

St. John's Lutheran Church



Newsletter

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September, 2023

Have you remembered St. John's in your will?

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We are gearing up for the Fall and lots of good things at St. John's.

We are planning to have worship on September 10th, 8:30 a.m., at our Waukon City Park. There'll be music provided by Mr. Roddy Dull, brunch after church, games for our youth and adults, and it's highly likely a bouncy house will show up. KNEI will bring their equipment and broadcast it live.

Our youth and their families will have an opportunity to register for our Sunday School program after worship that Sunday. Their Sunday School classes will begin on September 17th. And added to that, our Confirmation youth will start meeting again on September 13th, 7:00 p.m.

We have youth who are already interested in attending the ELCA National Youth Gathering next year, July 16-24th, in New Orleans. Registration begins September 15th, and our youth will begin raising funds to help cover the cost.

The time of our worship will change just a bit. When we gather at church on September 17th, the time of our second service will change from summer schedule to fall, 10:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. Along with that change, our choirs will start meeting for practice to serve us in worship.

And looking ahead, because each month passes so quickly, our church will celebrate 135 years of ministry and service. October 15th worship will give thanks for God's Holy Spirit at work in God's Sacraments and Word, giving us faith that we're children of God and sending us out to share His good news, in word and in deed.

This also happens to be the 35th year since I was first called as a pastor to work in a church. That number sounds long, but the time has gone fast. I am thankful for the opportunity to serve in this call at St. John's and to work alongside you.

There are many more things that are happening here, right now and to come. As a part of the family of God, we are blessed and a blessing through the work that we're doing.

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In Christ,

Pr. Bryan

Radio Ministry August 2023



- Sept 3 Church Funds
Sept 10 given by faithful listener
Sept 17 in honor of Marlene Palmer
Sept 24 given by Vic & Diane Fye



Book Nook

"Shepherding a Child's Heart" by Tedd Tripp

Clear, biblical and practical teaching about how to speak to the heart of your child; how to talk to your children and what to talk about to shepherd your child's heart into the paths of life. What your goals should be and how to pursue these ends.

Submitted by Joan Moody

Please join us on Sunday, August 27, to hear The Rev. Robert Lee Berger speak at all the services about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Pastor Berger will share personal witness



CIRCLE NEWS August

SARAH Circle: 9:15am Sept 12 in the Lounge with hostess Joan Moody & Bible study done together

DORCAS Circle: virtually @ 7pm, September 12, contact Linda Groe with questions

To Receive the Word ...



Sunday morning worship services are on the local radio station. Dial in 103.5 FM (KNEI) at 8:30 am or log into www.kneiradio.com to worship with St. John's. We also are video streaming on Facebook Live.

You may now receive the newsletter via email as a PDF document. Contact the church office if you would like to be on this email list.

St. John's is on the web at www.stjohnswaukon.net and Facebook stjohns@waukon



Thank you to the volunteers who have quietly slipped onto the church property to pull weeds and removing shrubs. We appreciate everything you have done for us and

thank you for your service to our Church!



Mark on your calendars a special celebration on Sunday, October 15 to honor the 135th anniversary of St. John's, Pastor's 35th anniversary of his ordination and Pastor Appreciation Month. The Board of Deacons will be having coffee and treats in the fellowship hall between services.

There will also be some recollections of Pastor Bryan's pastoral service and also of the 135 years of St. John's Lutheran Church.

Join us to celebrate and honor these big events.



September 2023

Sunday	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Worship 8:30am & 10am w/comm			8:45am-1pm Do Day w/potluck @ noon 6pm Youth Bells 7pm Sr Bells 8pm Sr Choir			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
8:30am Worship In Park		9:15am Sarah Circle 7pm Dorcas Circle - virtually	6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation Orientation & Sr Bells 8pm Sr Choir			
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
Worship 8:30am & 10:30am w/comm 9:30am Sun School			6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Bells 8pm Sr Choir	8:30am-4:30pm WIC		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
Worship 8:30am & 10:30am 9:30am Sun School		1pm Northgate Ctr 2:30pm Evergrn Ctr 3pm Good Sam Ctr 6pm Trustee mtg	6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Bells 8pm Sr Choir			

Music Ministry



Our summer music program concluded with vocal solos each Sunday during the month of August as follows:

Aug 6 Sarah Hagen Aug 13 Hailey Houg
 Aug 20 Greg Hagensick Aug 27 Randy Johnsen

Thank you to our soloists for enriching our worship service through out the month.

The fall choir schedule of rehearsals will resume after Labor Day this year which is on Wednesday, September 6th with the following choirs and rehearsal times:

6pm Youth Bell Choir
 7pm Senior Bell Choir
 8pm Senior Vocal Choir

We look forward to seeing our choir members. If anyone is interested in joining a choir, please contact Jim Bieber at the church 563 568-3623, his office 563 568-3435 or cell phone 563 380-5355.

