

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**  
**June 7, 2026, 8:30 AM/10:00 AM**  
**St. John's Lutheran Church**

\*Bulletins are subject to change based on the Pastors' discretion

**Prelude**

Joeclyn Berges, Piano

Miniature Sonata – Joseph Kuffner

**Ringing of the Church Bell**

**Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

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P: Blessed be the Holy Trinity, † one God, the Creator of heaven and earth, the Word who spoke life into being, the Wind stirring the waters. **C: Amen.**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **C: Amen.**

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. Most merciful God,  
**C: We confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. C: Amen.**

P: In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake, God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C: Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

*Praise to the Lord!*

*ELW #858*

**Greeting and Kyrie**

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P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **C: And also with you.**

**Kyrie**

P: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord. **C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Help, save, comfort, and defend us gracious Lord.

**C: Amen.**

**The Hymn of Praise** (This is the feast)

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P: This is the feast of victory for our God, Alleluia.

**C: Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength and honor and blessing and glory are His. This is the feast of victory for**

**our God, Alleluia. Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever, Amen. This is the feast of victory for our God, for the Lamb who was slain has begun His reign. Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**Prayer of the Day:** P: The prayer of the day, composed for *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, situates us with the bleeding woman and the dead girl, pleading for healing. The image of “ground of being,” from the twentieth-century theologian Paul Tillich, reminds us that God is here with us, upholding us.

**C: Amen.**

**First Reading: Hosea 5:15—6:6**

<sup>15</sup> I will return again to my place until they acknowledge their guilt and seek my face. In their distress they will beg my favor: <sup>6:1</sup> “Come, let us return to the Lord, for it is he who has torn, and he will heal us; he has struck down, and he will bind us up. <sup>2</sup> After two days he will revive us; on the third day he will raise us up, that we may live before him. <sup>3</sup> Let us know, let us press on to know the Lord; his appearing is as sure as the dawn; he will come to us like the showers, like the spring rains that water the earth.” <sup>4</sup> What shall I do with you, O Ephraim? What shall I do with you, O Judah? Your love is like a morning cloud, like the dew that goes away early. <sup>5</sup> Therefore I have hewn them by the prophets; I have killed them by the words of my mouth, and my judgment goes forth as the light. <sup>6</sup> For I desire steadfast love and not sacrifice, the knowledge of God rather than burnt offerings.

**Psalm: Psalm 50:7-15 (read responsively)**

P: <sup>7</sup> “Listen, my people, and I will speak: Israel, I will bear witness against you; for I am God, your God.

**C: <sup>8</sup> I do not accuse you because of your sacrifices; your burnt offerings are always before me.**

P: <sup>9</sup> I will not accept a calf from your stalls, nor goats from your pens;

**C: <sup>10</sup> for all the wild animals of the forest are mine, the cattle on a thousand hills.**

P: <sup>11</sup> I know every bird of the mountains, and the creatures of the fields are mine.

**C: <sup>12</sup> If I were hungry, I would not tell you, for the whole world is mine and all that is in it.**

P: <sup>13</sup> Do you think I eat the flesh of bulls, or drink the blood of goats?

**C: <sup>14</sup> Offer to God a sacrifice of thanksgiving and make good your vows to the Most High.**

P: <sup>15</sup> Call upon me in the day of trouble; I will deliver you, and you shall honor me.

**Special Music** (8:30 Service) Handbell Piano Solo and 500-Year-Old Melody – N. Faber Jocelyn Berges, pianist

**Second Reading: Romans 4:13-25**

<sup>13</sup> The promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. <sup>14</sup> For if it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. <sup>15</sup> For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law, neither is there transgression. <sup>16</sup> For this reason the promise depends on faith, in order that it may rest on grace, so that it may be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (who is the father of all of us, <sup>17</sup> as it is written, “I have made you the father of many nations”), in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist. <sup>18</sup> Hoping against hope, he believed that he would become “the father of many nations,” according to what was said, “So shall your descendants be.” <sup>19</sup> He did not weaken in faith when he considered his own body, which was already as good as dead (for he was about a hundred years old), and the barrenness of Sarah’s womb. <sup>20</sup> No distrust made him waver concerning the promise of God, but he grew strong in his faith as he gave glory to God, <sup>21</sup> being fully convinced that God was able to do what he had promised. <sup>22</sup> Therefore “it was reckoned to him as righteousness.” <sup>23</sup> Now the

words, "it was reckoned to him," were written not for his sake alone <sup>24</sup> but for ours also. It will be reckoned to us who believe in him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead, <sup>25</sup> who was handed over for our trespasses and was raised for our justification.

