

Eating Manna for Breakfast

Lately, I can't get the story of the Israelites and the wilderness out of my mind.

I've always relied on this story from Exodus when times seem a little unclear to me. A funny (not funny) thing happened to me again this month. As the days grew shorter, I found myself very sad about the pandemic; about the loss of life, the unrest and the madness that seems to be the way of humans these days. I found myself desperately wanting a sanctuary packed with several hundred people, raising the temperature in the room by 2-3 degrees with our shared singing and speaking our words of faith. I wanted our breath filling the air and enveloping the room as we navigate the big and small things of this world.

I miss that. A lot. It's not that I'm not grateful for what we have....you have been faithfully watching our worship videos, and we strive to make them an experience where you can connect with God. But still, not ideal. More than one thing can be true at once: I am grateful, and I miss what we don't have. Ironically, the very thing that makes us beautiful people of God also makes us exceedingly vulnerable. I've been noticing that, a lot. I'm also noticing that we humans— myself included — are tiring of enduring pandemic stuff. With good reason. At the very least, it's really messing up routines. At its worse, it causes death, anxiety and isolation, and being safe goes against the grain of how we connect with one another.

I believe the heart of the gospel is God's grace enveloping fragile humans, bringing new life and transformation out of our limitations and things we cannot control. It's one thing to say it, but things get hairier when you live through vulnerable times; when you can't see the ending of the story you are currently living.

I find this to be as true for us today as it was long ago. I think of the story of the in Exodus as I hear my own heart echoing the lament of the Israelites stuck in their own wilderness: "how can we endure this way, and how long will it be until we get to the other side of things?!?"

What will God do?

Good question. The stories in the Bible guide us in the way of faith, a way of wisdom which invites us to see our current situation in light of our God, whose vision goes beyond what we can see.

Take the Israelites, for instance. When in the wilderness, they would wake up, scrounge around for food to nourish them as they trod around, step by step, day after day, no end in sight. It was mind numbingly discouraging. They turned to Moses, asking him to fix the situation. Moses has no answer, so he turns to God and says: "This one is all yours, Big Guy." And then two miracles happen. The first: God listens to their prayers, even the snarky ones. The second: God gives them manna, a flaky substance— never before seen— appearing like dew on the ground every morning for their nourishment. Manna literally means, "*what is this?!?*" Answer: what they're having for breakfast. God instructs them about this particular breakfast, saying: "Here's your food. It expires in 24 hours, so you can't save it for the next day. You have to only eat what you need today, and trust tomorrow will take care of itself." When some

people try a way around the instructions and gather manna for more than a day, the stuff rots and is unfit to eat.

Manna: it's not what they had before. It's not what they want. It's difficult to endure it, day after day. But somehow, manna feeds them for the journey. For 40 years! That's 40 years of waking up and seeing manna on the ground, 40 years of taking it one day at a time, 40 years to practice trusting God will give them what they need for *that* day.

And so it is with us, I think, as we move forward in these next days. We are in the hard part of enduring. What I want this month is a packed sanctuary and loud singing and bumping into people. What we'll get is just enough to get us through, perhaps, until God gives us something more to chew on. I keep looking for the ways God is giving us little things, here and there, little ideas that make us wonder- "well, what is this?" In October, some drive-thru communion times so we can see each other's eyes. Perhaps your little bubble of people can watch worship, together. Maybe more, we have to get creative here — prayer stations in the parking lot? People showing up in Zoom rooms to tell us how their faith is getting them through *this* part of the journey?

What is God giving you today to endure?

Oh you lovely, beloved community of God, hear me say this: This too shall pass, I know it will. And we will be working to find ways to connect until then.

But if you ask me "When are we going to be able to do things like normal?" and I shrug my shoulders; know that it's not because I'm not thinking about it, praying about it, wondering about it and *longing* for it as well...

I'm just eating my manna for breakfast.

Pastor Jen



DRIVE THRU COMMUNION

Parking Lot Style

One of the most sorely missed parts of our church life has been the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Pastor Jen, Pastor Robin and Pastor Evan are excited (*like happy dance excited*) to share that in-person communion will resume in October!

