

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

January 11, 2026

Organist:	Debbie Pladna
Elders Early:	Bill Ross, Dave Reynolds
Ushers Early:	Calvin Lange, Brent Pladna, Rick Christiansen
Acolyte Early:	Elder
Elders Late:	Troy Bialas, David Becker
Ushers Late:	Jay Mueller, Eli Mueller, Kevin M.
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 Marge Mason in thankfulness to God that he has blessed her with another great-grandson.

PASTOR POOL'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

We are studying the book of Job. The Christian life is a struggle. But the struggle is worthwhile. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

-January 11: Job Laments: Job 3

-January 18: Eliphaz Answers: Job 4

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees meets on Monday, January 12 at 6:00 p.m.

FAMILY NIGHT

St. John Family Night has resumed and will meet this Wednesday, January 14 at 5:30 p.m. The group will meet each week on Wednesdays from now until Ash Wednesday, February 18. Family Night will take a break during Lent. This group is for families with children up to 5th grade. The night includes a shared meal, devotions, singing, and prayer. Now is a great time to join.

CONFIRMATION CLASS

Confirmation class will meet this Wednesday, January 14 at 7:00 p.m. Class meets each Wednesday September – April.

OUR SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP, STUDY AND WORK:

- Sunday - **The Baptism of Our Lord**
- 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
- Monday - 6:00 Board of Trustees
- Tuesday - 9:00 Circuit Pastors' Conference
- Wednesday - 5:30 Family Night
- 7:00 Confirmation Class
- Sunday - **Second Sunday after Epiphany**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
 - 9:00 Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, PWYK Class
 - 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class
 - 11:30 Board of Education

OUR WORSHIP, STUDY, AND GIVING LAST WEEK:

Church Attendance Last Sunday: Early 49; Late 81; Total 130
Staff 6; Sunday School 14; Kurt's Class 2; Pastor's Class 22; Total 44
Offerings: Current \$15,094.25; District & Synod \$70; Building Fund \$85; SS \$1.29; Scholarship \$10; Preschool \$40; Other \$514

SIGN UP TO PROVIDE ALTAR FLOWERS IN 2026

The 2026 Altar Flower chart is now available on the bulletin board in the Narthex. The following dates in January and February are still available. January 25, February 1, 8, & 15. There are also many dates still remaining throughout the year. Note: We do not place altar flowers during Lent. Please sign up today. Thanks for helping to make our sanctuary beautiful!

HIGHER THINGS

St. John is attending the Higher Things Youth Conference on June 30 – July 3 in St. Louis. Registration is \$150. Registrations are due today, Sunday, January 11. Please see the display in the fellowship hall or talk to Pastor if you have any questions.

2026 OFFERING ENVELOPES

Today is the last Sunday that the new offering envelopes will be on the table in the fellowship hall. After today, the boxes will be put in your mail slot upstairs. Please take your envelopes home today. Thanks!

BIBLE READING PLAN

The complete edition of our Three-Year Bible Reading Plan is now available in the Fellowship Hall. We are in the third year of this plan that takes us through the Old Testament once, the New Testament twice, and the Psalms twice a year. The plan began January 1 but you can still catch up. Pick up a reading plan today!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday David Gabel, James McHugh, Jeremy Smith, Wyatt Dykstra, Theresa Stahl, Sierra Taylor, Kaylee Kostka, Shirley Gray, Thalia Clement, Adam Barkley, Calvin Kostka.

WANTED VOLUNTEERS TO DELIVER ALTAR FLOWERS

We are still in need of volunteers to help with delivering Altar Flowers to shut-ins, and to those in nursing homes. Flowers may be delivered after late service on Sunday morning, Sunday afternoon, or even on Monday morning. On some Sundays there will be no flowers to deliver. The church will provide the names and addresses of those on the altar flower delivery list. Please let the office, or a Mary Martha member, know if you would like to volunteer. The church is hoping to be able to continue this service, but more people are needed to help. Thanks!

NEW CHURCH MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES

The new directories will be available sometime this month. Please take a look at your information on the rough draft in the fellowship hall and make sure that everything is correct. Today is the last day that the rough draft will be available.

YOU ARE INVITED

The congregation is invited to a special Sunday morning Voters' Assembly on Sunday, January 25 at 9:00 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Monday, February 2 from 5-8 p.m. is St. John night at Pizza Ranch and the Mary Martha group will be serving as waitresses. The church will receive 10% of sales and all tips during this time. Please plan to enjoy dinner out with your family and let the church ladies take care of you.

THANK YOU

Thank you very much for the thoughtful and beautiful Christmas cards. They were all appreciated. ~ Lois Meyermann

LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

"A baby is God's opinion that the world should go on." *Carl Sandburg – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, January 18: Isaiah 49:1-7; 1 Cor. 1:1-9; John 1:29-42a