

# St. James Journal

OUR MISSION STATEMENT:  
"WE PROCLAIM AND PRACTICE  
CHRIST'S LOVE"

JUNE 2018

## Pastor Jeni's Thoughts...

In the Annual Report, one of the goals I set for our year of ministry was "FUN!" We love to share the joy of the Gospel here at St. James and have fun doing it. This summer will be a summer of lots of fun activities and events!

You will find a note below about our Summer of fun worship. After such a long winter, it is exciting to get to move outside and have worship under the trees. We have

beautiful worship services planned for the summer. We hope you will join us and bring your friends and neighbors!

On several Sundays, we will have activities for all ages after the worship service. Some weeks, we might play kick ball or croquet together. We will learn about the Labyrinth one week. We might go for a bike ride one week. Stay after worship and enjoy fellowship and fun with your church friends!

We will also celebrate the Ordination of Bryan Odeen this summer. We will have our ALWAYS fun VBS. We will send youth off to youth gatherings and Bible Camp and hear about their experiences when they come home. And celebrate many other surprises and events!

We love summer here at St. James! Use this summer to Proclaim and Practice Christ's Love! Join us...and invite friends!

## SUMMER FUN WORSHIP!

We Begin our Summer OUTDOOR Fun on June 3<sup>rd</sup>! Join us at 8am for Potluck Breakfast with worship following at 9AM! During that 8am hour, you will be able to enjoy food, coffee, music, and lots and lots of fellowship!

If outdoor worship isn't for you, there will be a chapel service at 10:30am.

Adding to the fun will be several special services! During the 9am services we will:

- June 3<sup>rd</sup> Blessing of the Bikes: Bring your motorized bikes; your 2 wheelers or 4 wheelers—whatever you ride during the summer—and get a blessing for the months ahead!
- June 10<sup>th</sup> Pet Blessing: Bring your dogs, cats, gerbils, hamsters, fish, or whatever pet you have with you to have your pet blessed!
- June 17 Holy Laughter Sunday: We will have a joyous service filled with laughter on this day. Bring along your good, clean jokes and if there is time, you will be able to share!
- July 1<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> of July Service: featuring songs and liturgies celebrating our great country!

Watch next month's journal and your weekly bulletin for July and August special services!

### SUNDAY SCHEDULE

8:00 AM Breakfast  
9:00 AM Outdoor  
Worship  
9:15 AM Adult Bible  
Study  
10:30 AM Traditional  
Worship  
(Communion is on the  
1st & 3rd Sundays)

# St. James News

## CHRIST IN OUR HOME AND PORTALS OF PRAYER

for April through June are available at the church on the tables in the Narthex.

## 2018 FLOWER MINISTRY

sign up sheets are now available in the Narthex. Flowers are \$21.

**THE JULY JOURNAL** deadline is by June 18 by 12:00 PM.

## THE JULY JOURNAL

will be assembled on June 25 at 10:00 AM. Please call the church office if you are able to help.

## BULLETIN ARTICLES

are due on Wednesday by 9:00 AM every week.

### **Baptism:**

God's blessings to Christian "Kit" Edward Carper, son of Clayton Carper & Christy Tlusty, who was baptized on May 20th.

**Retirement Party:** After 19 years of faithful ministry as our Building Supervisor, Bill Trask is retiring in June. We are so thankful for his dedicated service, his positive attitude, and his love for this building and the people who enter it. We know we will continue to see his smiling face greeting people on Sunday mornings!

We are going to celebrate Bill's years of service and his retirement at a brunch on June 24. We will have ONE service that day at 9 AM (there will be no chapel service), with a brunch at 10:00. We will not have our 8 AM potluck breakfast that day.

Join us as we celebrate Bill and wish him well in his retirement!

### **Cannonball Days:**

St. James will once again run the concession booth at Cannonball Days on Saturday, June 30. This is a great fundraiser, as well as a fun way to serve and enjoy the day at the park! We are looking for people to help out through the day. There are clipboards at church where you can sign up, or you can call or e-mail the Church office or Pastor Jeni if you are able to help that day. THANK YOU!

