

**THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING**

**SUNDAY August 23rd**

7:45 Worship H/C  
9:00 Education Hour  
10:15 Worship H/C

**MONDAY August 24th**

6:30 Council Meeting

**TUESDAY August 25th**

School resumes  
8:00 Chapel

**WEDNESDAY August 26<sup>th</sup>**

10:00 AbleLight Work Day  
6:30 Youth Group

**THURSDAY August 27th**

No Worship Service

**FRIDAY August 28th**

**SATURDAY August 29th**

**SUNDAY August 30th**

9:30 Worship Potluck to follow



**REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS IN PRAYER**  
Marlys Zemke-Wellington Place Assisted Living

**THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK  
IN THE LORD'S HOUSE**

**ELDERS FOR AUGUST**

John Christensen, Roan Fritz, Rick Borchardt

**ALTAR GUILD FOR AUGUST**

Donna Baumann & Kim Borchardt

**USHERS THIS WEEKEND**

Lisa Brost~ 7:45  
Stuart Vaughn

Steven Jome~ 10:15  
Rick Borchardt

**ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND**

Harvey Guss~ 7:45  
Ivy Clark~ 10:15  
August 27th~

**CLEANING TEAM**

August 23rd-Sept. 5<sup>th</sup> ~Darrell & Kay Ramthun

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

***Happy Birthday this week to:***

Cindi Schalow (8/23)  
Mark Zimmermann(8/23)  
Berlyn Hale (8/24)  
Krista Koenig (8/24)  
John Strehlow (8/24)  
Kim Borchardt (8/25)  
Haley Anderson(8/25)  
Brandon Brost (8/25)  
Zachary Olson (8/26)  
Andrew Prah (8/26)

Colten Blom (8/27)  
Scott Habeck (8/27)  
Lora Zimmermann(8/27)  
August Stransky (8/28)  
Marlys Zemke (8/29)  
Arlo Prah (8/29)  
Bradley Block (8/30)  
Melissa Fenske (8/30)

***Happy Anniversary this week to:***

Richard & Rose Stuplich (8/27)



God's Blessings on your special day!

**The Week August 23rd-August 30th  
2026**

**St. John Lutheran Church and School**

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**Church Building Will Be Open**

Monday-Thursday 8:00-11:00

**Church & School Secretary Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 7:00 AM-3:00 PM

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**Our Mission Statement**

“St. John Lutheran Church and School is dedicated to worship, love, teach, reach out and care through the love of Christ Jesus.”

Please have announcements to the office by 8:30 A.M on Wednesday

| ATTENDANCE REPORT     | 2025    | 2026 |
|-----------------------|---------|------|
| Thursday, August 13th | 40(VBS) | 10   |
| Sunday, August 16th   | 117     | 115  |

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Envelope & Plate  
Week of August 16th, 2026 \$23,561.00  
Tuition-\$27,948.00 Extended Care-\$0.00  
Debt Reduction (Line of Credit Only)-\$180.00  
Loose change collected for Hager House - \$26.63  
Electronic Giving  
General Fund-\$0.00 Building Fund-\$0.00  
Debt Reduction-\$0.00

PAYMENTS MADE/DUE

Line of Credit Balance August 18 - \$0  
Expenses paid August 9-15 \$3947.11  
Payroll 8/14/26- \$13,833.33

Thanks to generous contributions this week and collection of tuition payments, we were able to pay off the entire balance on the line of credit and we are not holding any checks. Praise God!

**A new Bible Study starting!!!** For men and women on Genesis chapters 1-11. The study will begin on Sunday, September 20th. (Men and women will be meeting separately.) We will begin at 6:00 p.m. and end at 7:30 p.m. A sign-up sheet is in the narthex. We pray you would all considering joining us!!! Genesis chapters 1-11 lays the foundation on which the rest of scripture rests. We need to understand the truths of these verses, so we are not swayed by the confusion of the worlds belief system. Faith without a strong foundation can easily crumble. "WE MUST LET GOD'S WORD SPEAK TO US, AND NOT IMPOSE OUR BELIEFS ON GOD'S WORD." \*Note: The same Bible study, for women only, will also meet on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month starting Sept. 21st. If you have any questions, please call Lana Kunze 715-581-9803 or Lyle Kunze 715-210-4101.

