

ST JOHN'S LIFE Together

THE FEAST OF
THE HOLY TRINITY
JUNE 15, 2025

ADORING

The Prayer of the Church

Persecuted Christians in:

Colombia, Kyrgyzstan, Turkey, Vietnam

Partner Church:

Siberian Evangelical Lutheran Church

Marriage:

Abigail Robert and Jeffrey Carpenter

Comfort, health, recovery:

Steve (brother of Debbie Feyerabend)

David Crawford

Richard Flashing (husband of Marge Flashing)

Ronald Gifford (father of Daniel Gifford)

Marcia Hettinger

Matthew King (son of Marianne and Steve King)

Ron Meyer (friend of Rich Williams)

Aaron Thomas (son-in-law of Gerald Wehrs)

Blessed death:

Frank Vondrasek (brother-in-law of Gerald Wehrs)

Holidays:

Father's Day

Safe travel:

Burt, Pamela, Claudia Andrews

Members of LERT

Those who need our ongoing prayers:

Sharon Becker (sister-in-law of Byron Heidorn)

Denine (friend of Debbie Feyerabend)

Dana Gustafson (friend of Julie LeMahieu)

Lindsey Johnston

(daughter-in-law of Judy and Jack O'Neill)

Jeremy LeMahieu (brother of Rev. Nathan LeMahieu)

Bonnie McCullough (friend of Anna Piro)

Cheryl Ondratschek

Amy Rushkewicz (sister-in-law of Peter Sovitzky)

Roberta Smith

Gunnar Terhune (friend of Rachel Zoeller)

Emilie Yonkers

Tracy Zasadny (friend of Marianne and Steve King)

Please submit your prayer requests to the website: www.stjohnwheaton.org/prayer-request

MATURING

Lord's Supper at an Early Age Summer Classes • July 6, 8-10, 15-17, 29-31

- Place: Lower Level classrooms
- Time: Sunday, July 6 Parent Orientation 10:00–10:30 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday classes 5:30–7:00 p.m.
- Commitment: 9 days, 9 total hours of instruction
- Contact: Pastor Nelson mnelson@stjohnwheaton.org

Join us for the Early Lord's Supper Classes this summer. Class will be spread out over three weeks and is specifically for those who are communing for the first time. Parents are to attend with their children.



We'll be rejoicing in our Lord's Sacraments by using Scripture, song, and the Small Catechism to learn what our Lord gives in the Eucharist. Dinner is included in evening classes! Scan the QR code to register. Feel free to email

Pastor Nelson with any questions.

- **Week 1: Sunday, July 6**—Parent Orientation for all 10:00–10:30 a.m.
July 8, 9, 10—Baptism and 10 Commandments
- **Week 2: July 15, 16, 17**—Confession and Creed
- **Week 3: July 29, 30, 31**—Lord's Supper and Lord's Prayer
- **Week 4: August 5, 6, 7**—Make up classes for those who were unable to attend

WEDNESDAYS

JOY Group: Jesus, Others, You *Exodus: the Way of a Christian*

- Place: Room 201/The Study
- Time: 9:00–10:30 a.m.
- Commitment: 90 minutes
- Contact: Bradley Kigyos brad.kigyos@gmail.com

This study will focus on the Exodus of the Israelites, bringing to light the reality of our own Exodus as Christians. From the blood covered lintel to the dry sands of the Red Sea, the path God led the Israelites down is only a foretaste of the journey laid for us in the plan of our salvation, and yet, looking back on this epic can help us understand our story all the more. All adults are welcome to join us for this 4-week study and partake in fellowship and refreshments.

EMBODYING

Open Gym/Pick-up Basketball

- Place: St. John Gym
- Time: 6:00–8:00 p.m.
- Commitment: up to 2 hours
- Contact: Pastor Nelson mnelson@stjohnwheaton.org

The Gym is open Sunday evenings for anyone high school and older to play basketball.

