



St. John's Lutheran Church

Saved by Grace ~ Led by the Spirit ~ Called to Serve

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Guest Pastor, Rev. Roger Black

St. John's Weekly Announcements

May 22, 2022 ~ SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

IN-PERSON

5:00pm Saturday, and 8:30 & 10:30am Sunday.

Worship with us in the renovated Sanctuary.

Reminder: Attendance and communion cards should be filled out at least twice per year.

ONLINE

Premieres Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m.

Online worship (recorded the previous Sunday) is available on our [YouTube channel](#), when you cannot attend, or are not comfortable attending, in person. There are several ways to get this link: It will be emailed, or you can find a link on our Facebook page or on our website. You may also search 'St Johns Lutheran Church Oregon WI' on YouTube.

TELEVISION St. John's worship service can be viewed on Oregon Public Access channel 983, or TDS channel 1019, Sunday mornings. (Please check their schedules for service times) The service shown will be from the previous week.

ALTAR FLOWERS today have been provided by Gloria Evert in memory of Ron Evert

WELCOME LAMP for May is provided by Marla Byerly in memory of loved ones

Readings for Today

First Reading: Acts 16:9-15

Psalm: Psalm 67

Second Reading: Revelation 21:10, 22 – 22:5

Gospel: John 14:23-29

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Beth Peterson (Sandra Linstroth's daughter) diagnosed with breast cancer. *Ruth R* (acquaintance of Brenda Outhouse) in kidney failure and not doing well. *Emily Nelson* (cousin of Brenda Outhouse) diagnosed with a rare & incurable form of cancer.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE – On Memorial weekend, May 28 & 29, St. John's returns to our summer worship schedule, through Labor Day weekend. Worship with us on Saturdays at 5:00PM, and Sunday mornings at 9:00AM.

WELCA THANKOFFERING COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND

As we make our Thankofferings this weekend, we share in a tradition that goes back to the 1800s or even earlier. Then, when it seemed that there was not enough money to carry out the work of the church, the women would act together as 'cent' societies. They would set aside offerings at home in thanksgiving for blessings received. On occasion, the women would come together as we do today, joining their offerings to support ministry of many kinds.

The Thankofferings collected are sent to the National Women of the ELCA to support their worldwide life-changing ministries including: World Hunger, Lutheran World Relief, strengthening



families and communities, and education/skills training for women and girls.

Just a reminder, checks should be made payable to St. John's ELCA. If you are unable to give at one of the services, you are encouraged to bring or send your gift within the next month using an envelope clearly marked "Thankoffering". Thank you for your contribution and support!

ST JOHN'S SALAD LUNCHEON – June 9, 2022



The women of St John's will again host our annual salad luncheon on Thursday, June 9, at Noon.

Circle callers will be calling to request food donations within the next two weeks. If you do not receive a call by the end of May, and would like to donate a salad (seafood salad,

potato salad, fresh fruit salad, vegetable salad, pasta salad with meat, pasta salad without meat, tossed salad, molded salad or 6 dozen small, dainty cookies or bars, please call Bonnie Gilbertson, at 608-835-7387 or email me at

Bc_gilbertson@charter.net.

We are also in need of volunteers to work (set-up at 9 AM on Thursday, serve from 10:30 to 1PM, and clean up from 1:45 until finished.)

We encourage everyone to consider attending our luncheon and bring a friend or two. Men are always welcomed. An express line will be available at Noon for anyone having to get back to work. Tickets are \$10.00. Proceeds from this event are used to purchase the Christ in the Home devotional booklets, sponsor youth activities and provided kitchen supplies.

Thank you for all the support you give to the Women of St. John's. Bonnie Gilbertson, Salad Luncheon Chair

GERANIUMS FOR PENTECOST – Forms are available at the church office, or website (www.StJohnsOregonWI.org) Orders need to be received at the church office by Monday, May 23.

SUGAR CREEK EXPLORER DAY CAMP Congregational Life is planning a trip to Sugar Creek Bible Camp, located in Ferryville, WI.



Who: Kids entering grades K-3

When: Wednesday, July 20

Meet in church parking lot, leave at 7AM and return around 5PM

What: Explore Sugar Creek during this exciting one-day adventure – Activities may include fun games, nature time,

swimming, crafts, pony rides, and Bible story time.

Cost: \$35. Please contact the church office (608.291.4311) if payment is an issue for your family. Families will also be asked to sign up to bring snack items, as it will be a long day. Register online at <http://wp.sugarcreekbiblecamp.org/8-2/summer-programs/elementary-school-programs/> AND email Emily Staveness at staveness824@gmail.com, so we can plan to have enough drivers for all children who want to attend.

