

**August 30 & 31, 2025 Pentecost 12**



### Welcome to St. John!

Friends and guests, as the end of summer nears, it's a delight to be together to praise God and share in his love. **Welcome!**

We invite you to become a member of the St. John Family! 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: September 1 through 7**

Mon: Faith Practice Reading 2 Peter 3  
Mon: Cub Scout Committee Meeting 6 pm  
Tues: Blankets 9 AM  
Tues: Esther Circle 2 PM  
Tues: Rebekah Circle 7 PM  
Weds: Breakfast at Genoa McDonald's 7:00 AM  
Fri: Blausey Wedding Rehearsal/Dinner 4:30 PM  
Sat: Blausey Wedding  
Sat: Worship 5 PM  
Sun: Confirmation Parents Meeting 8:30 AM  
Sun: Sunday School returns! 9:00 AM  
Sun: Worship 9:45 AM (New Time!)  
Sun: Choir following worship  
Sun: Scouts 6 PM (B)



### Our Faith Practice #3 Readings

Sept. 1-2 Peter 3  
Sept. 8- 1 John 1  
Sept. 15-1 John 2  
Sept. 22- 1 John 3



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



# PRAYER list...

Carolyn Lasseter- medical concerns  
Dennis Carstensen-medical concerns  
Jodi (Sievert) Main-medical concerns  
Jeff Wegman-medical concerns  
David Sabin-medical concerns  
Diane Gerkenmeyer-medical concerns  
Kevin Delventhal-medical concerns  
Betty Ueberroth-medical concerns  
Janis Wolf-medical concerns  
Gertrude Eckerman-medical concerns

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in celebration of **Elaine Gruetter 's 90th birthday** from her children and grandchildren.



The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Joe Vargo** by Tracy and Mike Donnelly, Joe and Denese Vargo, Carol Vargo and Kelsey Miller.

The Chancel Flowers are also given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of **Alice Witt** by Lucy, Mark, Cody, Sarah and Max



### **Cookies with Calvary!**

**Join us Saturday, August 30th following 5pm worship for a time of fellowship with members of Calvary Lutheran Church. (Northwood).**

**FALL**  
Worship  
Hours  
begin Sept. 7th!  
Sat: 5 PM  
Sun: 9:45



## Worship Assistants

<b>Saturdays 5:00pm</b>	<b>Sundays 9:00 am</b>
Ushers	Ushers
30-Donnelly Family 6-Ron Gerkenmeyer 13-Jack Mathews	31-Titgemeyer's 7-Diana Lambert 14-Jim Vogelbacher
Lectors	Lectors
30-Jonah D. 6-Nancy Strohscher 13-Sandy Toth	31-Melissa Lammers 7- Deanna Neumann 14-Jerry Goldstein
Acolytes	Acolytes
30-Liam 6-Nolan D. 13-Trenton	31-Rylan S. 7-Rylie C. 14-Makenna C.
Communion	Communion
30-Al & Traci Brown 6-Carol Vargo 13-Al & Traci Brown	31-Margaret Berger 7-Dave Neumann 14-Pam LaRue



**Sunday School for KIDS**  
**age 3 thru 5th Grade will resume**  
**EVERY SUNDAY**  
**beginning Sept. 7th from**  
**9-9:30 am!**  
**We will meet in the**  
**Sunday School rooms on**  
**the main floor.**  
**Invite a friend and join us!!**



### **It's Like Luther League, but for Adults!**

On October 20 through  
October 22 Pastor will  
be leading a trip to  
Amish Country  
(Berlin, Walnut Creek)

The cost will be \$235 per person  
(transportation and lodging double  
occupancy) (\$420 per person for a  
single room). We will visit shops, eat  
Amish food, perhaps catch a show, and do  
all the touristy things the area has to offer.

The group is limited to 12 people (that's  
how much space we have in the van).

A deposit of \$100 is required to reserve  
your spot. If you would like to go, or have  
more questions talk to Pastor O'Brien or  
Margaret Berger.



Our Fall Schedule  
begins on  
Sunday,  
Sept. 7th.

Saturday Worship 5:00 PM

**Sun. Confirmation Class 8:30 AM**

**Parent meeting 9/7**

**Students return 9/14**

**Sunday School for**  
**ages 3 thru 5th grade 9-9:30 AM**

Sunday Worship 9:45 AM

Choir/Bell practice Sunday following  
Worship. (All are welcome to join the choir!)



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. Thank You!

There are still a few openings on the **Altar Flower chart** located on the main floor. If you would like to order Altar or Chancel Flowers, please fill out the Flower Order Slip with the needed information for the bulletin and place it in the offering plate along with your payment.

*Please remember, we cannot order flowers without a slip or payment.*

*Thanks!*



**SAVE THE DATE!**

**We invite you to join us for the ELCA's day of service, "God's Work, Our Hands", on Sunday, September 7th. We will be helping the residents at Luther Home of Mercy with an afternoon of fishing at the LHM pond.**

**Volunteers will help transport residents and help them fish. In the event of inclement weather, we'll help with Bingo in the gym.**

**We will arrive at noon for a short orientation and fishing begins at 12:30p.**

**Join us at the church for a light lunch starting at 11:15**

**Come join the fun!!**



**Ladies of St. John....you are invited to join one of our WELCA Circles!**

**The Esther Circle will return on September 2 at 2 PM and the Rebekah Circle will return on September 2 at 7PM.**

**The Esther Circle will be exploring the Women of the Bible, beginning with Joanna. Materials are provided. All are welcome! Bring a friend!**



**Join the Choir and Ring the Bells!**

**We welcome anyone interested in playing bells or singing in the Sunday Morning Choir for the upcoming fall and Christmas season to join us in making a joyful noise to the Lord!! We always need more players and singers.**

**Interested? Please meet Beckie Goldstein after church!**

**Our Blessing Box can always use your help! Did you know our Blessing Box is used by the community several times every day?**

**Needed: Spaghetti Sauce (cans) Peanut Butter, Hamburger Helper, Canned Meat, Rice A Roni/side dishes, Applesauce— cups, Cereal (small boxes) Fruit cups, soup, snacks, Packaged/shelf stable lunches and snacks. (no glass, medicine or expired food). Thanks for helping!**





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***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*  
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**Join us for worship every weekend!**  
**Saturday Worship 5 PM**  
**Sunday Worship 9:45 beginning Sept. 7th.**



Watch worship while your are  
away from home!

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