

**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church
Meyersville, Texas
August 2, 2026**

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost



Psalm 136:10

ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

A North American Lutheran Church

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Greeters Next Week: Cathie & Dickie Bettge

Reader This Week: Kinley Nessel

Reader Next Week: Cathie Bettge

Acolyte This Week:

Acolyte Next Week:

Altar Guild This Month: Cathie Bettge & Brenda Boor

Altar Guild Next Month: M'Liss Moore & Virginia Abrameit

Communion Assistant This Month: Pam Haun

Communion Assistant Next Month: Wanda Hays



Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to enjoy.

MISSION STATEMENT

We the members of St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church of Meyersville, strive to be witnesses for Christ, a Christian family striving to be models and examples to others, loving one another and trying to be friendly to all; acknowledging that we are sinful, but being patient, faithful, giving, caring, forgiving, and forgiven believers.

Worship Notes Regarding Today's Service:

For those of you who would prefer to remain in your cars, we will continue to broadcast the service on FM 101.5. You can follow the service in the bulletin as the liturgy, the organ music, hymns with the lyrics by our song leaders, and Pastor John's message will be on the broadcast. Thank you!

HOLY COMMUNION

You are invited to commune with us if, as a baptized Christian, you believe that you are a sinner and in need of God's forgiveness; that the body and blood of Jesus are truly present in the Sacrament; that this is more than a symbolic act, but a way God proclaims forgiveness to us who are repentant.

May your participation increase your faith and strengthen your love for God and one another.

(For those attending, please fill out a tan communion card.)

***The Service begins with the first notes of the prelude.
Please prepare for worship with silent meditation at this time.***

AS WE GATHER

God's love and devotion for his people are seen clearly in the Scripture lessons for this Sunday: invitations to banquets, covenant promises, a passionate reminder that it is God who calls and adopts. Jesus provides a meal made from meager provisions that overflows into abundance, pointing to God's incredible care for the hungry. As we gather at the Lord's Table, we get to eat, drink, and be renewed again.

PRELUDE:

"Jesus Loves Me"

William Bradbury

RINGING OF THE CHURCH BELL

ANNOUNCEMENTS PRAISES AND CONCERNS

Stand as you are able

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

L In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen

L Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen

L If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for Reflection and Meditation

L Most merciful God,

C We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

L Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen.

OPENING HYMN:

"God Is"

Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.

Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.

Can you imagine a love that will never end?

God is!

Can you imagine a King who calls you a friend?

God is!

God is

the Creator and powerful King.

God knows

the biggest and smallest of things.

He loves you more than the moon and stars.

He's everywhere you are.

God is!

Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.

God is!

Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.

If you wonder

If his arms are really open,

If you wonder

If there really is a heaven,
If you wonder
If you can really know him,
He gave his Son
So you can live.

God is
the Creator and powerful King.
God knows
the biggest and smallest of things.

He loves you more than the moon and stars.
He's everywhere you are.

(Repeat)

God is!
Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.
God is!
Oh, oh, oh, oh oh.
He's the Creator and King.
God is!

GREETING

L The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the
Holy Spirit be with you all.

C And also with you.

KYRIE

L In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord, have mercy.

L For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let
us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C Lord have mercy.

L Help, save, comfort and defend us, gracious Lord.

C Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Power, riches, wisdom and strength, and honor, blessing, and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation:

Blessing, honor, glory, and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

L The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

L Let us pray,

C Almighty, eternal God, your kindness is far more than we desire or deserve. Generously pour out your mercy to forgive where our conscience is afraid and to provide that for which by ourselves, we do not even presume to pray; through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING: Isaiah 55:1-5

¹“Come, everyone who thirsts, come to the waters; and he who has no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without price. ²Why do you spend your money for that which is not bread, and your labor for that which does not satisfy? Listen diligently to me, and eat what is good, and delight yourselves in rich food. ³Incline your ear, and come to me; hear, that your soul may live; and I will make with you an everlasting covenant, my steadfast, sure love for David. ⁴Behold, I made him a witness to the peoples, a leader and commander for the peoples. ⁵Behold, you shall call a nation that you do not know, and a nation that did not know you shall run to you, because of the Lord your God, and of the Holy One of Israel, for he has glorified you.”

