

CONNECTIONS EXTENSION

Sunday, November 2, 2025

If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please visit the Gathering Area bulletin board or email hello@stjameslutheran.org.

STEWARDSHIP VISION FOR 2026

GREAT THINGS ARE HAPPENING AT ST. JAMES

We are called to be faithful stewards of all God entrusts to us. Practicing stewardship—the commitment of time, talent, and treasure—is a tangible way we live our faith. Your pledge helps us steward resources wisely so we can keep growing together, in faith and life. Please prayerfully consider your commitments for 2026 and fill out a pledge card, put it in a yellow envelope (from the Gathering Area), and drop it in the offering plate. Or, you can fill it out electronically at stjameslutheran.org/stewardship. Your pledge helps us plan our 2026 budget and ministries.

HELP US BRING THE STRATEGIC PLAN TO LIFE.

STEWARDSHIP CELEBRATION NEXT SUN. NOV 9

Mental Health + Faith Community Forum

Thursday, November 6, 7:00 - 8:30 pm

This week, we will be hosting Luther Seminary Professor Dr. Cody Sanders, who will share about "The Age of Loneliness and the Role of Hope in Mental Health." Don't miss this important topic. Register at stjameslutheran.org/forum.

Service Saturday with St. James

Saturday, November 15, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Do you have half an hour or an hour to share? Stop by St. James and participate in projects including: receiving produce during the ProjectFRESH food drive (from 10 am -Noon), packaging gift items for the pop-up store in Lake Forest during the holidays, deep cleaning the kitchen, prepping family projects for the Advent Dinner, tidying the music room, tying fleece blankets, cleaning the shed, installing new light poles in the parking lot, and more! Please note: From 10:30-11:30 am, learn how to make Norwegian lefse, which will be served at the Scandinavian Smorgasbord Advent Dinner on Nov 30! (Chefs Shelly Holmstrom & Wendy Paulson)



We're making a difference! Keep bringing fresh produce for food pantries in Lake County. Please bring 3-5 lb bags of:

Monetary donations welcome



Apples Carrots

Donation Drive-Thru Sat., Nov 15

Onions

Potatoes

10:00 am - Noon

Thanksgiving Basket

This Week:

Adult Bible Study, Tue, Nov 4, 10:30 am - 12 pm **Sewing Group**, Thu, Nov 6, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Mental Health + Faith Community Forum, Thu, Nov 6, 7:00 pm Prayer Team Meeting, Sat, Nov 8, 9:00 am

Save the Date:

Office Closed, Tue, Nov 11

God's Work, Our Hands, Project Prep, Thu, Nov 13, 10:00 - 12 pm ProjectFRESH Drive Thru Drop Off, Sat, Nov 15, 10:00 am - 12 pm St. James Service Day, Sat, Nov 15, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm Date Night for Parents, Sat, Nov 15, 5:00 - 9:00 pm Advent Pot Luck Dinner, Sun, Nov 30, 5:00 - 7:00 pm

CONNECT & VOLUNTEER AT ST. JAMES

Stop by the bulletin board in the Gathering Area to learn more, meet team leaders, and explore event and volunteer sign-ups sheets.

JESUS - discipleship@stjameslutheran.org **CONGREGATION** - connect@stjameslutheran.org

NEIGHBORHOOD - outreach@stjameslutheran.org





Welcome



to St. James Lutheran Church

"Growing Together, in Faith and Life"

We are delighted to have you join us today! Here are a few suggestions to help make your experience more enjoyable.

Please use the bulletin to follow along with the service. When indicated, you can find songs in the ELW (red) or ACS (dark blue) hymnals located under a chair in front of you. During the "Passing of the Peace" after the sermon, we take a moment to greet one another. All are welcome to join in communion, and the ushers are available to guide you. Please don't worry about doing it "right"; this moment is an opportunity for you to connect with God.

After the service, we invite you to meet Pastor Amy as you leave the sanctuary. We also hope you'll stay to enjoy snacks while getting to know others in the St. James community. Please stop by the bulletin board in the Gathering Area to learn more and ask questions.

Thank you for visiting. We hope we will see you again soon!

We would love to connect you with St. James! Please fill out the Guest Card or scan the QR code to sign up for our weekly e-newsletter, which provides information about upcoming events and opportunities to serve the community.



Prayer Requests

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. Philippians 4:6

We remember in our prayers:

Sandy Abby Eleanor Arneson Bryce Basgall Morgan Barnes

The Family of Ellen Bodell

Jenn Bodine Frank Brady Anna Braun

Mary Beth Buschmann

Bill Buttelmann Margie Elkins Lynn Ellingson Christina Famiglietti Sondra Feldman and family Kathleen Frey Kristi Gerken

Kathryn Gilbertson Alexis Gladstone Jackie Helwig Mike Jarvi Al Johnson David Johnson Richard Kaeske Kris Kantola

Germaine Kowal Kristin Krueger

Karl Laaninen Rachel Larson Janice Leegaard

Kari Lee

Michael Lorenson

Bill Milligan Deb Moore

Martin Netzer

Carolyn Omietec

Peter O'Rourke Susan Paul **Betty Peters**

Deb Russell Rolf Sandbert Jean Schmidt

Ava Schneider Wendy Schulz

Sherry Schupbach Joan Stanke

Debbie Stonich Gene Taskila Zelmira Tomaska

Marjorie Triplett Jeff Turnbull Torrence Vaughn

Kenny Voeks

Joan & John Webster Matt Wetherbee

Wendy Wiegers Janet Wilson



Please share your prayer request.