

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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The Lutheran Hour:

Sundays at 6:30 a.m. 600 WMT

The Clinton Lutheran Hour: Sundays at 9:30 a.m. 105.9 FM & 1340 AM

October 12, 2025

Organist: Debbie Pladna

Elders Early: Jim Schnitzmeyer, Dave Reynolds

Ushers Early: Tom Colschen, Jon Meyermann, Calvin Lange

Acolyte Early: Elder

Elders Late: Tom Hardersen, James McHugh

Ushers Late: Donivan Sirna, Pete Sirna

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 Claudia Schenk in memory of family.

PASTOR POOL'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

In October, our Sunday class will discuss the cities of the second and third missionary journeys of Paul. This service is based on Pastor and Sallie's recent trip to Greece and Turkey. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

-Oct. 12: The Footsteps of Paul: Corinth

-Oct. 19: The Footsteps of Paul: Thessalonica

TODAY IS MISSION FESTIVAL SUNDAY

This year our Mission Festival offerings will support LCMS World Relief and Human Care. In tangible ways, at home and abroad, the LCMS continues to bear Christ's mercy in word and deed. It's at the very heart of every LCMS World Relief and Human Care gift. Please place your special envelope in the offering plate. If you forgot your envelope this week, please bring it next Sunday. Thank you!

MARY MARTHA

Mary Martha will meet on Tuesday, October 14 at 6:30 p.m. Hostesses are Donna Dell and Camil Dell. All women of the congregation are welcome to attend.

OUR SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP, STUDY AND WORK:

- Sunday - **Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
- 9:00 Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, PWYK Class
- 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class
- 1:30 Pastor at the Alverno
- Tuesday - 9:00 Circuit Pastors' Conference
- 6:30 Mary Martha
- Wednesday - Preschool at the Pumpkin Patch
- 5:30 Family Night
- 7:00 Youth Catechesis
- Thursday - 1:30 OCC Assembly Workshop
- Saturday - 9:00 Closet Clean Out at Church
- Sunday - **Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
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OUR WORSHIP, STUDY, AND GIVING LAST WEEK:

Church Attendance Last Sunday: Early 52; Late 77; Total 129

Staff 5; Sunday School 11; Pastor's Class 24; Total 40

Offerings: Current \$4,404.25; District & Synod \$350; Building \$448;

Sunday school \$6; Preschool \$35; Scholarship \$40; Other \$60

FAMILY NIGHT

Family Night meets this Wednesday, October 15 at 5:30 p.m. and is for young families with children up to the 5th grade. Please join us!

YOUTH CATECHESIS

Youth Catechesis meets this Wednesday, October 15 at 7:00 p.m.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD ASSEMBLY WORKSHOPS

There is an OCC Assembly workshop scheduled for **this Thursday, October 16 at 1:30 p.m.** Everyone is encouraged to come and help, including men. We will be assembling fishing kits, jewelry kits, friendship bracelets and jump ropes. There is also a workshop scheduled for Thursday, October 23 at 6:00 p.m. *Many hands make light work.*

CLOSET CLEAN-OUT THIS SATURDAY

This Saturday, October 19 we are organizing, purging, and cleaning several storage closets in the church. Volunteer for an hour or two with our Boards of Education and Trustees. The event begins at 9:00 a.m.

170TH ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

Two weeks from today on **Sunday, October 26**, we will celebrate our 170th anniversary as a congregation. **We will worship together that Sunday with one service at 9:00 a.m.** Sunday school and Bible classes will not meet. We will dedicate our new chapel space, followed by brunch. Please come to worship and celebrate this wonderful occasion.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Sarah Flathers, Joyce Martinez, Ryleigh Bovis, Anthony Bovis, Lucas Krueger, Denise Gluesing, Ellen Meyermann, Addison Schroeder, Kayleigh Knutsen, Janet Peters, Bill Ross.

MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORY

A rough-draft copy of the Church Membership Directory is in the fellowship hall. Please take a look at your information and make any needed changes directly on the rough draft. Thank you!

TRUNK OR TREAT

Save the Date! The board of Evangelism is hosting a trunk or treat on Friday, October 24 in the St. John parking lot from 3:00 – 5:00 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for anyone who would like to decorate their car or hand out candy. The Board will provide supplies to decorate and candy to pass out, or you may provide it yourself.

HALLOWEEN CANDY NEEDED

We are in need of donations of Halloween candy and individual packets of hot cocoa and apple cider. Please put your donations on the table in the fellowship hall. The candy and drink mixes will be used for our Trunk-or-Treat event on Friday, October 24. Thank you for your help!

THANK YOU

Thank you to those who enjoyed muffins and gave a good-will offering during Mary Martha's Muffins for Mites activity on Sunday, October 5. With your help we were able to raise \$570. The Lutheran Women Missionary League uses the Mites to support charities such as Lutheran Family Services, Pastor Education, Suicide Prevention and many others.

LIFE THOUGHTS FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

The Son of God assumes that every parent would verge on outright sacrilege to preserve a child's life (Luke 14:5)—in fact, He suggests most folks would do so for a pet! If faithful messengers can refresh souls like gold and silver apples (Proverbs 25:11-13), we need not let political controversy, popular opinion, or even personal choice hinder us from proclaiming the sanctity of every human life.

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, October 19: Genesis 32:22-30; 2 Tim. 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8