Place these dates on your calendar and drive thru the Communion line at St. John on your own, with a friend or with your family to receive Holy Communion and blessings from a pastor. Your weekly email will have for more details as the day gets closer. Our pastors will utilize the most current Illinois and CDC safety protocols.



11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

October 11th

October 25th

November 8th

November 22nd

Worship Information

Save the Date!

October 11th Blessing of the Animals

Look for more information in the weekly email and on Facebook.

Virtual Choir

We'd love to hear you!

Do you miss singing in church? Join our Virtual Choir. They sing every Sunday during worship! It's an easy process with plenty of social distancing.

Step 1: Singers record themselves singing at home on their smartphones.

Step 2: Ellen Goodwin mixes the vocal recordings with instruments to create the music you hear in our weekly services.

You do not have to be a soloist to do this. You don't have to have the perfect voice, or even wear a robe.

You can be a kid, a teen, an adult or senior. Just like our live choirs, all of the voices blend together to make a beautiful sound! If you'd like more information, please email Ellen, stjohnpraiseteam@gmail.com. She will send you complete recording instructions, along with a little recording project to get you started.

Lectionary Readings

Sept. 20	God's Promise to Abraham <i>Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Genesis 15:1-6 (<i>Luke 3:8</i>) God promises Abraham descendants as numerous as the stars. Abraham believes.
Sept. 27	God Works through Joseph <i>Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Genesis 37:3-8, 17b-22, 26-34; 50:15-21 (<i>Luke 6:35</i>) Joseph's dreams lead to family conflict and he is sold into slavery. In the end Joseph forgives. God works for good.
Oct. 4	The Promise of Passover <i>Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Exodus 12:1-13; 13:1-8 (<i>Luke 22:14-20</i>) Passover: the blood of the lamb and unleavened bread signify God's sacrifice of the lamb God's deliverance.
Oct. 11	Golden Calf <i>Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	Exodus 32:1-14 (<i>Luke 23:34</i>) Golden calf shows unfaithfulness at Mt. Sinai. Moses intercedes, God forgives.
Oct. 18	God Answers Hannah <i>Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</i>	1 Samuel 1:9-11, 19-20; 2:1-10 (<i>Luke 1:46-55</i>) Samuel is God's answer to Hannah, who sings of God's care for the needy.
Oct. 25	God's Promise to David <i>Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost (or Reformation)</i>	2 Samuel 7:1-17 (<i>Luke 1:30-33</i>) God's promise to David concerning his heir, who will be God's Son and whose kingdom will endure forever.



Church Office

Hours

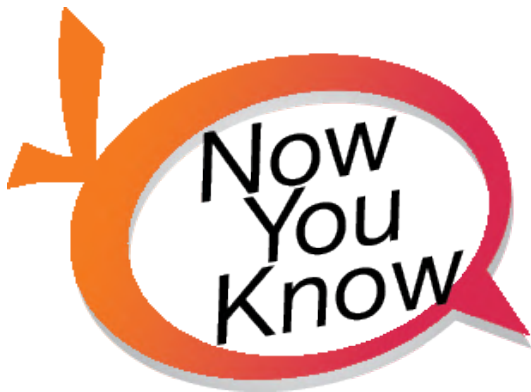
Monday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.
Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Contact

815-439-2320
stjohn2650@gmail.com

If your answer to any of these questions is yes, contact the St. John church office. Our staff is ready to answer your questions and connect you into our community of faith.

- Would you like a digital email version of the newsletter instead of a mailed paper one?
- Would you like a church directory to stay in touch or send a note to your friends?
- Would you like information on the AI-Anon meeting held Mondays at 7:00 p.m.?



New Member Class

This is Christ's church and there is a place for you here!

Date: October 6th Time: 6:30 p.m. Zoom

We are a church that shares a living, daring confidence in God's grace. Liberated by our faith, we embrace you as a full person—questions, complexities, and all.

