West St. Olaf Lutheran Church

70640 260th Avenue - Hayfield, MN July 28, 2024: Tenth Sunday after Pentecost Holy Communion Rev. Paul Thompson

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:



If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in narthex). Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.

OFFERING: You may place your offering in the offering plate as you leave (the plates are not passed).



AUGUST WORSHIP SCHEDULE

EAST - 8:30 am worship / East coffee after church
WEST - 10:00 am worship / West coffee at 9:00 am

AUGUST SPECIAL EVENTS:

August 11:

- 11:00 am Confirmation meeting for parents/students with Pastor Paul, at West St. Olaf
- 2-4:00pm Taste of Norway inside East St. Olaf ALL are invited to attend! Invite friends too!

August 18 is a 10:00 am JOINT SERVICE at East St. Olaf August 24 & 25 BOTH have VBS at West St. Olaf

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

WELCA Chair(s): July - Gail Laxen

Altar Guild: July - Jane Estby & Sheryl Wohlers

Acolytes: Ushers are covering **Reader:** July 28 – Gail Laxen

Ushers: Pete Danielson organizes volunteers

Deacon: July - Sandy Iverson

Stewardship:

4th Sunday - Church Council

INTRO & READINGS for

Sunday, July 28, 2024 - Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

INTRODUCTION: Today is the first of five Sundays with gospel readings from John 6, the first four of which focus on Jesus as bread of life. Today Jesus feeds thousands of people with five loaves and two fish. What we have, what we bring to Jesus' table, seems like it is not nearly enough to meet all the needs we see around us. But it is not the adequacy of our supplies or our skills that finally makes the difference: it is the power of Jesus working in the littlest and least to transform this world into the world God desires, a world where all the hungry are satisfied.

FIRST READING: 2 Kings 4:42-44: Today's reading is part of a larger section of 2 Kings that describes the miracles of Elisha, the successor to Elijah. Here the prophet gives food to a hungry crowd. Though there is not enough food to go around, Elisha trusts God, who provides enough and even more to satisfy the need.

PSALM: Psalm 145:10-18

SECOND READING: Ephesians 3:14-21: We have been rooted and grounded in the love of Christ, which surpasses all human knowledge. Because Christ dwells in our hearts, our lives are continuously strengthened and empowered by the ongoing presence of the Spirit.

GOSPEL: John 6:1-21: In John's gospel, the miracles of Jesus are called "signs," because they reveal the true character of God. As such, they remain within the mystery of God and cannot be brought under human control.

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>FUNDRAISER</u>: In memory of Mary Behne by Mary's Angels 9th Annual Alzheimer's Benefit August 3rd, 2024

4:00 – 7:00 PM at Uncle Mony's (Hayfield)

Silent auction, bake sale, raffle and a meal. All money raised will be donated to the Walk To End Alzheimer's. *If you would like to donate, call Barry Thompson at* 507-363-0308.

ATTENTION PARENTS & CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

There will be a meeting for all parents and students, with Pastor Paul, about confirmation classes. We'll meet right after the church service on **Sun.**, **August 11** at 11:00 am at West St. Olaf. Please plan to attend this important meeting.

WEST WELCA WILL PROVIDE workers, goodies, coffee and beverages for the two "viewing dates" for the Danielson's upcoming auction in August (dates listed below in the West WELCA schedule). Workers, pies, and bars needed. Please talk to Nancy Peterson or Sharon Gulbransen with any questions.

WEST WELCA SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION:

West WELCA will be collecting school supplies again for a Lutheran World Relief mission. There are collection boxes in both the church and chapel. It seems early but school supplies are already on sale. WATCH August & September newsletters for the updated list of school supplies. This is a Thrivent Action Team project. We appreciate your generous support in the past.

WEST WELCA INFORMATION AUGUST

Chairpersons: Jan Nordland, Roxanne Weinmann

Altar Guild: Donna and Cindy S.

VACATION: NO MEETING IN AUGUST

- **3** 4-7 pm at Mony's: Mary's Angel's Alzheimer's Benefit
- 17 <u>8am-Noon</u>: West WELCA supplies workers, pies and bars, coffee/beverages for the viewing time for the Danielson's farm machinery auction
- 19 <u>1-4:00 pm:</u> West WELCA supplies workers, pies and bars, coffee/beverages for the viewing time for the Danielson's farm machinery auction
- 25 Officers plan Fall Bazaar during coffee hour



THIS SUMMER, <u>VBS</u> will be a sleepover on August 24-25, at WEST St. Olaf -- theme is Jonah and the Whale. Drop-off time will be at 3:00 pm on the 24th. All kids are welcome!

