


THE EAGLE

St. John's Weekly Newsletter October 12, 2025



A frayed purple ribbon is tied to my key ring. I see it every day. Maybe you have a similar one. Many of us took home from church one of these ribbons on Rally Day, the kickoff of Sunday School and the Blessings of the Backpacks in August. The ribbon is to be a small reminder to pray.

Pray for the children in our church.

Pray like this: *"Jesus, You took children into Your arms and blessed them, for they need Your help and blessing every day. Please protect, guide and sanctify the children of our families and our church family. Help their parents to lead them daily to Your Word for truth and grace. Bless them as they raise their voices in prayer and song in worship this Sunday. Bless our children, _____, Lord. In Your name I pray. Amen."*

In our worship Services this school year we're adding a new dimension to our petitions. We're praying for every one of the students in our Eagle's Nest Preschool. Usually, two a week. Today we're praying for Abigail (and her parents, Kayleah & Brett) and Bryson (and his mom and dad, Mindy & Clayton). Nothing fancy, but something powerfully good. We're praying something like the prayer above for each child who comes here during the week, learning about God's world and from God's Word. We hope that they will be with us in worship on the Sunday when we're praying for them. They are always welcome. Always let them know that. We want children – wiggly, noisy, beloved – with us in the Lord's House, learning ... to pray.



Living the Lord's Prayer with Luther

On Sunday mornings during the normal Bible Study Hour in November, Pastor Dille will start a new Bible Study which walks through the Lord's Prayer. The study will be focused on the Lord's command to pray the Lord's Prayer and what it means for our daily life.

Council Meeting

October 21 at 7:00 p.m.

Voters Assembly

October 28 at 7:00 p.m.

Food Pantry

The food pantry is in need of Plastic Bags!
Donations for the month of October
Canned Fruit, Peanut Butter, Canned Vegetables, Canned Ravioli, and Beefaroni
We are grateful for ALL donations!

Baby Shower

St. John's is hosting a baby shower for Pastor Dille and Katie on October 19th from 2:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. ALL ARE WELCOME! There will be cake and punch. The Dille's have a Baby registry with Amazon & Target! If you are unable to attend, there is a gift table set up in the fellowship hall.

Pure Germany, 2026

One-of-a-kind-experiences
Two options, September or November
(See the bulletin board for details)

Jr. LYF (6th – 8th grade) are taking orders for greeting cards!

Congregational Service

Sunday November 2 at 2:30pm we will band together with all the owner congregations of **Lutheran Care Center** for the annual Congregational Service. We're moving it to the first Sunday of November to align with the tradition of having the Celebration & Pastors' Bake-Off be on the first weekend of November. Plan to come to Immanuel Lutheran Church in Altamont for the Celebration Service at 2:30pm and stay afterward for fellowship and the Pastors' Bake-off. It will be a great afternoon of thanking God for the mercy work of our beloved Lutheran Care Center in Altamont!

Response to the Gospel **Our Attendance Last Week**

Sunday, October 5	465
Adult Sunday School.....	40
Lifelight	18
Sunday School.....	43

Our Offering

General Fund	\$7,636.29
Online Offering.....	\$5,134.58
Total Gen. Fund Offering.....	\$12,770.87

Stewardship Moment **Luke 14:11**

“For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and he who humbles himself will be exalted.” “The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom” (Prov. 9:10). That’s called humility. The Lord is God, and we are not. With that in mind, how could we not seek to follow His Word in all aspects of life? Once we see His love for us in the cross of Christ, how could we not trust Him? He knows what He is talking about, and we don’t. He loves us and wants to bless us. If you believe that, then striking out on a path of faithfulness in the realm of stewardship is a lot easier. It just makes sense.

LIFE QUOTE From Lutherans for Life

We care about that precious baby, but we also care about the mom. We care about that woman who is haunted by the guilt and shame of a past abortion ... We care because Jesus cares for us. We love because God first loved us. And this we know! Our Lord Jesus—who died for us and took away all of our sin and guilt and shame—is risen and ascended to the Father’s throne. **JESUS LIVES! THE VICTORY’S WON!** *Pastor Paul Clark, LFL of Michigan – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life • lutheransforlife.org*

“This Weeks Sunday School Lesson”

LESSON 7

Today, we will study “Fiery Directions.” Miraculously rescued through the waters of the Nile by Pharaoh’s daughter, Moses escapes the condemnation pronounced on the other Hebrew boys. Leaving behind his life of privilege, Moses flees to Midian, where he encounters the living God in a burning bush. Through this encounter, God directs and equips Moses to rescue His chosen people from their slavery in Egypt. Discuss how we are saved through the waters of Baptism.

Prayer List

Mary & Kenny Dasenbrock, Matt Fauss, Cassie Power, Steve Rubin, Holly Bray, Trevor Roy, Irvin Wendte, Connie Phelps, Lloyd Wittenberg, Vi Kirchoff, and Alan Phelps. Eagle’s Nest Preschoolers Abigail (parents Kayleah & Brett) and Bryson (parents Mindy & Clayton).

Prayer Campaign for LIFE ... November 4th

Numerous congregations in our county are banding together to pray for children, parents, leaders, and neighbors in relation to LIFE issues. From 8:00am to 5:00pm, Christians in these churches are praying. Our day for St. John’s is Tuesday, Nov 4. We have posted a sign-up sheet with 30-minute increments, so 18 volunteers are needed. You will receive a guide for prayer, and can pray at home or at the church. See the sheet on the bulletin board, and take one of the prayer guides Pastor Burdick prepared. It’s not hard, but it is important. It will serve others, and you’ll be blessed through your time in the Word and prayer. Please sign up today for a time slot. If there are more than 18 volunteers, that’s great ... just double up on a time slot. Thank you.

