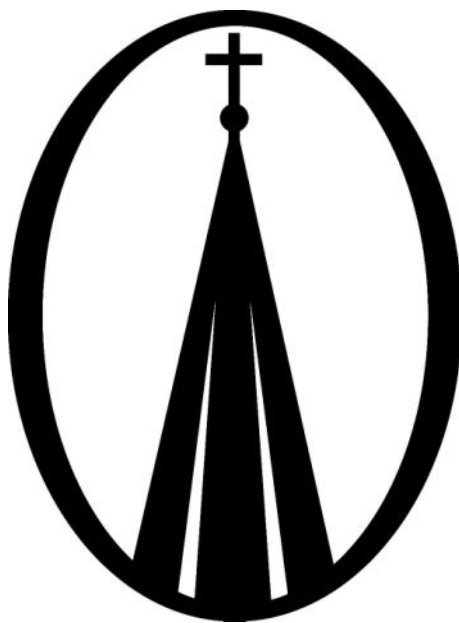


St. John Journal

**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

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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.

Worship Schedule



July 4:

ELCA Pastor Scott Cigich

July 11:

ELCA Pastor Brian Gige

July 18:

ELCA Pastor Brian Gige

July 25:

NALC Pastor Kris Brower

Q&A Session with the congregation between services

August 1:

NALC/LCMC Pastor Martin Moore and NALC Pastor Kris Brower

Special Called Congregational Meeting at 9:00am for second vote

REACHING YOUR CHURCH OFFICE

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Church Council President Jon Westerfeld (979) 277-2471

READINGS FOR JULY

JULY		FIRST READING	RESPONSIVE	SECOND READING	GOSPEL
4	PENT 6	EZEKIEL 2:1-5	PSALM 123	2 CORINTHIANS 12:2-10	MARK 6:1-13
11	PENT 7	AMOS 7:7-15	PSALM 85:8-13	EPHESIANS 1:3-14	MARK 6:14-29
18	PENT 8	JEREMIAH 23:1-6	PSALM 23	EPHESIANS 2:11-22	MARK 6:30-34, 53-56
25	PENT 9	2 KINGS 4:42-44	PSALM 145:10-18	EPHESIANS 3:14-21	JOHN 6:1-21



July	Acolyte(10:05AM)	Layreader	Flowers Given By
4	Randa Tillman	Riley Moehlmann Sandra Tillman	<i>Naomi Circle</i>
11	Owen Finke	Connie Rohde Katie Seeker	<i>Butch Seeker & Family</i>
18	Hunter Myers	Kallie Finke Bethany Janner	<i>Kevin & Anna Finke</i>
25	Adilynn Lange	Charles Gaskamp Kaden Seeker	<i>Brandy Moehlmann</i>

Baptismal Anniversaries



7/06/2008	Cameron Rosenbaum	7/21/2019	Thomas Lynch
7/07/2019	Ellie Anderson	7/22/1979	Kyle Rosenbaum
7/08/1960	Carl Dahmann	7/22/2012	Presley Myers
7/10/2016	Londyn Evans	7/23/1944	Milton Bosse
7/11/1934	Elsie Herrmann	7/25/1954	Barnay Glaesmann
7/14/1974	Christin Seeker	7/25/1982	Zachary Wagner
7/14/2002	Christian Kuecker	7/28/1929	Mary Ann Luce
7/14/2013	Alex Grote	7/28/1963	Johnny Randermann
7/16/1961	Becky Schulze	7/28/2013	Karson Herrmann
7/17/1970	Tina Seeker	7/30/1939	Marvin Wellmann
7/18/1926	Mavis Smith	7/31/2005	Kailea Kuecker
7/20/1930	Clarence Witt	7/31/2016	Cullen Grote
7/20/2008	Owen Finke		
7/20/2014	Katie Estes		
7/21/1950	Karen Rosenbaum		

