

## Announcements

June 8, 2025

Worship and Bible Study will be as follows:

**Contemporary Worship "The Well"** – 8:30 a.m.

**Bible Study/Sunday School** – 9:45a.m.

**Traditional Service** – 10:30 a.m.

**Offering Plates** are located in the back of the church on the tables and as you come forward for communion during the 8:30am service and passed during the 10:30am service.

### Confirmation Sunday

During our Traditional Service, Samantha and Brandon Plyler will participate in the Rite of Confirmation. Over the past year, they have received instruction and spiritual guidance from Pastor Tyson. Please join us and celebrate as they publicly profess their faith.

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary event - St J O H N (bingo) Night!

Not your traditional Bingo to start the evening, but St JOHN bingo! All ages from beginning readers to 100 years old can play.

Come and join the fun for St J O H N (bingo) Night, **Saturday, June 28, 6:30-8:30pm** There will be prizes, snack food and drinks provided (and/or you can bring more to share, if you wish).

Most importantly, there will be fellowship and laughter. We will play traditional BINGO after St J O H N bingo. Contact Leatha "Sam" Drouillard 336 768 2121 or [samandnorman53@gmail.com](mailto:samandnorman53@gmail.com) if you have questions about this event.

### Summer Choir

Come join in the fun! **Rehearsals will start Friday, June 13 from 10:00 - 11:15** in the Choir Room. New singers and folk new to singing are most welcome! Hope to see and hear you! Frances

### M&M Fundraiser

The M&M fundraiser has begun! This is the last fundraiser for the youth before the LCMS Youth Gathering in New Orleans July 19-23. It contains a tasty treat, too! Pick up an M&M tube, eat and enjoy the candy. Then fill the tube with at least \$10 in quarters (a roll of quarters fits nicely), cash or a check of at least \$10, and return to the basket at the back of church or the church office. All M&M tubes with a donation need to be **returned by June 15**. We are so grateful for your continued support!

### 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Do you know....? Confirmation is usually 2 years of instruction (7th and 8th grade) learning the basic teachings of the Bible such as 10 Commandments, the Creeds, etc., which adhere to the Lutheran Church teachings. The current curriculum used is "Head to Heart."

Upon completion the confirmands come before the congregation (and/or the Elders) to profess their faith in the Triune God, renew their baptismal covenant and dedicate themselves to God for eternity. Then they are given the **privilege** to receive communion which strengthens their faith. Note: 1962-1973 Rev. Walter Roe, 4th Pastor of St. John's -- the question of the sacraments and their relationship to formal confirmation were re-examined. As a result of the latter, an opportunity was provided for children to participate in the Lord's Supper **before** formal confirmation. Currently, adult confirmation is either a small group or "one on one" with the Pastor, studying "Lutheranism 101." When this is completed, they are formally accepted into the Lutheran Church.

Addition/correction to last week's information about Sunday School. The tradition of giving Bibles to each third grader is being carried on currently. (Comments/questions, see Leatha "Sam" Drouillard --100th Anniversary Committee).

### **100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary T-Shirts**

We now have t-shirts available in all sizes and colors. Polo shirts still need to be ordered on the forms We also have coffee mugs and our St. John's red bags with pen and notepad. These are available for purchase Sunday mornings in the Fellowship Hall any time before Sunday school or before late service or contact Cyndie Anderson at 336-978-1210.

### **Stewardship Corner:**

Every year, show business presents its super stars to the world. These are the entertainers who have survived all the preliminary rounds in the search for talent. They have been chosen because they are tops in ability and charisma.

God conducts a continuous talent search also, but the process is different. In this talent search all are participants; no one is merely a spectator. All performers are under scrutiny, not to see whether some are better than others, but to examine the manner in which they are using their talents.

The main questions are:

To what purpose are they devoting their talents?

Do they thank God for giving them all their abilities?

Do they envy the talents of others or do they thank God for these gifts also?

Are they putting their talents to use?

Christ redeemed the human race so that every God-given talent might be rescued from the service of money and self-gratification and delivered to the sacred service of the Lord.

Show business emphasizes talents as a foundation of a private career. The Lord regards them as a means of service to others. In Christ, he has given the perfect pattern for using talents correctly. Talents fulfill their finest purpose when they are used to lead people to faith in God's love. Talents have lasting value only when they are employed in God's service.

