This Week

Campus Maps available at the Information Ctr. Worship Center BR: Bride's Room Kidz Connection OC: Off Campus Large Conference Rm in Admin. Office LCR: Small Conference Rm in Admin. Office SCR: Worship Center Lobby

ECCR: Event Center Conference Room Event Center-North or South

Sunday, September 14

9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship (In-Person & Livestream) Sanctuary Children's Ministry Sunday School-KC Adult Bible Study—ECCR Bob Schneider 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship (In-Person & Livestream) Children's Ministry Sunday School—KC SJ Students High School Night-

Monday, September 15

Women's Bible Study—OC 3:00 p.m. Jan Lundy

The Garage

Tuesday, September 16

1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study—ECCR Judie Fanucchi

Wednesday, September 17

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR Nate Smidt 8:45 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study—WČ Lobby Level 1 Yoga—Music Room 11:15 a.m. AWANA—KC 6:00 p.m. First Communion—SJLS Room 104 Confirmation—LCR SJ Students Jr. High Night-The Garage Large Group Adult Bible Study—EC Celebration Choir Rehearsal— Music Room

Thursday, September 18

8:00 a.m.	SJCC Grandparents Breakfast
	EC
8:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study—SCR
	Dean Nulton
9:00 a.m.	SJCC Morning Chapel—WC
10:00 a.m.	SJLS Grandparents Day
6:00 p.m.	Bells of Praise Rehearsal—
-	Music Room
6:30 a.m.	Women's Thursday Evening
	Bible Study—ECCR
Friday, Sep	otember 19
8:30 a.m.	SJLS Morning Chapel—WC

6:00 p.m. Kidz 56—KC

Saturday, September 20

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR Lynn Wheeler

> Thank you for worshiping with us! Come again *soon*.

Prayers

I We invite you to submit your prayer petitions using a Prayer Request card or by contacting Hailey Smidt, 665-7815, or by going online through the website or the SJLC App

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Health Concerns & Illnesses

*Hospitalized or Skilled Nursing/Rehab Jim Bailey, Bob Brandt, Nancy Green, Sheila Long, Michael Pennington, Arvid Unruh

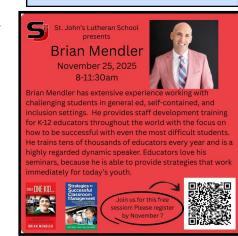
Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith John Andrew

Continued Concerns

Michelle Braughton, June Demos, Frank Fanucchi, Judy Fritch. Annis Gerner, Hannah Lynch, Steve & Cheryl McConaughey, Bob & Marcia Perry, JoAnn Pettijohn, Judith Stewart, Dorothy Sundberg, Lisa Vorhees

Our Veterans & active serving military men & women, those with I financial and employment needs, our community, A God fearing nation & world, our nation's leaders, local and all nations, our military and their families, Law Enforcement, Emergency Services and their families, LIFEGroups, persecuted Christians, St. John's church body, all staff, Children's Center, School, Angaza Schools, families, teachers, pastors, leaders, spiritual & kingdom growth

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year 2025-2026 Budget—\$2,044,300 Last Week's Giving—\$26,830.00 Budget to Date—\$326,066 Year to Date—\$252,559.57 Year to Date Variance—(\$73,506)







"Behold the Bridegroom"

Revelation 19:11-21

September 14, 2025 - Pastor Ben Schrank

You are not just on the guest listyou are the
"Then came one of the seven angels who had the seven bowls full of the seven last plagues and spoke to me, saying, "Come, I will show you the bride, the wife of the" Revelation 21:9
"Husbands, love your wives, as Christ loved the and gave himself up for her" Eph. 5:25
"Let not your hearts be troubled. Believe in God; believe also in me. In my Father's house are many If it were not so, would I have told you that I go to a place for you?" John 14:1-2
Judgement will be
Do you live as if the is returning for?
: We are not simply waiting for a option to trustwe are trusting Him as the only option in our waiting.
: Being the Bride doesn't just mean people a church building on a weekendit means
the church attending to people them up in
their weakness.
: Knowing that He is returning for me means
my struggles do not define memy
suffering is truly temporaryand my is secure.
"And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again and will take you to, that where I am also."
John 14:3
For next Sunday, please read Revelation 20:1-10.



Didn't get all the blanks filled? Sermon audio and notes online at St. John's website: sjlchurch.org/sermons. LIFEWork pages can be found at the Information Centers.



utheran Church September 14, 2025

LOVE. LEARN. LEAD.





Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, WE ARE SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!

*Reminder: Please silence devices during worship.

The restrooms are located in the lobby, across from the nursery.

<u>Sunday School & Nursery</u>

Nursery (0-35 months) and Sunday School (3 years old to 6th Grade) are available for both services.

*Please check your child into Sunday School before the start of service at the kiosk in front of the Nursery.







News & Notes



Names need to be submitted by September 24. The election will be at the Congregational meeting in December.

