

THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter August 10, 2025

The closing hymn for the 5:30 and 8:00 services this week is Hymn 912 in the LSB, titled *Christ Is Our Cornerstone*. This hymn highlights a major theme found in our readings for the week: the Lord provides us with everything we need. Each of the three verses reinforces a timeless truth. This truth was very relevant even in the era in which the hymn was originally written.

Christ Is Our Cornerstone was composed sometime in the 8th century A.D. Originally written in Latin, it was translated into English in the 1800s by John Chandler. The timing of its composition offers insight into the significance of its focus on the Lord's provision.

The 8th century was a pivotal time in Church history. One of the most significant events was the Second Council of Nicaea in 787. The first Council of Nicaea (325) gave us the Nicene Creed, and the second addressed the issue of the worship of icons. Icons, which are images of Jesus or other biblical figures, were banned from being objects of worship. This reaffirmed that only Christ is to be worshipped, not manmade representations of Him.

Perhaps this is why the first verse of *Christ Is Our Cornerstone* begins with the words:

*"Christ is our Cornerstone,
On Him alone we build;"*

Regardless, the hymn is a reminder that Christ is our foundation and our provider.

God is truly at work—using words written by His people almost 1,300 years ago to strengthen and encourage His people today. As we sing the closing hymn together, reflect on the *saints who now fill the courts of Heaven* (v.2) and once sang these same words. We join them in trusting that God's Word endures forever. Thanks be to God!

May the Lord bless you this week,

Pastor Dille

Rally Day 2025

Mark your calendars.
Sunday, August 17th
Breakfast will be at 9:00 a.m.

Parents: When your children go to Sunday School, bless them. You go, too! Come to adult Bible Study in the fellowship hall.

New Chairs

When you come to coffee time and Bible Study, you'll see that there are four new black chairs at some of the tables. These chairs have arms, and we hope they will be used by those who require a little assistance in getting up. If we think these chairs are the right design, we'll order four more. Let us know if the office.

Greeters

Our Evangelism Board urges that ALL of our members be eager greeters in an informal way before and after worship. Reach out and welcome those whom you don't – and do – know. We also would like to schedule some families and individuals to be designated greeters. Would you be able and willing to serve? If an evangelism board member asks, please say "yes." And if we don't ask you, volunteer (sign up on bulletin board): Think about how you'd like to be welcomed when you come into a church...and welcome others that way. Thank you.

Single Service Sunday With a Potluck Dinner

Our next 5th Sunday will be August 31st. We will have only 1 service on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. with a potluck meal to follow at 10:45 a.m.

St. John's "Jam Night"

August 16, 6:30 p.m.
(after evening service)
105 S Oak St (backyard)
Rain = gymnasium

Come enjoy a wide variety of music performed by our talented musicians.
Bring a lawn chair and your favorite snack!

Response to the Gospel
Our Attendance Last Week

Sunday, July 26 400
Adult Sunday School..... 40

Our Offering

General Fund.....\$8,270.00
Online Offering.....\$4,898.54
Total Gen. Fund Offering.....\$13,168.54

Prayer List

Clint, Curtis, James Seggelke, Barb Morrison, Oliver King, Cassie Power, Judy Siebert, Steve Rubin, Holly Bray, Chuck Mayberry, Trevor Roy, Niki Bishop, and the family of Henrietta Poe.

Stewardship Moment

Luke 12:24

“Consider the ravens: they neither sow nor reap, they have neither storehouse nor barn, and yet God feeds them.” God feeds the birds of the air, this we know. It’s just that, as one wit put it: God sometimes feeds the birds....to the cats! Yes, crosses and hardships will always come — Christ said that no disciple is above his Master. But through it all, the Lord cares for us and He calls upon us to entrust ourselves to that care. He really is our Father, and He really will guard and keep us through whatever this life has to throw at us. And in the end, we shall receive the gift of eternal life.

LifeLight

“Prophecy”

Classes start September 7

Sign up by Aug 25th on the bulletin board if you wish to participate.

Family Life Center
Annual Fundraising Banquet

When: September 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Where: Thelma Keller Convention Center

Time: Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Dinner is at 7:00 p.m.

Please sign up on the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the atrium to allow for enough meals.

There is no charge for the meal.

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

“Our Lord Jesus Christ assures us that the Heavenly Father makes His love for our kind evident in sunshine and rainfall (Matthew 5:45) along with sparrows and lilies (Matthew 6:25-33). So, we may expect to learn about the sanctity of every human life not only from His Word but also from His world.”

Pastor Michael Salemink, Lutherans For Life – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org

Youth Corner Upcoming Events

Pool Party

Sat., Aug 9th

With Dieterich LYF

More details to follow

Golf Outing

Sat., Sept. 13 at 1:00p.m.