There's a place for you and your talents on God's team: your congregation!

### **Email Distribution Lists**

We currently send out two weekly emails. One is for our **prayer list** and the other is for the **weekly announcements**. If you currently do not receive either or both of these emails, please send an email to the appropriate address or indicate which list you would like to be included in on the attendance pad.

For our **prayer list** – [prayerlist@stjohnsws.org](mailto:prayerlist@stjohnsws.org)

For our **announcements** – [news@stjohnsws.org](mailto:news@stjohnsws.org)

### **St. John's online calendar**

You are now able to access the happenings at St. John's via an online calendar. All events taking place at the church and some of the school events will be published on this calendar. You will be able to copy these events to your calendar. To access the calendar please go to our website or our app and click on the "News" button. <https://stjohnsws.com/news/> if you see any errors please contact the church office.

### **Contacting Pastor Tyson**

If you need to reach Pastor Tyson, you may text him at #703-459-0518 or send him an email at [Tlabuhn@stjohnsws.org](mailto:Tlabuhn@stjohnsws.org). He will respond as soon as he is able. **Please refrain from contacting Pastor Tyson on Thursdays, this is his day off.** In the event of an emergency please contact your Elder first.

### **Event and Activity Form**

If you or your group are interested in hosting an activity or an event on the campus of the church or school, please fill out an event/activity form, so that it can be approved to put on the church calendar. Please check the online calendar and with Kerstin to see if dates/rooms are available. Requests need to be made 30 days in advance. Events/ Forms are available in the church office, or you may email the church. [churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org)

### **Gluten Free Wafers**

Are available upon request for communion.

### **Announcements**

As a reminder, please submit your information to the church office by **noon on Wednesdays**. All requests need to come through the church office. Please refrain from last minute announcements on Sunday morning. Announcements will be read prior to the beginning of each service.

### **Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class**

This meeting is suspended for the summer and will resume in the fall.

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Our next get-together is today! Join us **from 2 to 4 pm** at the home of Teresa Pyrtle, 4634 Cornelius Road, East Bend, NC. Teresa's phone number is 845-594-5463. Everyone is welcome to join this wonderful caring ministry. Any questions please contact Cherry Horn (910) 617-8122), Ann Carney (336-602-1232), or Claudia Essbach (336-293-6380).

**Altar Flowers** are given to the glory of God by June Strausser in remembrance of her wedding to Charles on June 7, 1952.

**Worship Assistants:** **8:30am** – Alex Sawicki; **10:30am** – Don Henderson, Bruce Sawicki

**Lectors:** **8:30am** – Judy Meisinger; **10:30am** – Nathaniel Anderson

**Altar Guild for June:** Meg Lorenz, Teresa Pyrtle, Sarah Strahm

**Crisis Control Items for June:** Peanut butter and jelly - **134 lbs.** was collected for the month of May. Thank you for your donations!

### **Board of Directors Meetings:**

Board of Directors meetings are held monthly, on the second Tuesday of each month. Congregational members are invited to attend. The next meeting scheduled will be **June 10, 2025 at 7:00 PM**. If you have an agenda item that you would like to bring to the board, please send that item to Mark Meier at least two weeks in advance of the next scheduled meeting.

**Board of Elders Meetings:** Board of Elders meet on the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting will be **June 17, 2025 at 7:00pm**

### **June Birthdays**

June 11 Jacoby Jamison  
June 11 Kathy Najdek  
June 11 Levi Strahm  
June 14 Carol Koontz  
June 15 Hannah Lorenz  
June 18 Kara Wynne  
June 20 Mia Lynch  
June 21 Avery Burch  
June 21 Daisy Lee Rutherford  
June 23 David Gronewoller  
June 24 June Strausser  
June 28 Delaney Finau

### **June Anniversaries**

June 8 Mallory & Clint Harris – 6 years  
June 10 Holly & Johnny Jamison – 25 years  
June 14 Rob & Kathy Schwabe – 39 years  
June 16 Adam & Rachel Orsborn – 24 years  
June 20 Jack & Jessica Thomas – 16 years  
June 29 Laurel Eury & Peter Naughton – 21 years

### **June Ushers**

Steve, Nicole, and Lily Shannon  
Tiffany Banks