Responsive Reading
Psalm 136:1-9 [23-26]

¹Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good, for his mercy endures forever.

²Give thanks to the God of gods, for his mercy endures forever.

³Give thanks to the Lord of lords, for his mercy endures forever.

⁴Who only does great wonders, for his mercy endures forever;

⁵Who by wisdom made the heavens, for his mercy endures forever;

⁶Who spread out the earth upon the waters, for his mercy endures forever;

⁷Who created great lights, for his mercy endures forever;

⁸The sun to rule the day, for his mercy endures forever;

⁹The moon and the stars to govern the night, for his mercy endures forever.

[²³Who remembered us in our low estate, for his mercy endures forever;

²⁴And delivered us from our enemies, for his mercy endures forever;

²⁵Who gives food to all creatures, for his mercy endures forever.

²⁶Give thanks to the God of heaven, for his mercy endures forever.]

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5 [6-13]

¹I am speaking the truth in Christ — I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit — ²that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. ³For I could wish that I myself were accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers, my kinsmen according to the flesh. ⁴They are Israelites, and to them belong the adoption, the glory, the covenants, the giving of the law, the worship, and the promises. ⁵To them belong the patriarchs, and from their race, according to the flesh, is the Christ, who is God over all, blessed forever. Amen. [⁶But it is not as though the word of God has failed. For not all who are descended from Israel belong to Israel, ⁷and not all are children of Abraham because they are his offspring, but “Through Isaac shall your offspring be named.” ⁸This means that it is not the children of the flesh who are the children of God, but the children of the promise are counted as offspring. ⁹For this is what the promise said: “About this time next year I will return, and Sarah shall have a son.” ¹⁰And not only so, but also when Rebekah had conceived children by one man, our forefather Isaac, ¹¹though they were not yet born and had done nothing either good or bad — in order that God’s purpose of election might continue, not because of works but because of him who calls — ¹²she was told, “The older will serve the younger.” ¹³As it is written, “Jacob I loved, but Esau I hated.”]

Stand as you are able

GOSPEL VERSE

C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of eternal life.

Alleluia. Alleluia.

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:13-21

L The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 14th chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (Sung)

¹³When Jesus heard {of John the Baptist’s death}, he withdrew from there in a boat to a desolate place by himself. But when the crowds heard it, they followed him on foot from the towns. ¹⁴When he went ashore he saw a great crowd, and he had compassion on them and healed their sick. ¹⁵Now when it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, “This is a desolate place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves.” ¹⁶But Jesus said, “They need not go away; you give them something to eat.” ¹⁷They said to him, “We have only five loaves here and two fish.” ¹⁸And he said, “Bring them here to me.” ¹⁹Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass, and taking the five loaves and the two fish, he looked up to heaven and said a blessing. Then he broke the loaves and gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. ²⁰And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. ²¹And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

L The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (Sung)

Please be seated

MESSAGE

SERMON HYMN:

"God Loves Us So"

Even though I don't deserve it,
No way that I could earn it,
He loves us.
God loves us so.
With grace and full forgiveness,
He washed away my sin 'cause
He loves us.
God loves us so.

Chorus

This is how he loves us so,
With love that's unconditional,
Not because of what we do
Or what we've done.
This is why he gave his life,
Made the greatest sacrifice.
Jesus loves us more than
we could ever know.
God loves us so.

Even though I don't deserve it,
No way that I could earn it,
He loves us.
God loves us so.
With grace and full forgiveness,
He washed away my sin 'cause
He loves us.
God loves us so.

Stand as you are able

L Living together in trust and hope, let us confess our faith.

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

The holy catholic church,

The communion of saints,

The forgiveness of sins,

The resurrection of the body,

And the life everlasting. Amen.

This is how he loves us so,
With love that's unconditional,
Not because of what we do
Or what we've done.
This is why he gave his life,
Made the greatest sacrifice.
Jesus loves us more than
we could ever know.

This is how he loves us so,
With love that's unconditional,
Not because of what we do
Or what we've done.
This is why he gave his life,
Made the greatest sacrifice.
Jesus loves us more than
we could ever know.

This is how he loves us.
This is how he loves us so.
This is how he loves us.
This is how he loves us so.