**Senior Club** will meet on Tuesday, August 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:00. We will begin with a Pot Luck Lunch, please bring a dish to pass if you are able. We will be playing Bingo, please bring a \$1.00 wrapped gift to share. All are welcome, please join us!



**Summer Send Off:** 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Celebration at St. John, August 30<sup>th</sup>. One Worship Service 9:30, Potluck to follow. Potluck to bring, people with last names starting with A-D Desserts, E-J Salads, K-O Main Dishes, P-Z Sides. Reminder there will be no Thursday Worship on August 27<sup>th</sup>.

**Westward Road** will present a concert at St. John Lutheran School, Wausau on Thursday, September 3 at 6:00 pm. Westward Road is a trio (Mother, Father, Son) who sing acapella in a Southern Gospel Style with audio visual enhancements. We are excited to have our St. John School students participating in the concert on a couple of the songs!! Come join us for an evening of gospel music as we hear God's word presented through this powerful music! A Free Will Offering taken at

the door. A Free Ice Cream Social following the concert too!

**Sunday school** resumes on September 13 from 9:00-10:00 AM. A middle school class is being added this year. More details to come.

**Hey guys,** Save the date! St. John Men's Retreat: October 9-11. More info coming! Stay tuned!

**North Wisconsin District Adult Gathering:** Make plans now to attend one of the NWD Adult Gatherings in 2026! The first will take place on Monday, October 12 at Peace Lutheran Church, Eau Claire and the second will be Tuesday, October 13 at Mount Olive Lutheran Church, Weston. Registration & morning refreshments begin at 9:30 a.m. with the program from 10:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. A catered lunch will be served at noon. Devotions will be led by District President, Rev. Timothy Shoup. Keynote speaker, Rev. Dr. Brian Gauthier, who serves as managing director – global mission operations of the LCMS Office of International Mission. Rev. Gauthier will share a message on “Unpacking Lutheran Mission” providing insight and understanding of LCMS missions, the impact around the world, and how your congregation can make an impact. The \$35 registration fee includes morning refreshments, program, and a catered lunch. Registration deadline is September 25. Registration forms are available in the narthex and on the NWD homepage at [nwdlcms.org](http://nwdlcms.org) under ‘Events and Info’.

**When the households** of your church are spiritually vibrant, your church is more effective at faith formation, outreach, and community engagement. Join us at the North and South Wisconsin LLL Districts Joint Convention on Saturday, October 10. Gather items to bring to the Convention to support Orphan Grain Train ministry. For the list of items and to register today visit <https://lhm.org/no-sowisc-III>

**Megan’s Classroom of Hope:** School Supply Drive, Bake Sale & Merch Table, Saturday, September 5, 9:00 AM – 3:00 PM. 2312 Grand Avenue, Wausau. Stop by and show your support for special education! Bring school supplies to donate, grab something sweet from the bake sale, and pick up some Megan’s Classroom of Hope merchandise. Every dollar and every donated notebook goes toward keeping Megan’s mission growing. Megan’s Classroom of Hope is a Wisconsin-based memorial initiative and emerging foundation established in 2026 to honor the legacy of special education teacher Megan E. Meyer. The organization provides grants, resources, and community support to special education teachers and students.

**Jase Pflieger is in 2nd Grade** at St. John School. He had surgery on August 7th at the UW Children's Hospital in Madison. His surgery was a success, but he and his parents will have to stay in Madison for four weeks for therapy. His mom, Stefani says he gets lonely on the long days in the hospital. The Care Ministry has helped the family with some of their expenses. It would be great if you could take the time to drop a card of encouragement to Jase. The address is P5 Jase Pflieger, UW Health American Family Children's Hospital, 1675 Highland Avenue, Madison, WI, 53792.