(See this week’s Insert for details)

Cruise Night

Cruise night is set for

Saturday, September 6

Food from 4 p.m. until we are sold out!

More details will be coming.

Excess Garden Produce

Garden produce is always very well received by our food pantry, so if you have been abundantly blessed, we would gladly accept it. However, we can only accept “fresh” produce the Sun., Mon., or Tues before our pantry distribution, which is the 2nd & 4th Tues of the month.



Our next Food Pantry Distribution

Is August 12 from 3-4pm

Deepest Sympathy

Please keep the family of Henrietta Poe in your thoughts and prayers. Graveside services were held Friday, August 8th.

Lost Keys

Are you missing a set of car keys?
We have them in the church office.

Position Open

St. Peter's Lutheran School has an opening for the Kitchen Manager's position. If you are interested, please contact the church office, or send resume to letter of interest to 701 E Third, St. Peter, IL



The Next Holy Trinity Lutheran Hight School speaker event will be at 6:30pm, August 24 at St. John's south of Dieterich. Come learn about this wonderful project.

Board Members

In October our Voters Assembly will elect board members for service in support of our mission (Proclaim the Christ, Grow the Family, Love the Neighbor). Boards, including those members who are completing their time of service, should soon be praying, thinking, and recruiting so that all positions are filled. Do you have a desire to serve in some aspect of our ministry? Speak with our pastors or with Adam Bohnhoff (VP) or Jeff Weis (Pres). Thank you.

Church Picnic

Mark your calendars for
Sunday, September 28
More details coming soon.

Sunday School Teacher Needed!

We are now in need of a Kindergarten/1st grade Sunday School Teacher. Please reach out to Kiley Bohnhoff.

Attention Praise Band Members

Just as a reminder, we will be having 2 extra band practices this week. Tuesday, Aug. 12 from 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. and on Thursday, Aug. 14 from 6:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.

Thank You

We would like to thank everyone that helped with the rummage sale. Thank you to all who helped set up, worked, help us clean up, or donated items. It was all so very much appreciated! God's blessings on you all! The Youth Board

Anniversaries This Week

8/10/58	Lloyd & Shirley Wittenberg
8/10/13	Chuck & Nancy Lykins
8/12/06	Chad & Kristen Hartman
8/12/23	Bryce & Kelcie Beccue
8/13/21	James & Paige Jansen
8/14/10	Dr. Ryan & Sara Jennings
8/14/04	Jamie & Andrew Warner
8/15/87	Steve & Amy Miller
8/15/09	Mike & Desiree Conrad
8/16/75	Donald & Pat Wendte
8/16/86	Jeff & Lonnie Weis
8/16/97	Alan & Debbie Koester

Back To School

Please keep all those headed back to school in your prayers: Students, staff, administrators, teachers, custodians, and bus drivers



CALENDAR----- Aug. 10 – Aug. 16, 2025

Sunday	10	8:00 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
		9:15 a.m.	Adult Sunday School Only
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
			Pastor Burdick Vacation
Monday	11	.	Pastor Dille Best Practice in Ministry
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Stewardship
Tuesday	12		Pastor Dille Best Practice in Ministry
			Pastor Burdick Vacation
		1:00 pm.	Prayer Shawl
		3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry Distribution
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Social Ministry
		6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
Wednesday	13		Pastor Dille Vacation
		9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		10:00 a.m.	Stephen Ministry
		1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotions/Meeting
Thursday	14		Pastor Dille Vacation
		6:30 p.m.	Board of Elders
		6:30 p.m.– 8:00 p.m.	Praise Band Practice
Friday	15		Pastor Dille Vacation
			Pastor Burdick Sabbath
		11:30 a.m.	Office Closed
		6:30 p.m.	YABS
Saturday	16		Pastor Dille Vacation
		8:00 a.m.	Praise Band Practice
		8:30 a.m.	Stephen Ministry Training
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service w/HC
		6:30 p.m.	St. John's "Jam Night"

Birthdays This Week

8/10 Claire Niemerg, John Jackson
 Josie Fritch, & Logan Bloemer
 8/11 Brittany Bloemer, Dillon Wallin, &
 Jackson Mottashed
 8/12 Brody Nelson, Courtney Helregel,
 Roger Ohnesorge, & Sue Habbe
 8/13 Curtis Baginski, Gordon Davis,
 Kristin Niemerg, & Phil Stuemke

Birthdays Continued

8/14 Mike Logan & Rhett Bailey
 8/15 Carson Jones, Chad Hartman, &
 John Longwell
 8/16 Alexa Westjohn, Austin Bushue,
 Paige Boldig, & Palmer Brown

Prayer Shawl

We will meet on Tues., Aug. 12th at 1 p.m.