St John's Lutheran Church – Bennington
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THIS WEEK AT ST JOHN'S

Sunday: 1st - Sunday School – 9 AM
Worship w/ Communion – 10 AM

Monday: 2nd - Quilting – 9 AM
Pastor in Office – 10 AM
Hymns Meeting

Wednesday: 4th - Pastor in Office – 4 PM
Confirmation – 7 PM

Thursday: 5th - Brenda in Office – 9 AM
Pastor at Synod Boundaries Workshop 9-3 PM

Sunday: 8th - Sunday School – 9 AM
Worship – 10 AM
Thank Offering Service: Speaker Anna Weepie
LYO Meeting
Jordan Project – 11:15

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About today: *All Saints celebrates the baptized people of God, living and dead, who are the body of Christ. As November heralds the dying of the landscape in many northern regions, the readings and liturgy call us to remember all who have died in Christ and whose baptism is complete. At the Lord's table we gather with the faithful of every time and place, trusting that the promises of God will be fulfilled and that all tears will be wiped away in the new Jerusalem.*

On this All Saints Sunday we remember and give thanks for our St. John saint, Walter W. Perlick, Jr. (11-8-25).

Today we remember those joining the company of the saints by baptism since last All Saints' Sunday: Marcus Bjorn Ahlgren (11-23-25); Maximus Ignatious Ahlgren (11-23-225); Marius Axel Ahlgren (11-23-25); Barrett Jonathan Sage (12-28-25); Lainey Rae Kuenstling (3-8-26); Lennon Elizabeth Kuenstling (3-8-26) and Blakely Kaye Anderson (8-16-26).

November Mission Collection is for the Salvation Army Free Clinic. We will be collecting hats, socks, gloves and mittens for adults. Please bring items to church by the end of November.

"Live Like Ledger" Toy Drive information can be found on the Live Like Ledger Facebook page. Items due Nov. 30 to Alex or Tina.

Prayer of the Day

All Saints Sunday 11/1/26

Almighty God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

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Ministers of Worship

TODAY:	**NEXT WEEK:**
Accompanist: Pastor Beth	Accompanist: Kevin Du
Lector: Bob Hansen	Lector: Denise Pierce
Zoom Operator: Denise Pierce	Zoom Operator: Kirby Marquart
Acolyte: Kai Snyder	Acolyte: Evelyn Speer
Ushers: Randy and Pam Wright; Kim Rigdon	Ushers: Greg and Denise Pierce; Justin Pierce

Communion Servers: Joe and Teresa Stafford
November Communion Bread Maker: Kim Rigdon

November Altar Guild: Deanne Salisbury, CHR; Marie Hruska, Brenda Sickles

Fellowship

TODAY:	**NEXT WEEK:**
Kai Snyder	Ava Fuelling
Family	Family

Attendance

Last Sunday's Attendance: 121 plus 1 Zoom
Last Month Attendance Average: 83

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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!

Today we honor our St. John's senior citizens, those 70 and older. Blessings to each of you!

WELCA Thankoffering Service is next Sunday. Anna Weepie will share with us about her recent mission trip.

Sunday School today included large group opening followed by classroom for lesson and craft. Today's story was "Humble and Exalted," Matthew 23:1-12.

Fear the LORD, you saints of the LORD; for those who fear the LORD lack nothing.—Psalm 34:9

Order of Service

Prelude

GATHER

Welcome and Announcements
#**Gathering Song ELW # 422 vs. 1-4**
#Greeting p. 203
#Glory be to God p. 204
#Prayer of the Day (see left)
Children's Message

WORD

Scripture Readings: p. 205
First Lesson: Revelation 7:9-17
Second Lesson: 1 John 3:1-3
#Gospel Acclamation p. 205
#Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12
Sermon
Hymn of the Day ELW # 422 vs. 5-7
#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
#Post Communion Prayer

SEND

#Blessing p. 209
#**Sending Song ELW # 423**

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
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