



Communion Notice Today we celebrate Holy Communion in which we joyfully receive Christ's own body and blood, under bread and wine, for the forgiveness of our sins. Because we believe that participation in this sacrament is also a public confession of unity in the faith we invite communicant members of congregations in fellowship with the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod to receive the sacrament.

We welcome our fellow Christians who wish to come forward but do not share all our beliefs to fold their arms in front of them and receive a blessing. We pray that our common baptism and the continued work of the Holy Spirit will draw us closer to one another and dispel the sad divisions that separate us. We pray that as we are led into all truth from God's Word such divisions will lessen and finally disappear, in keeping with Christ's prayer for us "that they may all be one" (John 17:21). Let us all express in our hearts a prayerful desire for such unity of faith to be achieved.

General Announcements:

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS. We are glad you have joined us in worshiping 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 Allison's birthday.

ALTAR FLOWERS The flower bouquet that adorns the Altar are from Steve & Cris Braddy, in honor of their anniversary.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS *Matthew 14:17–18 – “They said to him, ‘We have only five loaves here and two fish.’ And he said, ‘Bring them here to me.’”* The five loaves and two fish were all that the disciples had. But when they handed them over to the Lord, the multitudes were fed. Apart from Jesus, all we do and all we have comes to nothing. But in Jesus, the Lord blesses all we do and all we have for His gracious work.

PASTORAL CALL UPDATE On Sunday, July 19th, the voters' of St. John's called Rev. Jesse Krusemark from Trinity Lutheran in Waltham, MN to be our next pastor. Please prayer for Rev. Krusemark, his family, and his congregation as he deliberates this call.

CAKE WELCOME Please join us on Sunday, August 2nd after worship in the Janssen rooms as we welcome Pastor James Batchelor as our next vacancy pastor! We will have cake, punch and an opportunity to say meet him. A card basket will also be offered.

ATTENTION MEN The next “Brats, Bibles, & Beverages” will be held on Sunday, August 30 at 5:00pm. Join with other men from the Rock Island Circuit for an evening of food, fellowship, and a study of God's Word. Bring a side dish or dessert to share. Weather permitting this will be an outdoor event, so bring a lawn chair. If it rains we will move indoors. Please RSVP by August 23rd so we can plan accordingly.

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: August 3 begins *Simplify Your Life Week*, a reminder to clear away clutter, reduce stress, focus on what truly matters, and find peace. Clean out a closet or pantry and donate what you no longer need. Simplify your schedule to make room for meaningful time with those you love. But most importantly, take time to read John 14:27 and John 16:33 and consider this question: where are you looking for your identity, security, and peace? If it's your accumulating possessions, bank account, golf game, physical fitness level, number of acres, or your place on the corporate ladder, you'll surely be disappointed. Carve out time this week to spend with your Father, tune your ear to hear His voice, look for and see the many ways He is already providing for you, in this life and the one to come. Find your peace in the One who came to bring you peace and be assured that true peace is found only in Him who has already overcome the world for you. www.LutheranFamilyService.org **Lutheran Family Service**

UPCOMING OFFICE CONSTRUCTION During the first week of August, the office will be inaccessible as the floors are re-done.

ST. JOHN'S T-SHIRTS The Board of Outreach ordered some extra t-shirts; if you forgot to order one, or really like how they look and decided you want one, please see Rose Sullivan or Charlie Britton and ask about purchasing one!

MEMORY BENCH FOR ED WACHS There is a John Deere (green and yellow) bench on the bike path in East Moline. It is located behind John Deere Harvest-er; you can park by the pond. We live on the other side of the fence- you can call Theresa (309) 235-0679 if you need a shorter distance and we can open the gate. It is a beautiful bench and a beautiful view. Stop by and see it! Thank you, Theresa and Jan
Thank you to Rhea Oakes for communicating with the City of East Moline Maintenance, to move the process along.

LCMS BOWLING LEAGUE Its that time again– fall bowling league night will be starting up soon. Please join us for an informational meeting on Monday, August 17th at 6pm at Highland Park Bowl.

2ND FRIDAY FELLOWSHIP All are welcome to join the fun on August 14th in the activities room, at 6:30pm. Please come enjoy the fabulous fellowship, stupendous snacks, and great games!