Trustee/Council Meeting August 15, 2023



- ~ Working on Welcome Brochure
- ~ Bid for microphone replacement received
- ~ Parking lot lines to be repainted
- ~ West door of church to be unlocked
- ~ Bill Roe nominated Vice President
- ~ Changes proposed for the By-Laws

****SEE NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD for details****

St. John's Volunteer Duty List

Sep-23

Date	Service		Greeters	Readers	Comm Asst	Comm Prep	Acolytes	Ushers
9/3/2023	8:30am	E W	Matt & Dawn Teslow Ken & Rose Beardmore	Matt Teslow	Rhonda Barr, Bob Joachim, Tiffany Evans	Linda Groe	Ushers	Bill Roe family
	10am	E W	Harlan & Carole Yohe	Ed Stamper	Wendy Bucheit	Altar Guild		Chuck Larson Eric Kirkeby
9/10/2023 <i>Church in Park</i>	8:30am	E W	Ushers <i>Church in Park</i>	X	X	X	X	same as above
	10am	E W	X X	X	X	X	X	same as above
9/17/2023	8:30am	E W	Ann Rademaker, T Evans Bill & Linda Halvorson	Ann Rademaker	Matt Teslow, Linda Groe, Bailey Benson	Kathy Murray Diana Johnson	Ushers	same as above
	10:30am	E W	Ushers	Sunday School	Karen Stamper	Altar Guild		same as above
9/24/2023	8:30am	E W	Lee & Chris Ellickson Joan Moody, Mary Jackson	Mary Jackson			Ushers	same as above
	10:30am	E W	G & D Piittmann Ushers	Becky Roe	X	X		same as above



The WELCA Board is looking for a new President. If you have any suggestions for our Circles, please contact one of the Executive Board members: Linda Halvorson, Deb Thorstenson, Karen Soper, Mary Lou Sorum, Gloria Payne or Caroll Schreiber. Prayfully consider donating your time.

The Board of Deacons is again sponsoring our annual **Church in the Park** service on Sunday, **Sept 10 at 8:30a.m.** There will only be one service on that Sunday. Services will be located at the amphitheater at the Waukon City Park. Music at the service will be provided by Roddy Dull, a Christian musician.

The service will be followed by a brunch in the park. The Deacons will be providing egg bakes, along with table service & beverages. Attendees are asked to bring an item to share such as fruit, rolls, muffins, etc. Golf carts will be available to transport people. The Board of Education will be having a bouncy house for the kids. Please join us for this worship in the park. And please feel free to invite a friend or neighbor to join us.



September 3 Time after Pentecost

No. 526 God Is Here

First Lesson: Jeremiah 15:15-21

Second Lesson: Romans 12:9-21

Gospel: Matthew 16:21-28

**No. 678 God Whose Giving Knows No Ending
During Distribution No. 465 & 466**

No. 548 Rise, O Church, Like Christ Arisen

September 10 WORSHIP IN PARK

September 17 Time After Pentecost

No. 864 Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven

First Lesson: Genesis 50:15-21

Second Lesson: Romans 14:1-12

Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

No. 790 Day By Day

During Distribution No. 635 & 638

No. 544 Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing

September 24 Time After Pentecost

No. 845 Voices Raised to You

First Lesson: Jonah 3:10 - 4:11

Second Lesson: Philippians 1:21-30

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16

No. 765 Lord of All Hopefulness

No. 669 Rise Up, Oh Saints of God

August 2023



Baptisms: Kaylie Hanson,
Maxwell Lograsso,
Briggs Allison

Weddings: none

Deaths: Sue Bieber

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Sunday	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
					1 Darrell Jahnke Mitch Roe Darren & Kelly O'Connor (A)	2
3 Austin Hansen Maxwell Lograsso Alissa Smith Bob & Kathy Hay Joachim (A) Adam & Amanda Leiran (A) Dustin & Carissa Otto (A)	4 Mary Lynn Jenkins Colton O'Neill Ricardo & Kelsey Jacobs Suarez (A)	5 Wyatt Iverson James & Janice Allison (A)	6 Drew Bell Scotti Hagensick Jack & Diane Allison (A) Brock & Kasey Iverson (A) Dave & Wendy Sanderson (A)	7 Meghan Halvorson Mazie Miller Brent Ziegler Greg & Marlene Palmer (A)	8 Kayla Leiran	9 Marian Hesla Todd & Marlene Hills (A)
10 Soren Benson Ron Jahnke Amanda Leiran	11 Keeran Barr Josiah Stammeyer Sherry Tuttle Becky Welper	12 Michael Halvorson Emily Libbey Jonathan & Christina Williams (A)	13 Jillian Fish	14 Tom Leiran LaVonne Palas Norm Peterson	15 Braxton Anderson Tila Anderson Darren O'Connor	16 Nathan Iverson Trent Jacobs Marlene Palmer Steve & Becky Welper (A)
17 Ethan & Kari Harrington (A) Marv & Anita Petersen (A)	18	19 Greg Gordon	20 Corbin Snitker	21 Dawson Dietrich Dalton Ellickson Virgil & Deb Thorstenson (A)	22 Stacy Wyninger	23 Gordon & Louise Ellingson (A)
24 Jared Soper Dawn Thorsten Devin & Heidi Dougherty Ryan (A)	25 Carter Cook Ben Larkin Cody & Annette Cook (A)	26 Rhonda Barr Kenric Christen Emma Johnson	27 Olivia Heydn	28 Arlene Beisker Jaxon Hills Ron & Marilyn Jahnke (A)	29 Oaklyn Allison Dean Jackson John O'Neill	30 Gus Benjegerdes

Special Music



July 30 music provided by *Haylee & Hannah Jeglum*, accompanied by *Sarah Bieber*



Sarah Hagen provided music on on Aug. 6



August 13 music provided by *Hailey Houg*



Baptisms

Kaylie Rose Hanson, daughter of Connor & Katherine Hanson, baptized 08/06/2023



Maxwell Scott Lograsso & Briggs Lewis Allison, sons of Ashley Lograsso & Cody Allison, baptized 08/20/23.

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Children's Sermon with our College Kids participating.

