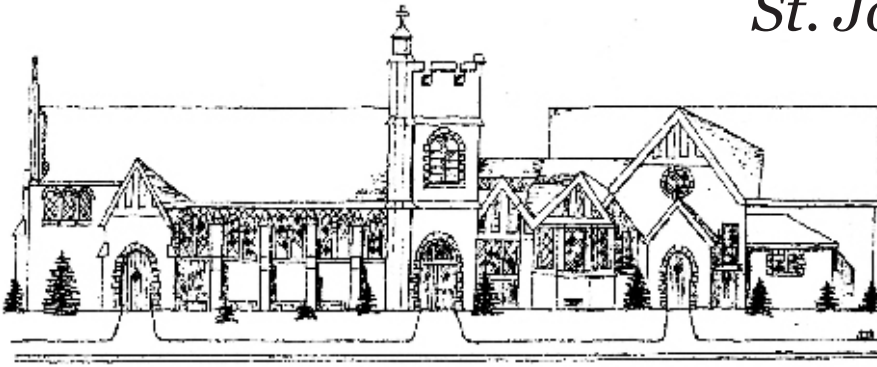


# St. John's Lutheran Church



## Newsletter

Bryan Robertson, Pastor

October, 2024

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

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When we come to the end of this month, a whole lot of work will have been done, both inside and outside the doors of our church.

Where outside, in town, we'll have all put away our lawn mowers for winter; and put a fresh service on snow plows and blowers; and sealed up our windows and inspected the doors to keep our heat from leaking outside. By the end of next month, we'll be ready for winter.

And out in the country, a lot of our corn will be dried in our bins, and our livestock will start to grow their thick coats, and our bales are all bagged or waiting in barns to haul out for feed while snow covers the ground.

When we look back when October is over, we'll all be amazed at the work that's been done, inside and outside the doors of our church.

Where inside our doors, our choirs will be working to help us at worship. And our Sunday School's meeting, and knowing that Christmas is coming real soon, they'll be practicing parts for their program at worship. And classes on Wednesday are going again, preparing our youth to get up in church, con-

fessing their faith--the faith of their parents who had them baptized.

Yes. Confirmation Sunday is coming real soon: the 27th of October at our 10:30 service.

Which happens to be a great day in our church. It's the day we thank God for His wonderful gifts: the gifts of His Word and Jesus, His Son, and God's Holy Spirit, who's always at work: pointing out sin and granting forgiveness; reforming the church, the Body of Christ; and keeping us doing what Jesus wants done.

We'll celebrate Reformation Sunday together, October 27th. We'll give thanks for the news that we're all saved by our Lord. We'll give thanks for what Jesus did in his life and did his death. And we'll hear the Good News that he's risen and with us, now and forever.

It's this Good News of Jesus and God's Holy Spirit that keeps our church fresh, as we gather around His table of grace and are baptized by water in God's holy name: God the Father, the Son, and God's Holy Spirit.

God has made us his children, believers in Jesus, both inside and outside the doors of our church. And for this we give thanks.

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*Peace,*

*Pr. Bryan*

## Radio Ministry October 2024



- Oct 6 in loving memory of Bernice Thies
- Oct 13 given by Vic & Diane Fye
- Oct 20 in honor of wedding anniversary of Carl & Joyce Thornton
- Oct 2 in loving memory of Eric Palmer

**\*\*select a hymn of your choice on your sponsored radio broadcast Sunday\*\***



**Thank you to the volunteers** who have quietly slipped into the church property to change out office mats, repair drinking fountain and repair landscape drainage. We appreciate everything you have done for us and *Thank You for your service to our Church!*



## Book Nook

***May I Walk You Home?*** by Melody Rossi

Filled with hope, joy and practical wisdom, "*May I Walk You Home*" will lovingly prepare you to talk to family & friends about Jesus. If your unsaved friend or family member is facing death, this encouraging book can help you share Christ in loving, natural ways. Serve in ways that speak louder than words.

*submitted by Karen Grimstad*

## 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](http://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](http://www.stjohnswaukon.net) and Facebook [stjohns@waukon](mailto:stjohns@waukon)



## Thank you Pastor Bryan

During this Pastor Appreciation Month, we want to recognize and thank you Pastor Bryan for the love and care you give to your flock at St. John's and the Waukon community. The dedication to your ministry is appreciated by all of us. Thank you for being our shepherd every day.