**August 1st and 2nd, 2026
Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
Divine Service Setting 1**

Prelude “*Sinfonia in B Flat*”
Arr by: Handel
Allsion Antolik and Cris Braddy

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The Lord's Week

Sunday, August 2nd

9:00am– Worship w/Communion
10:15am– Cake welcome reception for new
vacancy pastor, Rev. James Batchelor

Monday, August 3rd

1:30pm– Activities Room– dominoes

Tuesday, August 4th

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

Wednesday, August 5th

1:30pm– Activities room-dominoes
3:30pm– Fellowship committee meeting

Thursday, August 7th

6:30pm– Board Meetings

Saturday, August 8th

5:00pm– Worship

Sunday, August 9th

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

Serving the Lord this Week:

Organist: Christine Engebrecht

Greeters: *(Sat.)*

(Sun.) Flo Moore & Linda Sharp

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

(Sun.) Esther Cashion, Steve & Owen Braddy, Ethan
Pritchard, and Mark Grotelueschen

Communion Assistants: Kevin McAnally & Ralph
Grotelueschen

Altar Guild *(August):* Dawn & Stevee Antolik

Bible Study Opportunities

Sundays, 10:15am-To begin August 9th

The Lutheran Confessions: Pope vs. Pastor. Paul Timothy McCain the editor of Concordia: The Lutheran Confessions introduces the “Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope” with these words: How do Christians receive pastors? How is the Church organized, structured, and governed? The Roman Catholic answer is that everything depends on the pope, the “vicar of Christ,” the one who is said to be the immediate successor to the Apostle Peter. Through the pope, so it is thought, flows Christ’s authority to His Church on earth. This is not the Bible’s answer. In this document Philip Melanchthon provides the Lutheran view of authority in the Church and the basis on which the Church is founded and continued. In this class, we will learn how the sixteenth century reformation returned the office of the pastor back to its Biblical roots using the “Treatise on the Power and Primacy of the Pope.”

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

THANK YOU

Thank you for the cookies and punch and the cards, gifts, and kind words bestowed on us last week. During our year with you, we were blessed to meet many good and faithful Brothers and Sisters in Christ, for which we are also thankful. God continue to bless your faithful congregation in the future as He has in the past.

Pastor and Sara Anderson.



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Introit *Psalm 105:39–43; antiphon: v. 1*



P Oh give thanks to the LORD; call up- | on his name; *
make known his deeds among the | peoples!

G **He spread a cloud for a | covering, ***
and fire to give | light by night.

They asked, and he | brought quail, *
and gave them bread from heaven in a- | bundance.

He opened the rock, and water | gushed out; *
it flowed through the desert like a | river.

For he remembered his holy | promise, *
and Abraham, his | servant.

So he brought his people | out with joy, *
his chosen ones with | singing.

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son *
and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning, *
is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

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Readings

P The Old Testament reading is from Isaiah, the fifty-fifth chapter.
“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.” (*Isaiah 55:1-5*)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

P The Epistle reading is from Romans, the ninth chapter.
I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to

the flesh. They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen. But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return and Sarah shall have a son.” And not only so, but also when Rebecca had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad—in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of his call— she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.” (*Rom. 9:1-13*)

P This is the Word of the Lord.

G **Thanks be to God.**

LSB 156- ♪ Alleluia

P The Holy Gospel, according to St. Matthew, the fourteenth chapter.

G ♪ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Now when Jesus heard [about the death of John], he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” And he said, “Bring them here to me.” Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. (*Matt. 14:13-21*)

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

G ♪ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

ST. JOHN’S PRAYER CARD
August 1st and 2nd, 2026
Please remember the following in your prayers this week...

Members
Pamela Fisher
Amanda, Leona, Zoe, Hallie,
 & Noah Flaugh
Keith & Lisa Foehrkolb

Anniversaries
Steve & Cris Braddy(24)
Drew & Paige Beale(5)
Gunter & Carol Terronez(50)

Ill and Hospitalized
Nancy Bratton– sister of Mar-
 gie (stroke)
Bev Brokaw-hospice
Melinda Loete– cancer
 diagnosis

Military Deployment
Elijah Medina– Iran

Missionaries Serving
Rev. Bryan & Deaconess Keah
 Payne– Tanzania

Sister Congregation
Rev. Bruce Scarberry
 Trinity Lutheran Church
 Roanoke, IL

**Prolonged Illness &
Special Needs:**
Joan Britton
Chuck Brokaw
Steve Fors
Duane Gosa
Nancy Gosa
Bill Green
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 Tipsword
Barbara Veskauf