**Gospel Acclamation**

"Alleluia, Lord to whom shall we go?"

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**C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.**

**The Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13, 18-26**

**All: Glory to you, O Lord/ Praise to You, O Christ!**

P: <sup>19</sup> As Jesus was walking along, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax-collection station, and he said to him, "Follow me." And he got up and followed him. <sup>10</sup> And as he sat at dinner in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came and were sitting with Jesus and his disciples. <sup>11</sup> When the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" <sup>12</sup> But when he heard this, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. <sup>13</sup> Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, not sacrifice.' For I have not come to call the righteous but sinners." <sup>18</sup> While he was saying these things to them, suddenly a leader came in and knelt before him, saying, "My daughter has just died, but come and lay your hand on her, and she will live." <sup>19</sup> And Jesus got up and followed him, with his disciples. <sup>20</sup> Then suddenly a woman who had been suffering from a flow of blood for twelve years came up behind him and touched the fringe of his cloak, <sup>21</sup> for she was saying to herself, "If I only touch his cloak, I will be made well." <sup>22</sup> Jesus turned, and seeing her he said, "Take heart, daughter; your faith has made you well." And the woman was made well from that moment. <sup>23</sup> When Jesus came to the leader's house and saw the flute players and the crowd making a commotion, <sup>24</sup> he said, "Go away, for the girl is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him. <sup>25</sup> But when the crowd had been put outside, he went in and took her by the hand, and the girl got up. <sup>26</sup> And the report of this spread through all of that district.

**Children's Message**

**Message**

**Pastor Mark Oehlert**

**Confession of Faith**

*Apostle's Creed*

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**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

**Offering Hymn:**

*Morning Has Broken*

*ELW #556*

**Offering Prayer:**

P: Loving God, we offer at your table the gifts of our hearts. Help us take heart in you and share freely of your love, so that all creation can taste your abundance. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit abiding with us now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Prayers of the Church:** P: God of grace.... **C: hear our prayer....**

**Sharing of the Peace:** P: The Peace of the Lord be with you always. **C: And also with you.**

P: Let us greet each other and share the peace of Christ with each other, either with a wave, a fist bump, handshake, ...however you prefer using the words "Peace be with you".

**The Great Thanksgiving (sung)**

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P: The Lord be with you. **C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts. **C: We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy,..... we praise your name and join their unending hymn

**Holy, Holy, Holy (sung)**

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**All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, Lord God of Pow'r and might, heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

**The Words of Institution**

**The Lord's Prayer**

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**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy Name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread. And forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

**Lamb of God (Agnus Dei) (sung)**

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**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.**

**Communion Distribution Hymns: ELW #758**

*ELW #759*

**Prayer Following Communion:**

P: Compassionate God, through the gifts of bread and wine our hearts are filled with the abundance of your love. Strengthen us that we, through this holy meal, may share your love freely, as you have shared with us. We ask this in the name of Jesus, through the Spirit nourishing us now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**Benediction:**

P: Creator, Redeemer, Sustainer, † one God, bless, heal, and hold you today and always. **C: Amen.**

**Closing Hymn:**

*O Christ, Your Heart Compassionate*

*ELW #722*

**Dismissal:** P: Heaven has come near. Go, share the good news!

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude:**

Bunessen (Gaelic Melody)

Arr. Hal H. Hopson

**Activities this Week at St. John's**

**June 7, 2026, to June 14, 2026**

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| Sun, June 7    | 8:30am & 10:00am | Worship Services W/Comm, Noisy offering, Pastor Mark Oehlert |
|                | 9:30am           | Bible Study  |
| Mon, June 8    | 5:30pm           | Board Of Trustees Meeting                                    |
| Tues, June 9   | 9:15 am          | Sarah Circle @ Sarah Sweeney Home, Joan Moody Hosts          |
|                | 7:00pm           | Dorcas Circle Virtually                                      |
| Wed, June 10   | 9:30am           | Gayle Larkin wake, 11:30am Funeral Services, Lunch Following |
| Thurs, June 11 | All Day          | WIC Here   |
| Sat, June 13   | 9:00am           | Spring Clean Up Day  |
| Sun, June 14   | 8:30am & 10:00am | Worship Services, Pastor Waldemar Gies                       |
|                | 9:30am           | Bible Study  |

