

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 in honor of Judy Jennings' birthday.

ALTAR FLOWERS The flower bouquet that adorns the Altar are in honor of Judy Jennings' birthday.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS *Matthew 14:30 – “But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, ‘Lord, save me.’”* The world really is a scary place, with natural disasters, disease, terrorism and a hundred other things. But where do we place our hope, our trust, our vision? Where do we look for aid and comfort? When Peter's eyes were on the Lord, he had confidence. When he turned to look at his problems and took his eyes off the Lord, he fell apart. Sometimes God's call to support the work of His church with our offerings makes us nervous. But put your eyes back on your Lord, trust Him, follow His Word and all really will be well.

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.

UPCOMING OFFICE CONSTRUCTION Hopefully beginning on Monday, August 10th, the office will be getting it's floors re-done. The office will be physically inaccessible during that time.

BUILDING HEALTHY FAMILIES: In today's culture, death is often suggested as the answer to life's most challenging situations – including the challenge of an unplanned pregnancy. The world tells a scared and confused mother she can make her situation better by ending her child's life through abortion. We Christians have a better option: tell her that she and her baby are both seen, known and loved by God. Tell her of Jesus' love, mercy, and forgiveness. Then love her like family, support her in choosing life; offer tangible help like transportation, meals, childcare, diapers, clothing, and other household items. Continue your support through the pregnancy and long after. There is joy in living out 1 John 4:19 – *We love because he first loved us!* www.LutheranFamilyService.org
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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 Harvester; 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!

FOOD PANTRY Thank you to whomever has been donating egg cartons, but we have a surplus at this time and don't need any more.

THANK YOU Chuck and Bev Brokaw would like to thank everyone for their prayer, cards, flowers, and visits to Bev at Celebrate. Your thoughtfulness has been an uplifting blessing during this difficult time.

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The Lord's Week

Sunday, August 9th

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

Monday, August 10th

1:30pm– Activities Room– dominoes

Tuesday, August 11th

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

Wednesday, August 12th

1:30pm– Activities room-dominoes

Friday, August 14th

6:30pm– 2nd Friday Fellowship– games

Saturday, August 15th

5:00pm– Worship w/Communion

Sunday, August 16th

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

Serving the Lord this Week:

Organist: Christine Engebrecht

Greeters: *(Sat.)*

(Sun.)

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

(Sun.) Evan Antolik and family

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



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Psalm *(read responsively)*

P I love you, O LORD, my strength.

C **The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold.**

I call upon the LORD, who is worthy to be praised,
and I am saved from my enemies.

**The cords of death encompassed me;
the torrents of destruction assailed me;**

the cords of Sheol entangled me; the snares of death confronted me.
**In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I cried for help.
From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry to him reached his ears.**

Then the earth reeled and rocked; the foundations also of the mountains trembled and quaked, because he was angry.

**Smoke went up from his nostrils, and devouring fire from his mouth;
glowing coals flamed forth from him.**

He bowed the heavens and came down;
thick darkness was under his feet.

He rode on a cherub and flew; he came swiftly on the wings of the wind.

He made darkness his covering, his canopy around him,
thick clouds dark with water.

**Out of the brightness before him
hailstones and coals of fire broke through his clouds.**

The LORD also thundered in the heavens, and the Most High uttered his voice, hailstones and coals of fire.

**And he sent out his arrows and scattered them;
he flashed forth lightnings and routed them.**

Then the channels of the sea were seen, and the foundations of the world were laid bare at your rebuke, O LORD, at the blast of the breath of your nostrils.

He sent from on high, he took me; he drew me out of many waters.

Readings

P The Old Testament reading is from Job, the thirty-eight chapter.

[The Lord said to Job:] “Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth? Tell me, if you have understanding. Who determined its measurements—surely you know! Or who stretched the line upon it? On what were its bases sunk, or who laid its cornerstone, when the morning stars sang together and all the sons of God shouted for joy? “Or who shut in the sea with doors when it burst out from the womb, when I made clouds its garment and thick darkness its swaddling band, and prescribed limits for it and set bars and doors, and said, ‘Thus far shall you come, and no farther, and here shall your proud waves be stayed’? “Have you commanded the morning since your days began, and caused the dawn to know its place, that it might take hold of the skirts of the earth, and the wicked be shaken out of it? It is changed like clay under the seal, and its features stand out like a garment. From the wicked their light is withheld, and their

uplifted arm is broken. “Have you entered into the springs of the sea, or walked in the recesses of the deep? Have the gates of death been revealed to you, or have you seen the gates of deep darkness? Have you comprehended the expanse of the earth? Declare, if you know all this.” *(Job 38:4-18)*

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

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

Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. But the righteousness based on faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) or “‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” But how are they to call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ. *(Rom. 10:5-17)*

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

Immediately [Jesus] made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was a long way from the land, beaten by the waves, for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, and said, “It is a ghost!” and they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, “Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid.” And Peter answered him, “Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water.” He said, “Come.” So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus. But when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, “Lord, save me.” Jesus immediately reached out his hand and took hold of him, saying to him, “O you of little faith, why did you doubt?” And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, “Truly you are the Son of God.” *(Matt. 14:22-33)*

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ST. JOHN’S PRAYER CARD
August 8th and 9th, 2026
Please remember the following in your prayers this week...

Members
Tony, Laura, Benjamin & Jacob
Frankowski
Alice GIngry
Bill & Debbie Girard

Ill and Hospitalized
Nancy Bratton– sister of
Margie (stroke)
Bev Brokaw-hospice

Military Deployment
Elijah Medina– Iran

Missionaries Serving
Rev. Dr. Michael & Irene Paul–
Taiwan

Sister Congregation
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Center
Champaign, IL



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