



# St. John's News and Notes

Sunday, August 24, 2025

<b>Sunday (08-24) Worship</b>	9:00 am
Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
Bible Study	10:15 am
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Sunday (08-31) Worship</b>	9:00 am
Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
Bible Study	10:15 am

**Office Hours: Monday –  
Thursday 8:30 – 12:00**

### **Holy Communion**

For us at St. John's the Lord's Supper is a very sacred and Holy Meal. If you would like to join us at this Sacramental Supper, please read the [laminated invitation](#) in the seat pocket.

### **Tithes and Offerings**

If you are a guest visiting with us today please do not feel obligated to contribute to the offering plate when it is passed. Tithes and offerings are part of being a member of a church. This congregation would like to honor you as our guest today.

### **Notes for the Lord's Supper**

For those with sensitivities to alcohol, non-alcohol wine is offered in the light colored cups in the center of the communion tray. Also, if you need a gluten-free wafer, please contact an usher, the pastor, or an elder before the service so this can be available.

For our shut-in families desiring pastoral care or communion please contact Pastor Olana, (507) 438-3888, to set up a time. Pastoral visits typically take place Wednesdays and Fridays.

Pastor Krusemark can be  
called for emergencies – **507-450-2012**

## **Worship Services**

### **Sunday**

9:00 am Worship

10:15 Bible Study

The live radio broadcast on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is sponsored by **Merrill and Bonnie Meier** in thankfulness to God for their children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren. To God be the glory!

August streaming is sponsored by **Donna and Gary Barclay** - "Thanking God for all his blessings and the four grandchildren that have been added to the Barclay family - Bowen, Ella, Bria & Kolton."

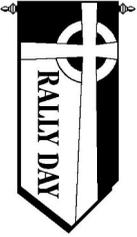
**Sponsor the Internet broadcast.** If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's church services over the Internet (\$117 a month) contact Dave Watkins at 507-458-5018.

The Radio Broadcast is in need of sponsors: If you would like to sponsor a broadcast the fee is \$150.00 a week. Contact Ellen Petersen, or drop off a check in the church office. Thank you!

**Scrip Orders** – Thinking about ordering Scrip cards to help the congregation? Order blanks are on the Scrip table. Check out the new list of businesses available. Orders, with payment, must be in by **Sunday, August 24**. Place your order and check on the Scrip table or bring it to the office. **We will still have the usual cards available after service.**

**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 email [Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com](mailto:Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com).

**\*Attention:\*** There will be a call meeting Sunday, August 31, at 10:15 am, in Schleicher Hall to decide on a call to a pastoral candidate.



**Rally Day** will be Sunday, September 7 – kick-off to our Sunday School year.  
 Following Sunday School/Bible study you are invited to stay for lunch.

Austin Blood Drive  
 St. John's Lutheran Church  
 Wednesday Sept. 10, 2025

12:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Call for appointment 1-800-733-2767  
 Register online at [RedCrossBlood.org](http://RedCrossBlood.org)  
 Enter: Austin MN to schedule an appointment

**\*Custodian Needed (regular part time)\*** - It has been a joy to have Kim Downey as our custodian but he has much work to prepare for a move this fall so, as of August 15, he has retired from his position. So we have been searching for his replacement without success so far and **\*need your help.\*** If you can think of anyone **\*within\*** or even **\*outside\*** of our congregation who just might be interested in working 8-12 hours per week to keep our church looking clean, tidy and fresh, please let any of the Trustees know. Kim is willing to train someone if we can find someone soon. Trustees: Vance Oelkers, Mike Gosha, Rocky Schammel, Mark Wills and Joel Rachwitz.

**\*Custodians Needed (temporary part time)\*** - Kim's last date of August 15th has passed. What that means is no one is cleaning, mopping, vacuuming, etc. In the meantime, the Trustees are looking for volunteers to take over the custodial tasks: vacuuming, straightening up tables and chairs after use, clean restrooms, dusting, window cleaning, etc., especially taking care of the most visual matters. **\*Please help with one or more of the tasks\*** to keep things clean. Sign up on the bulletin board by the office if you can help out. Kim can show you what to do.

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**Remember** – Mites go to many mission projects. Help us spread the Good News of Jesus our Savior by giving your coins or dollars. The large mite boxes are in the back of the sanctuary or take a small one and fill it at home. Thank you –  
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<b>AV Tech Sunday</b>	Ellen Petersen
<b>Organist Sunday</b>	Carol Blomberg

Deadline for weekly **News & Notes** is  
*Wednesday evening.*

Deadline for monthly **newsletter** is the  
*15<sup>th</sup>* of the month.

**Hard of hearing?** Headphones and receivers are available to assist in listening during our worship services. Talk to Rocky Schammel, David Ruhnke, or an usher for help.

**Scrip** Every Sunday we have a manned table at the West entrance. (*FYI: the organ is on the west side of the sanctuary!*) You can purchase a variety of gift cards. St. John's receives 3 - 10% of the sale price. This money goes to projects like congregational t-shirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, indoor nativity set, and books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Scrip cards after the service (**or purchase them from the office secretary during the week:**)  
Perkins: \$25      Kwik Trip: \$25, \$50, \$100  
Culvers: \$10      Hy-Vee: \$50, \$100

**Shoe Away Hunger** If you have gently used shoes you no longer need consider placing them in the box near the office. One pair of shoes can supply a family with seven days of essential groceries. Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.

## August 24 – Proper 16

Luke 13:26 – “Then you will begin to say, 'We ate and drank in your presence, and you taught in our streets.'” Proximity to Jesus and the things of faith is not faith itself. Many Pharisees heard His Word but ignored it and refused to believe in it. We want to be not only hearers, but also doers of Jesus' Word. We want not only proximity to Jesus, but true communion with Him. We want to hear Him, follow Him, praise Him and return thanks.



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