



WEEKLY
Ring Out
NEWSLETTER



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

Week of Aug 10, 2025

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Introduction to Worship

Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning—to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.

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The Week Ahead

Sunday, August 10

9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
9:55 am Congregational Meeting
10:00 am Worship (Blessing of the Backpacks)
11:00 am Congregational Lunch

Monday, August 11

10:30 am Quilting

Tuesday, August 12

6:00 pm Congregation Council

Saturday, August 16

8:30 am Leah's Hope Trailer

Sunday, August 17

9:00 am Choir
9:30 am Children's Sunday School
10:00 am Worship

Upcoming Events:

Sept. 7: God's work. Our hands. ☐

Dec. 13: Carols by Candlelight ☐☐

Online
Calendar

Sunday Ministries

LECTOR/INTERCESSOR

August 10 Barbara Albright
August 17 Christine Ruff

COMMUNION ASSISTANT

August 10 Kim Haberman
August 17 Samantha Hillegass

ACOLYTE

August 10 Noah Pittard
August 17

GREETER

August 10 Gretchen Walker
August 17

VIDEOGRAPHER

August 10
August 17

USHERS

Mike Downs, Al Brown, Jr., Sid Hughes
Bill Hardister, Hunter Huss

BUILDING SUPERVISORS

Hunter Huss & Kim Haberman

ALTAR FLOWERS

August 10
August 17 Jean Beasley

Sign Up to
Volunteer

Lector

Communion
Assistant

Acolyte

Videographer

Altar Flowers

Happy Birthday! ☐

August 10 - Connie King

August 12 - Robert Davis, Jr., Wayne Williams

August 14 - Mike Downs, Bill Grady

August 15 - Charlotte Davis

August 16 - Patty Propst

Announcements



Reminder - This Sunday, Aug. 10

- ☐ **Brief Congregational Meeting** – We'll meet right before worship to elect six members to this year's Nominating Committee. This will be a quick vote with no other business. Nominees: Annette Propst, Chip Blackwelder, Wendell Overby, Deedee Gilbert, Ashley Cline, and Beth Huss.
- ☐ **Blessing of the Backpacks** – During worship, students will receive a blessing and a backpack tag as they prepare for the new school year.
- ☐ **Lunch Following Worship** – Everyone is invited to stay for a congregational lunch!

Join us for Children's Sunday School

Sunday School classes for children begin Sunday, August 10 at 9:30am. All classes are held on the first floor of the Education Wing.

Class Offerings:

- ☐ Little Lambs – Birth through age 5
- ☐ Kingdom Kids – Kindergarten through 2nd grade
- ☐ Faith Followers – 3rd through 5th grade

We look forward welcoming your children this fall as we kick off a new year of learning and discovery in God's Word!

God's Work. Our Hands. - Sept. 7

Join us after worship on Sunday, Sept. 7 in the Fellowship Hall for *God's Work. Our Hands.*, a day of service across the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America. We'll assemble hygiene and school kits for Lutheran World Relief, create Mission Quilts, and write encouragement cards for the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program.

All activities will take place in the Fellowship Hall, and all materials will be provided. Just bring your enthusiasm and appetite!

Bagged lunch will be provided. We have yellow T-shirts for those who have never participated or no longer have theirs from past events. T-shirts will be handed out after worship on Sunday 8/24.

[Click here to sign up!](#)



In Case You Missed It...



Stuff the Pencil Boxes!

Throughout the month of August, our Christian Education Committee is collecting pencils to support students in our local schools.

High-need item:

Ticonderoga #2 Pencils

Also collecting:

Crayola Colored Pencils

These are the preferred brands for the classroom.

Donation Drop-Off:

Look for the pencil boxes on the counter in the downstairs Portico to leave your donations.



Ushers Needed

We are currently looking to add a few new ushers to assist with Sunday worship. Whether you're able to serve regularly or are simply willing to be on call as a substitute, your help would be greatly appreciated.

If you're interested in volunteering, please reach out to [Gretchen Walker](#).

Reminders



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](#) or call the church office.

In Our Prayers

Joyce Beaty

(Friend of the Marlow's)

Cecil Berry (Friend of Gretchen Walker)

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

Mary Frances Johnson (Cousin of Francie Davis)

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)

(Daughter of Anne & Dee Hodges)
Nadine Filipak
(Friend of Al & Dee Pieschel)
Ed Frost (Friends of the Marlow's)
Margaret Garrison
Tom Grady
Maureen Hollmeyer
Will Irvin

Stan Parnell (Friend of Rob & Debbie Davis)
Jan Phillips (Family of Brownie Brown)
Al Pieschel
Tom Ridenhour
Roger Scarselletta
(Nephew of Joan Mahoney)
Deb Walker

Upcoming Events



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.**

Secure Online Giving

Supporting your church is just a few clicks away! With **online giving**, you can make a one-time gift, set up automatic recurring donations on the date you choose, and view your complete giving history.

Automated recurring gifts are a convenient way to provide our church with much-needed consistent support throughout the year. Thank you for your faithful generosity.



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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



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