



OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS



Today	Preacher, Pastor Darin Aden
	Music — Kristen Hillmann
08/03	Thursday Evening Worship Service 6:30pm
08/03	Elder's Committee Meeting approx. 7:30pm

THANK YOU—Our heartfelt gratitude to all who extended sympathy and prayers to us in the loss of our daughter, Gwen. We are so grateful for our church family and friends. We miss her terribly, but know she's in the arms of Jesus.

~Jeff & Jellane Schneider~

ANNUAL REPORT—Please have any reports to Katie (kjanssen@stjohnstjames.com) by Sunday, August 6th, for the Annual Report.

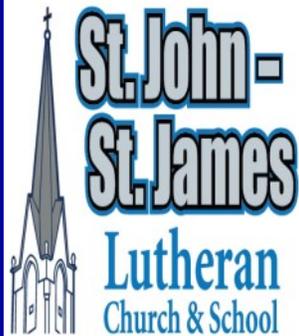
SUPPORT FOR GENERAL FUND—July brings a floodgate of blessings from heaven to us here at SJSJ. The culmination of over a year of call meetings and prayers brings us our second pastor, Pastor Thad Flitter and his wife Abby who will serve as our middle grade teacher. In July we also closed our Ministry Reserve Fund campaign, and we begin our new fiscal year. This newly adopted budget will now require \$9,923.00 a week for our General Fund. That is an increase of \$1,902.00 a week. Based on 100 envelopes given per week (our current average), we would need an increase of about \$19.00 per envelope per week. If we received 125 envelopes per week, we would need \$15.00 per envelope per week. Regular giving helps us to maintain our ability to support our ministry even when attendance may fluctuate (for example during the summer months). Please consider giving regularly and direct deposit giving.

We thank everyone who has contributed to the Ministry Reserve Fund. Would you consider continuing that support to our General Fund? If you have any questions, please contact Scott Skinkis, Stewardship Chairman (920) 621-9700 or Dan Duchow, Stewardship Committee member (920) 754-4751.

God offers this challenging promise from Malachi 3: *Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse. Test me in this says the Lord God Almighty and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that you will not have room enough for it.* We ask that you prayerfully consider this opportunity and keep our ministry in your prayers.

COMMUNITY EVENT—Saturday's in Reedsville on 5th Street between Manitowoc Street and Mill Street, there is a Flea Market/Farmers Market. There are a few members of our congregation that have tables setup, selling some of their handmade crafts and jewelry. This is held two Saturdays a month, the next upcoming Farmer Markets are August 5 & 19th and September 2nd from 8am to Noon. There is also food available.

OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHIES—Dennis L. Deehr passed away on Saturday, July 22nd. Dennis is the step father to Alison(Matt) Hills of our congregation. Please keep the family in your prayers.



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Website: stjohnstjames.com **Times of Worship:** Thursday — 6:30pm & Sunday—9:00 am

Send Bulletin Information to kjanssen@stjohnstjames.com;

jsheahan@stjohnstjames.com—Wednesday Deadline

Thursday, July 27, 2023 and Sunday, July 30, 2023

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK ■ **Thursday, July 27 — 6:30pm Ushers** - Gary Bernhardt, Dave Hoeppner, Randy Denor ■ **Sunday, July 30 9:00 am Ushers**— Dan Duchow, Jeff Herzog ■ **Communion Setup/Takedown**— Suzanne Bubolz, Amanda Schrubbe, Michaela Bubolz ■ **Flower Committee** —Sandy Reinemann, Nicole Kiesow ■ **Church Cleaners 07/24-08/06**-Gary/Deb Bernhardt, Joe/Judy Hoyer

SERVING YOU NEXT WEEK ■ **Thursday, August 3 — 6:30pm Ushers** - Scott Bubolz, Brian/Susie Bubolz, Bill Voeltz ■ **Sunday, August 6 9:00 am Ushers**—Paul Kiekhaefer, John Brodtke, Jeremy Foytik, Delton & Nathan Kasten ■ **Flower Committee** —Ida May Krepline, Kay Pantzlaff ■ **Church Cleaners 07/24-8/06**-Gary/Deb Bernhardt, Joe/Judy Hoyer

ELDER'S MEETING—The Elder's Committee will not be meeting on Tuesday, August 1st. The meeting has been moved to Thursday, August 3rd after the church service at approximately 7:30pm.

GRIEFSHARE LOSS OF A SPOUSE—GriefShare Loss of a Spouse is a single session, 2 hour event to help people who have lost a spouse to death. We will show a 35 minute video by counselors and mental health experts with interviews of people who have lost their spouse to death. We will then take time to discuss what we saw in the video, although sharing is not required. Each attendee will be given a guide book to take notes and take home with other things that can help with healing from grief. Loss of a Spouse will be meeting on Wednesday August 9th from 5:30 to 7:30 PM at Immanuel Lutheran Church, Manitowoc. If you need further information, have questions or would like to register please contact Larry Verlinden at 920-323-2297 or verlinden@comcast.net. You can also get further information and register at the GriefShare website griefshare.org. Please register by July 31st so we can make sure we have enough guide books. There will be a charge of \$5 to cover the cost of the guide book. Please consider joining us!

ADULT BIBLE STUDY—The Spiritual Growth Committee is asking for our members to complete a short survey so we may find more ways to meet the bible study needs of our congregation. Please take the time to fill out this short survey. The surveys can be found in the July/August newsletter and/or there are copies in the west office of church. Please return your completed survey to either the basket in the west office or in the collection plates. We ask that you complete the survey by August 6th. Any questions or comments please contact the committee; Pastor Aden, Tim/Joan Sheahan, Melissa Behnke, or Jeff/Jellane Schneider (920-323-2854).

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE—JULY 20 & JULY 23, 2023

Church Attendance

Thursday 7/20 6:30pm — 62 **Sunday, 7/23** 9:00am — 99 4:00pm — 168 Total Attendance — 329

Offerings 7/20 & 7/23: General Fund—\$6,387.75 ■ Synod—\$63 ■ MLHS—\$69 Total \$6,519.75

Special Offerings: Building Fund: \$1,775 (\$2,312 needed each week)