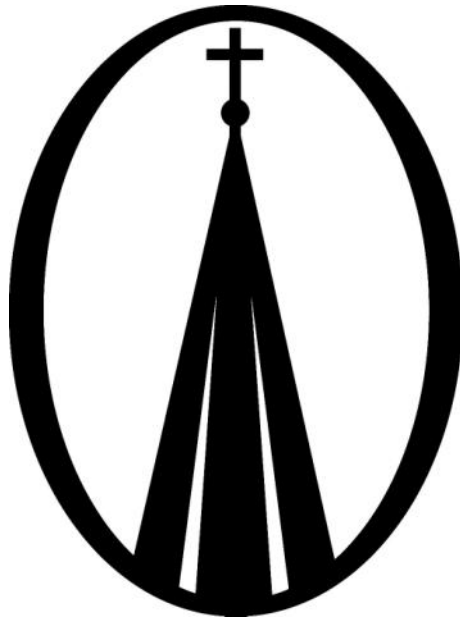


St. John Journal

**News & info for the family of St. John
Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill**



A loving and welcoming family of faith,
excited about what God has done (and continues to do!) for us

**Volume 14, Number 6
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St John Lutheran Church is a congregation of
the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod of the
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.



Indoor gathering for worship for both 8am and 10:05am services will resume in June. The look and feel of worship will closely resemble our time together prior to the pandemic with more singing, renewing screen and acolyte duties, and offering bread and wine at communion. Please continue to be respectful of those who wish to wear masks, participate in Holy Communion using pre-packaged communion elements, or who wish to worship from their cars. The 8am service will continue to be broadcast on 87.9FM, and we ask that those wishing to remain in their cars park along the north end of the parking lot so that our ushers can greet you and offer you a bulletin and pre-packaged communion elements. We look forward to seeing you!

Bishop Michael Rinehart, Bishop of the Texas-Louisiana Gulf Coast Synod of the ELCA, will be our guest pastor on Sunday, June 13, for the one service VBS Closing at 9:00AM.

He will be available for a Q&A Session following the service.

READINGS FOR JUNE

JUNE		FIRST READING	RESPONSIVE	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
6	PENT 2	GENESIS 3:8-15	PSALM 130	2 CORINTHIANS 4:13--5:1	MARK 3:20-35
13	VBS CLOSING	EZEKIEL 17:22-24	PSALM 92:1-4; 12-15	2 CORINTHIANS 5:6-17	MARK 4:26-34
20	PENT 4	JOB 38:1-11	PSALM 107:1-3, 23-32	2 CORINTHIANS 6:1-13	MARK 4:35-41
27	PENT 5	LAMENTATIONS 3:22-33	PSALM 30	2 CORINTHIANS 8:7-15	MARK 5:21-43

June	Acolyte(10:05AM)	Layreader	Flowers Given By
6	Kinley Antkowiak	Taylor Klatte Jennifer Anderson	--Open--
13	Corbin Janner (9:00AM)	Kallie Finke (9:00AM)	<i>Butch Seeker</i>
20	Swayzee Huckert	Charles Gaskamp Sandy Ordner	<i>Jana Lefebvre</i>
27	Morgan Westerfeld	Camryn Finke Kaden Seeker	<i>James & Becki Schawe</i>

We have several celebrations on Sunday, June 6th. Please let the church office know if you would like to donate flowers to help us celebrate the day! Thanks
phone: (979) 836-8666 email: prairiehillsecretary@gmail.com

REACHING YOUR CHURCH OFFICE

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Baptismal Anniversaries



06/01/1946	Virginia Altman	06/18/1988	Anna Finke
06/01/1947	Audrey Steinbach	06/19/1994	Treyton Tillman
06/01/1951	Morris Tisdell	06/21/2020	Clay Bednar
06/01/1954	Robert Urbanovsky	06/23/2013	Addison Westerfeld
06/03/2007	Kinley Antkowiak	06/24/2007	Adilynn Lange
06/06/1999	Gracie Westerfeld	06/25/1989	Trenton Meyer
06/09/2013	Annie Hernandez	06/26/1988	Tyler Campbell
06/10/2001	Alex Rosenbaum	06/27/1971	Wendy Hagerman
06/10/2001	Jeb Hatfield	06/27/1982	Rachel Neutzler
06/16/1935	Emery Schulze	06/28/2009	Irelyn Antkowiak
06/16/1984	Ryan Lynch		
06/17/1934	Clarence Moehlmann		
06/17/2012	Charles Schramme		

Wedding Anniversaries



06/04/2003	Jentri & Justin Blake	06/17/2008	Martin & Dale Reisner
06/04/2011	Jennifer & William Anderson	06/18/1966	Milton & Peggy Bosse
06/11/1977	Lloyd & Sharon Neutzler	06/21/2008	Steve & Donna Skrla
06/13/2009	William & Mollie Grote	06/22/1963	Charles & Deanna Giese
06/14/2008	Trenton & Melissa Kuecker	06/28/1975	James & Becki Schawe
06/16/1973	James & Joyce Richter	06/30/1956	Charles & Kay Janner
06/17/2006	Jennifer & Ryan Schroeder		

You are in our thoughts and prayers as you celebrate your special day. May God richly bless you!