Sink your roots into a community of faith. Join Pastor Jen Beamsley as she leads an informal class about who we are, what we believe, and what it means to belong to St. John. Contact: Pastor Jen for information or to sign up, jenbeamsley@gmail.com.

Check In with Pastor Jen

Ask questions. Catch up. Just say hi!

Date: October 8th Time: 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Zoom

Date: October 22nd Time: 11:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Zoom

Check your email the day before check in for a date and time specific link to join the conversation. Zoom isn't your thing?

No problem. Check the email or call the office for a phone number you can use to call-in.



Land West

Going, Going, Gone!

On Wednesday, September 9th, the property deal for Land West closed. Our thanks to Steve Engel, congregational member and our realtor for his work in bringing this deal to closure.

St. John will tithe 10% of our sale to ministries near and dear to our heart. The remaining proceeds are placed into a designated fund called "Future Growth." When we gather again, we will vision how St. John will use this gift to Share the Love of Christ.

Sanctuary Prayer Time

Coming Back Soon!

Plans are in the works to open the Sanctuary for designated prayer times during the week. Look for updates in your weekly email or ask Pastor Jen at a check in on October 8th or 22nd!

Attention all Prayer Warriors!

Prayer List

Our St. John family and friends need our prayers seemingly now more than ever. If you would like to receive our weekly Prayer Concern list, please email Pam Kornaus, stjohnpamkornaus@gmail.com. She will email or snail mail Prayer Concerns each Monday to anyone who requests it. Do you have a friend or family member you would like us to pray for? Get in touch with us one of these ways:

- Call Pam in the church office at 815-439-2320.
- Email stjohnpamkornaus@gmail.com.
- Visit stjohnjoliet.org and use the prayer concern form on the home page.
- Post it during prayer concerns on Sunday during Sunday worship. If posting online, please use first names only to respect privacy.

St. John Youth & Family Ministries

Faith Formation for Youth and Families

Q: Are we having Sunday School?

A: Yes, Children PreK – 6th Welcome

Like everything else in our world, Sunday School will be different, but we are planning for classes to NOT be on Zoom. Intrigued? Log into the upcoming Zoom parent orientation to hear details and information. Check your email on the 26th for the Zoom meeting links. {Children Pre-K (4-years-old by Sept. 1st) through 6th grade. 7th - 12th graders will meet through Confirmation and FIRE.}

Sunday School Teachers Zoom Orientation

Thursday, September 24th 7:00 p.m.

Sunday School Parents Orientation

Sunday, September 27th 11:00 a.m.

Q: Are we having Confirmation?

A: Yes, All 7th – 9th Graders Invited

Yep, you guessed it. Confirmation will look different when we come back together. For details and more information, check your email the day before the meeting for Zoom links for the following orientations.

7th Grade Student/Parent Orientation

Tuesday, September 22nd 7:00 p.m.

Confirmation Leaders Only Meeting

Wednesday, September 23rd 7:00 p.m.

8th and 9th Grade Student/Parent Orientation

Wednesday, September 30th 7:00 p.m.

Q: Are FIRE, College-Age Check In & Young Adults meeting this fall?

A: Yes, New Members Invited

FIRE, College-Age Check In and Young Adults groups have been meeting all summer on Zoom. If someone in your family is now a high school or college freshman, s/he is invited to move up to the next level in our faith foundation ministry program.

To Join:

FIRE - High School Students 9th-12th Grade
Text @pastorevan to 81010

College-Age - College Freshmen-Seniors
Text @collegechk to 81010

Young Adults – Post College – 40ish
Text @stjohnyam to 81010

Upcoming Zoom Meetings:

FIRE, Wednesdays at 8:15 p.m. ****New Time**
September 23rd, 30th; Oct. 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th

College-Age, Tuesdays at 9:00 p.m.
September 22nd; October 13th

Young Adults, Mondays at 7:00 p.m.
September 21st; October 5th, 19th

Q: Are we doing College Care Kits?

