

St John's Lutheran Church – Bennington

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THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S

- Sunday: 7th - Worship w/ Communion – 9 AM
- Monday: 8th - Pastor in Office – 10 AM
- Tuesday: 9th -
- Wednesday: 10th - Pastor in Office – 1:30 PM
- Thursday: 11th - Brenda in Office – 9 AM
Pastor in Office – 10 AM
- Friday: 12th - Cody/Kennadi Sage Vow Renewal Rehearsal-5 PM
- Saturday: 13th - Cody/Kennadi Sage Vow Renewal-3 PM
- Sunday: 14th - Worship – 9 AM
WELCA Meeting

About today: Though Jesus was a devout Jew who practiced his faith, he was criticized for eating with tax collectors and sinners—the religiously nonobservant. Jesus criticizes the self-righteous and reminds us that mercy is to be at the heart of our religious practices. God continues to be made known in those on the margins of society, like Matthew the tax collector and the hemorrhaging woman. As we gather each Lord’s Day we receive the healing that makes us well and sends us forth to be signs of God’s mercy for the world. (Sundays and Seasons)

Reminder: we will be doing a July / August Newsletter, so be sure to get your newsletter articles for the summer in by June 17.

Hy-Vee receipts for Dunkerton’s PTO have started over as of June 1st. Place your receipts in Ronda Rathe’s mailbox, as they will be used for the 2026-2027 school year.

Alive and Running 5K will be on Saturday, June 20, at 7:30 AM, starting at the Gospel Hall. We’ve been invited to provide treats again this year. Granola bars, cereal bars, snacks and cookies / bars may be taken to the Baptist Church on Friday, June 19 or brought to SJB by noon on June 18. We will pass the clipboard this morning. Cash donations are also welcome to buy things like fruit and water for this worthy cause!

Prayer of the Day Second Sunday after Pentecost 6/7/26

O God, you are the source of life and the ground of our being. By the power of your Spirit bring healing to this wounded world, and raise us to the new life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

Ministers of Worship

TODAY:

- Accompanist: Pastor Beth
- Lector: Jessica Huntley
- Zoom Operator: Bobbi Seamans
- Acolyte: Deacons
- Ushers: Joe and Teresa Stafford
- Communion Servers: Jim Mixdorf
- June Communion Bread Maker: Nancy Goeller

NEXT WEEK:

- Accompanist: Kevin Du
- Lector: Jeff Seamans
- Zoom Operator: TBD
- Acolyte: Deacons
- Ushers: Randy and Pam Wright
Kim Rigdon

Fellowship

TODAY:

- Gracie Kienast
Family

NEXT WEEK:

- Lillian and Greyson Pierce
Family

Attendance

- Last Sunday’s Attendance: 28 plus 3 Zoom
- Last Month Attendance Average: 45

All are welcomed at God’s table at St. John’s, Bennington today! We will commune using little cups and gluten-free bread. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray. Those not communing are invited forward for a blessing, and all are welcome at God’s table at St. John’s!

Christ in Our Home next quarter books are available on the table by the entrance door for you to take.

Upper Elementary (5-6th grade kids) Sunday School Meeting will be on Sunday, June 28 at ??? time. This meeting is for the kids and parents, to find out what the kids and parents are wanting for Sunday School.

**Call upon me in the day of trouble, says your God.
–Psalm 50:15**

Order of Service

- Prelude
- GATHER**
- Welcome and Announcements
- #Gathering Song **ELW # 556**
- #Greeting p. 203
- #Glory be to God p. 204
- #Prayer of the Day (see left) p. 205
- Children’s Message
- WORD**
- Scripture Readings: p. 205
- First Lesson: Hosea 5:15—6:6
- Second Lesson: Romans 4:13-25
- #Gospel Acclamation p. 205
- #Holy Gospel: Mathew 9:9-13, 18-26
- Sermon
- Hymn of the Day ELW # 765**
- #Apostles’ Creed p. 105
- #Prayers of Intercession
- Offering
- #Offertory Song **ELW # 182**
- #Offertory Prayer
- MEAL**
- #The Great Thanksgiving p. 206
and following pages.
- The Lord’s Prayer p. 208
- Lamb of God p. 208
- Distribution
- Hymn During Distribution ELW # 471**
- #Post Communion Prayer
- SEND**
- #Blessing p. 209
- #Sending Song **ELW # 860**
- Kids meet pastor in back during last verse of song to help; congregation response is “And have fun doing it!”*
- #Dismissal p. 209
- #Postlude
- # - Please stand as you are able
- ELW - Cranberry Book**