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 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

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The Sermon: "How's your Prayer Life?"
The Text: Luke 11:1-13

The Opening Hymn:

"Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" LSB 793

The Sermon Hymn: "In Holy Conversation" LSB 772

The Communion Hymns:

"I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table" LSB **618** "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" LSB **770** "Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing" LSB **528** 

The Closing Hymn: "Rise, Shine, You People" LSB 825

**+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. Gluten free wafers are available. If you prefer a gluten free wafer please let the pastors know.

#### This Week at St. Johns

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Newsletter Assembly	9:30 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Noon Communion Service	NOON
Wednesday	Blended Practice	6:00 PM
Friday	Office Closed (Summer Hours)	

### **Next Sunday**

Blended Worship	8:00 AM
Bible Class	9:30 AM
Blended Worship (Comm.)	10:30 AM

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are given by Beth and Wayne Krueger in loving memory of their parents.

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Justin Whitmore, St. John's, Perham presents the message: "Baptism: God's Gift of Grace" based on Colossians 2:11-12. *This Is the Life:* "A Different Way" - In this Fisher family episode, Cousin Stanley visits and creates a difficult situation with a neighbor. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRR Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at www.mainstreetliving.com, "North(Fargo)."

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 Ihm.org/sentradio. Today's sermon is "Getting the Talk Started" (Luke 11:1) with speaker Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. God's Law-talk prepares us for God's Gospel-talk. Author Tim Carter (The Executioner's Redemption) is featured.

OUR CHRISTIAN love and sympathy is extended to Isaac Knapp and family as they mourn the death of his grandmother, Carmen, and to Liz Smith and family as they mourn the passing of her husband, Philip. We pray they would find peace and comfort in the presence and promises of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. COME HELP assemble the August newsletter this Tuesday at 9:30 a.m. in the social hall.

**WE ARE STILL MISSING** seven baby bottles for the Pregnancy Resource Center. If you have one, please return it. Thanks! **COMMUNION SERVICE AT HERITAGE**: We are offering a communion service in the chapel at Heritage Living Center every 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday at 10:00 a.m. All are welcome.

THE REFRESH ACTION COMMITTEE has come up with a plan which will be presented at a special voters meeting on Sunday, August 17 between services. Check out the insert for details.

AUGUST ALTAR GUILD: Diane Ketcher.

<u>AUGUST USHERS</u>: 8:00 a.m. - Curt Spoor, Ted Pilgrim, Todd Sanquist, and Roger Just. 10:30 a.m. - Ken Smith. We need at least one more usher for 10:30 a.m. Also, please check your schedule, there are no members signed up to usher in September, October, or November.

AUGUST ELDERS: 8:00 a.m. - (8/10) Emil Burgau & Steve Schauland. (8/24) Tim Ranisate & Jerry Eischens. 10:30 a.m. - (8/3) Tim Ranisate. (8/17) Mike Poole.

AUGUST ACOLYTES: 8:00 a.m. - (8/3) Ketch & Kiften Luther, (8/10) Will Sanquist & Alex Lof, (8/17) Kryton Nilson & Clinton Koch, (8/24) Kryton Nilson & Alex Lof, (8/31) Sophia Neubauer & Camdyn Quinn. 10:30 a.m. - (8/3) Camdyn Quinn & Luke Eskola, (8/10) Dylan May & Hunter Schroeder, (8/17) Wyatt Goodwater & Ava Kimball, (8/24) Rozaley Hall & Maddie Rock, (8/31) Kiften & Ketch Luther.

**LAST SUNDAY**: Att.: 8:00 - 112. 10:30 - 52. Total - 164. Offering: Unified - \$7,156.00. Electronic - \$1,308.20. Plate - \$883.00. Sign - \$200.00. Fair Booth - \$50.00. Youth - \$200.00. Total - \$9,797.20. **NOON COMMUNION SERVICE**: Att. 21.

## Special Voters Meeting Sunday August 17, 2025, 9:15 a.m.

Subject: Acceptance of improvements recommended by the Refresh Action Committee.

<u>A/V Improvements</u> – Hire Digital Horizons to modernize our Sound and Graphic systems to improve the live streaming of our services, modify the speaker system in sanctuary, and visual upgrades with larger digital screens. Budget of \$45,000. [finance with existing Line of Credit at Citizens Bank.] Start work immediately.

<u>Communion Rail Relocation</u> – Relocate communion rail to the same level as the seating to eliminate steps to communion. The new location will allow for 50% more at each table. And the railing will be removable for weddings and other functions. This modification includes the deletion of one row of pews. Budget unknown at this printing. Start work January 1, 2026.

<u>Sanctuary Flooring</u> – New carpeting for altar area and communion rail, and new LVP flooring from new communion rail to rear of room in isles and under pews. Pews will be removed and replaced for installation of flooring. Budget of \$28,000. Start work January 1, 2026. Flooring cost for the rest of building dependent on the procedure to separate carpet from original floor tile. Budget \$100,000 until confirmed.

<u>Painting</u> – A. Sanctuary Budget \$7000. B. South entrance and west rooms Budget \$12,000. C. North entrance and east classrooms Budget \$14,000. Start work A & B January 1, 2026.

## **Bags and Brats Event**

Join Us for an Evening of Food, Fun, Fellowship and Friendly Competition!

• When: Wednesday, September 10th

• Meal Served: 5:30 PM

• Cornhole Tournament: Begins after the meal

# All proceeds support audio visual upgrades in the sanctuary!

- Tournament Entry Fee: \$10.00 per participating team
- Meal: Free will donation for brats, hotdogs, potato salad, baked beans, chips, and dessert
- Childcare provided!

### Bring Your Appetite. Bring Your Game.

Enjoy a delicious meal, cheer for your favorite teams, or join the tournament for a chance at bragging rights—all while helping to donate to the audio visual project here at St. Johns!



Sign-up sheets for the tournament and the meal are located by the church office.
Sign up by August 31.