

# St. John Lutheran Church ELCA

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Reformation Sunday

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## Welcome to St. John ELCA



We're glad you chose to worship with us this morning!

*...Jesus said "If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples.*

*Then you will know the truth,  
and the truth will set you free."*

*John 8:31b-32*

*St. John/St. Stephen Lutheran Parish ELCA, Mission Statement:*

*"Saints united to be the body of Christ in the world, freed by grace to  
live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully."*

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*Joint Mission Statement: Saints united to be the body of Christ in the world,  
freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully.*

Keeping in Touch, October 27, 2024

A warm welcome to **Rev. Kristi Ursin**, she comes to us from Merrill, Wisconsin. Thank you so much for coming to minister to us in this time of transition.

## **THIS WEEK**

Tuesday, Oct. 29 at 9am—Quilting

**Women's meeting after church NEXT Sunday!**



**REMEMBER:**  
Set your clocks  
BACK one hour  
Saturday night!



Many thanks to our Sunday School department for the puppet presentation this morning! God gives us a wide variety of talents that we can use to honor Him.

## Prayer Concerns

**Elgart Mueller**—At home, recovering from leg surgery, building strength.

**Jay Zemke**—has begun radiation therapy.

**Winona**—12-year-old granddaughter of Eugene & Millie Borchardt (St. Stephen) has multiple cancers. Treatments have been stopped, she is receiving comfort care.



**Thank you to all who joined us for the Quarterly Meeting last Sunday.** The Leadership Election results were unanimous and are as follows:

**Council Secretary** (3yr. term) *Sarah Tackes*

**Deacon** (3yr. term) *Cindy Manecke*

**Trustee** (3yr. term) *Cal Tackes*

**Finance Committee** (2yr. Term) *Leon Werner, Bev Umnus, Cindy Manecke*

**Auditing Committee** (3yr. Term) *Leon Werner*

We need volunteers to sign up to **USHER**, a Council member volunteer to give the **ANNOUNCEMENTS** (and introduce the Supply Pastor of the day) and **READERS**.

**Cemetery Board** (3yr. Term) *Mark Bargender*

**Parish Ed Committee** (1yr. Term) *Bonnie Bargender, Carlie Stahel, Morgan Mueller, Cheryl Leffel*

## **Much APPRECIATION to all who have agreed to serve!**

### Coming SOON to St. John:

Community Quilting Bee—November 9, 9am-3pm. A light lunch will be provided. RSVP by November 3 to Shirley Rosien @715-574-3277. Hosted by the Women of St. John. *Flier on bulletin board.*

THANKOFFERING SERVICE—led by the Women of St. John on Nov. 24th

Combined Thanksgiving Eve Worship—at St. John, November 27, 6:30pm



TODAY is the last day to submit the names of loved ones that you'd like to honor on All Saints Sunday, which is NEXT SUNDAY!

I (we) \_\_\_\_\_ wish to honor:

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please turn in to office by Sunday, October 27th.*



## Worship Resources for the time sounding a National Election

The Sundays and Seasons Guide to Worship Planning, that is used here at St. John, included some extra resources to assist congregations in the time surrounding a national election. Included are some prayers and scripture readings that can be used at home during private devotions or in other settings. One appears below.

*Everlasting God, source of all liberty,  
before whom every earthly ruler must bow and bend the knee,  
we lay our nation before you as we prepare for an election.  
Breathe upon us your Spirit of wisdom and discernment.  
Grant all who seek public office the mind of Christ,  
who came not to be served but to serve,  
and to give his life for the freedom of the oppressed.  
Hold before us those who face uncertain futures  
or who have no voice in our political process.  
Uphold and safeguard poll workers and election officials in their work.  
Spare us from the crushing weight of cynicism.  
Give us grace to speak courageously but with love,  
without which our words are noise and we are nothing.  
Gather us together under the cross,  
where, in all of our difference, we can stand as one people,  
redeemed in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen*

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Psalm 46 is one of the scripture readings suggested:

God is our refuge and strength,  
An ever-present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way  
and the mountains fall into the sea,

Though its waters roar and foam  
and the mountains quake with their surging. *Selah.*

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
The holy place where the Most High dwells.

God is within her, she will not fall;  
God will help her at break of day.

Nations are in uproar,  
Kingdoms fall;  
He lifts his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD Almighty is with us;  
The God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah.*

Come and see the works of the LORD,  
the desolations he has brought on the  
earth.

He makes wars cease to the ends of the  
earth;  
He breaks the bow and shatters the spear,  
he burns the shields with fire.

“Be still, and know that I am God;  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth.”

The LORD Almighty is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress. *Selah*