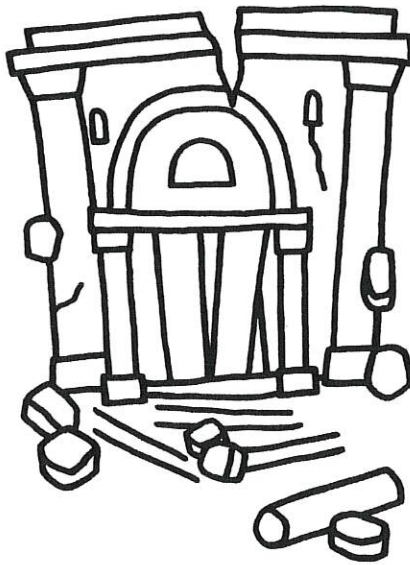


St. John's  
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Norfolk, Nebraska



26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost  
November 16-17, 2024  
Prs Jim & Kathleen Splitt

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**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

**Readings: Psalm 16, Hebrews 10:11-25, Mark 13:1-8**

**Hymns for Saturday and Sunday 8:30 AM**

#870 We Praise You, O God

#744 Lord, Be Glorified

#785 When Peace Like a River

#632 O God Our Help in Ages Past (Verses 1, 3, 6)

**Songs for Sunday 11:00 AM**

10,000 Reasons

Who You Say I Am

We Fall Down

How Deep the Father's Love for Us

Holy Forever

Glorious Day

**TODAY'S WORSHIP THEME**

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

**PRAYER CONCERNS:**

Del Fuelberth

Bill Schroeder

Laura Simonsen

Tyrone Uhlir

Marsha Schwartz

Brian Matthies

Zander Barr

Connie Hagstrom

Judy Denkinger

Phillip Sykes

Karmon Lienemann

Bob Frady

Zella Dederman

Ann Schroeder

Lexi Rivera

Jerry Fiedler

Carol Timperley

Janet Farr

Keagan Sullivan

Jerry Berney

Christine Schulz

Richard Juracek

Stacie Schutte

**Altar Flowers for this weekend sponsored by:**

**Dennis & Brenda Smith – grateful for God's many blessings during this Thanksgiving Season, and**

**Scott & Brenda Carhart in memory of our son, Alex on his Birthday in November.**

## THE WEEK AHEAD

### MONDAY, November 18

1:15pm.....Chosen Christ Care  
7:00pm.....Solid Rock

### WEDNESDAY, November 20

10:00am.....Madison House Worship  
4:00pm.....8<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
5:00pm.....6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Confirmation  
7:00p.....Church Council

### THURSDAY, November 21

7:00am.....Text Study  
9:00pm.....Rebekah Circle  
10:00am.....Text Study  
1:30pm.....Belair Worship

### SATURDAY, November 23

5:00pm.....Gathering Worship

### SUNDAY, November 24

8:30am.....Festival Worship  
9:45am.....Sunday School  
11:00am.....Celebration Worship

### WHAT'S HAPPENING AT SUNDAY SCHOOL?

Join us this weekend as we return to our Animals of the Bible series! Come to Sunday School to see which animal we'll learn about this Sunday! We will begin practicing for our Sunday school program. Date for program is **Saturday, Dec 14<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00 pm service.**

## Change for Change

Collections currently will be going to for shipping costs for our LWR projects. LWR's Approximate Cost to Deliver Quilts and Kits Overseas:

One Mission Quilt	\$2.80
One School Kit	\$2.85
One Personal Care Kit	\$1.50
One Baby Care Kit	\$3.10
One Fabric Kit	\$1.80