**General Funds** (undesignated)

**Jan 1 – June 2, 2026,**

Actual Income \$74,170.32

**Jan 1 – June 30, 2026,**

Budget Expenses \$103,438.98

**Attendance**

2026 Average 103

Previous Week 106

2025 Average 103

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| Greeters                   | 8:30 am  | Marilyn Henkels                      |
|                            | 10:00 am |                                      |
| Readers                    | 8:30 am  | Ann Hagensick                        |
|                            | 10:00 am | Linda Groe                           |
| Ushers/Acolytes            | 8:30 am  | Bill & Becky Roe Family              |
|                            | 10:00 am | Eric Kirkeby                         |
| Communion Assistant        | 8:30 am  | Greg & Ann Hagensick, Chris Stuckman |
|                            | 10:00 am | Karen Stamper                        |
| Communion Prep             | 8:30 am  | Mary Jo Meyer, Bailey Benson         |
|                            | 10:00 am | Linda Groe                           |
| Secretary                  |          | Lana Dahlstrom                       |
| Custodians                 |          | John & Sharon Roe                    |
| Organist/Director of Music |          | James H. Bieber                      |
| Pastor                     |          | Mark Oehlert                         |

**St. John's Lutheran Church Events**

If you are unable to join us in person, you may listen on the radio or watch online through the St. John's Waukon Facebook page. Bulletins may be found on our website <https://stjohnswaukon.net/> To find out more about our special projects here at St John's visit the website and look at the MORE drop-down tab.

**Radio Broadcast Ministry** Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by Church Funds. We are thankful for the continued support of our radio ministry and for everyone who helps share God's Word with our community each week. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast in honor of a loved one or to celebrate a birthday, anniversary, or other special occasion, please contact the church office at 563-568-3623. Sponsors are also welcome to choose a hymn for the service. We invite you to join us each Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. on **KNEI 103.5 FM**. Thank you for listening, and God's blessings to you.

Join us for **Sunday Bible Study!** with a study of men & women of the Bible. Come gather with us in the lounge at 9:30 am, between services. Visit the resource page on our website.

St John's has a **Prayer Chain** If you would like to be added or have someone to add to our prayer chain contact the Church Office at 563.568.3623 or email [stjohnswaukon@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnswaukon@gmail.com) Your information will be shared with the coordinator and will be kept confidential.

**St. John's Spring Clean Up Day** has been **rescheduled to Sat, June 13**, starting at 9:00 am. Join us as we spruce up the church grounds! There are several projects, many hands make light work—your help is greatly appreciated! Small meal and refreshments will be provided.

**Video security system** has been upgraded. If you would like to contribute to this improvement, Checks may be made payable to St. John's, with "Security System" noted in the memo line.

**FEED THE KIDS:** Summer is almost here and we need your help! Monetary donations may be made by cash or check payable to Feed the Kids/Zion Church these can be placed in the collection OR sent to the office. A sign-up sheet for kid-friendly desserts and workers is in the Narthex. When July comes around - we could use garden fresh produce.

St. John's is helping with the **Baby Bottle Campaign** which is a key fundraiser runs from now to Father's Day for the **Hope Family Resource Center (HFRC)**, a program of Hope Pregnancy Ministries. This initiative relies on "pocket change" to provide life-affirming medical care, education, and material support to local families. To donate see the display in the Narthex.

**Help Wanted: Feed the Kids Representative for 2027:** Responsibilities are securing donations and volunteers for the third week of July. Cindy Wuebker has the experience to ease the transition. Please contact her at 712-661-9149 if interested or have any questions. This is a 2-year term, so it is time to find someone new to serve in this position.

#### **Upcoming Service Reminders Details will be shared closer to services**

June 21 8:30am worship will be held on the Church lawn. Please bring a lawn chair and get comfortable as we gather outside to hear God's Word. Start Father's Day out right by attending church with your family! 10am service will be held inside.

August 16 We will be having our worship service at 8:30am followed by a brunch in the fellowship Hall. No 10am service.

#### **Volunteers for June 14, 2026:**

Ushers/Acolytes: 8:30am Bill & Becky Roe Family; 10:00am Eric Kirkeby

Greeters: 8:30am Dan & Lori Treangen; 10:00am

Readers: 8:30am Dan Treangen; 10:00am Wendy Bucheit

#### **Community Events – see bulletin board for more information**

A Farewell Celebration for Fr. Donald Hertges, pastor of St. Benedict Parish, will be held the weekend of June 20–21. **Saturday, June 20** Dinner at 6:30 p.m., **Sunday, June 21** Breakfasts at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. All events will take place in the St. Benedict Parish Hall.

Laura Ingalls Wilder Park & Museum, Burr Oak, IA Presents **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Laura Days** on **Saturday, June 27**. Special guest appearance by Alison Arnglim (Nellie Olson) in the Little House on the Prairie TV series. See the bulletin for more information on the schedule of activities or their website at [www.lauraingallswilder.us](http://www.lauraingallswilder.us)