If you are willing to chaperone and drive, please let Emily know how many seats you have available in your car – the cost for a parent attending is \$10, due on the day of the trip to cover your lunch. **DEADLINE to REGISTER:** June 1!

Congregational Life is so excited to offer this as an option for our youth who are too young to attend the overnight options. Sugar Creek is an amazing place where great work is done in the hearts of youth, while they explore God's beautiful creation.



THANKS A BRUNCH! Please join us on Sunday, May 22, following the 8:30 service, when we can say "Thanks a Brunch" to all of the hardworking volunteers who made this year's Sunday School possible. Ham, milk, juice, and coffee will be provided.

2022 SCHOLARSHIP AWARD - St. John's Scholarship Awards have been awarded to Miller Stang and Ethan Johnson. Ryan Anderson, representing St. John's, presented their awards

at the OHS Senior Honor Night on May 18. They will also be presented certificates at a St. John's Sunday worship service.

One section of the application requires the student to write a reflection describing how the experiences of serving their church/community influenced their personal growth and professional aspirations. Miller and Ethan were asked to share their reflections with the congregation, and they agreed.

Scholarship Committee: Barbara Newhouse, Chair, Ryan Anderson, Emily Staveness, Maureen Braatz, Rob Schmidt, and Kevin Oppermann.

Reflection, by Miller Stang:

Although I have grown up attending St. John's, I haven't always felt connected to the congregation. I didn't see how individuals could come together in unification. As a child, I was forced to attend services, because my grandmother is an integral member of our congregation. Modern day issues that I could connect with, weren't really talked about within the context of any of the sermons; so habitual tune-out was the norm for me. I was very involved within church activities as a pre-teen but didn't feel a part of this particular community. I was questioning my faith. A few years later as a teenager, I really connected back to my faith and once again became involved within the congregation. I realized that it is ok being an individual, and that God loves each and every one of us. Church and faith bring together so many different individuals. I realized that it was my time to step up and help the other congregants. I started volunteering at events and within weekly services. I finally feel connected to other congregants. I have found my place within this community. I realized that I am a part of the future of our church and I can make a difference. Turning the page to a new chapter called college, I realize that I can continue my renewed sense of spirit, faith, and community on campus. Whether it be volunteering, being part of different clubs and communities or within the Lutheran Campus Ministry, I know that I can continue to make a difference. This is also why nursing seemed to be a natural choice for my career. Throughout my high school career, I have always advocated for others and have been at times, a source of emotional support. I know I have the mental stamina and

awareness to advocate for patients. I will listen to them and try to improve their lives in whatever way I can. Through my faith, love and serving Christ, I want to make a difference in people's lives.

Reflection, by Ethan Johnson:

In the past couple of years being a member at St. John's Lutheran Church in Oregon Wisconsin, my leadership role in my congregation has really been refined. At the start of my junior year, I had been asked by my church's council to become a youth representative to the council making me one of the first youth representatives the church has had in 20 years. I am just about to start my second year on council after the 12 months I've already done in 2021 and I've certainly learned a lot from serving in the church. One thing I have learned is to appreciate and recognize all the hard work that goes into making a church run smoothly. Before my time on the council, I operated under the assumption that people just showed up on Sunday and then no one did anything until next week. But during my time serving on the church council I learned all the inner workings of a church and what it takes to even have a Sunday service every week let alone all the extra things that go on. One other thing that I've most certainly learned are the specific skills and qualities of a good leader. To be a leader in the church, you can't just assume that problems are going to fix themselves but rather you have to step up to the plate and come up with viable solutions to try and fix those problems. I learned about all the special teams that take on specific work inside the church. Ministry teams were something else I got the chance to be a part of while being a leader at St. Johns. Before I joined the council, I played my violin for the music ministry for special music either playing with the church band or with the choir. I even played a solo violin piece for church on occasion as well as a trumpet duet with my dad. When I first joined the council, I was asked to be a part of a ministry team called Care for Creation. Care for Creation was a small team of members from St. Johns trying to make our church as "green" and environmentally friendly as it could be. We raised money for solar panels on the roof and also organized dinners

where we showed a documentary about climate change and talked about what we could do as a church congregation and as a community of faith to help combat it. I would also say that by partaking in church leadership roles I've learned a lot about my own faith and have really grown in it over the year. I still have one more year in high school to play music, serve on council, and partake in Care for Creation, and I will try to do everything in my power to make my church a better place. Through my leadership and service I've felt like an actual contributing member inside St. Johns and not just someone who shows up for service every week. I have certainly learned a lot about my church and about my own faith since I have taken up roles of leadership in my congregation and I plan on continuing to hone those skills still and plan to use them in the future wherever I go and whatever I do in my faith life.