*Thank you so much everyone!*

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS THIS WEEKEND

Saturday, November 16, 5:00pm

Council-Doug Holmberg

Sunday, November 17, 8:30am

Council-Jamie Bonilla, Reader-Elliott Fullner,  
Usher-Brenda Carhart

Coffee Hosts: Carhart/Kuhlman

Sunday, November 17, 11:00am

Council, Usher-Adam Bloomquist, Reader-Brian Nissen

### WORSHIP ASSISTANTS NEXT WEEKEND

Saturday, November 23, 5:00pm

Council-

Sunday, November 24, 8:30am

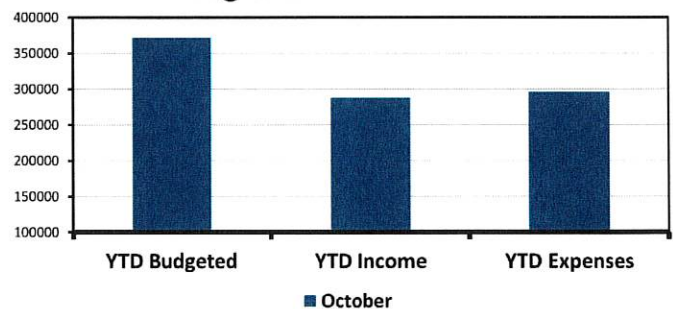
Council- Reader, Usher-Brenda Carhart

Coffee Hosts: Ron & Mary Lynn Benson

Sunday, November 24, 11:00am

Council-

### Progress on our Mission



Weekly Offerings Received 11/10/24.....\$7,603  
Attendance 11/10/24.....38, 53, 48 =139  
Year-To-Date (Actual).....\$-4,314.59

**God's Ambassadors Christ Care will begin meeting weekly (starting this Sunday) on Sunday Evenings at 6:30pm in the Bethany Room. For more information, call Kristy Booras 402-992-3458.**



Rebekah Circle will be hosting their Christmas Party on Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM in the Fellowship Hall. Guests can be invited to join. RSVP's are due to the office by November 20<sup>th</sup>.



*Help us  
Prepare our  
Church for the  
Holidays!*

Later on during the month of November, groups will be meeting to decorate different areas of the church. If you are interested in helping, please feel free to join us. ***Thanks everyone for your creative assistance!***

Sanctury Decorations- Fellowship  
Outreach-Kristy Booras 402-992-3458  
Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 PM

Fellowship Hall - Rebekah Circle-Barb  
Adams 402-371-9159  
Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> after meeting

Narthex-John's Text Study-John  
Skogstoe 402-750-7184  
Thursday, November 21<sup>st</sup> after meeting

Bethany Room-Confirmation Class-  
church office 402-371-1985  
Wednesday, November 20<sup>th</sup> after class

## Fellowship Outreach Project

Please consider helping by visiting some of our members:

“Inside each bag is a Chicken Noodle Soup Jar Gift, with cooking instructions. Outside each bag is the name and address of a person that is unable to get out and attend church. Will you please visit this person? You can either prepare the soup for them, or give it to them to prepare later. All ingredients are included, you only need to add water and boil. There is also a prayer attached. Please pray for the person you are visiting. If you want to add someone to the list, Please call the church office.” **Distribution bags are on the table in the north hallway.**



To: Members of St. Johns  
From: St. John's Council-Carol Waggoner, Pres.  
Subject: Report of Progress with the Call Process  
November, 2024

May, 2024—Accepted the resignation of previous pastor.

May, 2024—Notified Bishop Scott, of NE Synod of the resignation.

May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024—Pastor Greg Berger, from Synod, met with previous pastor and council. Pastor Greg conducted exit report. Previous pastor left for vacation until June 1<sup>st</sup> and found supply pastors until then. Council continued the assignment until Sept 1.

June, 2024—Synod recommended names to contact for supply as well as for interim. Council contacted Pastor Jim/Kathleen in June to be supply pastors as well as interims.

June—Congregation received orientation from Synod on transition.

June, July, August, 2024— A small group of council members met several times writing “essay” questions for the Ministry Site Profile (MSP).

July—Surveys (2) given to the congregation to fill out. Results are tabulated but not shared as yet.

September—Contract with each of the Splitts’ was signed September 1<sup>st</sup> for 40 hours/week between them. They would take care of worship services, confirmation, weddings, funerals, attend meetings as necessary, congregational and hospital calls as necessary. They would make the judgment on “necessary.”

October, 2024—Discussion of how to form the call committee.

October—Asked Holy Spirit lead formation of Call Team—still in process.

October 23, 2024--Met with council group to decide what to include in video presentation for the Ministry Site Profile (MSP).

Beginning the draft of the MSP for Council and Call Team.

**Steps to come**— Spiritual Direction Experiences and “Telling our Story” activity.

Sharing of MSP, Announcement of the Call Team.

All coming SOON we pray. BUT as we have learned, SOON is God's Time.

Please be patient and pray with us as we wait asking God to “lead” us to the people. There is a team that is being formed and a from somewhere there is a pastor who will answer the call to St. John's, Norfolk.