*St. John's Board of Deacons*

**Trustee Meeting  
Sept 17, 2024**



- ~Carpets cleaned
- ~Solar Project Congregational mtg set
- ~Purchase electric piano
- ~Open seat on Bd Deacons
- ~Wall mounted microphones approved
- ~Flagpole project approved

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

# October 2024

Sunday	Mon.	Tue.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.	Sat.
		1	2	3	4	5
		7pm Trust Fund mtg	8:45am-noon Quilting 6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Bells	8:30am-4:30pm WIC		
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
8:30am & 10:30am worship w/comm. 9:30am Sun School & Sr Choir			6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Choir			
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
8:30am & 10:30am worship 9:30am Sun School & Sr Choir		6pm Trustee mtg	6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Choir			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
8:30am & 10:30am worship w/comm. 9:30am Sun School & Sr Choir & <b>Congregational mtg</b>		1pm Northgate Care Ctr 2pm WELCA-lounge 2:30pm Evergreen Ctr 3pm Good Sam Ctr	6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Choir			
27	28	29	30	31		
8:30am worship w/comm, Dougherty & Ryan baptisms 9:30am Sun School & Sr Choir 10:30am worship w/comm *CONFIRMATION*			6pm Youth Bells 7pm Confirmation & Sr Choir			

## Music Ministry



Thank you to Hailey Houg for providing a vocal solo at our services on Sunday, Sept 1, and Bruce Meador for leading our Service in the Park music on Sunday, Sept 8.

Choirs have resumed rehearsals beginning Sept 4 and will continue with the following schedule:

Youth Bell Choir Wednesdays at 6pm

Senior Bell Choir Wednesdays at 7pm

Senior Choir Sundays at 9:30am immediately following the 8:30am service

Choir Dedication Sunday is tentatively set for Sunday, Oct 6 at 8:30am service.

Thank you to all choir members for your continued dedication to providing music for our worship service at St. John's and the support & encouragement from our Congregation.

*James H. Bieber / Director of Music*



CIRCLE NEWS  
Oct 2024

**SARAH Circle:** 9:15am, Oct 8 in the Lounge with hostess Kathy Murray & Bible study done together.

**DORCAS Circle:** Oct 10, 7pm virtually, contact Linda Groe with questions.

## September 2024



**Baptisms:** none

**Weddings:** none

**Deaths:** Carol Moe-August  
Bernice Thies

St. John's Volunteer Duty List

Oct-24

Date	Service		Greeters	Readers	Comm Asst	Comm Prep	Acolytes	Ushers
10/6/24	8:30 AM	E W	Greg Hagensick family Tiffany Evans	Nona Sawyer	Dan Treangen, Jon Payne, Nona Sawyer	Linda DeBuhr <del>Jane Kallevang</del>	Ushers	Bernie Pausch, Randy Hesse Bob Joachim, Fred Oelberg
	10:30 AM	E W	Gerald & Diane Piittmann	Karen Stamper	Karen Stamper	Evonne Kistler Jill Kistler	Ushers	Steve & Sheryl Evanson
10/13/24	8:30 AM	E W	Ron & Linda Dahlstrom Irv & Chris E Fosaaen	Bill Roe	X	X	Ushers	same as above
	10:30 AM	E W	Norm Peterson	Jill Kistler			Ushers	same as above
10/20/24	8:30 AM	E W	Jane Dietrich Marilyn Henkels	Mary Jo Meyer	Michael Hagensick, Bailey Benson, Allie Rottink	Mary Jackson Cindy Barness	Ushers	same as above
	10:30 AM	E W	Sunday School	Sunday School	Bob Joachim	Altar Guild	Ushers	same as above
10/27/24 Reformation Sunday Confirmation	8:30 AM	E W	Bill & Sue Blagsvedt Mary Jackson	Ann Hagensick	X	X	Ushers	same as above
	10:30 AM	E W	Vickie Larson	Confirmand			Ushers	same as above



## St. John's Women Serving and Socializing



WELCA women met this summer and discussed the goals/ideas for this next year. One of the ideas was having a sharing table by the door near the parking lot. Beautiful delicious produce has been shared and enjoyed. Thank you to those who have shared their harvest with us!

The quilters started quilting again for the fall. They were meeting on Thursdays this fall. They have decided to take a break and may start up again before the snowy cold weather hits. Watch for details on when the quilters will resume their quilting.

The response to the school kits has been wonderful! Nona Sawyer has been busy putting the kits together. You can contact Nona to see exactly what is still needed to complete more school kits.