Wedding Anniversaries



7/02/1977	Fred & Rosemary Gaskamp	7/19/2003	Jerri & William Mitchell
7/03/1954	Doc & Allene Holtkamp	7/20/1985	Mark & Shanan Marburger
7/14/1984	Marcus & Brenda Randermann	7/29/1989	Barnay & Connie Glaesmann
7/19/1997	Kevin & Anna Finke		

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

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

It's hard to believe that summer is about halfway over, but July is here and so is the Texas heat! We had a wonderful time at VBS last month sharing God's word with the children. I would like to personally thank all of the volunteers for their hard work and dedication to the children of our congregation. VBS would not be as successful without you and it does not go unnoticed. A shout out to all the parents who brought their kids each night and to our VBS closing during the Sunday service. The children did an amazing job singing and worshipping our Lord.

We would like to thank all of the fathers, step-fathers, grandfathers, uncles, and any special VIPS that attended our Donuts with Dads this year. We had a great turn out and look forward to our event next year!

Please mark your calendars for an outdoor movie night we will have at the church. It will be on July 15th at 8:00pm. Anyone is welcome to come enjoy!


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

In His Name,
Brooke Huckert
Sunday School Superintendent





JULY

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
 <u>Special Envelope:</u> Brenham Game Changers			
4 PENT 6 8:00AM Worship Service 10:05AM Worship Service	5 6:00PM Executive Committee Meeting	6	7
11 PENT 7 8:00AM Worship Service 9:00AM Small Group Discussion 10:05AM Worship Service	12 10:30AM Memorial Committee 6:00PM Council Meeting	13 Food Pantry	14
18 PENT 8 8:00AM Worship Service 10:05AM Worship Service	19 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	20 9:00AM Quilting	21
25 PENT 9 8:00AM Worship Service 9:00AM NALC Q & A 10:05AM Worship Service	26	27 Food Pantry 9:00AM Quilting	28

Flower Chart

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



2021



THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 Office Closed	2 Office Closed	3
8 Office Closed 2PM Ladies Aid	9 Office Closed	10
15 Office Closed Parish Ed Movie Night 8:00PM	16 Office Closed	17
22 Office Closed	23 Office Closed	24
29 Office Closed	30 Office Closed	31

COMMUNION BREAD

Deanna Giese

ALTAR PREPARATION

Donna Bentke
Deanna Giese

SCREEN

Janice Fairlie
Kallie Finke

FAMILY AID

Deanna Giese

MEMORIAL COMMITTEE

Ruth Finke
Diana Williams

SANCTUARY PREP

Dale Reisner
Mary Roese

CHURCH TELLERS

Gayle Bednar
Cathie Klatte

USHERS

David Stegent

Cookie Engeling
Karen Rosenbaum

**Special Called Congregational Meeting & Second Vote
Sunday, August 1st 9:00AM**

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Memorial Committee Meeting
Monday, July 12, 2021 at 10:30AM

Prairie Hill Food Pantry Upcoming Dates:
July 13 & 27 6:30AM-8:00AM



July Quilting Schedule



We will meet on July 20 and 27. Elsie Herrmann will host. We meet at 9AM to noon. Come join us for quilting, sewing and tying LWR quilts.

St. John Prairie Hill Parish Education Committee Host:

Movie Night & a Popcorn Bar
Thursday, July 15 @ 8:00 pm
Featured Film: Tom & Jerry



Please bring your favorite drink, snacks, blanket and/chair.

Special Called Congregational Meeting

Sunday, August 1st at 9:00AM

The purpose of this Special Called Congregational Meeting is to record the congregation's second vote to leave the ELCA and to affiliate with the North American Lutheran Church (NALC).



Worship & Music Update

The Worship & Music Committee met on June 27th to select songs for July.

We still need October Ushers for the early service. The screen committee is looking for a couple more volunteers to help run the PowerPoint presentation during worship services.