A: Yes

Our college age kids are learning in many different models this year. Some students are away at school in class and/or doing remote learning. Other students are at home going to class and/or participating in remote learning. And still more students do a hybrid of both. Confusing? You bet. What's not confusing is that we want to let them know we are thinking of them, especially during this unusual school year.

- **Sign up your student** by October 1st to receive a College Care Kit.
- **Sign up yourself or your family** to create and send a College Care Kit to a student.

Contact Pastor Evan to participate and sign up,
pastorevanmayhew@gmail.com.

Q: Is our Mothers Of PreSchoolers Group (MOPS) meeting this year?

A: Yes, New Members Invited

Our MOPS group is doing a hybrid meeting model this year. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month for a Facebook Watch Party Video meeting. On the following Mondays, members enjoy socially distant fellowship in the parking lot.

This growing ministry welcomes moms who raise children age 1 month – Kindergarten. Monthly dues are waived and the cost to attend is FREE! A nominal MOPS International membership is required and scholarships are available.

Upcoming Meetings:

Friday Video Meetings

Time: TBD

September 25th

October 9th

October 23rd

Monday Meet Ups

7:00 p.m.

September 28th

October 12th

October 26th

Contact Sarah Knudsen at 708-595-7228 for more information or to join.

**The line starts on Essington,
between Caton Farm &
Hennepin.**

It stretches to Hennepin.

It snakes down Hennepin to
to St. John Lutheran Church.

Hundreds of families.

Waiting.



This scene repeats itself every *Saturday*.

March

April

May



June

July

August

September



St. John is a beacon of hope in a community with escalating COVID positivity rates and rising unemployment.

Diamonds is closed. Out of business.

Amid the struggles, anxiety and uncertainty of a worldwide pandemic, our neighbors arrive – insecure and hungry. Many new clients feel embarrassed. They are used to *giving* to pantries, not receiving.

The world's turned upside down.

It gives us an opportunity to Share the Love of Christ in a way we've never done before. There is not enough space here to share all of the amazing stories of hope, abundance and God's love.

Visit stjohnfood.org and view videos exploring St. John's response to COVID-19.



Wednesday mornings

We receive hundreds of thousands of pounds of food.

Wednesday or Thursday night

We pack.



Saturday Mornings

We serve.





“We’re not doctors and nurses. The ones that are, they’re doing their job. We’re just regular people who want to make a difference.” ~ Pastor Robin Caldwell



300+ families arrive by car, on foot or by bus.

They’re hungry.

Many are first time clients due to COVID related job loss. People of all colors, races and ages sit patiently, no matter the weather.

Hunger doesn’t discriminate.
Hunger doesn’t stop on holidays.
Hunger doesn’t care if it’s raining.

Neither do we.



Watch *Out of Work, Full of Hope* at stjohnfood.org



**GIVE.
VOLUNTEER.
stjohnfood.org**

small groups

Monday Nights

When: Weekly
Where: Zoom
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Contact: Linda Evans
lindaevans1975@gmail.com

We invite you to join your fellow Christian friends or to have an opportunity to meet new ones as we continue to grow our faith and strengthen relationships through weekly meetings. All are welcome!

Thursday Mornings

When: Weekly
Where: Zoom
Time: 9:00 a.m.
Contact: Marsha Getz
marshagetz1@gmail.com

You are invited to this causal Thursday morning women's group called Coffee with Friends. It features a devotional, open discussion time and fellowship - *Where Friendships Bloom*

Thursday Night

When: 3rd Thurs., Monthly
Where: Zoom
Time: 6:30 p.m.
Contact: Lynne Smith
lynneglenn@hotmail.com

Ladies, there is a place for you here in our monthly Thursday night small group.

Invite a friend or make new ones during devotionals, conversations and fellowship.

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry is still here for you!

If you would like to request a prayer shawl for yourself or someone in need, email the ministry at: stjohnprayershawls@gmail.com.

When the prayer shawl is completed and delivered to the church, you will receive an email detailing when you can pick it up from the church office.

Completed prayer shawls will be wrapped and placed in a clear bin that will sit outside of the church office.



Free Chef Hats!