Thank you to those who have donated to the 'Pennies for Presents' project. The container will be put out in the back of the church the third Sunday of each month. This money will be used to purchase Christmas gifts for children in need.

*Submitted by Karen Stamper*

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### Affirmation of Baptism

October 27, 2024

Gus Benjegerdes, Adelle Clarke,  
Landon Ellickson, Talin Hemann,  
Colin Jones, Sophia Palmer,  
Blake Roe



## Hymns for October at St. Johns



### Oct 6 Time After Pentecost

**No. 836 Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee**

First Lesson: Genesis 2:18-24

Second Lesson: Hebrews 1:1-4, 2:5-12

Gospel: Mark 10:2-16

**No. 574 Here I Am Lord**

**During Distribution No. 638 & 640**

**No. 656 Blest Be the Tie That Binds**

### Oct 13 Time After Pentecost

**No. 669 Rise Up, O Saints of God**

First Lesson: Amos 5:6-7, 10-15

Second Lesson: Hebrews 4:12-16

Gospel: Mark 10:17-31

**No. 685 Take My Life, That I May Be**

**No. 678 God Whose Giving Knows**

### Oct 20 Time After Pentecost

**No. 548 Rise, O Church, Like Christ**

First Lesson: Isaiah 53:4-12

Second Lesson: Hebrews 5:1-10

Gospel: Mark 10:35-45

**No. 595 Jesus Loves Me**

**During Distribution No. 789 & 793**

**No. 818 O Master, Let Me Walk**

### Oct 27 Reformation Sunday

**No. 505 A Mighty Fortress Is Our God**

First Lesson: Jeremiah 31:31-34

Second Lesson: Romans 3:19-28

Gospel: John 8:31-36

**No. 790 Day By Day**

**During Distribution No. 516 & 517**

**No. The Church of Christ In Every Age**

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		1	2	3	4	5
		Mary Lou Sorum Russ & Mary Jo Meyer (A)	Oliver Bailey Kloe Leiran Bernice Thies	Wendy Bucheit Bill & Sue Blagsvedt (A)	Steve Evanson Brock Iverson Tyler O'Neill	Grant Nuehring Travis Schnuelle Jeremy & Lana Troendle (A)
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Sarah Olson Larry & Pam Dundee (A)		Alaina Emerson Stacey Kolsrud Annabelle Marti Sheylenn Neuzil Brian & Denise Wullner (A)	Darrel Wicks	Cindy Barness Irv & Chris E Fosaaen (A)	Dave & Renee Martin (A)	Dennis DeBuhr Heath Hagensick Oliver Hagensick Jan Pfiffner
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Elsa Thorstenson Craig Yohe Albert Hanson & Ann Hart (A)	Greg Hagensick	Stacia Dougherty		Chris Ellickson Tim Fahey Cole & Ashley Horgen (A) Kevin & Trish Martin (A)	Barb Hill Kathy Murray Mike Neuzil Zach & Melissa Clarke (A) Steve & Sheryl Evanson (A) Jeff & Diana Johnson (A)	Tharin Benson Kashton Copp Lee & Chris Ellickson (A)
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Karen Grimstad Eric & Stacy Wyninger (A)	Dennis Lyons	Holly Harrington Ila Johnsen Gayle Larkin Drew Pierson Bristol Wilkes Scott & Brenda Houg (A)	Eve Hill Mason Martin Shelby Wyninger Fred & GERALYN Smith (A)	Dave Sorum	Travis Fish Ed Stamper	Matt & Emily Baade (A) Justin & Ashley Jones (A)
27	28	29	30	31		
Sarah Bieber Ron Dahlstrom Heather Nuehring Seth Tweedy	Kade Halse Bill Jr & Becky Roe (A) Carl & Joyce Thornton (A)	Cameron Emerson	Joplin Nuehring Mark & Stacy Stock (A)	Michah Burrow Lori Treangen		



Reick's Chicken Dinner  
August 30, 2024



Hailey & Lynsey Hong  
Sept 1, 2024



Many Thanks To:

- \*Kathy Murray for the trays
- \*Cindy Wuebker for acquiring Thrivent Funds
- \*Local Businesses who sponsored: Caseys, Kwik Star, Dollar General, Dollar Fresh, Fareway & Hardees
- \*We will have a net profit of \$3159.70





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# Worship in the Park.....9-8-24



- \*73 people & 5 dogs in attendance
- \*Bruce Meador, musician, assisted
- \*Cool, clear & sunny day
- \*Enjoyed by All! Great Fellowship!