



WEEKLY  
**Ring Out**  
NEWSLETTER



*"Growing in Christ Through Worship, Learning, Fellowship, and Service."*

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## Week of July 27, 2025

*The Seventh Sunday after Pentecost*

### Introduction to Worship

Persistence in prayer is encouraged by Jesus and wins the attention of God when Abraham intercedes for Sodom. The life of the baptized—to be rooted and built up in Christ Jesus—is to be nurtured with prayer. God hears and answers prayer and so strengthens God's own. "When I called, you answered me; you increased my strength within me."

### Watch the Live Stream:



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## The Week Ahead

### Sunday, July 27

9:00 am Choir  
10:00 am Worship  
VBS Singing at Worship

### Sunday, August 3

9:00 am Choir  
10:00 am Worship

### Monday, July 28

10:30 am Quilting

### Upcoming Events:

Aug. 10: Blessing of the Backpacks ☐

Dec. 13: Carols by Candlelight ☐☐

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## Sunday Ministries

### LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

July 27 Barbara Albright

August 3 Christine Ruff

### COMMUNION ASSISTANT

July 27 Margaret Garrison

August 3 Elizabeth Hurley

### ACOLYTE

July 27 August 3

### GREETER

July 27 Jean Beasley

August 3

### VIDEOGRAPHER

July 27 Annette Propst

August 3 Ann Blackwelder

### USHERS

Dale Merrell, Gretchen Walker, Robert Davis, Lex Patterson, Samantha Hillegass

### BUILDING SUPERVISORS

Robert Davis & Gretchen Walker

### ALTAR FLOWERS

July 27

August 3



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## Happy Birthday! ☐

**July 27 - Janet Patterson, Michael Rinker**

**July 29 - Luke Baker, Noah Clifton, Julianna Popovici, Jim Steel**

**July 30 - Jay Cruse, Hudson Davis, Kyle Moran**

**July 31 - Amy Clifton, Jo Ann Fowler, Allison Hinson, Jill Irvin**

**August 1 - Hillary Pruette**

**August 2 - Maureen Hollmeyer, Callie MacFarlane**

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## Announcements



### Thank you!

Please join us in thanking all those who volunteered for Vacation Bible School held this past week. We are grateful for your time, energy and effort. Double thanks are offered to LeeAnn Miller and Laura Overby, who served as co-chairwomen, and to Mike Holt, Set Builder Extraordinaire. A fabulous Road Trip was enjoyed by all.

Be sure to join us for worship this Sunday for a special performance from our VBS participants!



### Save the Date! Carols by Candlelight - Dec. 13

Please save the date and join us for a congregational sing-along of Advent and Christmas Carols accompanied by full Orchestra, Organ and the Parish & Bell Choirs of St. James Lutheran Church on Saturday, December 13th at 7:00PM.

### Special Congregational Meeting - August 10

C13.02 mandates that the voting membership, at the annual meeting, elect six voting members to serve a one-year term on the Nominating Committee. This committee is charged with developing a slate of nominees to serve on church council. We forgot all about this in February. So, we're doing it on August 10th. Immediately before worship, we will gavel



in, take a vote to elect and gavel out. The vote to elect the members of the nominating committee is the only item of business permitted on August 10th. The nominees are Annette Propst, Chip Blackwelder, Wendell Overby, Deedee Gilbert, Ashley Cline, Beth Huss.



## Children's Sunday School Needs You!

We're looking for caring volunteers to help with our Children's Sunday School classes. No teaching experience needed – just a love for kids and willingness to share God's Word. Materials and training provided. Please email Ann Blackwelder at [mafb2468@gmail.com](mailto:mafb2468@gmail.com) or call the church office.

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## Reminders



### Blessing of the Backpacks

Save the date and join us for the annual Blessing of the Backpacks during worship on Sunday, August 10th.

Join us afterwards for a congregational lunch! All are welcome to lunch. Please [RSVP](#) to help us plan!

**WE ARE  
HIRING**

Job description at  
[sjnc.net](http://sjnc.net)

### **DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES**

- Lead dynamic faith programs for kids and youth serving as a spiritual leader and mentor
- Build strong relationships with families and volunteers
- Plan engaging events, retreats, and service projects



**SEND YOUR RESUME**

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## In Our Prayers

**Joyce Beaty**  
(Friend of the Marlows)

**Mary Frances Johnson** (Cousin of Francie Davis)



**Family of Michael Black**  
(Nephew of Patsy Black)  
**Angie Buchanan**  
**Mike & Debbie Cagle**  
(Friends of Robert & Debbie Davis)  
**Noah Clifton**  
**Bruce Coffey** (Friend of Mark Murphy)  
**Karey Conrad** (Friend of Dee Pieschel)  
**Catherine Durst**  
(Daughter of Anne & Dee Hodges)  
**Nadine Filipak**  
(Friend of Al & Dee Pieschel)  
**Ed Frost** (Friends of the Marlows)  
**Tom Grady**  
**Maureen Hollmeyer Will Irvin**

**Karen Johnston** (Friend of Judy Benz)  
**Ruth Lawler**  
(Friend of Dee & Al Pieschel)  
**John Ledford** (Brother of Deb Black)  
**Patricia Mahoney**  
(Sister-in-law of Joan Mahoney)  
**Annaleah, Michael, & Preston Morrow**  
(Friends of Shannon Nesbit)  
**Deb & Roger Myers**  
(Friends of Deb Black)  
**Jan Phillips** (Family of Brownie Brown)  
**Al Pieschel**  
**Tom Ridenhour**  
**Roger Scarselletta**  
(Nephew of Joan Mahoney)  
**Deb Walker**

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## Upcoming Events

*A place for you*  
of the  
**Women ELCA**

Women of all ages are invited to join us for **friendship, fellowship, & support.**

The women's ministry organization of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America



**Mary Magdalene Circle 2025 - 26**  
**Meeting Dates:**

September 2  
October 7  
November 4  
December 1 - Christmas Luncheon (Monday)  
January 6  
February 3  
March 3  
April 7  
May 5  
July 6 - Summer Luncheon (Monday)

*First Tuesdays of the month.*  
**10:30 AM**  
**King Fellowship Hall**



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