

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH- MISSOURI SYNOD

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REFORMATION SUNDAY

OCTOBER 25, 2026

WELCOME!

We are so glad you have joined us for worship today! It is our prayer that you will be blessed, encouraged, and spiritually strengthened through our time of worship and fellowship together.

If you do not have a church home, we invite you to consider this your church family. You are warmly welcomed here, and we would be delighted to worship and fellowship with you.

WORSHIP LIFE LAST WEEK: 85

HOLY COMMUNION

- **If you are a member of St. John's**, see page 329 for help in preparing to receive Jesus' body and blood for the forgiveness of your sins.
- **If you are a guest**, welcome! Communion at St. John's is reserved for members of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) congregations. Please speak with the Pastor about Communion before participating.
- **Didn't have a chance to talk with Pastor about Communion before church?** If you're a member of an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to Communion, but please let Pastor know where you go to church when you come to the Communion rail.



QUARTERLY VOTERS' MEETING TODAY!

Your Voice Matters. Please Plan to Attend!

The Quarterly Voters' Meeting is **TODAY following the 9:00 a.m. service**. All confirmed members, age 19 and older, are invited to attend and are eligible to become voting members.

This is an important opportunity to be part of the decisions that help guide the ministry and future of St. John's. **New officers and leaders will be selected, and next year's budget will be discussed.** We'll also look ahead to the coming year, and the opportunities God is placing before our congregation. Your participation matters. **Please plan to attend and have a voice in the future of our church!**

APPOINTMENTS WITH GOD – WE SERVE IN LOVE

Sunday, October 25	9:00 am	Worship / Baptism
	10:30 am	Fellowship
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	10:45 am	Voters' Meeting
Monday & Tuesday October 26 & 27	12:00 pm -	American Red Cross
	6:00 pm	Blood Drive
Tuesday, October 27	1:30 pm	Women's Bible Study
Wednesday, October 28	9:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	3:30 pm	Confirmation
	5:00 pm	ACT
	6:00 pm	Choir Practice
Sunday, November 1	9:00 am	Worship
	10:30 am	Fellowship
	10:45 am	Sunday School
	10:45 am	Bible Study
	11:45 am	Handbell Practice

WE PRAY FOR...

Those battling cancer – Lisa Baty, Ruth Ferguson, Darlene Horvath, Shirley Klitzke, Fritzie Lamke, Marcus Marsh, Gary Miller, Jeff Moe, John Pearson, Tim Wegner and Ray Williams.

Those dealing with other health issues – Maggie Borseth, Cecil Brown, Pastor Gregg Coop, Yvonne Erdman, Dick Fenner, Rowan Grace, Lori Hawkins, Claire Hill, Linda Hollingsead, Rodney Larson Jr., Ardis Lillestol, Jordin Mae, Jake Mehr, Michele Messetler-Mondry, Janet Miller, Krista Olson, Ginger Peterson, Mark Rassmussen, Shirley Renstrom, Clark Sadlo, Joseph Schuelke, Pat Scott, Colton Blake Shoemaker, Clyde Swanson, Chuck Virginia, Adah Williams, and Connor Wood.



Flowers are a beautiful way to brighten our sanctuary and make worship services a little more special. Whether you'd like to remember a loved one, celebrate a birthday or anniversary, give thanks for a blessing, or simply share the beauty of flowers, we invite you to sign up to provide altar flowers.

If you provide flowers, please plan to take them home following the worship service. Thank you for helping keep our altar looking beautiful throughout the year!

REFORMATION SUNDAY

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WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: #594 – “*God’s Own Child, I Gladly Say It*”

BAPTISM OF ELLA ROSE NOVOTNY (See Insert)

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CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION – page 184

PSALM: Psalm 46 (read responsively)

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GLORIA IN EXCELSIS – page 187

SALUTATION & COLLECT OF THE DAY: Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. AMEN

FIRST LESSON: Revelation 14:6-7

SECOND LESSON: Romans 3:19-28

GOSPEL: Matthew 11:12-19

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HYMN OF THE DAY: #656 – “*A Mighty Fortress is Our God*”

SERMON: Good Confession: The Refuge and Strength of Christ’s Church

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING: #781, v.1 - “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

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PAX DOMINI AND AGNUS DEI – page 197

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: #655 – “*Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*”

#742 – “*For Me to Live Is Jesus*”

#586 – “*Preach You the Word*”

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CLOSING HYMN: #922 – “*Go, My Children, with My Blessing*”

St. John's *November* Food Drive



Drop off
non-perishable
items in the
Narthex during
the month of
November



No expired
items please

Food will go to the
**Aitkin
Food Shelf**

Neighbors
Helping
Neighbors



We invite you to a

Thanksgiving
WORSHIP
SERVICE

*"Give thanks to the Lord,
for He is good;
His love endures forever."*

Psalms 107:1

WEDNESDAY,
NOVEMBER 25

AT 6:00 PM

you're invited to a
HARVEST
BREAKFAST

SUNDAY NOV
22
following
worship

Pancakes
Sausage
Eggs
Fruit
Juice
Coffee



This will be a freewill offering breakfast,
with proceeds supporting ACT youth activities
and upcoming trips.

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1 TIMOTHY 4:12
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