The Missouri Synod

Many, many thanks to our Lutheran Church Missouri Synod in St. Louis for

blessing St. John's LERT Team with a \$6,000 grant to finance our recent deployment in July to Cohasset/Chico,

California in response to the devastation of the Park Fire. The grant paid for the building supplies for two tiny homes and a structure over a water pump system for burned out fire victims, enabling families to live on their property!

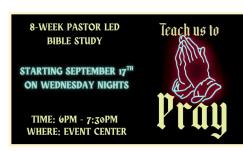


BIRLE Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study

Join us at 10:15 a.m., in the ECCR for Sunday morning Adult Bible Study led by Bob Schneider.

Bring your Bibles and your curiosity as we hear God's Word preached and study His word together. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@silchurch.org, or 665-7815.







Angaza Lutheran **Schools**

The Class 7 students' graduation is

September 16. We thank God for these students and the hard work they have put into achieving this goal. Please pray for all involved in the graduation ceremonies. Also, please pray for the future of these students.



St. John's SCRIP Next Sunday.

September 21, you can purchase **SCRIP**, between

services, at the School Kiosk, only on Communion Sundays. You can also purchase **SCRIP** at the school office during the week during the school year. **SCRIP** is face value gift cards you can purchase from local and national retailers and restaurants. Why use **SCRIP?** It is easy and a percentage of every purchase of SCRIP comes back to support our School and Children's Center. Questions, contact the school office, 664-8090.

(661) 665-7815.

Estate/Gift Planning

We can face competing priorities when we think about planning our estates someday. A big decision about estate gifts centers on whether they should be given all at once or spread over time. If inheritance is to be all at once, it can easily be given by bequests from a will or rust, or even through a beneficiary designation. If it should be spread over time, that might signal a great opportunity for a charitable trust to spread inheritance over up to 20 years, using those same 20 years to create a charitable gift as well. Your LCMS Foundation Gift Planning Counselor can help you see clear pathways. Contact Brian Hyde from the LCMS Foundation who will help you address Wills, Trusts, Medical Care at life's end, Memorial/Funeral/Burial Planning and how to Leave a Legacy for the people and ministries you love. Questions, contact the church office,

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Women's Monday Afternoon Bible Study

Join us Monday afternoons at 3:00 p.m., at a member's home each week. Everyone is welcome. Questions, contact

Jan Lundy, 665-7815.



Women's Tuesday **Afternoon Bible Study** Join us Tuesday afternoons at 1:30 p.m., in the ECCR. Everyone is welcome!

Questions, contact Judie Fanucchi, 665-7815.





Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Please join us at 8:45 a.m., in the WC Lobby for our first study of the year, God's Word for Today: Psalms. All are welcome! The Psalms were

written by real people with real problems and joys. Just as God spoke to the writers of the Psalms, so He speaks to us today. Childcare is available, to register, go to: silchurch.org. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@silchurch.org or 665-7815.



Improve your flexibility, balance and strength Beginning Wednesday, **September 17,** join us at 11:15 a.m. in The Music Room

for Level 1 Yoga led by Linda Cole, (please note the room change). Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@sjlchurch.org or 665-7815.

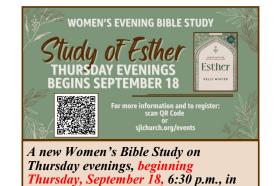


The Portals of **Prayer** Devotionals

for the months of October. November & December are

available. Please stop by the Welcome Desks and pick up a free copy.

Women's Ministry





the ECCR, led by Becky Wilson.

Join us in the ECCR for a great fellowship opportunity! All skill levels are welcome. Projects will be donated to The Bakersfield Pregnancy Center. Hope to see you there! Ouestions, contact the church office, 665-7815.



Lost & Found

This is your last chance to claim lost and found items we have accumulated from past events at the church

and school—VBS, worship services, memorials, meetings, etc. If the items are not claimed, they will be donated to charity. Visit the table in the courtyard.





Golden Eagles

Join us Thursday, September 25, at 11:00 a.m., in the Large Conference Room as we study God's Word and

enjoy lunch together. Golden Eagles is a Bible Study for seniors. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, 665-7815 or spersons@silchurch.org



Welcome2SJLC





4 years old-4th grade

Kids will take part in weekly dress up themes, Bible stories, memorizing and reciting scripture. Earning them fun prizes and awards.

Launch Date September 17

IST COMMUN[™]ION 5th grade

Kids will explore ways in which their personal story and identity are rooted in Christ's story, preparing them to



Kids will take the next step in their faith instruction preparing them to become member of the church

register your children @ www.sjlchurch.org/events

KIDZ 56

5th and 6th graders are invited to Kidz 56 Friday, September 19, 6:00-8:00 pm drop off at Kidz Connection. We will have dinner, games, large and small group activities. Bring friends!!!

1st time attending register @ www.sjlchurch.org/kidz56







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