One Community Bank is a proud supporter of Little John's.

**PAY-WHAT-YOU-CAN MEALS ARE
AVAILABLE AT OCB!**

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month

3:30 - 4:30 pm

OCB - Oregon

705 N. Main Street, Oregon

Pre-packaged, chef-quality meals are available for anyone in the community.

ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY CALENDAR

SUNDAY, May 22

9:00 AM Worship – with Thank Offering

8:50 AM - 9:40 AM Sunday School

9:00 AM Online Worship – with Thank Offering

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM High School Youth (Fireside)

9:30 AM Thanks a Brunch Potluck

10:00 AM Chancel Choir Rehearsal

10:30 AM Worship

Monday, May 23

6:00 PM - 7:30 PM Finance Team Meeting (Fireside)

7:00 PM Boy Scout Troop 168 (Friendship Room)

7:00 PM - 8:30 PM Council Meeting (Fireside Room)

Tuesday, May 24

Announcement articles deadline by end of day

9:00 AM - 11:00 AM Oregon/Brooklyn Food Pantry

Wednesday, May 25

9:00 AM LWR Quilters

THURSDAY, May 26

7:00 PM - 8:45 PM Soulvation Praise Band

FRIDAY, May 27

Church Office is closed

SATURDAY, May 28

5:00 PM Worship

SUNDAY, May 29

9:00 AM Worship – Baptism of Paige Cooper

9:15 AM - 10:15 AM High School Youth (Fireside)



Our Worship Volunteers

SERVING THE MONTH OF MAY

Altar Care: Brenda Cuta, Sally Bertelson, Sandi Linstroth,
Gwen Lister, Brenda Outhouse

Pew Straightener: Shelly Boucher

SERVING THIS WEEK, MAY 21 & 22

Readers: Dennis Josi (5:00pm)

Scott Bourie (8:30am); Joanne Gladden (10:30am)

Ushers: Alan Lukazewski (5:00pm)

Roger Pribbenow, Phil Johnson, Larry Ladell (8:30am)

Bonnie Haugen, Carol Wichmann, Chris Hubert (10:30am)

Communion Assistants: Sue Richards (5:00pm)

Jon Fishwild, Grace Bergeland, Ava Bergeland (8:30am)

Wendy Parsons, Rob Schmidt, Sally Bertelson (10:30am)

Music: Dennis Josi, Ondra Williams (5:00pm)

Band (8:30am); Choir (10:30am)

SERVING NEXT WEEK, May 28 & 29

Readers: Joel Olsen (5:00pm); Claire Johnson (9am)

Ushers: Alan Lukazewski (5:00pm)

Cal Gilbertson, Gary Hermanson, Roger Christensen (9am)

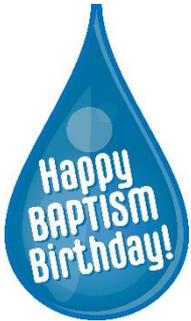
Communion Assistants: Brenda Cuta (5:00pm)

Paul Braatz, Maureen Braatz, Brenda Cuta (9am)

Music: Dennis Josi, Ondra Williams (5:00pm)



- 5/22** Tim Brown, John Coughlin
5/23 Zola Hinkle, Conner Nelson, Libbie Staveness
5/24 Karen Ladell, Cameron Lathrop
5/25 Sandra Linstroth, Diana Peterson, Linda Schroeder
5/26 Carter Hendrickson, Bart Schley, Robert Weihrouch
Patricia Wendt
5/27 Gloria Evert
5/28 Kaden Hubert



- 5/23** Kevin Christensen, Kim Maerz
Austin Oblinski
5/24 Kathryn Huppeler, Laurie Ottum
5/25 Eliot Bergeland
5/26 Sherryl Cobb, Charles Cuta

If you have any submissions or questions with regards to the Weekly Announcement Bulletin, please contact the office at 608.291.4311, or email info@silserve.net by 4PM each Tuesday.

Congregational Leadership & Staff

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Church Office Information

Hours: 8AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday

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St. John's Social Media

Church Website: StJohnsOregonWI.org

Public Facebook Page: facebook.com/stjohnsoregonwi

Facebook Group for the Members of St. John's:

facebook.com/groups/stjohnsoregonwi

YouTube Channel:

youtube.com/c/stjohnslutheranchurchoregonwi

Twitter: twitter.com/stjohnsoregonwi

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