St. Paul Lutheran Church, Wheeler **Corn Maze with Scavenger Hunt**

Fridays 6:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Saturdays 11:00 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.

Sundays 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

3rd weekend: October 10 - 12

4th weekend: October 17 - 19

Admission to the corn maze is \$5

Children 0-5 years are
FREE

FREE train rides and straw
maze for young children.

Flashlight is recommended
for evening hours.

(Check bulletin board for
more information)



More information on the bulletin board

Lydia Guild Invitation

The ladies of our church are invited to the Lydia Guild Social on October 21st at 6:00 p.m. We will have meat, salad, casserole, and desserts for our meal and have Windy Westfall speak about "Safety for Women" for our guest speaker. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the main hall.

Lutheran College Fair

High Schoolers, mark your calendars! There is a Lutheran College Fair at Concordia Seminary, St. Louis, on Saturday, Nov. 15th from 10 a.m.-2p.m. If there is interest, we would love to make it a group event. There will be 7 LCMS Universities present as well as both Seminaries. Please let Pastor Dille or Pastor Burdick know if you are interested.

Family Hayride & Wiener Roast

At Jim & Kathy Schroeders'

Sun. Oct. 19th from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

Everyone is invited.

Food provided by the Youth Board.

Tableware will all be provided.

Please bring your lawn chairs.

Please sign up on the bulletin board.

Candy Donations Needed

Lutheran Care is accepting donations of Halloween Candy for Trick or Treat. More information can be found on the bulletin board.

Chili Supper and Bake Sale

St. John's Lutheran Church, Louisville

Sun. Nov. 2nd from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Menu: Chili and Vegetable Soup, Sandwiches, Desserts, and Drinks

Congratulations

To Zac & Monica Scott on the birth of their son Landon, grandparents are Marcy & Julie Scott

Faith Lutheran Church Shumway Annual

Soup Supper

Sun. Oct. 19th from 4:00 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Menu: Homemade Chili & Chicken Noodle Soup, Ham & Cheese Sandwiches, Hotdogs, Pie, Cake, & Drinks

Youth Corner Upcoming Events

Youth Group Participation

Jr. High LYF October 8th: 11

Hayride & Wiener Roast at

Jim & Kathy Schroeder's

Sunday, Oct. 19th from 4 p.m. – 7 p.m.

**LET'S GO ON
A HAYRIDE**



Local Junior High LYF Gathering

On Sunday, October 12th at 5:30 pm, St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Wheeler will be hosting a cookout and an opportunity to walk through their corn maze. Please let Pastor Dille know if you will be attending so that he can notify the hosts from St. Paul's how many will be attending.

Operation Christmas Child

Will run from October 11 – November 23

Please plan to pick up a shoe box & shipping label next Sunday! The boxes will be set up in the main hallway. Pamphlets describing suggested gifts and prayer bookmarks will be free for the taking. No Soap this year.

There are 4 ways to participate:

1. Purchase gifts & pack a shoebox, including a check to cover shipping.
2. Donate new items for packing.
3. Contributions are \$10.00. Please make checks payable to "Samaritan's Purse."
4. Pray for safe & successful delivery of Christmas Child boxes as well as those receiving the Gift of the Gospel message.

Food Pantry Distribution

The next distribution is Tuesday, October 14th from 3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Where do you get your daily news and cultural commentary? I listen to the podcast "The World and Everything In It." - *Pastor Burdick*

CALENDAR-----Oct. 12 – Oct. 18, 2025

Sunday	12	8:00 a.m.	Worship w/HC
		9:15 a.m.	Sunday School
		10:30 a.m.	Worship Service w/HC
Preschool – Monday – Friday 8:25 a.m. – 11:25 a.m. (Unless Otherwise Noted)			
Monday	13		Pastor Dille's Sabbath
			No Preschool
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Stewardship
		5:15 p.m.	Choir Practice
Tuesday	14	8:45 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
		1:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl
		3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Food Pantry
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Social Ministry
		7:00 p.m.	Adult Catechism
Wednesday	15	8:45 a.m.	Preschool Field Trip
		9:00 a.m.	Bible Study
		10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Quilting
		1:00 p.m.	Office Staff Devotion/Meeting
		5:00 p.m.	Confirmation
		5:15 p.m.	Bell Practice
		6:00 p.m.	Youth Fellowship
Thursday	16	8:45 a.m.	Preschool Field Trip
		5:00 p.m.	Board of Youth
Friday	17		Pastor Burdick Sabbath
		8:45 a.m.	Preschool Chapel
Saturday	18	8:00 a.m.	Band Practice
		5:30 p.m.	Worship Service w/HC - Choir

Birthdays This Week

10/12 Linda Wells
 10/13 Darren Tabbert, Kenna Stewart,
 Mark Giesler, Timothy Bailey
 10/14 Donna Wetherell, Lucas Fread
 10/15 Gerald Wentz, Grant Goldstein,
 Jim Bailey
 10/16 Stanley Moeller
 10/17 Erica Palmer, Kami Bahrns, Katy Higgs,
 Laura Janis, Lonni Weis
 10/18 Brenda Osborne, David Althoff,
 Evan Pryor

Anniversaries This Week

10/12/2013 Jordan and Arielle Grupe
 10/12/2019 Bradley and Madisson Marcum
 10/12/2013 Bryce and Mallory Weber
 10/14/2007 Tim and Kelsey Rentfro
 10/15/1983 Mike and Joanne Schlechte
 10/17/1970 David and Carol Althoff
 10/17/2015 Ryan and Amanda Rieman