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

A warm welcome from Sunday School. We would like to thank all of the mothers, step-mothers, grandmothers, aunts, and any special VIPS that attended our Mom's and Muf-fins this year. The kids made 'paper flowers' to give the special ladies in their life and enjoyed doing it. We would like to congratulate our confirmands: Adilynn Lange, Kinley Antkowiak, Corbin Janner, Morgan Westerfeld, as well as our 2021 graduates. We could not be more proud of each of you and look forward to what your future holds.

VBS is fast approaching and the children will be making awesome crafts, listening to Bible stories, and learning new worship songs. We are looking forward to this week of fellowship with the youth of St. John. If you have not yet registered, you can do so online this year. Contact me or Jennifer Schroeder if you have any questions. Thank you in advance to all of the volunteers who make this week possible. We couldn't do it without you!

We are always looking for volunteers to help with the Sunday school program and our children would love to see new faces leading a rotation. If you would like to lead a craft, art, or even a science rotation I know the children would absolutely adore seeing you in Sunday school! If you have a question about rotations or would like to volunteer I would LOVE to hear from you!

Please feel free to contact me at 512-203-9591 or brooke.huckert@gmail.com

Dates to Remember:

Vacation Bible School: June 7th-11th

Donuts for Dads: June 20th at 9:00 am

In His Name -

Brooke Huckert

Sunday School Superintendent



Sunday, June 20th at 9:00AM

Dads, Step-Dads, Uncles, Grandfathers, Mentors and ALL "Dads" of St. Johns Prairie Hill are invited to enjoy donuts, juice, coffee, and quality time together.



JUL

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
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6 PENT 2 Scholarship Distribution First Communion & Bibles 8:00AM Worship Service 9:00AM Grad Celebration 10:05AM Worship Service	7 6:00PM Executive Committee Meeting	8 Food Pantry	9
Vacation Bible School 6:00PM-7:45PM			
13 VBS CLOSING, PENT 3 9:00AM Worship Service with Bishop Rinehart -Q&A to follow service	14 6:00PM Council Meeting	15 9:00AM Quilting	16
20 Father's Day, PENT 4 8:00AM Worship Service 9:00AM Donuts with Dad 10:05AM Worship Service	21 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	22 Food Pantry 9:00AM Quilting	23
27 PENT 5 8:00AM Worship Service 10:05AM Worship Service & Baptism	28	29	30

Flower Chart

The 2021 Flower Chart still has some dates available.
Please sign-up if you would like to put flowers in church!





THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
3 Office Closed	4 Office Closed	5
10 Office Closed 2PM Ladies Aid	11 Office Closed	12
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17 Office Closed	18 Office Closed	19
24 Office Closed	25 Office Closed	26
<div> Worship Services will be conducted by: ELCA on June 6, 13, 27 NALC on June 20 </div>		

COMMUNION BREAD Becky Schulze
ALTAR PREPARATION Audrey Steinbach Elvera Tisdel
SCREEN Janice Fairlie Jennifer Schroeder
FAMILY AID Jean Seeker
MEMORIAL COMMITTEE Mary Hill Audrey Steinbach
SANCTUARY PREP Anna Finke Lisa Finke
CHURCH TELLERS Charles Gaskamp William Grote
USHERS Gary Schulze
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Men in Mission



The Men in Mission will award scholarships on June 6th to two St. John youth's that graduate from Brenham High School during 2021.

The names are:

Clay Boeker and Riley Moehlmann. Each of these youth have met all the MIM scholarship guidelines.

We are very proud of the above mentioned youth and the MIM would like to thank them for all the help with projects, youth involvement in church attendance, their community service, extracurricular activities and the excellent grades in high school.



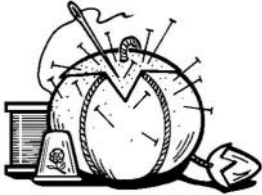
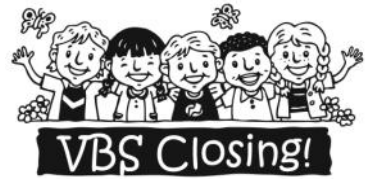
Cake and Punch for all graduates on Sunday, June 6th at 9:00AM

Parish Education would like to invite all graduates to attend including our college and high school graduates. Please bring a picture to church to set up in the Parish Hall for the reception.