Please let me know if you would like to help. (979) 251- 2904

Thanks, Mary Longhofer

**Thank you to everyone that helped make
“Rainforest Explorers” VBS a success!**

Music- Megan Schramme

Story time- India Randermann

Opening & Closing- Jennifer Schroeder & Jill Eckert

Snacks- Johanna Wilkerson & Stephanie Koehler

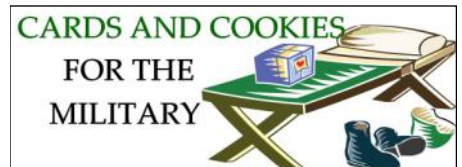
Arts & Crafts- Brooke Huckert & Cindy Clay

Food- Ladies Aid, Men in Mission & Ladies, Rachel Circle, Johanna Wilkerson, Patti Clay, Sherry Randermann, Glenda Stegent, Regina Holtkamp



VBS would not have been possible without the help of our generous leaders and congregation members that gave their time so freely the week. VBS and the learning of GODs work would not happen without your much appreciated help.

Hello Everyone! We are back! The basket for our brave Military is back with some cards ready for y'all to write your messages.



Grammy's Cookie Convoy is back up and running as well.

With the coming month being a time for showing our heroic troops our appreciation, please fill that basket quickly. If you have extra cards, bring them so others can share. Also, if you can donate a few dollars for postage they would really appreciate that. That was one of the problems during the pandemic---getting anything overseas. Phyllis Bickham

Council Highlights

The Church Council of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church met for its monthly meeting on June 14, 2021, at 6:00 pm. Council President, Jon Westerfeld, called the meeting to order and Janice Fairlie opened with prayer. All members were present, except for Cathie Klatte. The May minutes were emailed to the council members and approved by text vote.

Old Business

Temporary repairs to the air-conditioning units in the parish hall were made prior to vacation bible school, but they are still not cooling properly. The council will obtain bids from two HVAC subcontractors and discuss in July.

New Business

Approve baptism of Charlotte Lynch on August 15 at the 10:05 am service.

Approve use of Activity Center for Fishing Tournament and fish fry on several possible dates in the coming months. Final date will be determined by Committee.

Approve agenda for Special Called Congregational Meeting for August 1 to record second vote on whether to exit the ELCA and affiliate with the NALC.

Approve Phyllis Bickham's request to continue note cards for Grammy's Cookies Program.

Approve request to host small group discussion regarding the church's exit from the ELCA during the Sunday School hour on July 11.

Approve making broadcast for 8am service available for parking lot attendees until further notice.

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 76 families (151 people) at two distributions in May. Thirty persons were served after the funeral of Shirley Moehlmann. There were 13 units of whole blood, 4 units of double red cells, and 1 unit of plasma donated at the Blood Drive.

Worship and Music Report

Mary Longhofer

Continuing to look for ushers and communion preparation teams to fill vacancies on schedules.

Parish Education Report

Jennifer Schroeder

Great turnout for Vacation Bible School; acolyte training for 5th through 8th graders will be held and will begin serving at both services beginning in September.

Property Report

Steve Skrla

Miscellaneous maintenance items have been addressed. Determining work to be performed at parsonage prior to it being available for another pastor.

All reports were approved as presented.

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



You are invited to an informal small group discussion on Sunday, July 11, at 9:00am to visit with other church members on the decision facing the congregation whether to exit the ELCA and affiliate with the NALC. No ELCA or NALC representatives will be present.

The gathering will be held in the classroom across from the Pastor's office in the annex. You may contact Cassie Lynch by email at saslynch17@gmail.com or by phone at 979-530-2837 if there are any questions.



Pastor Kris Brower, pastor at St. Matthew Lutheran of Sandy Hill and dean of the Southeast Texas Mission District of the NALC, will preside at both worship services on Sunday, July 25, and will hold a Question-and-Answer Session between services. The discussion will be broadcast on FM87.9 for parking lot attendees to listen in.

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The deadline for the
August newsletter is:
**Monday
July 19th**

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

Thank you!



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