

# SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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## THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11 – SEPTEMBER 18, 2022

- SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)  
Blessing of LWR Quilts during Worship Service
- MONDAY:** 12:00 pm Bible Study today  
10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line)
- TUESDAY:** 6:30 pm Council Meeting (Conference Room)  
7:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)  
7:00 pm Scout Troop #7419 (Rm 113)
- WEDNESDAY:** 9:00 am Yin Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line)  
**11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary) NOTE TIME CHANGE!**  
6:30 pm Al-Anon District Meeting (Friendship Hall)
- THURSDAY:** 6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)  
7:00 pm Venture Crew #2419 (Rm 113)
- SATURDAY:** 8:00 am – 10:30 am Outside Work Day (meet in office parking lot)  
10:00 am Special Olympics practice (North Garden)
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

## OPPORTUNITIES FOR VIEWING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

- A live-stream of our worship service can be viewed on Sundays at 9:00 am on the congregation's YouTube Channel, accessible from the congregation's web-site, [www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/](http://www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/)
- Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's web-site, [www.sjlc-elca.org](http://www.sjlc-elca.org)
- The Sunday worship service is broadcast one week delayed on JATV, cable channel 994, on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

### **WE ARE PRAYING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

Dolores S., Nadine J., Keith M., Dave H., Mary P., Sue E., Connie O., Leonard, Dennis, Ron, Gloria W., Robert B., Gary H., Pat M., Eugene E., Bill E., Karlene T., Jean T., Alex, Chris, Norman D., Matt, John, Penny J., Annie E., Ruth B., Indie R., Ryan, Dennis, Janet, Blaine, Jane, Kelly K., Shelly V., Jada U., Judi M.

***Please call the congregation office if you or family members are hospitalized. The hospitals cannot be relied on to inform us.***

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### **PANDEMIC PROTOCOLS**

Please know that the Congregation Council will continue to review our pandemic protocols regularly and adjust them as necessary. The following protocols are in effect at this time:



- Wearing a mask during worship is optional at this time.
- There are three tiers of seating safety: (1) The pews on the main floor of the nave are open for family groups. Please consider your physical distance. (2) The back two rows of seating on each side (4 family groups) are marked and reserved for those wearing masks and needing more distance from others to feel safe. (3) Upstairs balcony seating (front side) is available for masked non-singers.
- Members are reminded to maintain some physical distance when visiting with one another, especially before and after worship service.
- The Wednesday Holy Communion Service is always a spoken service and is the safest.

We do things like get vaccinated, wear face coverings, maintain physical distance, and curtail our singing for the sake of one another. While these actions may be inconvenient or uncomfortable, we seek to live out our love for our neighbor, in faithful obedience to our Lord, Jesus Christ.

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### **MID-WEEK WEDNESDAY WORSHIP**

**Mid-week Worship will continue to be held on Wednesdays but we have moved the service up to 11:00 am.** Just a reminder that in addition to our usual precautions, the Wednesday Holy Communion Service is always a spoken service and is the safest for those with health concerns. We look forward to seeing you in the Sanctuary this summer!

### **OUTSIDE WORK DAY THIS WEEK!**

Please come join us this Saturday for an Outdoor Work Day on September 17, 2022 from 8:00 am until 10:30 am. We will be doing bush and tree trimming, and simple outdoor fall clean-up. Please bring hand tools or rakes and gloves to protect your hands! Watch for a sign-up sheet in the Narthex or call the office if you can help! 608-752-3159.





## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF QUILTS**

The in-gathering of LWR quilts will take place this week at the railyard in Madison, Wisconsin. Our hard-working quilters have been working diligently all year to make sure we had as many quilts as possible to send for our brothers and sisters all around the world (exact count of quilts will be available next week). Special thanks to our dedicated crew of

quilters: LaVaughn Buehl, Diana Winger, Helen Flister, Sandy Keesey, and Cathy Bray and Margaret Thompson from St William's. The devoted work of their hands will provide warmth to people all over the globe. Also, our thanks to Bill Babb, who generously serviced all of our sewing machines for us this year. If you'd like to help with this on-going project, monetary donations will help us to cover the cost of shipping the quilts (\$2.25 each this year) and purchasing fabric to make more quilts for next year. Make checks payable to "St John Lutheran Church" and write "Quilts" in the memo line. Additional quilters are always welcome too! Thank you to everyone who helped to make this project possible!

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY**

Faith Literacy and the YWCA are working to offer English and Citizenship classes in Janesville. We are looking for people who are willing to work with adults interested in learning/improving English skills and/or prepare for the citizenship interview process.

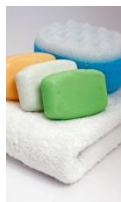
English classes are planned for Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11 at the Janesville Community Center and for Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8 at St. John Lutheran Church, starting mid-September. The current plan is for these classes to run year around.

Citizenship classes are planned for Tues and Thurs mornings from 9 to 12 at the Hedberg Library and on Mon and Tues evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 at Faith Lutheran Church. These classes will start in Nov. and finish in March.

All classes will take a three week break for Christmas and New Year's. Other possible holiday breaks such as for Thanksgiving and Spring Break can be decided by the volunteers and students.

Curriculum/books are in place for Citizenship classes, and English curriculum will be obtained. Training for volunteers who desire it will be available.

If you are interested in volunteering or have questions, please contact Barb Becker: 308-381-0192 or [bsbgine@hotmail.com](mailto:bsbgine@hotmail.com) or Kathy Holcombe at 608-752-8117 or [kholcombe8117@charter.net](mailto:kholcombe8117@charter.net).



## **LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROJECT FOR SUMMER 2022**

This year the Mission OutReach team of St John Lutheran Church would like to invite you to participate as you are able. Our focus is Personal Care Kits during June - September 2022. The congregation is collecting the following items to assemble Personal Care Kits: **We're almost there! TWO or three bath-size bars of soap equaling 8 to 9 oz., any brand, in original wrapping.** Even a single bar of soap will put

us closer to having everything we need to complete these personal care kits. Thank you for your kindness and your generosity to our neighbors in all parts of the earth.

***Readings for the Week of September 11 - September 18, 2022***

**Sun. September 11 — Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Readings: Exodus 32:7-14, Psalm 51:1-10, 1 Timothy 1:12-17, Luke 15:1-10

Prayer of the Day: O God, overflowing with mercy and compassion, you lead back to yourself all those who go astray. Preserve your people in your loving care, that we may reject whatever is contrary to you and may follow all things that sustain our life in your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.



<b>Mon. Sep 12</b>	Amos 7:1-6	1 Timothy 1:18-20	Psalm 73
<b>Tue. Sep 13</b>	Jonah 3:1-10	2 Peter 3:8-13	Psalm 73
<b>Wed Sep 14</b>	Job 40:6-14; 42:1-6	Luke 22:31-33, 54-62	Psalm 73
<b>Thu Sep 15</b>	Exodus 23:1-9	Romans 3:1-8	Psalm 113
<b>Fri Sep 16</b>	Ezekiel 22:17-31	Romans 8:31-29	Psalm 113
<b>Sat. Sep 17</b>	Isaiah 5:8-23	Mark 12:41-44	Psalm 113

**Sun. September 18 — Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**

Readings: Amos 8:4-7, Psalm 113, 1 timothy 2:1-7, Luke 16:1-13

Prayer of the Day: God among us, we gather in the name of your Son to learn love for one another. Keep our feet from evil paths. Turn our minds to your wisdom and our hearts to the grace revealed in your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.