

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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*Our mission is to equip God's people so that they are **connecting** with the Triune God, **growing** as His disciples and **living** out their faith.*

## Summer worship schedule:

**Saturday @5:30 pm**

**Sunday outdoor @9:30 am**  
(bring a lawn chair)

**This week:**

**JESUS  
LOVES  
YOU!**

*A place to  
belong  
and  
be loved.*

The **church picnic** is **next Sunday, August 9th!!!** Bring a dish to pass and enjoy a delicious pig roast starting after the 9:30 outdoor worship service (around 11:00ish). There will be games, fellowship and some fun activities for the kiddos, too! Invite your neighbors!

**JOY Group** returns to Woodstock Square to enjoy **The Blooze Brothers** on **Friday, August 14th @7:00 pm.**



Mark your calendars for a **Paddleboat Tour** in St. Charles with the **JOY Group** on **August 20th.** More details to follow!

If you are interested in "**following in the footsteps of Paul**" and **traveling to Greece in 2028** with other members of our church, sign up in the office.

**Fall Upward Soccer** for kids PK4-5th grade is a little over a month away and registration is now open! Visit our website and click on the soccer button at the top of the page or scan the QR code here to sign up. Volunteers are also needed. See Chloe for more details.



As you start shopping for school supplies, considering throwing an extra item or two in your cart for **Operation Christmas Child**. We need scissors, markers, crayons, pens, pencils, colored pencils & erasers. Thank you!

# Welcome!

August 1 & 2, 2026

Welcome to St. John's -

A place to belong and be loved!

We are thrilled to have you here worshipping with us today and are glad you are part of our church community. Whether you are visiting for the first time, searching for a church home, or have been a member for many years, you are always welcome here.

If you would like more information about St. John's, have a prayer request, or are interested in joining our church family, please fill out the Connection Card located in the front of each pew. You may place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.



## Tuesday:

7:00 pm AA Meeting

## Thursday:

9:15 am Women's Bible Study

## Friday:

7:00 pm Young Adult Bible Study

## Saturday:

5:30 pm Worship

## Sunday:

8:30 am Tailgate Fellowship

9:30 am Outdoor Worship

11:00 am Pig Roast & Potluck

## ST. JOHN'S COLOSSAL CREATION MUSEUM & ARK ENCOUNTER EXCURSION

**SEPTEMBER 1-3, 2026**



## ESTIMATED COST:

**\$325 PP/DOUBLE**

**\$475 PP/SINGLE**

**INCLUDES: TWO BREAKFASTS,  
HOTEL, MUSEUM ADMISSION,  
& DINNER CRUISE**

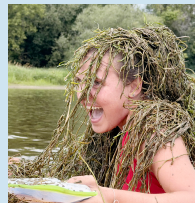
**SIGN-UP BY AUGUST 3RD WITH  
\$100 NONREFUNDABLE DEPOSIT**

# The Bulletin Board

(info, events, updates)

## FLOAT Trip!

The High School Youth Group "floated the Fox" on Friday, July 24th and enjoyed a fun time on the river!



## Governing Board Nominations

Do you love St. John's and want to help shape its future? Serving on the Governing Board is a meaningful way to use your gifts, grow in your faith, and make a lasting impact on our church family. This year two seats will be open as the first term for two current members on the Governing Board is ending. A term is a three year commitment.

You may be a great fit if you:

- Have been a member of St. John's for at least 2 years
- Have a heart for serving and helping St. John's grow
- Enjoy working with others and are willing to volunteer your time
- Bring strengths in leadership, problem-solving, creative thinking, or strategic planning—or have a desire to develop those gifts
- Can commit to 6:30 p.m. meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month (roughly 10 months each year)
- Want to learn more about the many ways your gifts can strengthen our ministry

If this sounds like something God may be placing on your heart, we'd love to talk with you!

Speak with a member of the Nominating Committee (Lori Borhart, Rick Heine, Dave Timmerman, Amber Mueller, or Jeff Van Valkenburg), pick up a Governing Board Information Packet from the back of the church, or attend a board meeting to learn more.

Applications are due October 1, and elections will be held in November.



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Worship attendance last week: 194  
General fund offerings last week: \$6,633

Scan here to  
give online:



### Praying for our members this week:

Rick & Dawn Miller  
The Mohny family: Andrew, Jen,  
Kingston, Grayson & Easton  
Thomas & Cristi Mohny  
Andrew Moore  
David & Linda Moore