For a limited time, we are giving away FREE chef hats to people who volunteer to serve on our Daybreak Meal Team. You read that right, your pandemic weary eyes have not deceived you!

Who hasn't dreamed of donning a crisp, white chef hat made from the finest cotton/polyester blend money can buy?

Don't miss your opportunity to serve on our Daybreak Meal Team and get a nifty chef hat! Team members will serve 1 day a month and fill the following roles: food preparation at their home, delivery to Daybreak and meal service on site. Contact Pam Atkinson now & receive a matching mustache mask to wear with your snazzy chef hat, (*mustache printing optional*).

Hurry before supplies run out! Call Pam Atkinson at 586-260-2480.



Happy September Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 *Birthday: Jacob Heinrich, Connor Holt, Steve Knabel, Brandon Mumm, Arnie Oppenheim, Madison Slinkard; Anniversary: Bob & Mary Anderson, Jeff Bulin & Jessica Schmidt Bulin*
- 2 *Birthday: Evie Bishop, Loreli Cole, Ethan Conquest, Silas Paul, Sandra Peterson; Anniversary: Brian & Rebekah Malatia, Ken & Chrissy Spiecker*
- 3 *Anniversary: Roy & Blanche Conterez, Ken & Laura Niles*
- 4 *Birthday: Jordan Heinrich, Michelle Kehrer, Georgene Lange, Christopher Rimmke, Carrie Torkelson; Anniversary: Alyxandra & Megan Llorens*
- 5 *Birthday: Meranda Abante, Stephen Masters; Anniversary: Trenton & Judy Ferro, Julie Arinaga & Rich Santoro*
- 6 *Birthday: Evan Bloomquist, Tara Cherry, Holger Rubien; Anniversary: David & Wendy Farkasch, Doug & Kelly Gossen*
- 7 *Birthday: Matt Becker, Elizabeth Benedict, Tyler Rathbun, Katelyn Shlensky, Kimberly Wyss, Lori Zach*
- 8 *Birthday: Phillip Dachman, Joseph Engel, Michael Leonhardt, Nathaniel Richardson, Ken Swanson; Anniversary: Bryan & Claudia Smoljo*
- 9 *Birthday: Andrew Brawthen, Donald Fee, Kimberly Isaacson, Morgan Knudsen, Hailey Rathbun, Anthony Ritchie*
- 10 *Birthday: Mike Evans, Nick Pauly, Crystal Zukoski; Anniversary: Steve & Eva Liss*
- 11 *Birthday: Kelly Bishop, Emily Conquest, Al Drury, Justin Kuhn, Matt Markwell, Michelle Turvey*
- 12 *Birthday: Janile Day, Melissa Eads, Lynne Smith, Caleb Stewart, Fredrick Yax; Anniversary: Tom & Susan Bowen, John & Susan Fleming*
- 13 *Birthday: Gina Costello, Nathan Dybas, Eric Egger, Sophia Hudecek, William Hudecek, Debbie Kane, Emily Kasper, Trevor Stockhausen; Anniversary: Mike & Katelyn Cowell, Tom & Stacey Haskell, Joe & Michelle Sparacio*