Sleeping over is optional, but for kids who aren't in third grade yet; please have a parent accompany the

child if they want to sleep over. Please let the Board of Ed know if your child would like to join in the fun by emailing WestStOlafJAM@gmail.com or texting 507-206-9839, so we have enough supplies for all the kids to enjoy.

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

Deadline for bulletin information – Wednesdays by 7:30 pm.

West worship, comm/coffee after TODAY: 8:30 am

East worship comm. / coffee after Pastor at office Monday: 9am-Noon

10:00 am

Tuesday: NEWSLETTER DAY at office... >>>

(9:10-print, 9:30-fold, 9:45-collate)

Thursday: 9am-Noon Pastor at office Friday: Pastor's day-off

Saturday: 4-7:00 pm Alzheimer's fundraiser at Mony's

in Hayfield.

Sun. 08/04: East worship / communion 8:30 am

> West coffee hour 9:00 am

10:00 am West worship / communion

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

Aug. 5 (Mon.): 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Aug. 6 (Tue.): 10:00 am East Circle 4 meeting, then quilting

and sack lunch

EAST council meeting 6:00 pm

Aug. 8 (Thu.): 9am-Noon Pastor at office Aug. 9 (Fri.): -----Pastor's day-off

Aug. 10 (Sat.): 10:00 am EAST WELCA meeting at church

Aug. 11 (Sun.): 8:30 am East worship

9:00 am 10:00 am 11:00 am	West coffee hour West worship MEETING for Confirmation parents and students at West
<u>2-4:00 pm</u>	TASTE OF NORWAY inside the
Aug. 12 (Mon.): 9am-Noon 7:00 pm Aug. 13 (Tue.): 10:00 am Aug. 15 (Thu.): 9am-Noon Aug. 16 (Fri.):	WEST council meeting East quilting / sack lunch Pastor at office Pastor's day-off
Aug. 17 (Sat.): 8am-Noon	West WELCA will serve goodies, coffee, beverages at Danielson's, for viewing time of auction items
Aug. 18 (Sun.): 10:00 am	JOINT WORSHIP at EAST with coffee/fellowship afterward
Aug. 19 (Mon.): 9am-Noon 1-4:00 pm	<u> -</u>
7:00 pm Aug. 20 (Tue.): 10:00 am	Deadline to submit newsletter info East quilting / sack lunch
Aug. 22 (Thu.): 9am-Noon Aug. 23 (Fri.): Aug. 24 (Sat.): 3:00 pm	Pastor at office Pastor's day-off DROP-OFF TIME for VBS! It will
1145. 21 (546.). 5.00 pm	be held at WEST St. Olaf
Aug. 25 (Sun.): 8:30 am 9:00 am	VBS concludes on Sunday East worship West coffee hour West WELCA board meets during
10:00 am Aug. 26 (Mon.): 9am-Noon Aug. 27 (Tue.): 10:00 am Aug. 29 (Thu.): 9am-Noon >>>	Coffee to plan the Fall Bazaar West worship Pastor at office East quilting / sack lunch Pastor at office NEWSLETTER DAY at office (9:10-print, 9:30-fold, 9:45-collate)

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

West Prayers: Daniel Kyllo (son of Ralph & Wilma), Joy Beaver, Kathy B., Sharon Gulbransen, Jerry Nelson, Sandy Miller (sister of Carma. B.), Irene Walker (Katie Masching's aunt), Bill Tietje (brother of Carma B.), Cody Hegna, Loretta Himle, Gloria Brown, Aloma Eastlee, Dawn Hugeback, Darlene Hanson, Kelly Keckhafer, Gloria Pew, Boyd Pew, Cindy Senjem, Philip Senjem, and Matt Miller (nephew of Carma Bjornson). Those serving in our military: Jack Kenyon (nephew of Will & Gail Laxen), Patrick Reynolds (grandson of Sue Hyland), Erika Smith (granddaughter of Carma & Ardean Bjornson).

East Prayers: Todd Pyfferoen, Kathy B., Orillie Iverson, Mary Madson, Jerry Nelson, Kaysie Peterson, Scott Kittleson (son-inlaw of Paul Jordan), Cody Hegna, Alan Hovey, Jean (Sandy Dahle's daughter), Dawn Hugeback, Debra Moekel (daughter of Audrey Carlson), Keith Roeder (son-in-law of Paul Jordan), Dalton Mansfield (in military), John (cousin of Pat Nelson), Sylvia Torstenson, Heidi Guenius (cousin of Becky Brakke), and John Heydt (brother of Pat Nelson).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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Send all emails for Gina to both of her email addresses. Office Hours: Tues. & Thursdays 10:00 am-Noon

OUR WEBSITES: eaststolaf.org OR weststolaf.org

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