



# ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Clinton, Iowa

The Lutheran Hour: Sundays at 6:30 a.m. 600 WMT

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July 6, 2025

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Organist:	Debbie Pladna
Elders Early:	Kurt Flathers, Rick Eizenga
Ushers Early:	Brent Pladna, Calvin Lange, Will Schemers
Acolyte Early:	Elder
Elders Late:	Troy Bialas, Tom Hardersen
Ushers Late:	Kevin Montgomery, Shawn Kuhse
Acolyte Late:	Elder
Elder Wed.:	Bill Ross

## WELCOME TO ST. JOHN

We welcome all visitors in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ. May God bless our time together. We ask that you sign our guest register in the entryway.

## ALTAR FLOWERS

The Altar flowers today are to the Glory of God, from Donna Dell in memory of Harlan Dell.

## PASTOR POOL'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

We meet Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

-July 6: John 12:37-50: The Word of the Prophet

-July 13: John 13:1-20: Washing Feet

## RAISE RIGHT ORDERS ARE DUE TODAY

Order forms are in the fellowship hall. Please put the completed order form and payment in the blue box. Thank you for participating in the Raise Right fundraising program for our preschool.

## BOARD OF ELDERS MEETING

The Board of Elders will meet on Monday, July 7 at 7:00 p.m.

## MARY MARTHA PICNIC POTLUCK

The Mary Martha Potluck Picnic will be this Tuesday, July 8 at 6:00 p.m. Members are asked to bring a dish to share and a wrapped \$5 gift to be used as a prize for cards and "Dirty Bingo." The meat, beverages, and table service will be furnished. Altar volunteers and guests are welcome to join us.

## OUR SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP, STUDY AND WORK:

- Sunday - **Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion  
- 9:00 Summer Sunday School  
- 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class  
- Raise Right Orders are Due
- Monday - 7:00 Board of Elders
- Tuesday - 6:00 Mary Martha Picnic Potluck
- Wednesday - 5:30 Family Night  
- 7:00 Wednesday Summer Service
- Sunday - **Fifth Sunday after Pentecost**  
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion  
- 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class  
- 1:30 Pastor at the Alverno

## OUR WORSHIP, STUDY, AND GIVING LAST WEEK:

Church Attendance Wednesday, June 25: Total 29

Church Attendance Sunday, June 29: Early 50; Late 65; Total 115

Staff 2; PWYK 5; Pastor's Class 26; Total 33

Offerings: Current \$2,770.25; District & Synod \$112; Building \$268;  
Scholarship \$510

## FAMILY NIGHT

Family Night will meet this Wednesday, July 9 at 5:30 p.m.

## WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERVICES: THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Join us for service each Wednesday this summer at 7:00 p.m.

-July 9: Kindness

-July 16: Patience

-July 23: Peace

-July 30: No service this week!

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

In July we are collecting **NEW Under Garments & Socks for Boys & Girls, ages 2-4, 5-9 & 10-14**. Please place your donations in the bin in the fellowship hall. Thank you!

## ANOTHER ALTAR FLOWER SOURCE

Bonnie Ugarph is once again able to provide flowers for you for the altar. If interested, please call or text her at 563-212-9750. Thanks!

## AVAILABLE ALTAR FLOWER DATES FOR 2025

The following dates are still available: July 27, Aug. 10 & 31, Oct. 12 & 19, Nov. 2, Dec. 14, 24 (Christmas Eve), & 28. Sign up in the Narthex.

## ST. JOHN PRESCHOOL

Our preschool is now enrolling students for the 25/26 school year. Please go to [www.stjohn-clinton-ia.org](http://www.stjohn-clinton-ia.org) and click on preschool to begin the application process. Questions? [csperry@stjohn-clinton-ia.org](mailto:csperry@stjohn-clinton-ia.org).

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Irvin Lange, Aubrey Gluesing, Logan Russell, Megan Pladna, Audrey Hayes, Abel Pool, Dylan Schroeder, David Schrader,

## SET APART TO SERVE SURVEY FOR YOUTH

The LCMS is asking youth to help improve *Set Apart to Serve*, the LCMS church work recruitment initiative. Please go to [lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-youth-survey](https://lcms.org/set-apart-to-serve-youth-survey) The survey is open to 7th-graders through recent high school graduates. All responses are anonymous and confidential. Responses should be received **by July 15**.

## HIGHER THINGS

St. John has 3 youth and 3 adults attending the Higher Things Conference on **July 29 - August 1** at Calvin University in Grand Rapids, MI. The Group will leave on **Monday, July 28**. The conference is entitled: *ALL THINGS NEW*. Thrivent Choice dollars help to pay for our trips so, if you are a Thrivent member, please consider directing your Choice Dollars to St. John. You may also designate your weekly offering by writing Higher Things on your envelope. Thank you!

## CHURCH PICNIC

Mark your calendar for our annual church picnic which will be held on Sunday, August 31 following late service. Each family is asked to bring two dishes to share; a single person may bring one dish. Please choose from: potatoes, salads, vegetables, or desserts. The meat, rolls, beverage, and table service will be provided. Come for wonderful food and fellowship, games, and activities! Watch for sign-up sheets for volunteers in the fellowship hall beginning in August. Check your bulletins and newsletter for updates.

## LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

The Prodigal's father kept watching every day for his wayward son's return. He had to have done so in order to spot him "While he was still a long way off" (Luke 15:20). Our Gracious God (Psalm 103:10-13) never gives up on a human life, no matter what size, skills, circumstances, or sins it involves. We need not let surprise pregnancies, chronic conditions, or terminal diagnoses steal our hope—or anyone else's!

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, July 13: Lev. 18:1-5, 19:9-18; Col. 1:1-14; Luke 10:25-37

