



# ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

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Organist:	Debbie Pladna
Elders Early:	Bill Ross, Jim Schnitzmeyer
Ushers Early:	Daniel, Darrin & Bill Schemers
Acolyte Early:	Elder
Elders Late:	Troy Bialas, James McHugh
Ushers Late:	Bryce Petersen, Randy Housenga Kevin & Ryan Dell
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: NO ALTAR FLOWERS DURING LENT

There are several dates still available for this year to sponsor Altar Flowers, including 2 Sundays in April. Please take a look at the flower chart in the Narthex and sign up to provide flowers for a Sunday or two. Thanks!

## PASTOR'S SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY

Our Sunday class continues our study of the book of Job. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m. Everyone's welcome. Bring your Bible.

-March 22: Job Replies to Zophar: Job 12

-March 29: Job Continues to Reply to Zophar: Job 13

-April 5: Easter Sunday: No Class

## VOTERS' ASSEMBLY

Our Voters' Assembly will meet on Monday, March 23 at 7:00 p.m. All are invited to the Voters' Assembly. Come and get involved in the work of the church.

## BAPTISM

Greyson Kent VanDellen will be baptized into God's family today at late service. Greyson is the son of Justin & Mariah VanDellen and grandson of Craig & Julie Miller.

## EASTER CHOIR PRACTICE: WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

The Easter Choir will practice every Wednesday during Lent at 6:15 p.m.

## OUR SCHEDULE FOR WORSHIP, STUDY AND WORK:

- Sunday - **Fifth Sunday in Lent**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
  - 9:00 Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, PWYK Class
  - 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class
  - Camil is Selling Lilies after Early and Late Service
- Monday - 7:00 Voters' Assembly
- Wednesday - 1:30 Wednesday Lent Service and Fellowship
- 6:15 Easter Choir Practice
  - 7:00 Wednesday Lent Service and Fellowship
  - 8:00 Confirmation Class
- Sunday - **Palm Sunday**
- 7:45 & 10:15 Divine Service, Holy Communion
  - 9:00 Sunday School, Adult Bible Class, PWYK Class
  - 9:00 Pastor Pool's Class
  - Camil is Selling Lilies after Early and Late Service

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

Wednesday 3-11-26 Attendance: Afternoon 32; Evening 38; Total 70

Church Attendance Last Sunday: Early 40; Late 60: Total 100

Staff 7; Sunday School 9; Bible Study 4; Pastor's Class 14; Total 49

Offerings: Current \$2,277; District & Synod \$155; Building Fund \$582.94; Scholarship \$10; Higher Things \$70; Christian Aid \$383; Lent \$461.25; Other \$556

## LENTEN SERVICES AND FELLOWSHIP

Wednesday, March 25 is the last day for Wednesday Lent Services.

Service is at 1:30 or 7:00 p.m. with fellowship following. Members have been divided into groups, according to the church directory, to serve after Services. Each family serving is asked to bring a plate of sandwiches, cookies, or a pan of bars. Families are also asked to help in the kitchen before, during, and after fellowship. Those serving this Wednesday are:

**March 25 - Elwood Stewart to Dan Akins**

## REMAINING CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR THIS YEAR

Confirmation will meet this Wednesday, March 25 at 8:00 p.m. There is no Confirmation class on April 1 during Holy Week. On Wednesday, April 8, 15, 22, and 29 class meets at the regular time of 7:00 – 8:00 p.m. Confirmation Sunday will be on Sunday, May 2 at late service.

## PALM SUNDAY

Next Sunday, March 29 is Palm Sunday. Both early and late service will include a Palm recessional and Holy Communion.

## HOLY WEEK MORNING PRAYER

There will be a Morning Prayer time during Holy Week, on Monday, March 30, Tuesday, March 31, and Wednesday, April 1. We will meet in the Chapel downstairs at 7:00 a.m. Please join us.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday Becky Birely, Sharon Niebuhr, Lenee Andresen, Huntley VanDellen, Jared VanDellen, Justin VanDellen, Korina Stickell, Gina Andresen.

## CRUCIFERS NEEDED

There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall for confirmed youth who would like to be a crucifer at an upcoming service. Crucifers are needed on Palm Sunday, March 29; Easter Sunday, April 5; Ascension Thursday, May 14; Pentecost, May 24; and Trinity Sunday, May 31.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Camil will be selling Easter Lilies Today, March 22 & Sunday, March 29 after early and late services. There is also a sign-up sheet and payment envelope available in the fellowship hall so that you may sign-up anytime during the week. Cost is \$14 per plant. Lilies will be placed in the Sanctuary for Easter Sunday and may be taken home after late service. Thanks!

## EASTER BREAKFAST

Our annual Easter Breakfast will be held on Sunday, April 5 from 8:15 – 9:45 a.m. There is a sign-up sheet in the fellowship hall, please sign-up by Sunday, March 29 if you plan to attend. There will also be a children's Easter egg hunt and craft activity from 9:00 – 9:45 a.m.

## EASTER BREAKFAST SET-UP

We will be decorating and setting up for the Easter Breakfast on Saturday, April 4 beginning at 9:30 a.m. All Higher Things participants should plan to attend along with their parents. Others are also welcome to come and help. It usually only takes an hour and it is a fun time.

## LIFE QUOTES FROM LUTHERANS FOR LIFE

“Grief is a road no one chooses, yet in this fallen world, it is a path we must all tread. There are no words that can fully capture the sorrow of losing someone we love—no explanations that can make death seem natural or right. It wasn't meant to be this way. Death is the great intruder, a bitter consequence of sin's curse. And yet, even in the depths of sorrow, the Lord gives us this promise: He is near.” *Rev. M. L. Smith*

## SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR NEXT WEEK

Sunday, March 29: Isaiah 50:4-9a; Philippians 2:5-11; Matthew 21:1-11