Even though I don't deserve it,
No way that I could earn it,
He loves us.
God loves us so.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

L Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

C **Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;
Lord, listen to your children praying, Send us love, send us pow'r, send us grace!**

*Each petition ends with "...Lord, in your mercy," The congregation responds with "**Hear our prayer.**"*

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BACKPACK BLESSING

(All students in the church are invited to come with their backpacks to the front of the worship space.)

L: As a new school year begins, we gather to lift up our students in prayer. We bless these backpacks as symbols of the learning ahead, and we bless those who carry them—children and youth growing in wisdom, knowledge, and faith. May they walk into each day with confidence, knowing that Christ goes with them.

C: We give thanks for the gift of learning and for the those who support, teach, and nurture our students in faith and love.

L: We pray for our students as they begin this new year. Grant them curiosity and wonder, discipline and joy. When school feels overwhelming, may they remember they are never alone.

C: May they grow in knowledge and faith. May God's peace guard their hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

L: We pray for teachers, staff, and school leaders—those entrusted with guiding young minds. Grant them wisdom, patience, and compassion in the work they do.

C: Bless them with strength for each day and joy in their calling.

L: We pray for families—parents, grandparents, and caregivers—who encourage, support, and love these students. Strengthen them for the year ahead and remind them that their faithful presence makes a lasting difference.

C: May homes be places of safety, encouragement, and grace.

L: Let us pray. Gracious God, As these students begin a new school year, bless them with open minds, eager hearts, and the courage to be kind and brave. When they feel excited, may they give thanks. When they feel afraid, may they turn to You. Fill their backpacks not only with school supplies, but with your promises: that they are loved, that they are never alone, and that they are held in your care. Bless these backpacks as a reminder that wherever they go, Your presence goes with them.

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

C: Amen.

L: Students, you may return to your seats. Know that your church family walks with you—and prays for you—every step of the way.

(All students return to their seats with their backpacks.)

SHARING THE PEACE

L The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ be with you always.

C And also with you.

L Let us share the peace.

Please be seated

OFFERING:

“From An Old Missal”

George Blake

(Please use the yellow envelopes for cash/coin offerings & include your name.)

Stand as you are able

OFFERTORY

**Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, And fill to the brim our cup of blessing.
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, That we may be fed with the bread of life.
Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; Unite them with the prayers we offer now.
Grace our table with your presence, And give us a foretaste of the feast to come.**

L Merciful Father,

C **We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us – ourselves, our time and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

L The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

L Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

L Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

L It is indeed right and salutary.....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna. Hosanna. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

L Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son,
That all those who believe in him should not perish,
But have eternal life.
We give thanks to you for the salvation
You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.
Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts,
That we may receive our Lord
With a living faith as he comes to us
In his holy supper.

C **Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

L In the night in which he was betrayed
Our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
Broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying;
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks,
And gave it for all to drink, saying:
This cup is the new covenant in my blood,
Shed for you and for all people
For the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.

L Father remember us always and teach us to pray;

LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation.
But deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power,
and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

L Come for the Lord's Table is ready.

**C Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.**

HOLY COMMUNION *(For those attending, please fill out a tan communion card.)*

L May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

POST COMMUNION

C Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell everyone what he has done. Let all who seek the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

Let us pray;

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BENEDICTION

May the Lord bless you and keep you.
May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
May the Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

L Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God

THE DOXOLOGY:

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise him, all creatures here below;
Praise him above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

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POSTLUDE:

"Festive Song of Praise"

Lani Smith



Philippians 4:6-7

“Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.”

[These verses remind us to cast our worries upon the Lord. As we enter a new season, it's natural to feel anxious about the changes. However, through prayer and gratitude, we can experience the profound peace that comes from trusting God with our concerns.]

www.prayerlit.com/bible-verses-for-august/



Office hours will be posted in the weekly bulletins. If you would need immediate assistance outside of office hours, text or call Meliss at 361-649-0413.

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

Sun 8/02 Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
9:00 a.m.	Adult Study
10:15 a.m.	Worship w/Communion

Mon 8/03 Office Closed

Tues 8/04	9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.	Pastor's Office Hours
	1:00 p.m.-5:00 p.m.	Office Hours

Wed 8/05	10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.	Office Hours
	1:30 p.m.	Quilters

Thurs 8/06	Office Closed	
	1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.	Pastor's Office Hours
	7:00 p.m.	Life-to-Life Discipleship Meeting

Fri 8/07	???	Office Hours
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Sat 8/08	6:00 p.m.	Evening Worship Service
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Next Sun. Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

8:00 a.m.	Property Team Meeting
9:00 a.m.	Sunday School
9:00 a.m.	Adult Study
10:15 a.m.	Worship

Have a Blessed Week!

