

**Week of
June 27, 2021**



Join the
**St. John's Lutheran
Ministries**
Facebook group for news,
updates and daily
encouragement!

Welcome in the name of the Lord !

As God serves us today in Word and Sacrament, may we rejoice in His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation.

1) To parents of small children, we love the sound of children in worship. Thank you for bringing your child to worship; they belong here! If your child is actively crying, we have a cry room with service audio and video near the restrooms.

2) Regarding the Lord's Supper today: If you are not a confirmed member of this congregation or a congregation of The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod, please speak to the pastor before communing. Pastor is readily available in the narthex before worship for this conversation. For those with medical need, the center section of the individual cup trays is filled with cups of grape juice (lighter color). For those that have a gluten intolerance, gluten-free wafers are available. Share your need as you come forward to the altar.

Please Pray

Thanksgiving (birth, baptisms, weddings, recovery):

Milestone (birthdays, anniversaries):

Medical:

Long-term Illness/Treatment

Betty Sekely,

Lani Kohrt

(daughter-in-law of Don and Carol Kohrt)

Mourning:

How Do I Get Someone on the Prayer List?

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a name added to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Prayer requests for Thanksgiving, Milestone, Medical, and Mourning will remain on the list for two weeks. Prayer requests for Long-term Illness/Treatment will remain for one month unless the church office is notified with an update on the individual. Please be sure that you have the permission of the individual before contacting the church office to add them to the public prayer list.

***Please notify the church office when one of our church family members is in the hospital, so that a pastoral visit may be made or arranged.**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-Philippians 4:6-7

Weekly Offerings

Last Week's In-person Attendance: 247

Unified Received: \$12,797.00

Other Contributions: \$1,230.00

TOTAL: \$14,027.00

Weekly Unified Needed: \$14,230.77

3) Children are invited to come forward to the altar while the Lord's Supper is distributed; encourage them to bow their heads and fold their hands. While there, they will receive a Baptismal blessing from the Pastor.

4) We ask that if you have a mobile device, please silence it during the worship service.

5) Our elders, greeters, and ushers are here to help with any of your worship needs today.

Thanks for worshipping with us!

Worship Times

+ Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.

+ Saturdays 5:30 p.m.

+ Sundays 8:00 a.m.

+ Sundays 9:15 a.m. *with online reservations requested.

+ Sundays 10:30 a.m.

*The link for reservations is on the church website at stjohnsportage.com.

Masks are optional at all services.

Individual/household communion at the front of the sanctuary will continue to be offered at this time:

Wednesdays 4:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

LCMS Memory Verse Challenge

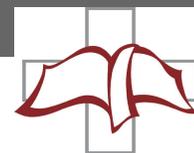
This week's memory verse:

***"Let me hear in the morning of your steadfast love,
for in you I trust. Make me know the way I should go,
for to you I lift up my soul."***

Psalm 143:8

Daily Lectionary

This week's readings comes from the Daily Lectionary found in the Lutheran Service Book page 299.



Sunday, Joshua 2:1–24 & Acts 8:26–40

Monday, Joshua 3:1–17 & Acts 9:1–22

Tuesday, Joshua 4:1–24 & Acts 9:23–43

Wednesday, Joshua 5:1–6:5 & Acts 10:1–17

Thursday, Joshua 6:6–27 & Acts 10:18–33

Friday, Joshua 7:1–26 & Acts 10:34–38

Saturday, Joshua 8:1–28 & Acts 11:1–18

Prayer

Prayer On Entering A Church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may enter Your house to worship and confess Your holy name; through Jesus Christ, my God and Lord. Amen.

Communion Prayer

Almighty and Everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Life Thoughts

June 27 – Pentecost V (Proper 8B) – The Heavenly Father beholds life where the world cannot perceive it (Mark 5:39). Our Lord and Savior brings forth life where even medicine abandons it (Mark 5:41-42). And when we believe and celebrate it (Mark 5:36), He turns even the mourning of surprise pregnancy and terminal diagnosis into dancing (Psalm 30:11-12).

In Memory

The altar flowers from **June 20** were given in loving memory of *Geraldine Vogt*, by her family.

Drivers Needed

Can you spare a tire?

We are looking for a few drivers to assist with driving our congregation members to and from Church services or doctor's appointments. If you are available, please contact the church office, churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com.

Let's Celebrate!

Celebrate our students!

St. John's is blessed with many talented students in our school and in our congregation. If you have a student you would like to celebrate in our monthly newsletter, The Cornerstone, please email the church office, churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com.

Ministries Calendar

Calendar events for the week of June 28, 2021:

Tuesday (29)

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Portage Airport
9:15 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study, CLC
12:00 p.m. Weekly Announcements Deadline,
Email: churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com

Wednesday (30)

4:00 p.m. Individual/Household Communion,
4:00 p.m.–4:30 p.m., Sanctuary
6:30 p.m. Youth Group, School Gym

Thursday (01)

11:00 a.m. Heritage House Monthly Worship,
Heritage House
5:30 p.m. Thirsty Souls Bible Study, CLC

There will be no Scrip orders the week of July 12.

Vacation Bible School

Jump aboard the Rocky Railway. Learn how Jesus' power pulls us through. Every Monday for 5 weeks you will get: a Bible story, snack directions, and craft directions. All Aboard!

Videos are available on our website, stjohnsportage.com, and Facebook page, St. John's Lutheran Ministries.

Reminder

Please be considerate of our disabled

worshippers' parking needs. If the driver is not disabled, it would be best if he or she would drop an individual at the door and use a regular parking stall when possible. Then, we will be sure we have enough handicap parking for our disabled drivers. We appreciate our caregivers and drivers.

Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast

Our Sunday morning broadcast of the previous Sunday service continues at 10:00 a.m. on WPDR 1350 AM. Broadcasts (\$50) as well as the order of service booklets (\$30) may be sponsored in honor, or in memory, of a special person or occasion.

Scrip takes credit cards!

Scrip is a simple way to increase your support for St. John's Lutheran Ministries. Do you buy groceries, clothes, or gas? Do you enjoy going out to dinner? Did you know you can do all those things and support your church? Budget with gift cards and support St. John's Ministries! For example, buy Kwik Trip gift cards from St. John's Scrip program, and a percent of the gift card purchase goes back to St. John's Lutheran Ministries. Order on Tuesday and pick up on Thursday.

Visit: shop.shopwithscrip.com

Click: **Register**

Enrollment Code: **Please call the church office, 608-742-9000 for the enrollment code.**