**Take It to the Lord in Prayer.** Do you have a prayer concern or thanksgiving? Commend it to the Lord through your own prayers, but also through the loving service of our Prayer Chain. If you have an item you would like included on the Prayer Chain, please contact Miriam Luehmann at 437-7619 or Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com.

## Two Ways to Painlessly Financially Give to St. John's Lutheran Church!

- 1. Do you have a Thrivent insurance policy, etc.? If so, go to: thrivent.com/ thriventchoice; then "Direct Choice Dollars", then "Get started now". Then "Log in" or Register if you haven't already opened up an account. Every March 31 is the deadline to designate where your dividends will go. Of course we hope you will choose St. John's Lutheran, Austin, MN. If you don't designate, Thrivent will. If you're confused, call 1-800-847-4836.
- 2. Every Sunday we have a manned table in the west entry-way. (FYI: the organ is on the west side of the sanctuary!) You can purchase Kwik Trip cards and McDonald's cards. St. John's gets a certain percentage for each sale.

First English Lutheran Church, Spring Valley, MN invites you to join in celebrating Pastor Loel Wessel's 25th anniversary in the ministry. The celebration will be held on Sunday, July 22, beginning at 3:30pm. There will be a worship service followed by a short program. The afternoon will conclude with a meal served in the fellowship hall.

Pastor Matthew Lehman has accepted the Call to Zion Lutheran Church in Albert Lea. Installation service will be July 15 at 3 pm. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

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The kitchen committee would like to thank everyone who donated to the VBS snack and lunch fund. We were able to purchase enough food with the money from your donations, Thrivent and a 20% discount from HyVee to feed 105 lunches everyday. We had a very successful week. I would also like to thank all the kitchen volunteers for their help, one person would not be able to do this alone.

Thank You and God Bless Francine Strouf

## St. John's Lutheran Church

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### THE MISSION OF ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



Through Jesus Christ, we proclaim God's Word, encourage one another in faith, witness to God's love and serve all people.



# **Thursday & Sunday July 5 & 8, 2018**

The live radio broadcast on KAUS AM 1480 of this Sunday's worship service is given in memory of Boyd Sandum by his daughter and family & friends. Also given by Trinity Lutheran Church Ladies Aid, Waltham, MN

Live Streaming sponsors for July are Harold & Virginia Rohne

**To sponsor a radio broadcast,** contact Ellen Petersen at 433-6626 or 440-8070. The cost is \$142.00.

If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's weekly church services over the internet/Live Streaming (\$109 a month).

Every Sunday we have a manned table in the west entry-way. (FYI: the organ is on the west side of the sanctuary!) You can purchase a variety of gift cards. St. John's receives 3-15% of the sale price. This money goes to projects like congregational t-shirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, in-door nativity set, books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Script cards after the service (or purchase them from the office secretary during the week:

**McDonalds: \$5, \$10** Hy-Vee: \$50, \$100

Kwik Trip: \$10, \$25, \$50, \$100 Culvers: \$10 Perkins: \$25

There are printed copies of the sermons available next to the service bulletins.

We have **large print bulletins** available. Ask the ushers for one.

| THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S |  |   |
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| Sunday 07/8             | Worship service - contemporary<br>Prayer Ministry<br>Fellowship time<br>Education Hour         | 9:00 am<br>10:00 am<br>10:00 am<br>10:15 am |
| Monday                  | Bible Class  | 9:30 am                                     |
| Tuesday                 | Women's Bible study<br>Church Council  | 1:00 pm<br>7:00 pm                          |
| Wednesday               | C.A.S.E.   | 4:30-6:30 pm                                |
| Thursday                | Worship service w/communion<br>Gray Matters  | 6:00 pm<br>7:30 pm                          |
| Sunday 07/15            | Worship service w/communion Prayer Ministry Fellowship time Education Hour Newsletter deadline | 9:00 am<br>10:00 am<br>10:00 am<br>10:15 am |

Deadline for weekly insert is Tuesday evening.

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## **SERVING THIS WEEK**

Auto-Visual tech
Reader
Donna Bailey
Donna Bailey
Dick Heuton
Ushers-Sunday
Stan Rasmussen, Lori Siegfreid
Donna Peterson, Dave Nelson

**Communion Servers** 

Acolyte Kylea Rupe, Randi Lynn Strouf

Organist:

Prayer Ministry Carol Schleicher, Dave Ruhnke (Elder)
Dave Nelson

Sunday: Adult Bible Class at 10:25 a.m. led by Pastor James,. "Stuff They Didn't Teach Me in Sunday School" Plan on coming to this class; it is very interesting!

Weekday Bible Studies

Monday morning Bible Class at 9:30 a.m. led by Pastor James, is studying the lessons that will be read in the services the following weekend. Come and join us! Bring a friend.

**Tuesday:** A <u>women's Bible study</u> on <u>Women in the Bible</u> 1:00 p.m. at St. John's. Each week we will study a different woman.

**Gray Matters** meets on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at Perkins Restaurant. Join us for a free-flowing discussion.



**C.A.S.E - Christian After School Education.** We will continue to teach the children the wonders of God's Holy Word. There are Bible lessons, games, music and snacks! All for free! For children going into 1st—6th grade

Every Wednesday 4:30-6:30 p.m. This week's lesson: Temptation of Jesus

**Prayer Ministry** . . . will be right after worship service by the organ. We pray for others... we pray for you. All remains confidential. Bring your special needs or hurts and we will petition the Lord with you. Questions? Feel free to call Carol Schleicher at 396-8420.

A pair of your "soles" can feed a hungry soul. Did you know that 1 out of every 10 Minnesota households doesn't have access to enough food for healthy living? You can make a difference! St. John's is collecting used footwear, even shoes that are no longer wearable, to help provide Minnesotans with essential groceries. So bring your unwanted used shoes and deposit them in the specially marked box found in the east entryway, by the offices, of the church. Clean out your closets for a cause and help SHOE AWAY HUNGER! We'll be doing this all year.

St. John's has been blessed to have had Dave and Cheryl Nelson lead our Contemporary Worship Team in these last few years. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, Dave and Cheryl! Your dedication and serving us, as you've led us in "praise and worship," have been gifts from God. We thank Him!

We will pray for your transition to your new home "up north." Please keep in touch. May our good Lord bless and keep you! We will miss you .