Welcome Visitors! We would like to extend a special welcome to all visitors.
If you are looking for a church home, we pray you would consider St. John's.

Prayer request cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.



OFFERING & ATTENDANCE

Saturday, July 25, 2026 General \$20.00; **Total: \$20.00**

Attendance: Worship – 5

Sunday, July 26, 2026 General \$2,450.00, MOM (July) Rosenberg Disaster Warehouse \$293.00, Sunday School \$17.35, Cemetery \$25.00, Building \$20.00; **Total: \$1,822.55**

Attendance: Worship – 74, Sunday School – 4 Children, 2 Teacher, Adult Study – 8



Altar Flowers

Ray & Linda Boyer had flowers placed on the altar today in loving memory of their son, Chad Michael Boyer.

NALC WAREHOUSE & NALC WAREHOUSE-ROSENBERG

If you are giving a donation to one of these warehouses, please indicate which one. This designation must be made in order for the funds to be sent to your donation, national warehouse or Texas warehouse. *Rosenberg Warehouse checks need to be written out to Peace Lutheran Church with Rosenberg Warehouse on the memo line.*

NALC Disaster Response

What's in a Flood Bucket?

- 1 five gallon bucket with lid** (*check at schools, restaurants, donut shops*)
- 1 roll paper towels** (*Walmart \$0.68*)
- 1 powder scouring cleanser(like comet)** (*Walmart \$0.88*)
- 1 floor cleaner – small! (like Pine Sol, Fabuloso)**
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)
- 1 bottle bleach – small! (1/2 gal. or smaller)**
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)
- 1 scrub brush** (*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)
- 1 pair rubber gloves (size L preferred, reusable)**
(*Dollar Tree \$1.75*)
- 1 pair leather gloves(size L preferred)**(*H Depot 3pk/\$6.00*)
- 1 pair cotton gloves (size L preferred)**(*H Depot \$1 ea. or Walmart 6pk/\$5.00*)
- 2 large contractor trash bags (3 mil)**
- 2 rags** (*cut up old bath or beach towels, dish towels, wash cloths*)

What's in a Heath Care Kit?

- 1 bath towel**
- 1 wash cloth**
- 1 shampoo at least 4 ozs.**
- 1 bar of soap (2or 3 if travel size)**
- 1 toothbrush (individually sealed)** (*Dollar Tree 4pk/\$1.75*)
- 1 pack of floss**
- 1 toothpaste - individually sealed (2 if travel size)**
(*Walmart \$0.77 to \$0.90*)
- 1 comb** (*Dollar Tree 12 pk/\$1.75*)
- 1 deodorant** (*Walmart \$1.18*)
- 1 nail clippers**

We will also be collecting new and gently used Bibles of any language as well as prayer books for Disaster Relief. If you have questions, please contact Cathie Bettge. Thank you!

Additional Donations: Used Portals of Prayers are also being collected and delivered to Victoria Christian Assistance Ministries in Victoria. If you have questions, please contact Margie Swannack. Thank you!

Rosenberg Disaster Warehouse Collection

During the month of August, our collection items will be **ANY HEALTH KIT ITEMS** for the warehouse in Rosenberg.

Mission of the Month for August **Lutherans for Life**

LFL believes God gives the gift of life to all people from the moment of conception until natural death. LFL are witnesses to the sanctity of human life through education based on the Word of God. Both His Law and His Gospel are applied to all the life issues—abortion, assisted suicide and euthanasia, sexual purity and bio-technology. It is a recognized service organization (RSO) of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod and is a ministry partner of the North American Lutheran Church. LFL is supported entirely by individual donations and grants.



If anyone would like to acolyte on a Sunday morning starting June 7, please let Pastor know or the office so we can include your name in the bulletin. There is a sign-up sheet on the Narthex bulletin board.

What a way to praise our Lord, serve at church, and have volunteer credit on future applications (job & college)!