- 14 *Birthday: Nathan Desiderio, Mitch Mariotti, Jillian Murray, Abbigail Obodzinski, Suzanne Oxley, Collin Richardson, Matthew Thomas, Lyn Warren; Anniversary: Warren & Christa Arnold, Ray & Becky Barnes, Doug & Jen Binns*
- 15 *Birthday: Ryan Chignoli, Eric Daniels, Jeffrey Eklund, Logan Knudsen, Kiley Torkelson; Anniversary: Ray & Chari Rahn*
- 16 *Birthday: Emma Bloomquist, Jeff Carter, Karli Carter, Cosette Hatcher, Rose Helmer, Jody Hideg, Lilith Schlosser; Anniversary: Paul & Kelli McDonald*
- 17 *Birthday: Abby Bay, Mary Gruneich, Isabella Sonenshein*
- 18 *Birthday: Mary Ann Egger, Grayson Knudson, Justin Paquette, William Swanberg, Desiree Trujillo*
- 19 *Birthday: Logan Edwards, Brian Hay, Melissa Hoeg, Grace Preboy, Jennifer Seeley; Anniversary: Steve & Connie Knabel*
- 20 *Birthday: Grant Kearney, Sam Kehrer; Anniversary: Adam & Heather Sonenshein*
- 21 *Birthday: Brooke Barnes, Leonard Erdahl, Lisa Hede, Alison Morris, Wanda Schmidt*
- 22 *Birthday: Zach Souhrada-Rogers, Mary Jo Volkening; Anniversary: Ron & Michelle Covert*
- 23 *Birthday: Dennis Gossen; Anniversary: Darrell & Pamela Gierich*
- 24 *Birthday: Tim Bailey, Dominick Baldassano, Tobias Campolattara, Katherine Hahn-Boisvert, Sandra Carlson, Ardie Holtz, Max Narine, Ashlynn Sabatini, Alex Spero, Ken Spiecker; Anniversary: Jim & Peggy Graefen*
- 25 *Birthday: Kathleen Alberico, Preston Ellis, Owen Peszynski, Karen Sharpe; Anniversary: Bill & Sandy Baron, Brian & Cathy Joseph, Stephen & Carolyn Liedtke*
- 26 *Birthday: Laura Boyne, William Gurley, Kayla Heriaud, Cynthia Jepsen, Lydia Leonhardt, Nicole Paramo, Derek Persico; Anniversary: Jim & Suzanne Repavich*
- 27 *Birthday: Doug Gossen, Will Johnston, Matt Russell, Stephanie Taylor, Kathleen Viskocil; Anniversary: Scott & Elizabeth Benedict, David & Carolyn Piekosz*
- 28 *Birthday: Oscar Gamboa, Andrea Grundon, Gail Hartley, Linda Martin, Juliet Michalesko, Lydia Michalesko, Carol Scaglione, John York; Anniversary: Roger & Carolyn Wyss, Jason & Magen Wielgus*
- 29 *Birthday: Mia Kristensen, Chris Markwell, Connor Neville, Olivia Oxley; Anniversary: Jeff & Jerilyn Engel, Jay & Vicki Forkel, Donald & Elizabeth Fee*
- 30 *Birthday: Douglas Allen, Connie Beringer, Heather Collachia, Aiden Henry, Margaret Holzrichter, Cheryl Lovell; Anniversary: Mark & Cindy Dolle*

