



MESSENGER NEWSLETTER ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

"The small church with a BIG heart: Ordinary people

With an extra ordinary message!

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

BABBTOWN

Sunday Worship

8:00 A.M. Divine Service with the
Sacrament of the Altar

Bible Study and Sunday School 9:10
A.M.

SCHUBERT

Sunday Worship

Sunday school

9:15 A.M.

Bible Study 9:30 A.M.

10:00 A.M. Divine Service with
the Sacrament of the Altar

Also Streaming on Vimeo and Facebook

SEPTEMBER AT A GLANCE

Sep 7 Labor Day. **NO STUDIES**

Sep 9 Wkday/Confirmation Opening
5:30pm

Sep 14 Babbtown Study 9am

Men's Study 6pm

Sep 15 Women's Study 9:30am

Individual Confession 5pm

Open Bible Study 6pm

Sep 16 Wkday/Confirmation 6pm

Choir Rehearsal 6:30pm

Sep 20 Choir Singing at Schubert

Sep 23 Wkday/Confirmation 6pm

Sep 24 Evangelism Meeting 6pm

Sep 28 Individual Confession 5pm

Open Bible Study 6pm

Sep 30 Wkday/Confirmation 6pm

"And these words that I command you today shall be on your heart. You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise. You shall bind them as a sign on your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. You shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates." Deuteronomy 6:6-9

Dear Saints,

As another school year has begun and the schedules at home fill up, we would do well to read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest this text from Deuteronomy. In this text, the Lord has just given the Ten Commandments here in Deuteronomy as He had first given them in Exodus 20, and the children of Israel are to have these words before them at all times, for the Word of God is not to be confined to only being heard and read within the sanctuary; it is to permeate into every aspect of our lives: our raising of children, our homes, our beds, our doorposts, and our gates. Schedules get filled, and life gets busy, but we learn from the Lord's teaching of Mary and Martha in Luke 10 that the most necessary thing is to be at the feet of Jesus. And what are the ways in which we can be at His feet? We read His Word in our homes and to our children, we hear His Word read and preached in His sanctuary, and we come before His altar to receive His body and blood. May we all make these such things the priority in our lives, lest the cares and riches and pleasures of this life choke out the seed of faith that has been planted in our hearts.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Pastor

SPEAKING FOR LIFE:

“Again, our worth is never determined by what we do. God has given us value by creating, redeeming, and calling us as His own. Still, we can be comforted knowing that even as we age and reach the point where we can no longer be active, God not only watches over us and cares for us, He accomplishes great and wonderful things through us. May the Lord of life grant us the faith and the strength to bear the crosses of aging in such a way that others are led to see the love of Christ manifest in us!” Rev. Dr. Aric Fenske, Executive Director of Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Evangelism Report:

Care kits are available in the side entrance. Please feel free to take one and give it to someone in need.

Prayer chain requests, please text Molly Boeckmann at 573-338-4309



Be sure to check out the “Faith and the Home” table in the narthex for resources to assist you in teaching the faith to your children and those in your home!

BRIEFS FROM THE BOOK OF CONCORD

[105] Great and grievous, indeed, are these dangers and temptations, which every Christian must bear. We bear them even though each one were alone by himself. So every hour that we are in this vile life, we are attacked on all sides [2 Corinthians 4:8], chased and hunted down. We are moved to cry out and to pray that God would not allow us to become weary and faint [Isaiah 40:31; Hebrews 12:3] and to fall again into sin, shame, and unbelief. For otherwise it is impossible to overcome even the least temptation.

[109] Therefore, we Christians must be armed [Ephesians 6:10–18] and daily expect to be constantly attacked. No one may go on in security and carelessly, as though the devil were far from us. At all times we must expect and block his blows. Though I am now chaste, patient, kind, and in firm faith, the devil will this very hour send such an arrow into my heart that I can scarcely stand. For he is an enemy that never stops or becomes tired. So when one temptation stops, there always arise others and fresh ones.

[110] So there is no help or comfort except to run here, take hold of the Lord’s Prayer, and speak to God from the heart like this: “Dear Father, You have asked me to pray. Don’t let me fall because of temptations.” Then you will see that the temptations must stop and finally confess themselves conquered. [111] If you try to help yourself by your own thoughts and counsel, you will only make the matter worse and give the devil more space. For he has a serpent’s head [Revelation 12:9]. If it finds an opening into which it can slip, the whole body will follow without stopping. But prayer can prevent him and drive him back.

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Usher Schedule

Sep 6 Kurt Boeckmann
Andy Beach
Sep 13 Kurt Boeckmann
John Hanes
Sep 20 Kurt Boeckmann
Skyler Haslag
Sep 27 Kurt Boeckmann
Matt Belcher

Communion Assistants

Sep 6 Russ Mueller
Gene Walkenhorst
Sep 13 Mark Russell
Gary Stroup
Sep 20 Allan Forbis
Jim Forbis
Sep 27 Russ Mueller
Gary Stroup

Greeters

Sep 6 Linda Brenner, front
Jennifer Hanes, side

Sep 13 Lynn Lofton, front
Susan Nienhueser, side

Sep 20 Mary Kuhlmann, front
Mary Vida, side

Sep 27 Linda Brenner, front
Jennifer Hanes, side

Sunday School Offering

Sep 6 Presley Haslag

Sep 13 Henry Householder

Sep 20 Gabe Marble

Sep 27 Isabella Marble

BAPTISM BIRTHDAYS

(Schubert)

SEPTEMBER

1 Jan Morris
2 Steven Brenner
3 Ashley Thoenen
9 Samuel Luetkemeyer
Silas Luetkemeyer
14 Jeanette Wiggins
19 Peyton Bohl
20 Ronda Williams
23 Ashley Mueller
27 Michael Dippold

(Babbtown)

SEPTEMBER

9 Autumn Kramer
Alexis Kramer
16 Joyce Jarvis
21 Ava Bunker
23 Ricky Jarvis

OCTOBER 2026
NEWSLETTER Items
are due

SEPTEMBER 21, 2026

Newsletter items may be
placed in Pastor's mailbox.

Or they may be e-mailed to
groh.stjohns@gmail.com

Any announcement:
Weddings, birthdays,
anniversaries, personal notes,
pictures or church related
business are welcome.

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CHURCH CLEANING

Matt Belcher
Karen Belcher

ALTAR GUILD

Karen Forbis
Linda Brenner

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