LIFE-TO-LIFE DISCIPLESHIP MEETING

The next meeting will be Thursday, August 6, 2026 @ 7:00 PM.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Every Sunday - 9:00 A.M. - Sunday School-

Come deepen your faith, connect with friends, and grow closer to God!

All youth are welcome — we'd love to see you there!

"Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old they will not turn from it."

~Proverbs 22:6~



Each Sunday - Portals of Prayer —July-September Portals of Prayer are available for pick-up in the narthex.

Sunday, August 2, 2026 – Worship Service with Communion @ 10:15 AM

– VBS Sunday, Rally Sunday & Backpack Blessing Sunday

Tuesday, August 4, 2026 – Pastor @ iCare Seminar in Victoria

Wednesday, August 5, 2026 – Quilters @ 1:30 PM

Thursday, August 6, 2026 – Life-to-Live Discipleship Meeting @ 7 PM

Saturday, August 8, 2026 – Evening Worship Service in Parish Hall @ 6 PM

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.

Sunday, August 9, 2026 – Property Team Meeting @ 8 AM

– Worship Service @ 10:15 AM

Wednesday, August 12, 2026 – Comm. Service @ Yorktown Manor @ 10 AM

– Women's Bible Study @ 12:30 PM

– Quilters @ 1:30 PM

Thursday, August 13, 2026 – Pastor @ Meeting in Hallettsville

Saturday, August 15, 2026 – Evening Worship Service with Communion in Parish Hall @ 6 PM

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.

Sunday, August 16, 2026 – Worship Service with Communion @ 10:15 AM

Monday, August 17, 2026 – Finance Team Meeting @ 7 PM

Tuesday, August 18, 2026 – Pastor @ CAMAL House

Wednesday, August 19, 2026 – Quilters @ 1:30 PM

– Men's Bible Study @ 7 PM

Thursday, August 20, 2026 – Committee Reports Due

Friday, August 21, 2026 – Newsletter Deadline

Saturday, August 22, 2026 – Evening Worship Service in Parish Hall @ 6 PM

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.

Sunday, August 23, 2026 – Worship Service @ 10:15 AM

Tuesday, August 25, 2026 – Council Meeting @ 7PM

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 – Old Stone Church Meeting @ 9 AM

– Quilters @ 1:30 PM

Saturday, August 29, 2026 – Evening Worship Service in Parish Hall @ 6 PM

An alternate service to the traditional Sunday morning service.

Sunday, August 30, 2026 – Worship Service @ 10:15 AM

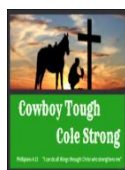
Thank You Note

Thank you to our church family for showing Glenn and I such love and friendship during his two-year journey through esophageal cancer. Our faith and your prayers, texts, calls and cards certainly gave us strength.

Candy, Mike and J. Burns and I will be forever grateful for the love and support we have received since Glenn's death. Thank you to all who went over and beyond to help us at the funeral and meal afterwards, we will forever be grateful. Please keep us in your prayers as we learn to navigate life without Glenn or as some know him, "Baby"

Linda Ruschhaupt
Candy, Mike and J. Burns Cowley

PRAYER REQUESTS



+ UPDATE + Special Prayers for Cole: Taken from Facebook Cowboy Tough Cole Strong (June 9, 2026):

Hello everyone. Cole has asked me to graciously ask all his prayer warriors to pray for him as he is about to go into surgery in Houston for a fractured femur he sustained yesterday while doing some routine stretching at home. He knows he can count on all of you to lift him up in prayer during this scary time for him. ~~ Man I am overwhelmed by the love and support you all give my precious boy. Thank you for lifting him up in prayer. He's in surgery now. Will post with an update when he gets out. ~~ Cole is out of surgery and doing well! Surgery went great thank the Lord. Cole is still a little drowsy but wanted me to thank all of you for your prayers and asks yall to keep praying for his complete healing. ~~ Wanted to give an update on Cole. He is back home and doing well. Has some pain and discomfort but nothing compared to before surgery. We want to sincerely thank all of you for your prayers. Cole had an amazing surgeon and team in Houston and his surgery was successful with no complications. God. His is good. ♥

+ Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole + At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list: *Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual To help family stay strong Patience ~ Stay positive ~The drive to keep trying (perseverance)*