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- 1 *Birthday: Cathy Kush*
- 2 *Birthday: Tod Carter, BillieAnn Cole, Madilyn Cole, Aurora Incaudo, Shelli Russell;*
Anniversary: Chuck & Keri Cortese
- 3 *Birthday: Nicholas Rousonelos; Anniversary: Mitch & Lauren Cole, Kurt & Erin Noon*
- 4 *Birthday: Karen Bobek, Joan Johnson, Jacquie Marco, Tim Torkelson; Anniversary: Ron & Eloise Crabb*
- 5 *Birthday: Taylor Eads, Lee Perignon, Jim Talarico; Anniversary: Ryan & Sarah Bromer, Bill & Abby Mastin, Frank & JoAnne Sharp*
- 6 *Birthday: Lee Amodei, Allison Baker, Mike Beringer, Sophia Loch, Alex Richter, Joe Scaglione;*
Anniversary: Joe & Melinda Scaglione
- 7 *Birthday: Autumn Desiderio, Alan Eckman, Therese Hede, Jeffrey Loch, Catherine Mastin, Shari Peszynski;*
Anniversary: Steve & Colleen Tobolic
- 8 *Birthday: Grant Boburka, Mary Duarte, David Jepsen, Terry Teegardin, Kristen Vorrier;*
Anniversary: Phil & Judy Dachman, Rob & Meghan Doyle, Paul & Christine Brandl
- 9 *Birthday: Lillian Bishop, Paul Carlson, Alexander Hernandez, Jonathan Humphries, Brian Ross, Kurt Ulbricht; Anniversary: Mike & Connie Beringer, Ben & Allison Gunnink*
- 10 *Birthday: Matt Chignoli, Carolyn Wyss; Anniversary: Mark & Penny Collins, Alissa & Nicole Koenig, Dan & Mary Musa*
- 11 *Birthday: Matthew Egly, Deborah Koehler, Norma Reed, Ben Rouskey, Connor Schlosser;*
Anniversary: Daniel & Stacy Alvarado, Brian & Julie Ross, Josh & Lisa Hardie
- 12 *Birthday: Stephanie Anhalt, Lauren Eklund, James Gurley, Margaret Kuhn;*
Anniversary: Robert & Jean Fitzer, Phil Spung & Gail Hartley, Darren & Nancy Conrad, Ellen Goodwin & Mike Pragit
- 13 *Birthday: Sean Barnes, LaVerne Slade; Anniversary: Marshall & Chrissy Darwish, Carlos & Lisa Marshall, Tom & Leslie Saner*
- 14 *Birthday: Glenn Smith, Joseph Sparacio; Anniversary: Robert & Linda Bobb, Mark & Cindy Schultz, Tom & Amy Morris*
- 15 *Birthday: Katelyn Johnson, Anthony Jones; Anniversary: Derek & Sabrina Persico, Fred & Julie Yax*
- 16 *Anniversary: Frank & Christine Summer*
- 17 *Birthday: Helena Bishop, Marilyn Krautstrunk, Jacob Van Byssum;*
Anniversary: Tod & Michele Carter, Jay & Emily Kasper, Bill & June Kruse, Carmen & Carla Muto, Kurt & Michele Perignon
- 18 *Birthday: Linda Bobb, Kim Duffy, Lacy O'Brien, Bryan Ogrizovich;*
Anniversary: Steve & Monica Engel, Joe & Dana Russ, Allan & Robin Trueblood
- 19 *Birthday: Jonathan Adams, Carly Hall, Lila Quiaoit; Anniversary: Dave & Emily Ellis*
- 20 *Birthday: Steve Engel, Matt Kornaus, Maia Linko, Jack Linko Kim Neville;*
Anniversary: James & Jennifer Tarnowski
- 21 *Birthday: Megan Olejniczak*
- 22 *Birthday: Ryan Blackman, Robert Bobb, Jessica Schmidt Bulin, Zachary Carpenter;*
Anniversary: Jim & Jan Holt
- 23 *Birthday: Anita Freehauf, Jennifer Gibson; Anniversary: Tim & Robin Caldwell, Mike & Audrey Montalto*
- 24 *Birthday: Allison Bishop, Caroline Fox, Logan Loch, Mike Mihavics, Pam Murray, Lindsay Skolos*
- 25 *Birthday: Gracie Mitchell, Jason Rouskey, Noah Rouskey*
- 26 *Birthday: Jason Bishop, Vivian Haskell*
- 27 *Birthday: Gina Zweeres; Anniversary: Tom & Barbra Furmankiewicz*
- 28 *Birthday: Allison Anderson, Kevin Kipper, Daniel Musa*
- 29 *Birthday: Mary Anderson, Doug Binns, Rilie Spiecker*
- 30 *Birthday: David Kohler, Hannah Vargo; Anniversary: Aaron & Amy Romberg*
- 31 *Birthday: Christopher Bornhoeft, Eileen Diercks, Jeffrey Engel, Peyton Isaacson, Ciera Strickland;*
Anniversary: Brian & Michelle Bahr

