

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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August 10, 2025

Organist:	Debbie Pladna
Elders Early:	David Reynolds, Bill Ross
Ushers Early:	Jon Meyermann, Craig Miller, Rick Christiansen
Acolyte Early:	Elder
Elders Late:	James McHugh, Lucas Krueger
Ushers Late:	Tom McHugh, Jay Mueller, Eli Mueller
Acolyte Late:	Elder

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 Crockett in thankfulness for all of God's Blessings.

PASTOR POOL'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

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

-Aug. 10: John 15:1-17: I Am the True Vine

-Aug. 17: John 15:18-27: If the World Hates You

MARY MARTHA

The Mary Martha Society will meet on Tuesday, August 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Hostesses are Carol Stuedemann and Lori Eberhart. All ladies are invited to join us.

FAMILY NIGHT

Family Night meets this Wednesday, August 13 at 5:30 p.m. Volunteers are needed to provide food and/or work at our Family Nights. Please sign up in the fellowship hall if you would like to help. Thanks!

WEDNESDAY SUMMER SERVICES: THE FRUIT OF THE SPIRIT

Join us for service each Wednesday during the Summer at 7:00 p.m.

-August 13: Love

-August 20: Crucifying the Sinful Nature

-August 27: The Fruit of the Spirit Revisited

OUR SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP, STUDY AND WORK:

- Sunday - **Ninth Sunday after Pentecost**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
 - 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class, PWYK Class
 - Raise Right Orders are in Your Box
 - 1:30 Pastor at the Alverno
- Tuesday - 6:30 Mary Martha
- Wednesday - 5:30 Family Night
- 7:00 Wednesday Summer Service
- Sunday - **Tenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
 - 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class, PWYK Class

OUR WORSHIP, STUDY, AND GIVING LAST WEEK:

Church Attendance Sunday, August 3: Early 57; Late 67; Total 124

Staff 3; Sunday School 6; Pastor's Class 21; Total 30

Offerings: Current \$3,196.25; District & Synod \$160; Building \$363;

Scholarship \$10; Other \$145

PRESCHOOL

The first day of preschool for the 2025/2026 school year is Tuesday, September 2. We still have openings, so please spread the word about our fabulous Christian, play-based preschool! To begin an application, please go to: stjohn-clinton-ia.org and click on the preschool tab. All paperwork may be filled out online. Please sign up soon.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD AUGUST COLLECTION

In August we are collecting school supplies: Please place new items in the bin in the fellowship hall.

CHURCH PICNIC – SUNDAY, AUGUST 24

The St. John Lutheran Church Annual Picnic will be held on Sunday, August 24 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. If cooking is challenging for you, please be our guest. There is no cost for the picnic, but a free-will offering will be accepted. Come for wonderful food, fellowship, and fun. There will be indoor activities such as cards and Trivia, and also fun outdoor games. A great finale to our Summer Sunday School and a kick-off for Fall Sunday School which resumes on Sunday, September 7.

PICNIC VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED

A sign-up sheet is in the fellowship hall for volunteers to help with various tasks for the Church Picnic on August 24. Help is needed: In the kitchen during late service, cleaning the kitchen after dinner, and cleaning up the building & grounds at the end of the picnic

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Melanie Stock, Brian Judd, Jenna Pladna, Sarah Holaday, Sandy Stuart, Alisse Thomas, Heidi Dykstra.

AVAILABLE ALTAR FLOWER DATES FOR 2025

August 31, Oct. 12 & 19, Dec. 14, 24, & 28. Please take a look at the flower chart in the Narthex and sign up to provide flowers for a service.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Our Fall Sunday School program begins on Sunday, September 7. Sunday school meets every Sunday morning from 9 – 10 a.m.

YOUTH CATECHESIS BEGINS SEPTEMBER 17

Youth Catechesis begins on Wednesday, September 17 at 7:00 p.m. Parents will meet with students at the first class. The cost for student materials is \$15 and may be paid at the first class. Please make checks payable to St. John. Call the church office if you have any questions.

ST. JOHN BLOOD DRIVE – FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 19

In celebration of the 75th anniversary of PEANUTS®, all who come to give in September will receive an American Red Cross PEANUTS bag with a t-shirt inside. Please go to redcrossblood.org to schedule an appointment. You may also sign up in the fellowship hall. Thanks!

VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The Kuhse family is looking for a volunteer who would be willing to sit, for an hour or two, occasionally with Shawn at his house when Kristina or Kathy are not available. Most times in the afternoon. Please call Kathy Schrader at 563-593-1349 if you can help. Thanks!

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

Adoption's not an afterthought for our Almighty God. It delights Him to bring every human life into His family this way (Romans 8:15). This relationship captures the very heart of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. His grace has taught us how no child ever goes entirely unwanted. The same heavenly joy awaits all those who open their homes to little ones in need.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, August 17: Jer. 23:16-29; Heb. 11:17 – 12:3; Luke 12:49-56