Our Military and their families:

Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves

Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Fort Hood

Chase Schroeder, IT3 - U.S. Navy, FL

Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, Fort Riley, KS

Michael Petrash II - 1st Lt., U.S. Army

Austin Burns, U.S. Army



Andrew Washington, L CPL – USMC,

Washington DC

Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina

Zach McBrayer – Capt., USAF, Germany

John C. Otto – Army, National Guard

Philip Child, Capt., USAF, McConnell AFB

Wichita, KS

PHONE PRAYER CHAIN (immediate or long-term needs):

If you have a prayer request or wish to be on the prayer chain, please contact Mary Wagner (361)275-9500. We ask that when placing a name on the prayer chain, you would please call back weekly with an update on the person's condition. In case of long-term prayer needs, please give monthly updates. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

CHURCH PRAYER LIST: Please remember these individuals in your prayers: Hunter Jacob, Cole Ohrt, Ryon Preslar, Evelyn Diebel, Dorothy Fay Diebel, Fred "Sandy" Sanders, Ryler James Jacob, Billy Guenther, Christy Johns, David Diebel, Obert Sagebiel, Elizabeth Beard, Jonathan Ideus, Stacey Nelson, MayDell Jacob, Nancy Butler, Jonathan Pokluda, Kay Nagel, Kevin Bodden, Gary Moeller, Betty Diebel, Seth Wendel, Linda Boyer, Kaleigh Newman, John Helms, the Family of Caroline Blain, the Family of Ruth Roller; also, remember to pray for our members who have fallen away from St. John.



Nursing Home:

Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Marjorie Ideus and Carol Ann Sagebiel

With Our Deepest Sympathy

Please keep the family of

Caroline Blain

in your thoughts & prayers.

Caroline passed away on Friday, July 24, 2026.

May God comfort her family at this time of loss.

May God especially be with

Bobby & Aletha Blain and all her family.

With Our Deepest Sympathy

Please keep the family of

Ruth Roller

in your thoughts & prayers.

Ruth passed away on Friday, July 26, 2026.

May God comfort her family at this time of loss.

May God especially be with her children,

Susan Ochs & Mark Roller

and her nieces, Meliss Eckhardt, Dianna Soliz,

Linda Rios, & Fay Syzdek.



SOME WORDS FROM LUTHER

“Thus we learn from these words that the apostle regards the servants of Christ as stewards of the mysteries of God. That is, they should regard themselves and be regarded by others as persons who preach and give to the people of God nothing but Christ and what belongs to Christ.”

~ Martin Luther~

Sermons on the 3rd Sunday in Advent, 1522. WA 10

A Prayer for Teachers

Dear God, Grant our teachers an abundance of Your wisdom. Prepare their hearts to welcome and love our loved ones, and may we make sure to show them love and respect in return. Give them grace as they help students who aren't thriving, the courage to say what needs to be said, tools and knowledge on how and when to speak love, and strength when they feel weak. When they feel unseen, remind them that no moment goes unnoticed. They are shaping the future in one million small - yet incredibly important - ways every day. We are overwhelmed with gratitude for the gift of learning they share with our children. Bless them, Lord, and may they see even just a glimpse of how their faithfulness will forever impact generations to come. Amen.

Both Prayers taken from: www.christianity.com/wiki/prayer/prayers-for-school-encouraging-prayers-for-students-and-teachers.html

Prayer For the Health and Safety of Students

Dear Jesus, The world can be a scary place at times. Parents often struggle with fear and anxiety as they drive away from the school after dropping off their students. Likewise, teachers and students feel the weight of the “what-if’s” all day. So, we ask that you provide a blanket of peace and security for our parents, teachers, and students this school year. We ask for protection and safety for them all. Keep our children, their families, and the school staff safe from the various dangers of this world. At the same time, we ask that you guard their minds and hearts from unnecessary fear and worry. We also ask for good health for all involved. Please protect our students, families, teachers, and school staff from illness. Give those in charge wisdom and clarity. We ask that you give everyone calm heads and calm hearts in the face of any potential emergency and provide everything needed to navigate those situations well. In Jesus’ name, Amen. -[Betsy St. Amant Haddox](#)



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If you'd like to receive your monthly church newsletter via email, call or text the church office at 361-277-8653.