Prairie Hill Food Pantry Upcoming Dates:
June 8 & 22 6:30AM-8AM



Sunday, June 13th One Service 9:00AM Only



The Quilters will meet on June 15 and 22. Janet Wehring will host. We meet at 9AM to noon. Come join us for quilting, sewing, putting together and tying LWR quilts.

Worship & Music Update

The Worship & Music Committee met on May 30th to select songs for June.

We only have one usher at each service in June- please help out if you can!

We still need October Ushers for the early service. Please let me know if you would like to help. (979) 251- 2904

Thanks, Mary Longhofer

Pastor Gaskamp requested an early termination to his contract as our interim pastor effective May 23rd. His request was made in light of the recent congregational decision in favor of leaving the ELCA at its first vote and in having multiple family events out of the area starting late May. We want to thank him for his time in leading worship for us this year. We wish him and his wife continued enjoyment of their Washington County family homestead.



In his absence, the ELCA Synod is allowing us to reach out to pastors from the NALC and LCMC to assist in filling the vacancy on Sunday mornings. There will be a mix of ELCA, NALC, and LCMC pastors leading worship in the next couple of months. We will keep you informed as best we can as to who will be serving each week.

Council Highlights

The Church Council of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church met for its monthly meeting on May 10, 2021, at 6:00 pm. Council President, Jon Westerfeld, called the meeting to order and opened with prayer. All members were present, except for Cathy Boeker. The April minutes were approved as distributed.

The president welcomed guests, Jim Kite and Charles Giese, who updated the council on the successful transfer of funds from the ELCA Foundation's endowment fund to Castle Wealth Advisors.

Old Business

None.

New Business

Motion to set meeting agenda of the Special Called Congregational Meeting to be held Sunday, May 16. **MSC.**

Motion to approve Kinley Antkowiak, Corbin Janner, Adilynn Lange, and Morgan Westerfeld to receive rite of confirmation on Pentecost Sunday, May 23. **MSC.**

Motion to reconfirm approval of baptism for Finley Kyle Koehne for Sunday, June 27, which was originally scheduled and approved for April 2020. **MSC.**

Motion to approve Cole Dismukes as a new member. **MSC.**

Motion to approve restart of Kid Fish Program, to be chaired by Cathie Klatte and Kenneth Seeker. **MSC.**

Motion to approve reopening of indoor worship for both 8am and 10:05am services, beginning Sunday, June 6, 2021 and allowing for continued FM broadcast of 8am service for those who wish to remain in their cars. **MSC.**

Committee Reports:

Treasurer Report

Betty Feldmann

Report as submitted.

Financial Secretary Report

Cathy Boeker

Report as submitted.

Community Concerns Report

Cathie Klatte

Food Pantry served 86 families (203 people) at two distributions in April.

Worship and Music Report

Mary Longhofer

Continuing to look for ushers to fill vacancies on schedule.

Parish Education Report

Jennifer Schroeder

Reminder of upcoming events and additional dates presented for approval, including:

1. June 5 & 6: Second round of first communion instruction for 3rd and 4th graders who were unable to attend in April will be held on Saturday, June 5 with first communion and bible presentations made during worship on Sunday, June 6 at the service of their choice.
2. June 6: Reception for 2021 graduates at 9am and presentation of Men in Mission Scholarships during worship.
3. June 7 – 11: Vacation Bible School with sharing of music during single worship service on June 13 at 9am.
4. June 20: Celebrate Dads and other father figures in the congregation at 9am.
5. July 15: Family outdoor movie night.
6. August 22: Rally Day celebration
7. August 19: First day of 2021-2022 Sunday School year.

Youth Report

Kenneth Seeker

No report.

Evangelism Report

Rachel Church

No report.

Property Report

Steve Skrla

Miscellaneous maintenance items have been addressed.

Motion to accept all reports as given. **MSC.**

Motion to adjourn. **MSC.**

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Fairlie, Council Secretary

President	Jon Westerfeld	Evangelism.....	Rachel Church
Vice-President	Kenneth Seeker	Financial Secretary.....	Cathy Boeker
Treasurer.....	Betty Feldmann	Parish Ed	Jennifer Schroeder
Secretary	Janice Fairlie	Property.....	Steve Skrla
Community Concerns	Cathie Klatte	Worship & Music.....	Mary Longhofer

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The deadline for the
July newsletter is:
**Monday
June 21st**

Submissions received after
this date will be included if
time and space allow.

Thank you!



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