

News and Notes

- From the week of Aug 3 –

Summer Worship Schedule:

Our Summer worship schedule runs through August with worship services on Sundays at 10am and Mondays at 6:30pm. We will have a single worship service on Sunday, August 31st at 10am. Starting September 7th we will resume our Fall-Spring schedule with services at 8am and 10:30am.

Sunday School, Youth Group, and Catechism

We are currently planning for upcoming ministries programs for children: Sunday School ages 3-8th grade; Wednesday Catechism- Grades 7-8; Sunday teen Bible study- High school; Youth Group- monthly on Sunday evenings ; 7th -12th grade. All programs begin again in September. Visit our website or SCAN the QR code to register for Sunday school. Sunday School begins September 7th.



Confirmation Meeting – Aug 17

We welcome 7th 8th graders and families! Join us on Sunday, August 17 at 11:15 AM For an information meeting. We will have the yearly calendar, books available for purchase. We'll discuss sermon summaries and opportunities to serve as Jr. Ushers at worship services. The meeting will be held in church sanctuary. All those interested in attending confirmation class this fall are encouraged to attend!

St. John's Outdoor Movie Night – August 15 @ 7pm

Join us for an Outdoor Movie Night at St. John's on Friday, August 15 featuring "Homeward Bound". We will have snacks and enjoy the movie on the church property. Bring a chair or blanket for your comfort and be sure to invite a friend!

Devotion Delivery

For years St. John's has participated in "Meals on Wheels" to share food with those who need it. We are also eager to share spiritual food! As part of our Welcome Home effort we are looking for several more drivers to deliver "Meditations" to our members who live in and around Hastings. This is a great way to connect with our members and to provide encouragement. You can work at your own pace. About 4-6 hours every three months. Interested? We will be holding a meeting for anyone with interest soon. Please sign up on the bulletin board or talk with Pastor Harbach or a member or the In Reach Committee.

Transportation to Worship

Do you know someone who would like to attend our services but needs a ride? We can help. There are St. John's members who are eager to assist you with transportation to worship. Just contact Pastor Harbach at (262) 402-2664 or any member of our In Reach committee.

Attention Teens & Parents (Grades 8-12 2025-26 school year)

Next summer the WELS Youth Rally will be held at Bowling Green State University in Ohio – July 14-17, 2026. Over 2000 WELS teens (grades 8-12) will gather for worship from across the country and around the world and listen to speakers with a biblical perspective on timely teen topics. Initial planning for transportation etc. is currently being arranged with other WELS churches in the Twin Cities area. No commitments are needed at this time; however, we are trying to gauge the level of interest. If you think you may be interested in attending the rally, please let Andy or one of the pastors know.

Garage Sale - Sept 11-13

We are now accepting garage sale donations. Place items in the designated area of the gym. All items need to be CLEAN and in good condition. We cannot accept: microwaves, TV's, furniture, baby equipment, sports/exercise equipment, adult clothing/shoes. Infant/kids clothing up to size 6X will be accepted. If you have questions, contact Sandy Fiedler (715-262-5480). If you would like to bring your items during the week, please bring them during office hours (M-F, 8am-11:30 am) to ensure someone is at the church office.

Sunday Parking

We understand that injury, pregnancy, little children, and just tired old legs can make walking a big challenge - if you need a close parking spot, please take it! For those who still are blessed with strong legs consider using street parking on 8th or Eddy Streets. Thanks for thinking of other members and guests as we Come.Grow.Live. together.

An Evening With Martin Luther (A One Man Play)

The Bloomington Living Hope Lutheran OWLS are sponsoring a presentation by Dr. Dwight Johnson entitled "An Evening with Martin Luther." The presentation will be Sunday Evening, September 7th at 6:30 PM at 9350 Portland Ave S, Bloomington, MN. Dr. Johnson was featured in the April 2025 Forward in Christ magazine, "Ministry Through Theater." You can find the article here: <https://forwardinchrist.net/ministry-through-theater/> There is no cost for this presentation. There will be a free will offering to support the Lutheran Military Support Group (LMSG).

This week at St. John's:

Today:	8:45 AM	Bible Class
	10:00 AM	Communion Service
Monday:	6:30 PM	Worship Service
Wednesday:	6:30 AM	Grow Group – Dunn Bros.
	1:00 PM	Grow Group – Rooster
Thursday:	9:30 PM	Women's Bible Study
Saturday:	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study @ El Mexican
Next Sunday:	8:45 AM	Bible Class
	10:00 AM	Worship Service (Monday night @ 6:30pm)

Upcoming Greeters –

Aug 3: Jeanne Schumann & OPEN (10am)
Aug 10: Carol Berneche & Marilyn Lee (10am)
Aug 17: Henry & Jean Hoeft (10am)

Upcoming Ushers –

Aug 3: Jeanne Schumann & OPEN (10am)
Aug 10: Tony Johnson & Jacob Johnson (10am)
Aug 17: Henry Hoeft & Dorothy Wiltermuth (10am)

Upcoming Junior Ushers –

Aug 3: Mya Bauer & Lena Bauer (10am)
Aug 10: Jason Olson & Tyler Olson (10am)
Aug 17: Clara Hochmuth & Oliver Wirth (10am)



Scan the QR code for the full schedule and to sign-up for other serving opportunities!