

Feb. 14 & 15, 2026 Transfiguration of Our Lord



Welcome!
We're so glad you're here for worship today. Our prayer is that you experience God's presence in a meaningful way.

Take a moment to greet someone nearby — we're a family in Christ, and we're grateful you're part of this gathering.

Do you have questions? Just ask! We are happy to tell you all about us! There is an elevator to the left of the pulpit for those who wish to use it.

This Week: Feb 16 th through Feb. 22

Mon: Faith Practice Reading-Isaiah 7

Tues: Blankets 9 AM

Tues: Shrove Tuesday Pancakes! 4:30-6:30 PM

Tues: Dartball at HOME 7:30 PM

Weds: Breakfast Gathering at McDonalds 7 AM

Weds: Ash Wednesday Services at 11 AM and 7 PM

Thurs: Council Meeting 7 PM

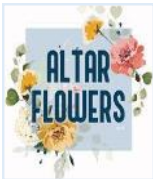
Sat: Worship 5 PM

Sun: Confirmation and Adult Sunday School 8:30 A

Sun: Sunday School Kids 9 AM

Sun: Worship 9:45 AM

Sun: Choir Practice 11 AM



The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory Edna Sandrock by Carolyn Lasseeter and Marilyn Sandrock.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Catherine Hohenbrink by Jack and Jill Mathews.

PRAYER list...



Carolyn Lasseeter- medical concerns
Jodi (Sievert) Main-medical concerns
Kevin Delventhal-medical concerns
Elaine Gruetter-medical concerns (at Genoa Care)
Diane Gerkenmeyer- medical concerns
Wayne Schimming-medical concerns
Ben Perkins-medical concerns
Shane Greenwich-medical concerns
Briann Edwards-medical concerns
Cherri Shepard-medical concerns
Sandy Toth-medical concerns
Kate Donnelly-medical concerns
Marcia Lee-medical concerns
Judy Yockey-medical concerns
Cindy Weingrot-medical concerns
Debbie Wehner-medical concerns
Carol Harrold-medical concerns
Rick Donnelly-medical concerns
Gene Bihn-medical concerns
David Bench-medical concerns
Madelayne Saionzkowski-medical concerns

Thrivent T-Shirts Available for All

We have an abundant supply of the Thrivent T-shirts. They are available in the cloister and by the double doors by the parking lot. Please help yourself. Please note: If you're looking for a size that is not on the tables, please contact Margaret Berger or Diane Gerkenmeyer.



JOIN US for Food & Fellowship!
Our Breakfast Gatherings are Wednesdays at **McDonald's in Genoa!** Join us this Weds. at **7 AM for a few laughs, too!**

Saturday
4-6 PM



Sunday
9-Noon



On February 14 after worship (6:00p) we will have a Euchre Tournament! Bring your preferred drink and an appetizer or light snack to share; don't forget to invite a friend. We will have food, fellowship, and the rules of the tournament will be explained. If you would like to attend, sign-up next to Pastor O'Brien's office door. (We need to know how many are playing to plan the bracket). If you have any questions, contact Pastor O'Brien.



**SHROVE TUESDAY
PANCAKE
SUPPER!
TUES. FEB. 17TH
4:30—6:30 pm**



***Saturday,
February 14,
and Sunday,
February 15
(before and
after services)***

Surprise your Valentine with something sweet and/or treat her to dinner. St. John WELCA is sponsoring a bake sale the weekend of **February 14 and 15.**

We will have pies (by-the-piece); cookies (many varieties, including heart sugar cookies); specialty breads (including zucchini, blueberry, apricot and more); individual servings of lasagna and macaroni and cheese; and added for this year we will have Cinnamon Rolls and MORE. Tables will be in the cloister and by the parking lot doors. Buy now -- eat now or freeze for later.

The Thrivent Action Team program is underwriting part of the costs. A portion of the proceeds will be shared with local charities.

ALL Ladies of St. John -- we'd love to have you join us for baking on Friday, February 13, at 9:00 a.m. No need to bring anything. Lunch will be provided.

We will also gladly accept any home-made goodies that you might like to donate.



**Ash Wednesday Worship
with Imposition of the
Ashes.
Weds. Feb. 18th at
11 AM and 7 PM**



**Our Mid Week Lenten Worship
and Luncheons begin on Weds.
Feb, 25th at 11 AM.**

(and every Weds. during Lent)

Our theme is: Love is the Way

The Northwestern Ohio Synod's 2026 book of the year is "Love Is the Way: Holding on to Hope in Troubled Times" by Episcopal Bishop Michael Curry.

Our Ash Wednesday and midweek Lenten worship this year will focus on the themes and stories from the book. While worship would be enriched if you choose to read Bishop Curry's book, it is not required. And even if you are not able to worship with us on Wednesday mornings at 11:00, reading this book would still be a wonderful Lenten discipline. If you choose to read the book and would be interested in some form of small-group conversation or other form of group reflection, please contact Pastor O'Brien.

Serving the Lord in Worship this month

Saturdays 5:00pm	Sundays 9:45 am
Ushers	Ushers
14-Ron Gerkenmeyer	15-Diana Lambert
21-Donnelly Family	22-Jim Vogelbacher
28-Jack Mathews	
Lectors	Lectors
14-Sandy Toth	15-Jerry Goldstein
21-Amy Schloegl	22-Diana Pfaff
28-Nancy Strohscher	
Acolytes	Acolytes
14-Pierce	15-Rylan
21-Jonah	22-Ellie
28-Nolan	
Communion	Communion
14-Carol Vargo	15-Robin Perkins
21-Ron Gerkenmeyer	22-Pam LaRue
28- Al & Traci Brown	

the Henry Ford

Mark Your Calendar! Our next Adult Luther League Trip!

