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THE WEEK OF OCTOBER 9 - OCTOBER 16, 2022

SUNDAY: 9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

10:15 am Fellowship in Friendship Hall

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) 5:30 pm Foundation Meeting (Conference Room)

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) 6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)

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6:30 pm Al-Anon District Meeting (Friendship Hall)

THURSDAY: 6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)

6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)

SATURDAY: 8:00 am ARRL Testing (Friendship Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)

10:15 am Fellowship in Friendship Hall Bishop's Convocation begins. Oct 16-18

No Fall Book Study today

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, <u>www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/</u>
- Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's website, 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:

Les M., Fran B., Bob G., Dolores S., Nadine J., Keith M., Dave H., Mary P., Connie O., Leonard, Dennis, Gloria W., Robert B., Gary H., Bill E., Karliene 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.

JOIN US FOR A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP!

It was so good to see everyone at our recent gathering that we decided to

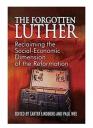
make it a habit! Every Sunday right after Worship, please join us for an informal gathering with snacks and beverages in Friendship Hall. On the first Sunday of the month we'll honor those with birthdays that month and on the third Sunday of the month, we'll honor those with wedding anniversaries that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





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!



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 continue to study the chapters of this book over the following Sundays: October 9, 23, and 30, and November 6 and 13. Today we'll discuss Chapter 2: Greed is an Unbelieving Scoundrel", pp.30-39. 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 in Friendship Hall. If you don't have your book yet or you missed the first class, come anyway! All are welcome!

ECHO MEAL

St John Lutheran Church will be providing the meal for the October ECHO Community Meal. Thank you to everyone who volunteered to make a casserole and took home a pan last Sunday! We still need



several more volunteers who can provide a casserole; **the recipe is printed right on the pan!** Just follow the recipe and return the UNCOOKED casserole to the church at the date and time specified on the lid of the aluminum pan. Pans and the sign-up sheet are in the Narthex. Be sure that you sign the list so that we know who will be bringing casseroles that day! Thank you for your generosity to our neighbors!

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 list in the Narthex or the October Messenger for details of what is needed. Your kindness makes a difference!

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. 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 language other 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.. 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.

Readings for the Week of October 9 October 16, 2022

Sun. October 9 — Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost

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

<u>Prayer of the Day</u>: 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.



Mon. Oct 10	2 Kings 5:15-19a	Acts 26:24-29	Psalm 61
Tue. Oct 11	2 Kings 5:19b-27	Ephesians 6:10-20	Psalm 61
Wed. Oct 12	2 Kings 15:1-7	Matthew 10:5-15	Psalm 61
Thur. Oct 13	Isaiah 54:11-17	Acts 17:22-34	Psalm 121
Fri Oct 14	Genesis 31:43-32:2	2 Timothy 2:14-26	Psalm 121
Sat. Oct 15	Genesis 32:3-21	Mark 10:46-52	Psalm 121

Sun. October 16 — Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

<u>Readings</u>: Genesis 32:22-31, Psalm 121, 2 Timothy 3:14-4:5, Luke 18:1-8

<u>Prayer of the Day</u>: O Lord God, tireless guardian of your people, you are always ready to hear our cries. Teach us to rely day and night on your care. Inspire us to seek your enduring justice for all this suffering world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.