
SENDING

The Closing Prayer and Blessing
Pictures of Graduating High School Seniors

Dismissal: Go in peace; serve the Lord **A: Thanks be to God.**

Presiding Minister:	Pastor Lisa Lewton
Assisting Ministers:	Chris Hertler (8:00), Frank Ziemann (9:30 a.m.)
Organist:	Cheryl Hewson (8:00 a.m.), Barb Arneson (9:30 a.m.)
Cantors:	Renee Boomgaarden (8:00 a.m.), Cheryl Hewson (9:30 a.m.)
Servers:	Alex Priebe (8:00 a.m.), Katlyn Gardner (9:30 a.m.)

WELCOME TO WORSHIP: All the baptized are invited to the Lord's Table. You may stand or kneel to receive the elements. We ask children who commune to extend their hands to receive the elements. Children who do not yet commune should have hands folded to receive a blessing from the pastors. *You may ask a server to provide a gluten-free wafer or grape juice if needed.*

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION: God's children of all ages are welcome at the Lord's Table. Children are welcome to receive their First Communion at a parent's discretion. When the time comes, please talk to Pastor Lisa about First Communion instruction. Parents are given a booklet to read with the student before a student meets with Pastor Lisa.

WORSHIP INFORMATION: Attendance last week was 343 . . . Transmitters are available for the hearing impaired. Ask an usher for help . . . If it is uncomfortable for you to stand during the service, please feel free to remain seated . . . If you are a visitor, or if you simply forgot your offering envelope and wish to designate your contribution, please use a **pew envelope** . . . The nursery is located in the Commons Area. It is not staffed during the summer, but available if a parent is present . . . Children's **worship bags** are available during worship in the Commons Area and in the church entry.

SUMMER CONFIRMATION: The first two sessions of confirmation for those students who registered will be held from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. on June 2 & 3 (Old Testament - section one) and June 9 & 10 (Old Testament - section two). Students should bring their Bibles to class and they may also bring a cold drink if they wish.

GRADUATING SENIORS: Congratulations to graduates from St. John, and blessings to your family through this transition!

GOING TO BADLANDS MINISTRIES CAMP THIS SUMMER?

Camperships are still available to help offset the cost of camp. Pick up your campership at the church office and include it with your registration for camp for credit. Questions? Contact Sonnie Otto, Finance Sec. at otto@stjohnelc.org or 225-6747.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH (Check out our website for more information at www.stjohnelc.org)

Monday:	CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED
Tuesday:	9:00 a.m. Quilting 6:30 p.m. Transition Team Meeting
Wednesday:	12:00 p.m. Stewardship Committee Meeting 1:30 p.m. Summer Confirmation Class 6:30 p.m. Evening "Read the Bible in a Year" Study Group 7:00 p.m. Faith By Foot
Thursday:	11:00 a.m. Wedding Rehearsal 1:30 p.m. Summer Confirmation Class 7:00 p.m. Midweek Worship 7:00 p.m. WND Synod Council Meeting/Fellowship Room
Friday:	6:30 a.m. Men's Breakfast / Bible Study at Day's Hotel 5:00 p.m. Otto/Neuberger Wedding
Next Sunday:	8:00 & 9:30 a.m. Worship

EIGHTH GRADE CONFIRMATION STUDENTS can pick up your binders. Group photos that were ordered are included in your binders which are located in the Commons Area next to the confirmation bulletin board.

BOOK EXCHANGE: Thank you to those who have donated books for the book exchange located in the Commons Area. Help yourselves! Books can still be donated for the exchange.

NOTIFY NOW is the new notification software used by the church. If you have received messages from the church via text and you do not want the church to contact you that way, please contact Sonnie Otto, Financial Secretary,

MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISERS:

Thank you to all who donated and stopped by our rummage sale! We had a great turn out! Thanks to those of you who stopped by Taco John's to help us out with that fundraiser! Fundraisers to look for in June include kuchen sales and stock sales. Look in June's newsletter for more information on these opportunities to invest in our youth! Thanks for your support! Check out the display in the Commons Area to see photos of the Mission Trip participants.

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TRANSITION NEWS: Together with the synod office, the Transition Team is gathering names of potential candidates, and is in the process of vetting these candidates, determining interest and whether there's a potential fit with our congregation. We plan to interview via video conference or phone, then perhaps two candidates will be brought to St. John for interviews in person. We hope to have the interim pastor in place by July. We expect that it will take 18-24 months. This time line includes about 12-24 months working with an Intentional Interim Pastor. Near the end of the Intentional Interim Pastor's time with us, a Senior Pastor Call Committee will begin work to evaluate candidates and issue a call. Remember the Transition Team in your prayers as we search for an intentional interim to minister with us. Remember also the staff as we are blessed with their service.

Disclaimer: All time frames are subject to modification in accordance to God's plan.

STUDY THE BIBLE WITH MY FEET? Kind of. You are invited to participate in the Faith by Foot Bible Study, beginning on **Wednesday, June 2** at 7:00 p.m and continuing weekly throughout the summer. Participants will meet at church, read a passage from the Bible, and ponder the words while they walk for about 45 minutes. No sign up is needed. Talk to Jodeen Myers if you have questions, at 225-6747, or myers@stjohnelc.org.

KUCHEN!!: The mission trip youth are selling Lapp's Kuchen from June 1-20. Kuchen can be purchased at the stocks table in the commons area, or from individual youth. The cost is \$5 per kuchen and the proceeds will go towards this summer's mission trip to Birmingham!

VBS SUPPLIES: Help with Vacation Bible School by donating some of the supplies. A list of needed items is on the bulletin board in the Commons Area. Take a slip of paper with the name of the item needed, and return the item to the

church before VBS begins on June 21. Contact Susan Moberg at moberg@stjohnelc.org for more information.

ORGAN RENOVATION APPROVED:

On Sunday, May 23, a Special Meeting of the Congregation was held to discuss a proposed renovation of the pipe organ. Overwhelmingly, the members present voted to renovate the organ, approving an expenditure of up to \$125,000 for the project. A committee of people has been formed to raise gifts. If you would like to learn more about the project or join the organ committee, please talk to a council member, one of the organists, or Pastor Lisa. You may share a gift for the renovation at any time. The project will not begin until all of the funds are raised. Thank you to those who attended the meeting, as we live in service to Christ together by living as good stewards of the gifts God provides.