

## **CONNECTIONS EXTENSION**

Sunday, August 31, 2025

Keep this paper with you to learn more about ways you can connect with others at St. James and the community.

#### FALL KICK OFF - STARTS NEXT SUNDAY

Don't miss this exciting sermon series and all of the connected events, as we explore how our values shape our life and faith.

Sep 7 - Serve Generously

Sep 14 - Bridge the Generations

Sep 21 - Connect in Community

Sep 28 - Celebrate Word and Sacrament

Oct 5 - Open and Accepting

### God's Work, Our Hands Sunday + Lunch

Sunday, September 7, 10:00 am

Join us to learn how we are growing in relationship with our neighborhood. There will be opportunities to serve together and learn more about how you can get involved. Wear your yellow "God's Work, Our Hands" t-shirts (and if you don't have one, we'll have one for you on Sunday). We'll be taking a big group picture after Worship, and can't wait to see the sea of yellow on September 7th at 10:00 am. Join us for brief service projects and lunch afterwards!

## **Sunday School Registration**

Sunday School season kicks off for our Preschool - 6<sup>th</sup> graders on Sunday, September 14 at 9:15 am and runs through May. Please register your kids now.



Scan to Register

## St. James Singers & Musical Offerings

Calling all singers—past choir members, hymn harmonizers, or anyone who loves to sing! Invite your friends—everyone is welcome. We'll have two quick rehearsals before Worship at 9:00 am on 9/21 & 9/28, and will sing during the Offertory on 9/28. Nursery is available. Musicians are also wanted! Instrumentals, solos, duets, and musical offerings of all kinds on select Sundays. Check out the sign up form online.



## Progressive Dinner - Sign up

Sunday, September 27, 5:00 pm Mark your calendars for a fun night! Saturday, September 27th, starting at 5:00 pm. We will gather as one group for appetizers, then divide into smaller groups & move to 'host homes' for the rest of the evening. Learn more and sign up at the Welcome Table or online.



#### September Donation Needs for the Community

Please bring donations to the rack by the back entrance.

Family Care Closet: 4-pack of toilet paper, laundry detergent, dish soap, deodorant, feminine hygiene products.

PADS: Shorts, T-Shirts, Socks, Shoes

#### This Week:

Office Closed for Labor Day, Mon, Sep 1 Sewing Group, 10:00 am, Thu, Sep 4

Lake Bluff Farmer's Market Table, 7:00 am-12:00 pm, Fri, Sep 5 Sunday School Teacher Training, 9:15 am, Sun Sep 7

God's Work, Our Hands Sunday & Lunch, 10:00 am, Sun Sep 7

Confirmation Parent Meeting @ Grace, 6:00 pm, Sun, Sep 7

#### Save the Date:

Exploring Grief Group Begins, Virtually, 6:30 pm, Wed, Sep 10 Sunday School begins, 9:15 am, Sun, Sep 14 Progressive Dinner, Sat, Sep 27, 5:00 pm Pet Blessing Event, Sat, Oct 4, 10:00 am









# Welcome



### to St. James Lutheran Church

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 some coffee, tea, and treats while getting to know others in the St. James community. Please stop by the Welcome table in the Narthex and don't hesitate to ask any 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**

In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your request be made known to the God. Philippians 4:6-1

#### We remember in our prayers:

Sandy Abby Eleanor Arneson Morgan Barnes Jenn Bodine Frank Brady Anna Braun Jeff Browne

Mary Beth Buschmann Bill Buttelmann

Margie Elkins Christina Famiglietti Sondra Feldman and family

Kristi Gerken
Kathryn Gilbertson
Alexis Gladstone
Richard Holmer
Mike Jarvi
Al Johnson
David Johnson
Richard Kaeske
Linda Kollacks
Kris Kantola
Germaine Kowal
Kristin Krueger

Chris LaMonica

Karl Laaninen Rachel

Larson

Michael Lorenson Bill Milligan

Deb Moore Martin Netzer Carolyn Omietec

Peter O'Rourke Susan Paul

Jen Reindl Deb Russell Jean Schmidt

Sherry Schupbach Joan Stanke Debbie Stonich

Gene Taskila Zelmira Tomaska Jeff Turnbull Torrence Vaughn

Kenny Voeks Chary Voss Family Joan & John Webster

Matt Wetherbee Wendy Wiegers



