



Saint John Lutheran Church

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NEWSLETTER

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Greetings, dear friends in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Fall is upon us and that means cooler temperatures especially at night. Farmers will begin planting wheat shortly and look ahead to the fall harvest. And it appears there will be a fall harvest after all. The corn was largely a failure, the beans are filling quite nicely, and some of the milo may make a crop if the frost holds off. I love living in a place where we have a changing of the seasons. After having gone through such a hot dry summer fall feels good and is quite a welcome change.

Community News: The Lincoln Community enjoyed another successful Post Rock Festival in September. Many of our Alumni came back to enjoy class reunions and to catch up on the lives of classmates as well. As part of the Festival, our own Men's Mission Group, the Early Risers, and our Youth Group held food booths to raise funds for their various projects. The turn out was very good and much fun, and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

St. John News: Again, with the beginning of a new school year comes the beginning of a new academic year at St. John. Weekday Classes began on Wednesday, Sept. 12th, 3:40pm with the bus picking the kids up at the grade school. Confirmation classes began the same day at 6:00pm with supper and class from 6:15-7:15. And finally, Adult Bible Class is being held at 8:00pm. On Sunday mornings we have also resumed Adult Sunday School where Kylo Heller is leading the class with a video series on the Holy Land and all of the Biblical history connected with that part of the world. Sunday school classes continue for the kids so we encourage our parents to bring their children to Sunday School and worship on Sunday mornings. **Also coming up on Sunday, October 14th, the WDS kids will hold their annual congregational breakfast beginning at 8:45am. They will then sing during worship at 10:30, and after enjoying sack lunches after worship we will board the church bus and go skating in Salina for the afternoon. Before returning home we will stop at McDonalds for supper and playtime before returning to the church. The church will pay for the cost of skating but children will need to bring money for supper. Parents are invited and encouraged to join us for a day of fun.** The Youth Group will once again hold their annual Community Fall Festival at St. John on Sunday, Oct. 28, 2:00-6:00pm. Adults and children are invited to enjoy a day of fun and fellowship.

LWML SUNDAY

As is our tradition we will once again hold our LWML (Lutheran Ladies in Mission) on the first Sunday in October, October 1st. As part of our celebration a door offering will be taken for the cost of postage for Operation Christmas Child, where we collect and send gifts in shoe boxes for poor children around the world. For most of these children this will be the only gifts they will receive. The LWML Fall Workshop will be held on Sunday, Oct. 21st at First Lutheran, Plainville.

Trinity: Along with all the great joys we have experienced at Trinity with the Sunday school program resuming, new members, and the joyous births of new babies tragedy has also hit the community. Tim Griffiths, husband to Laura and father of four young girls lost his life in a drowning accident at Waconda Lake. In response to this loss the Hunter, Tipton, Sylvan, and Lincoln Communities have come together to plan a community benefit at the Sylvan High School on Sunday, Oct. 14th beginning with a free-will donation Pork BBQ from 11:00-2:00, and an auction beginning at 1:00. Folks are encouraged to bring any items they wish to donate to the St. John parsonage or contact Alan Aufdemberge for pickup. Also the Lincoln community is asked to provide desserts for the meal and auction. This is truly a great opportunity to bring our churches and communities together even in times of loss to benefit the Griffiths family.

St. Paul's: After a wonderful 100th celebration in August, St. Paul's continues to experience growth as we welcome new members to our church family. Tegan, Jera, and Trac McCollough have begun to worship with us. On Sunday, October 7th we will welcome Jera and Trac into the family of God through the waters of Holy Baptism. A 5:30 potluck meal after the 4:00pm worship service will be held in their honor and everyone at St. John is invited to attend.

Calendar of Events

- Monday, Oct. 1, 5:00pm. Thrivent meeting in Beloit
- Wed, Oct 3, 1:30/3:40/6:00/8:00pm Dorcas, WDS, Confirmation, Bible Class
- Sunday, Oct. 7, 2:30pm. Circuit Forum and Meal at Immanuel Lutheran, Ellsworth
- Tues. Oct. 9, 6:00am. Early Risers
- Wed. Oct. 10, 3:40/6:00/7:30/8:00, WDS, Confirmation, YG Meeting, Bible Class
- Thursday Oct 11, 1:30pm LWML
- Sunday, Oct. 14, 8:45/10:30/12:30/7:00 WDS Breakfast/Worship/Skating/Council Mt.
- Sunday, Oct. 14, 11:00am/1:00, Benefit Dinner/Auction, Sylvan Grove
- Wednesday, Oct. 17, 3:40/6:00/8:00, WDS/Confirmation/Bible Class
- Sunday, Oct. 21, 2:00pm. LWML Fall Workshop, First Lutheran, Plainville
- Tuesday Oct. 23, 6:00am Early Risers
- Wednesday Oct. 24, 3:40/6:00/8:00 WDS/Confirmation/ Bible Study
- Sunday, Oct. 28, 2:00pm. Youth Group Fall Festival (SJL)
- Wednesday, Oct. 31, 3:40/6:00/8:00, WDS/Confirmation/Bible Class