

*Our mission is to glorify God as we seek to make disciples of all nations
by bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people within and outside
of the one holy Christian Church.*

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The Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
October 8, 2023

We will follow the blended order of service.

The Sermon: "Having The Right Prescription Helps"
The Text: Philippians 3:4b-14

The Communion Hymns (8:00 a.m.):

"Feed Us Now"

"Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness" LSB 563

"Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" LSB 806

Holy Communion will be celebrated at the 8:00 a.m. service today. Guests, it is our desire for you to commune with us. In the Lord's Supper, in with and under the bread and the wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. You should also know that when you commune with a group of Christians, you are saying you agree with the teachings of that church body. If you are a member of a different church body, please use this time for prayer and reflection upon God's Word. We then invite you to speak with one of the pastors about how you, too, can share in this wonderful gift. If you believe what Christ says about His supper and share the beliefs we have at St. Johns, an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to join us for communion.

This Week at St. Johns

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| Monday | Staff Meeting | 8:45 AM |
| Monday | Scouts | 5:45 PM |
| Tuesday | Bible Study - <i>Limping with God</i> | 8:30 AM |
| Tuesday | TOPS | 9:00 AM |
| Tuesday | Health Care Directive Lunch & Learn | NOON |
| Tuesday | Evening Guild | 2:00 PM |
| Wednesday | Release Time | 8:25 AM |
| Wednesday | Bible Study - <i>Noah</i> | 10:30 AM |
| Wednesday | Communion Service | NOON |
| Wednesday | Confirmation | 3:30 PM |
| Wednesday | Bell Choir | 5:00 PM |
| Thursday | New Member Class | 6:30 PM |
| Thursday | Lutheran Laymens League | 7:00 PM |

Next Sunday

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| Worship | 8:00 AM |
| Sunday School | 9:15 AM |
| Bible Class - <i>Luther's Small Catechism</i> | 9:30 AM |
| Worship - Comm. | 10:30 AM |

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR today are given by Scott & Kathy Oines in honor of their 23rd anniversary which they celebrated on October 7. Congratulations!

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES: Sundays, 9:30 a.m. Pastor Neubauer leads a study on the Luther's Small Catechism in the social hall. Pastor Berg will lead the youth group (grades 9-12) in the youth room. Tuesdays, 8:30 a.m. Pastor Neubauer continues "Limping with God-Jacob and the Old Testament Guide to Messy Discipleship" in the library. Wednesdays, 10:30 a.m. join Pastor Berg in the library for "Noah-The Man, The Ark, The Flood." Thursdays, 6:30 p.m. starting October 5, Pastor Neubauer will teach an eight week adult instruction course on the Lutheran faith. This class is geared toward people who are interested in joining St. Johns but it's open to everyone.

TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON is "A Dreamer Rises-Joseph."

LISTEN to the Lutheran Hour Sundays on KPRM 870 AM at 9:30 a.m., or KTIG 102.7 and 95.9 FM at 5:00 p.m. You can also listen on Sirius XM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on lhm.org/sentradio. Today's sermon is "Whatever and Wherever, Thank You, Lord!" (Psalm 23) with Lutheran Hour guest speaker, Pastor Keith Haberstock. "The Lord is my Shepherd..." That's how the 23rd Psalm begins. It goes on to describe the ways in which our Good Shepherd leads, comforts, and protects the sheep of His flock. Every line gives us a reason to be thankful.

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Brock Schmeling, Trinity Lutheran Church, Great Bend, ND, and Peace Lutheran Church, Barney, ND, presents the message: "Yet the LORD set His heart in love" based on Deuteronomy 10:12-13. *This Is the Life*: "Families Come First" – A man contends with the demands of his career, promotion, and his vocation as a father. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRR Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at www.mainstreetliving.com, "North(Fargo)."

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Our coffee time prior to Bible class is an opportunity for fellowship with our fellow St. Johns members. We need additional volunteers to bring treats and/or assist with the set up and serving. Please let us know how many times a year you can assist. Please call the church office (218-732-9783) or Connie Fondow (218-330-1684) to sign up.

ARE YOU A VOLUNTEER for either funeral luncheon services or Sunday morning coffee? If you are currently on one or both lists, please let the church office or Connie Fondow know if your phone number has changed within the last year. Also, let us know if your ability or desire to serve on either of these committees has changed by calling the office (218-732-9783) or Connie (218-330-1684). If you would like to continue to serve, no call is necessary.

CRAZY FOR CRIBBAGE returns this afternoon. Learn how to play at 2:00 p.m. Regular play starts at 2:30 p.m. Snacks provided. Bring your cribbage board if you have one.

MIKE IS RETIRING! We are in need of a replacement janitor, jack of all trades, problem solver to fill his shoes. This is a part time position. If interested please talk to Ginny, Pastor Neubaumer, or Randy Griess.

JUST A REMINDER: Ladies Aid will not meet this week.

YOUTH FALL FESTIVAL: 5th—12 graders are invited to a fall festival at Pike's Farm on Saturday, October 21 from 4:00-7:00 p.m. There will be hayrides, games, pumpkin carving and a bonfire. Invite your friends and wear warm clothes. For details and to RSVP contact Pastor Berg at 701-893-6963.

A FALL WORK DAY is scheduled at Lutheran Island Camp on October 21 from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Projects include splitting and stacking wood, cleaning out fire pits, taking down nets, processing shoes and more. Lunch provided. Call the camp at 218-583-2905 if you have questions.

BLOOD DRIVE: We are hosting a blood drive Monday, October 30 from noon - 6:00 p.m. and Tuesday, Tuesday October 31 from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Please consider donating. Call Elayne Luiken at 218-255-4865 for an appointment or schedule online <https://donors.vitalant.org>.

THE MN NORTH BRANCH of Orphan Grain Train sent one semi-load of potatoes to Ysleta Mission, El Paso, Texas in September. This mission helps feed the hungry, nurtures church ministries and educates leaders in eleven affiliated mission sites in El Paso and northern Mexico. Cost to ship was \$2,500. A load of edible beans was sent to Ukraine in June and they're planning to ship a load of edible beans to Liberia. If you would like to help with shipping expenses, please send your check to Orphan Grain Train, PO Box 61, Morris, MN 56267.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: Att. - 28. Offering \$8.00.

LAST SUNDAY: Att.: 8:00 - 143. 10:30 - 62. Total - 205. Offering: Unified: - \$7,585.00. Unified Electronic - \$2,099.64. Plate - \$315.00. Healthy Balance - \$100.00. Pearl Bopp Memorial - \$80.00. LWML - \$50.00. Total - \$10,229.64.

NOON SERVICE: Att. - 20.