Announcements

Wedding Congratulations to:
Courtney Kohler and Frank LaPash

We Welcome through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism:
April Lorraine Welter, daughter of David & Ashley Welter
Isla Mae Vicik, daughter of Jeff and Jessica Vicik
Olivia Rae Bulin, daughter of Rick Bulin and Jessica Schmidt Bulin
Oliver Monroe Smith, son of Don and Jennifer Smith
Xavier Marcel Haskell, son of Tom & Stacey Haskell

Illness/Recovering:
Nicki Alander, Maghan Amodei, Gail Bartz, Heather Basham, Pam Blaesing, Rene Bogacz, Kathy Calahan, Cody Carter, Tiffany Crowther, Judy Dachman, Greg Domaleczny, Jim Duren, Cathy Edwards, Arlene Erdahl, Linda Evans, Susan Fick, Samantha Fregeau, Edwina Gell, Gail Hartley, Diane Kaiser, Dawn Kemp, Bill Kerschbaum, Linda Koerner, Cathy Kush, Caroline MacGregor, Lynn Martinek, Norene Mazlewski, Joe Miller, Kathy Moore, Barb Koskowicz, Madison Mumm, Cathi Niewinski, Jeff Niewinski, Dana Oades, Arnie Oppenheim, Claudia Pacini, Kim Pennington, Barb Perignon, Cheryl Pierce, David Piekosz, Matthew Rathbun, Barbara Reed, Jim Repavich, Lily Romberg, Margie Santiago, Evan Sauerwein, Joe Scaglione, Mindy Scaglione, Julie Schultz, Dick Seaberg, Dee Seeman, Jim Simmons, Michelle Sparacio, Ciera Strickland, Sharon Sullivan, Patty Taylor, Michelle Turvey, Scot Turvey, Roger Wright, Caroline Wyss, Lori & Wendy Zach

Hospitalization/Surgery/Testing/Accident:
Pat Bambule, Madeline Milashoski, Lee Perignon, Dan Richardson, Carol Scaglione, Jackie Simpson

Prayer Concern:
Amodei family, Warren Arnold, Robb Bobb, Morgan Knudsen, Bill Leon, Quiaoit family, Natalie Russow, Rich Santoro/Julie Arinaga family, Seaberg family, Kate Sohn, Chelsea Trueblood, Trueblood family, Brooke VaBales

Prayers for our Homebound/Care Facility Members:
Betty Barnes, Kelly Batterman, Kent Batterman, Barbara Buse, Sally Ferguson, Bob & Jean Fitzer, Ardeth Holtz, Mary Johnson, Ardys Koch, Marilyn Krautstrunk, Stephen Masters, Victor & Norene Mazylewski, Donna Nelson, Wilkie & Carol Parrish, Norma Reed, Wilma Smith, Al Stadelmaier

Serving in the Military:
Kyle Baugh, Brian Bergeman, Quinton Beyer, Daniel Bornhoeft, Thomas Bornhoeft, Isaiah Caldwell, Erik Carlson, Andy Groh, Noah King, Aaron Mateski, Nathaniel Richardson, Paul Shen, Jennifer Swanberg, Kyle Taylor, Emily Vance, Len Wruk

Our Sympathies To:
Darren & Nancy Conrad and family on the passing of their son, Jacob Conrad
Karen Egly and family on the passing of Karen's brother-in-law, Glen Schulte
Warren Arnold and family on the passing of Warren's wife, Christa Arnold
Jason & Kristen Vorrier and family on the passing of Jason's mother, Kathy Vorrier
Shari Richter and family on the passing of her father, Roger A. Haley
The family of Marilyn Walters; The family of Larry Weaver

Memorials:
In memory of Christa Arnold by Marilyn Krautstrunk
In memory of Marilyn Walters by Karen Thayer
In memory of Chris Spung by Jay & Vicki Forkel

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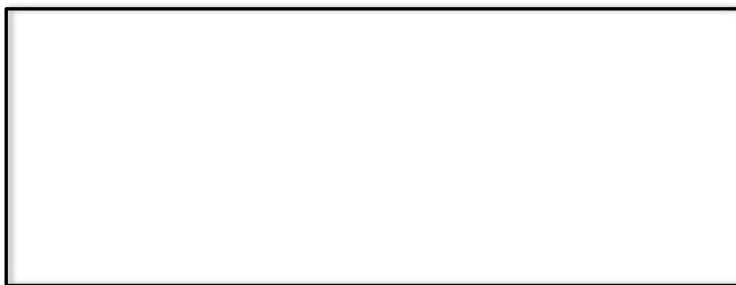


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