML will be meeting **Thursday June 18th** at **1:00 p.m.** in the Janssen rooms. We will be packing bags for local homeless. Please join us in fellowship and service. Any questions contact Diana Lackey 309-373-1862.

BLACKSMITHING Everyone is welcome to join Clinton Merritt in the parking lot on Saturdays at noon to work on blacksmithing arbor leaves for the new arbor in the courtyard. No sign-up necessary, just come and join in!

*Saturday, June 13th, 2026
Third Sunday after Pentecost
Vespers*

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Postlude

The Lord's Week

Sunday, June 14th

9:00am– Worship
10:15am– Bible study/Sunday school
1:00-4:00pm– Demetrius Williams' graduation

Monday, June 15th

1:30pm– Activities Room– dominoes

Tuesday, June 16th

10:00am- Food Pantry
6:30pm– Guitar Jam

Wednesday, June 17th

1:30pm– Activities room-dominoes

Thursday, June 18th

11:30am- Ladies Luncheon
1:00pm– LWML Meeting

Saturday, June 20th

12:00pm– Blacksmithing Arbor leaves
12:00pm– Caleb & Kimberly Engebrecht
reception
5:00pm– Worship w/Communion
(Pastor Astrowski)

Sunday, June 21st

9:00am– Worship w/Communion
10:15am– Bible study/Sunday school

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays, 10:15am

Join Pastor Anderson in the Janssen rooms following worship; we are doing a study on the book of Matthew.

Holy Land Geography, Customs & History

Join Clark Stojan in the Keyl room, as he leads us to explore the world of the Bible along with select events recorded in Scripture.

Coffee with Christ– Myth or Faith? On summer break. We will resume Sunday, September 13th.

Wednesdays, 10am- Women's Bible study

We are on summer break. Class will resume after Labor Day

Saturdays, 8am- Men's Bible study: On Summer break.

We will resume Saturday, September 12th

Weekly Memory Verse:

Ephesians 5:8

At one time you were darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Walk as children of light.

Serving the Lord this Week:

Organist: Christine Engebrecht

Greeters: *(Sat.)* Chuck Brokaw

(Sun.)

Ushers: *(Sat.)* Greg Burke, Bill Johnson, Todd Miller
& Larry Ripka

(Sun.) Rod Hopkins, George Aukee, & Penny Schreck

Altar Guild (June): Christina Sihrer, Carole Krouth,
& Margie Schaefer



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ST. JOHN'S PRAYER CARD

June 13th and 14th, 2026

Please remember the following in your prayers this week...

Members

LouAnn DeRammelaere
Brandon Descamp
Sharon DeWulf
Jessican Dobbleare

Anniversaries:

Andy & Liz Cockerill (18)
Rick & Ruth Mayerhoffer (20)

Ill and Hospitalized

Bill Green

Military Deployment

Elijah Medina- Iran

Missionaries Serving

Barbara Rebentisch- Taiwan

Military Chaplains

CDR David Schleusener
CDR Carl Muehler
1LT Rod Stewart

Sister Congregation

Rev. Adam Ray
St. John's Lutheran
Decatur, IL

Prolonged Illness &

Special Needs:

Joan Britton
Bev Brokaw
Chuck Brokaw
Steve Fors
Duane Gosa
Nancy Gosa
Jerry Hill
Dale Johnson
Merle Loete
Reid McDonald
RaeJean Murphy
Tom Nielsen
Robin Passman
Brenda Roggendorf
Earl Schaefer
Karen Schmidt
Kathleen Schmidt
David Sountris
Ken Weidenbach
Cora Whipple

Homebound Members:

Nancy Bonow
Ann Bowman
Don, Wanda, and Jason Cass
Darlene Dopson
Mary Ann Eckert
Rick & Sylvia Fauser
Angie Fischer
Peg Heitzman
Christopher Higgins
Ingrid Hodshire
Lori Hopkins
Mary McGee
Terry Tipword
Barbara Veskauf

Update

Thank you for the prayers-Hoa
Cooper is on her way to being
well

Psalm (*Read responsively*)

P Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

C **Serve the LORD with gladness!**

Come into his presence with singing!

Know that the LORD, he is God! It is he who made us, and we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

For the LORD is good; his steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Readings

P The Old Testament reading is from Exodus, the nineteenth chapter.

[The people of Israel] set out from Rephidim and came into the wilderness of Sinai, and they encamped in the wilderness. There Israel encamped before the mountain, while Moses went up to God.

The LORD called to him out of the mountain, saying, “Thus you shall say to the house of Jacob, and tell the people of Israel: You yourselves have seen what I did to the Egyptians, and how I bore you on eagles’ wings and brought you to myself. Now therefore, if you will indeed obey my voice and keep my covenant, you shall be my treasured possession among all peoples, for all the earth is mine; and you shall be to me a kingdom of priests and a holy nation. These are the words that you shall speak to the people of Israel.” So Moses came and called the elders of the people and set before them all these words that the LORD had commanded him. All the people answered together and said, “All that the LORD has spoken we will do.” And Moses reported the words of the people to the LORD. (*Exodus 19:2-8*)

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

P The Epistle reading is from Romans, the fifth chapter.

For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation. Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over

those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man’s trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. (*Romans 5:6-15*)

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P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the ninth and tenth chapters.

Jesus went throughout all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction. When he saw the crowds, he had compassion for them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, “The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” And he called to him his twelve disciples and gave them authority over unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal every disease and every affliction. The names of the twelve apostles are these: first, Simon, who is called Peter, and Andrew his brother; James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother; Philip and Bartholomew; Thomas and Matthew the tax collector; James the son of Alphaeus, and Thad-daeus; Simon the Cananaean, and Judas Iscariot, who betrayed him. These twelve Jesus sent out, instructing them, “Go nowhere among the Gentiles and enter no town of the Samaritans, but go rather to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. And proclaim as you go, saying, ‘The kingdom of heaven is at hand.’ Heal the sick, raise the dead, cleanse lepers, cast out demons. You received without paying; give without pay. Acquire no gold nor silver nor copper for your belts, no bag for your journey, nor two tunics nor sandals nor a staff, for the laborer deserves his food. And whatever town or village you enter, find out who is worthy in it and stay there until you depart. As you enter the house, greet it. And if the house is worthy, let your peace come upon it, but if it is not worthy, let your peace return to you. And if anyone will not receive you or listen to your words, shake off the dust from your feet when you leave that house or town. Truly, I say to you, it will be more bearable on the day of judgment for the land of Sodom and Gomorrah than for that town. “Behold, I am sending you out as sheep in the midst of wolves, so be wise as serpents and innocent as doves. Beware of men, for they will deliver you over to courts and flog you in their synagogues, and you will be dragged before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them and the Gentiles. When they deliver you over, do not be anxious how you are to speak or what you are to say, for what you are to say will be given to you in that hour. For it is not you who speak, but the Spirit of your Father speaking through you.” (*Matthew 9:35-10:20*)

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