

**Week of  
August 22, 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:**

*Robert Griepentrog, Arlene Neale, Arlene Lesser,  
Robert Brewer, Gary Schoppenhorst*

**Long-term Illness/Treatment:**

*Lani 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*

**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.
- + Sundays 10:30 a.m.

Masks are optional at all services.

### LCMS Memory Verse Challenge

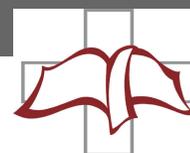
This week's memory verse:

**"Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and do not lean on your own understanding.  
In all your ways acknowledge him,  
and he will make straight your paths."**

**Proverbs 3:5-6**

### Daily Lectionary

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



Sunday, 1 Kings 2:1-27 & 1 Cor. 13:1-13

Monday, 1 Kings 3:1-15 & 2 Cor. 1:1-22

Tuesday, 1 Kings 5:1-18 & 2 Cor. 1:23-2:17

Wednesday, 1 Kings 7:51-8:21 & 2 Cor. 3:1-18

Thursday, 1 Kings 8:22-30, 46-63, & 2 Cor. 4:1-18

Friday, 1 Kings 9:1-9; 10:1-13 & 2 Cor. 5:1-21

Saturday, 1 Kings 11:1-26 & 2 Cor. 6:1-18

### Weekly Offerings

Last Week's In-person Attendance: 215

Unified Received: \$12,783.00

Other Contributions: \$465.00

TOTAL: \$13,248.00

**Weekly Unified Needed: \$13,750.00**

## 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

**August 22 – Pentecost XIII (Proper 16B)** – Abortion frequently runs interference for “sexual freedom.” It often intends to provide cover for adultery. But it ends up a cheap imitation and poor substitute for the self-sacrificing, servanthood love of biblical, biological, binary, and lifelong marriage (Ephesians 5:31-32). Death cannot supply what sin has deprived us of. Our Lord Jesus gives us His whole body and life like husband to wife and parents to children. We will experience real joy when we emulate His way.

## Musicians Wanted

**Do you like to sing? That is the only requirement you need to come and join St. John’s Adult Choir.**

Rehearsals begin in September and are every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the church balcony.

Singing is a joyous way to praise our Lord.

### **Handbells needs more ringers!**

Have a passion for music and looking to be more involved with our church? Come join our handbell choir!

We meet every Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. starting September 8. Have questions? Please contact Michelle Nummerdor at [nummerdorm@yahoo.com](mailto:nummerdorm@yahoo.com) or 920-382-7166

### **The 10:30 Service Praise Band Needs You!**

We plan to resume our pre-covid worship schedule on September 12, 2021. We all would like the Praise Band to be a part of the 10:30 services. Musicians are needed for this to happen. The Praise Band will begin as soon as they have a committed group of individuals. If you would like to be a part of the Praise Band team, please contact Deb Bauman at [overthehill40db@yahoo.com](mailto:overthehill40db@yahoo.com).

## Ministries Calendar

**Calendar events for the week of August 22, 2021:**

### **Tuesday (24)**

- 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](mailto:churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com)
- 4:30 p.m. St. John’s Child Development Center 4K  
Open House, 4:30 p.m.–6:30 p.m., School
- 5:00 p.m. St. John’s Lutheran School Back to School  
Open House, 5:00 p.m.–7:00 p.m., School

### **Thursday (26)**

#### **First Day of School**

- 10:00 a.m. Opening Day Chapel, Sanctuary
- 5:30 p.m. Thirsty Souls Bible Study. CLC

## Projector Team

### **Join the Projector Team**

Do you miss using the screen during services? We need your help to make this happen. As soon as we have at least eight committed volunteers, we will begin using the projector again. Let’s share the responsibilities of having worship services together — receiving the gifts of Christ and praising His name—whether it be as a projector operator, an usher, or a greeter. If you are ready to commit to this service opportunity, please email the church office at [churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com](mailto:churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com).

- Be aware of the flow and regular pattern of the worship service.
- Be able to sit in the balcony and operate the computer to advance the slides.
- Advance the slides in a timely manner for the worshipers to participate.
- Have the joy of Jesus while you serve His people.

You do NOT need to be a young person to do this. Training is available.

## Reminders

### **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](http://shop.shopwithscrip.com)

Click: **Register**

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