On **March 10** we will meet at the church at **10:00a** to travel to Dearborn, MI for lunch at a local restaurant (TBD – looking for something in the \$15-\$20 range) and spend a few hours exploring the **Henry Ford Museum**. We will be renting a van for the day that can hold 15 passengers. The cost to ride with us is **\$15** (you may also travel in your own vehicle). Entry to the museum is **\$34.00 or \$30.50 for seniors** (those 62+). If you would like to attend, contact the church office to sign-up. \$15 deposit reserves your spot in the van. Final payment is due by the end of February. Please indicate if you would like a ride and which museum ticket you will need. Questions? Please contact Pastor O'Brien.



Luther League 4 LUNCH!

On **March 19** we will meet at the church at **10:45a** to carpool to **Penta Career Center** (9301 Buck Rd, Perrysburg) for **"Taste of the States"**. As part of the culinary program, students each prepare a few different dishes themed around different parts of the country. A group from St. John went several years ago; the food was really good and we got to support the students and the school. We have reservations for 12 people, (at 11:30a) please sign up next to Pastor's office or contact the church office to reserve your spot. If there is additional interest, we will try to change the reservation, but it tends to sell out quickly. When you sign up, please indicate if you would like a ride if you are willing to drive. If you have any questions, contact Pastor O'Brien.



On **April 30** we will meet at the church at **8:15a** to travel to Springboro, OH for a performance of **Jesus Christ Superstar at LaComedia Dinner Theater**. (Buffet opens around 11:15a, show begins around 12:30p)

Cost for tickets, including lunch, is **\$65**. We will be renting a van for the day that can hold 15 passengers. The cost to ride with the group is **\$15** (you may also travel in your own vehicle).

If you would like to attend, sign-up outside Pastor O'Brien's office or call the church office. \$15 deposit reserves your spot in the van. Final payment is due before March 27. Please indicate if you would like a ride or drive yourself. If you have any questions, contact Pastor O'Brien.

American Red Cross

Give blood. Help save lives.

Blood Drive

St. John Lutheran Church

Fellowship Hall
21140 W. Toledo
Williston, OH 43468

Friday, March 6, 2026
12:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

To schedule an appointment, please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **STJOHNWILLISTON**

Give in March for a \$15 Gift Card by email & successful donations get A1C testing! rcblood.org/March



Scan to schedule

Help is needed at our March 6th Blood Drive!

We need volunteers to help set up, tear down, make lunch, serve lunch and greet our life-saving donors! Please sign up next to Pastor's office.
Thanks!

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Pastor Shawn O'Brien (419) 378-1112

Email: pastorobrien@stjohnwilliston.org

***We welcome you to St. John Lutheran Church.
We are... "creating and nurturing life changing relationships based on the love of God in Jesus Christ, so that we may grow in faith, serve God, and serve our neighbor."***

LisaAnne Gregg, Office Administrator

Email: office@stjohnwilliston.org

Church office hours: M-T-W 9am to 3pm Thurs. hours may vary. Office closed Friday

Join us for worship!

Saturday Worship 5 PM

Confirmation Classes— Sunday 8:30 AM

Adult Sunday School— 8:30 AM

Sunday School-age 3 thru 5th gr. 9:00 AM

It's Winter (already)! Policy Update.

*If Ottawa County is under a **Level 2 or Level 3** Snow Emergency, we will not have worship or any other church related activities until the emergency has been cancelled. *If Ottawa County is under a **Level 1** Snow Emergency, we will still hold worship and activities for those who can travel safely. Please consider your safety and the safety of others on the road when you decide to venture out into the weather. We love you and your wellbeing is our number one concern.

Please be careful out there this winter season!

Seven Faith Practices

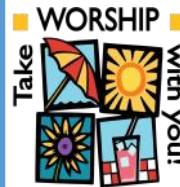
I will strive to...

1. **PRAY** daily
2. **WORSHIP** weekly
3. **READ** and study the Bible
4. **SERVE** at and beyond St. John
5. **INVITE** others into a loving relationship with Jesus
6. **GIVE** of my time, talents, and resources
7. **ENCOURAGE** spiritual growth in others



Did you know our Blessing Box is used by the community every day?

Needed: Spaghetti Sauce (cans) Peanut Butter, Jelly, Hamburger Helper, Canned Meat, Rice A Roni/side dishes, Applesauce cups, Cereal (small boxes) Fruit cups, soup, snacks, Packaged/shelf stable lunches and snacks. **(Please no glass, medicine, pet food or expired food).** Thanks for helping us help our neighbors! (The donation box is across from the office)



Watch worship while you are away from home or unable to attend worship in person!

<https://www.youtube.com/@stjohnwilliston>

If you would like to join the Prayer Chain



Need prayers? You may ask for the prayers of your sisters and brothers at St. John.

If such a need arises, please call Margaret Berger (419-340-2150), Pastor O'Brien (419-378-1112) or the church office (419-836-5514) who will begin the prayer chain. Please keep your message short and concise to avoid misinterpretation.

Thanks! If you are new to St. John and would like to be on the prayer chain call list, please let Margaret, Pastor or the office know.