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THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 2 – OCTOBER 9, 2022

SUNDAY: 9:00 am **Worship Service (Sanctuary)**
10:15 am **Fellowship in Friendship Hall – October Birthdays!!**
10:30 am **Fall Book Study (Roehl Media Room)**

MONDAY: 12:00 pm **Bible Study (Conference Room)**
10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line)

TUESDAY: 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)**
6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)

THURSDAY: 6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)
6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)

SATURDAY: 10:00 am **Special Olympics (North Garden)**

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 am **Worship Service (Sanctuary)**
10:15 am **Fellowship in Friendship Hall**
10:30 am **Fall Book Study (Roehl Media Room)**

JOIN US FOR A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP!

It was so good to see everyone last Sunday that we decided to make it a habit! Every Sunday right after Worship, please join us for an informal gathering with snacks and beverages in Friendship Hall. On the first Sunday of the month (that's TODAY for October birthdays!), we'll honor those with birthdays that month and on the third Sunday of the month, we'll honor those with wedding anniversaries that month. Happy news is good news! Hope to see you there!



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/
- Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's web-site, 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:

The Family of Matthew Dilley, Fran B., Bob G., Dolores S., Nadine J., Keith M., Dave H., Mary P., Connie O., Leonard, Dennis, Gloria W., Robert B., Gary H., 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.

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 (font 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.



MID-WEEK WEDNESDAY WORSHIP

Mid-week Worship will continue to be held on Wednesdays at 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!

Our congregation extends their sympathy and prayers to the family of Matthew Dilley, son of Pat “Geneva” Dilley, who died on September 22, 2022. Private services will be held for Matthew. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.





VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY

Faith Literacy and the YWCA are working to offer English and Citizenship classes in Janesville. **St John Lutheran Church is participating by providing classrooms and volunteers to teach. Our Foundation provided a grant to purchase student and teacher**

textbooks. The program is looking for people who are willing to work with adults interested in learning/improving English skills and/or prepare for the citizenship interview process. At this time, there is a critical need for volunteer teachers. There are many more students than there are available teachers. You don't have to speak any other language than English to teach and training is provided! A complete curriculum in book format is provided for teachers and students at no cost to any individual.

English classes have begun on Monday and Wednesday mornings from 9 to 11am at the Janesville Community Center and for Wednesday and Thursday evenings from 6 to 8pm at St. John Lutheran Church.. The current plan is for these classes to run year around. Citizenship classes are planned for Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 9 to 12 at the Hedberg Library and on Monday and Tuesday evenings from 5:30 to 8:30 at Faith Lutheran Church. These classes will start in November 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.

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

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROJECTS FOR 2022

This year the Mission OutReach team of St John Lutheran Church would like to invite you to participate as you are able in gathering materials for LWR kits. Our focus during the summer months was Personal Care Kits. We want to thank everyone who contributed so generously to these kits.

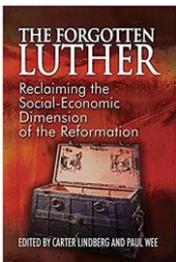
Our current project is to collect materials for Baby Care kits from now until the end of December. Please see the display in the Narthex and the enclosed flyer for details of what is needed. Your kindness makes a difference!



Fall Sunday Book Study, 10:30-11:30a.m.

The Forgotten Luther: Reclaiming the Social-Economic Dimension of the Reformation, edited by Carter Lindberg, and Paul A. Wee, 2016. This collection of essays from leading Lutheran thinkers, theologians, and activists excavates Luther's theological focus on social and economic justice. **We will study the six chapters of this book over the following Sundays: October 2, 9, 23, and 30, and November 6 and 13. We'll begin today with Chapter 1: Luther and the Common Chest, pp. 17-24.** Discussion questions are in the book. (So you can think deep thoughts to share ahead of time.) Order your book today

(under \$20) from your favorite book seller, and join us beginning on October 2, 2022. If you don't have your book yet, come anyway!

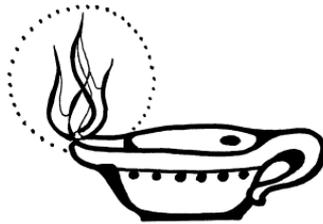


Readings for the Week of October 2 October 9, 2022

Sun. October 2 — Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4, Psalm 37:1-9, 2 Timothy 1:1-14, Luke 17:5-10

Prayer of the Day: Benevolent, merciful God: When we are empty, fill us. When we are weak in faith, strengthen us. When we are cold in love, warm us, that with fervor we may love our neighbors and serve them for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.



Mon. Oct 3	Habakkuk 1:5-17	James 1:2-11	Psalm 3
Tue. Oct 4	Habakkuk 2:5-11	1 John 5:1-5, 13-21	Psalm 3
Wed. Oct 5	Habakkuk 2:12-20	Mark 11:12-14, 20-24	Psalm 3
Thur. Oct 6	Leviticus 14:33-53	2 Timothy 1:13-18	Psalm 111
Fri Oct 7	Numbers 4:34-5:4	2 Timothy 2:1-7	Psalm 111
Sat. Oct 8	Numbers 12:1-15	Luke 5:12-16	Psalm 111

Sun. October 8 — Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings: 2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c, Psalm 111, 2 Timothy 2:8-15, Luke 17:11-19

Prayer of the Day: Almighty and most merciful God, your bountiful goodness fills all creation. Keep us safe from all that may hurt us, that, whole and well in body and spirit, we may with grateful hearts accomplish all that you would have us do, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.