### **Vacation Bible School**

will be held July 8-11. The theme this year is "SHIPWRECKED." Each evening will include great music, skits, learning, food, games, art, and fun! We will have activities for all ages! All are welcome (and bring friends!). If you would like to volunteer to help at VBS (with decorating, working with the kids, serving in the kitchen, singing or playing

with the worship band, or in any other way), please contact Alyse Hesley or a member of the Education Board.

**Simply Giving:** As summer approaches, we know that there will be weeks you may miss worship because of vacations and other activities. To continue to regularly support our mission and ministry, you can sign up to have your weekly offerings automatically deducted from your bank account through our "Simply Giving" Program. Go to our website or contact the church office to enroll. You can also mail contributions to the church any time. Thank you so much! for your continued support!

## WELCA & Circle News

**LOVE CIRCLE** will be going out to eat on Monday, June 18th at 6:00pm at Papa's.

**SENIOR SAINTS** will meet on June 21st at 5:00.

**DO DAYS QUILTING** has made and distributed the following quilts in 201-2018:  
World Relief—218  
Graduation—10  
Francis Lauer—5  
Waverly Child Home—15

Relay for Life—1  
Benefit for Cancer Patient—7  
Sold—19  
This is a total of 275 quilts!

**LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF WELCA** Mission Action would like to extend a HUGE THANK YOU to all of the St. James members who donated soap and items for the school kits and personal care kits. The generosity of the St. James congregation is amazing!! We were able to take 31 pounds of soap, 239 quilts, 54 school kits

and 67 personal care kits to the Lutheran World Relief truck in Manly on Saturday, April 28!!! Our goal was to send 50 school kits and 50 personal care kits. Also, thank you to all the Do Days ladies for making the quilts and school bags. An additional thank you to those who helped with loading and unloading the trailer on April 28: Sid and Grant Bohls, Kim Ostrander, McKenzie Myers, Mercades Motz, Dean Johnson, Derreck Tell, Jarrod and Lindsey Tell, Merv and Ann Sletten, and Stu and Terri Tell. And, thanks to Northwoods State Bank for the use of the trailer.



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**SUMMER WORSHIP  
SCHEDULE  
BEEINS JUNE 3, 2018**

Please join us Sunday mornings beginning June 3 for relaxed, friendly outdoor worship. Bring your lawn chairs - or we will have chairs for you.

- 8:00-9:00 Potluck Breakfast
- 9:00 Outdoor Worship Service for all
- 10:30 Indoor Chapel Worship

We have lots of special services planned throughout the summer -

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



St. James members:

The Women of the Evangelical Lutheran Church (WELCA) needs someone to help make phone calls to organize food and workers for funeral luncheons. WELCA provides a lunch for families and friends after a funeral to help these folks celebrate their loved one's life and is quite a vital service! The process is simple: You will share a list of names and phone numbers to call, and you ask those women to make a cake or salad and/or to help serve at the funeral luncheon. Your help is usually required once every three or four months and usually only takes several hours of your time. Please call or email your kitchen coordinator:

Sherri Fitzgerald at 424-8847 or email me at: [sherrifitzgerald1965@gmail.com](mailto:sherrifitzgerald1965@gmail.com) to volunteer to help with this vital service!

Thank you for offering your time and talents in this way.  
Sherri

**You are invited to attend the  
Ordination of Bryan Odeen  
into the Ministry of Word and  
Sacrament  
Sunday, June 17 at 4 PM  
A meal will follow the service.  
You can sign up for the meal at  
Church or by  
calling or e-mailing the Church  
office.**

*Bryan has been called to serve  
as Associate Pastor at Our  
Savior's  
Lutheran Church in Osage,  
Iowa*

### Reader Schedule

	9:00 AM	10:30 AM
<b>June 3</b>	Mike/ Colleen Syverson	Pastor
<b>June 10</b>	Rhonda Paulsen	Grant Bohls
<b>June 17</b>	Linda Betels	Gene Larsen
<b>June 24</b>	Destiny Hagenow	Carmen Madson

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