Women's Book Club • Thursday, June 19

- Place: The Commons
- Time: 7:00 p.m.
- Commitment: 1–2 hours, plus reading time
- Contact: Gretchen Scheel gscheel@stjohnwheaton.org

Ladies, join us the third Thursday of each month for fellowship and book discussion. Our June selection is *Theo of Golden* by Allen Levi. "He arrives early one spring and by chance he visits a coffee shop where 92 framed pencil portraits are on display. Inspired, Theo sets out on a mission of purchasing all the portraits one at a time and quietly bestowing them on their 'rightful owners.' Stories are told; friendships are born; and lives are changed." (From the book cover). *Coming up:*

- **July 17**—*Mrs. Kennedy and Me* by Clint Hill
- **August 21**—*The Dictionary of Lost Words* by Pip Williams

High School Michigan Beach Day Monday, June 23

- Place: Silver Beach County Park (St. Joseph, MI)
- Time: 7:30 a.m.–11:00 p.m.
(meet at St. John/return to St. John)
- Commitment: One day
- Contact: Pastor Witt alvaro@stjohnwheaton.org

High school students—including incoming 9th graders and 2025 seniors—join us for a fun day at the beach! We will enjoy time at Silver Beach County Park, the pier, the carousel, downtown artisan shops, ice cream, and more. Everything is within walking distance. Round trip transportation from St. John and lunch at Silver Beach Pizza will be provided. Bring your swimsuit, towel, sunscreen, beach supplies, and spending money for shopping. Scan the QR code to sign up by Sunday, June 15. Bring friends!



Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML) Mites • June Featured Mission Grant

- Place: Narthex offering boxes
- Time: before/after Liturgies
- Commitment: a few minutes
- Contact: Marilyn Hess 630-414-0845

Lutheran Hour Ministries is **Sharing Christ with Women and Children in Kazakhstan** in urban areas and remote villages. This \$100,000 grant is for direct outreach through local churches and holistic ministry, digital outreach through *Thred.asia*, and printed Christian resources to reach the unchurched. Proclamation of the Gospel is difficult due to harassment by non-Christian religious authorities and unbelieving family members. "We are fighting both physical and spiritual poverty," stated Rev. Peter Kirby. Please use the purple LWML offering envelope included in your quarterly mailing or print MITES on an envelope from the pew rack for your contribution to support this grant.

Choir Boot Camp—Sign up now! Monday, June 23 through Friday, June 27

- Place: St. John
- Time: 10:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m.
- Commitment: Mornings for one week plus Sunday, June 29 8:30 a.m. Liturgy
- Contact: Peter Sovitzky psovitzky@stjohnwheaton.org

Registration for this summer's Choir Boot Camp is now open! All students who are entering fourth grade through High School are invited to attend. Mrs. Julie



LeMahieu and Cantor Peter Sovitzky will teach engaging lessons on how to sing church music together. Fun activities and snacks are also included. Scan the QR code to sign up.

Fall Confirmation Retreat—Save the Date! October 10–12

- Place: Camp Arcadia (Arcadia, MI)
- Contact: Pastor Nelson mnelson@stjohnwheaton.org

Incoming 6th, 7th and 8th graders, please save the date and plan to attend the Fall Confirmation Retreat! We will be sending out the link for registration and more details in late June. The deadline for registration will be September 1.

Manna Fund Donations

- Place: Narthex Offering Boxes
- Time: Before or after liturgy
- Commitment: A minute
- Contact: Pastor Nelson mnelson@stjohnwheaton.org
Pastor Ferguson eferguson@stjohnwheaton.org
Pastor Bruzek bruzeke@stjohnwheaton.org
Pastor Witt alvaro@stjohnwheaton.org

NEW! The Manna fund at St. John is designed for members to help fellow members and non-members where appropriate, who are struggling during difficult times. By sharing the gifts God has given us we can help our brothers and sisters in time of need. The Pastoral staff will oversee disbursements. Use a *Manna* envelope from your quarterly mailing or an envelope from the pew rack. Make checks payable to St. John. For cash donations please provide your name in order to receive tax credit. Give online at www.stjohnwheaton.org/ online-giving, Designate *Manna* with all donations.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK

Sunday • June 15 *Trinity Sunday*

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 9:45 a.m. Governing Board meeting (Room 206)
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:00 p.m. Open Gym/Pickup Basketball

Monday • June 16

CLOSED

Tuesday • June 17

- 7:40 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Wednesday • June 18

- 7:40 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 9:00 a.m. JOY Group Bible Study (Room 206)

Thursday • June 19

- 7:40 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)
- 8:00 a.m. Garden Club (Main parking lot)
- 7:00 p.m. Women's Book Club (The Commons)

Friday • June 20

- 7:40 a.m. Holy Eucharist (Chapel)

Sunday • June 22

- 8:30 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 11:00 a.m. Holy Eucharist
- 6:00 p.m. Open Gym/Pickup Basketball

*You can prepare for next Sunday's worship by reading:
Isaiah 65:1-9; Galatians 3:23-4:7; Luke 8:26-39*

