

# THE VINE & BRANCHES

9 NOVEMBER 2025

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*"I was glad when they said to me, 'Let us go to the house of the Lord!'" Psalm 122:1*

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

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Through Christ Jesus' blessing, all members of St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church enjoy growing in faith. Our living faith is shown by our teaching, reaching out and serving. (John 14:6)

## "WELCOME!" TO OUR VISITORS

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As brothers and sisters in Christ, the members of St. John's appreciate having you join us for the Divine Service this morning. We offer to you our sincere greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Please, if you have not done so already, take a moment to sign our guest registry located at the back of the sanctuary. We give thanks to God for having this time of worship together this morning and ask that you come back soon and visit us again. God richly bless your time with us today.

## CELL PHONES AND ELECTRONICS

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As God's people, we are extremely blessed that God calls us through His Word and Sacraments in His Church. He does not, however, promise to reach us directly via our cell phones and other electronic devices during the service. *Please be so kind as to take time to make sure yours is **turned off** before the start of the Divine Service.*

## SCRIPTURE OF THE WEEK

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“Now may the God of peace himself sanctify you completely, and may your whole spirit and soul and body be kept blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (1 Thessalonians 5:23)

## ISSUES, ETC.

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EXPERT GUESTS, EXPANSIVE TOPICS, EXTOLLING CHRIST... Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. Recent topics include: Liturgical Innovation & Doctrinal Innovation; Returning to a Culture of Life; Roman Catholic Priests Withholding the Communion Cup from the Laity; Male Attrition from Elementary School Teaching and more. You can listen at your convenience at [issuesetc.org](http://issuesetc.org), Amazon Alexa, Google Home, Apple HomePod, TuneIn, the LPR mobile app and a podcast provider.

## THE LUTHERAN HOUR

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The Lutheran Hour may be heard each Sunday morning on KGWO (89.5 FM) beginning at 8:00 a.m., and every Sunday on KJLT (97.5 FM/970 AM) at 5:00 a.m. & 2:00 p.m., or you can call and listen to the Lutheran Hour. The number to call for listening via your phone is 1-855-JOHN- 316, the prompt is # 3. Next Sunday, November 16, Rev. Dr. Zeigler—speaker of the Lutheran Hour, gives the message entitled, “**The Name on the Front.**”

Mercy is an others-focused attitude because God is an others-first God. (Romans 12:5-6)

## ASSISTING THIS MONTH AT ST. JOHN’S

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### *Head Elder*

Ray Burklund

### *Ushers*

TBD

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### *Greeters*

2 — Pastor Dickmander

9 — Tom & Vicki Spahn

16 — Pastor & Darla Stubenrouch

23 — Errol & Patty Nordhausen

30 — Curt & Val Wood

### *Acolytes*

Braden Franken

Jacob Stanley

### *Fellowship*

Judy Lehl

### *Altar Guild*

Judy Lehl

Melissa Franken

Brenda Heidemann

Joyce Schulz

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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**The LWML reported that there was \$316.45 collected during the Mite Walk.** We pray that God will bless and multiply these gifts for their designated grants.

**There are copies available (one set for each household) of the Funeral and Wedding Policies** adopted by the voting bodies of both St. John's and Trinity. Please sign that you have received your copy. These policies are also available on our website.

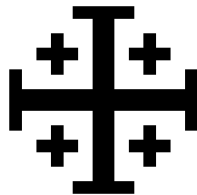
**The November church calendar and *Lutheran Witness*** are available on the table across from the ushers station.

**Our church website** ([www.stjohns-trinity-lcms.org](http://www.stjohns-trinity-lcms.org)) is back up and running—bulletins and announcements are being posted. You will also find a link under Media/Livestream for our Sunday morning service. The link to our YouTube Channel is: <https://www.youtube.com/@stjohnsbrulelcms/streams>.

**All members who are watching the Sunday morning LiveStream** (i.e., if you are ill or on vacation) are asked to email the church office so that an accurate weekly attendance can be recorded in Shepherd's Staff. Thank you.

**If you or a family member are hospitalized, undergoing treatments, etc.,** Please be sure to contact Pastor Dickmader so that he is aware and can schedule a time to visit when appropriate.

**If you have a church related announcement for The Vine & Branches,** either send an email to: [stjohnsbrulelcms@gmail.com](mailto:stjohnsbrulelcms@gmail.com) with the word "Announcement" in the subject line or please leave a note in the binder outside of Pastor's study.



## ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY PLANNER

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Today .....	8:30 am .....	Divine Service
	9:45 am .....	Fellowship
	10:00 am ....	Presentation: Makia Adler, Belize Missionary
T .....	8:00 am .....	Devotions
	4:00 pm .....	Bible Study
W .....	8:00 am .....	Devotions
	5:00 pm .....	Youth Instruction
Th .....	10:00 am .....	Pastor's Office Day @ Trinity
Next Sunday .....	8:30 am .....	Divine Service w/ Holy Communion
	9:45 am .....	Fellowship
	10:00 am .....	Sunday School & Adult Bible Class

### MEMBERS IN PRAYER

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Sharon Kelly

Don Pedersen  
Laura Stanley

Ed & Leanne Rowe

### PRAYER REQUESTED FOR...

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Rev. Birtell  
China Dixon  
Kevin Hughes  
Tommy Obersat  
Luke Richards  
Kip Suhr  
Ed Smith

Ken Comer  
Adlyn Even  
Shirley Morris  
Valera Park  
Jeremy Struckman  
Jean Timm  
Sadie Stephens

Donnie Dethlefs  
Angie Fisher  
Mike Nielson  
John Pick  
Bonnie Suhr  
Peggy Rose  
Rev. Hagen

Wilson & Foster Families

### Circuit Congregations in Vacancy

Beautiful Savior  
North Platte, NE

### Missionaries & Seminarians

Rev. Herb & Markie Burch  
Sem. Carter Thorman & Family

Dcs. Sandra Rhein  
Sem. Mesfin Merto