

# West St. Olaf Lutheran Church

70640 260<sup>th</sup> Avenue – Hayfield, MN

October 5, 2025: 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Holy Communion

Pastor: Rev. Paul Thompson    Musician: Jeneane Rushton

## **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.*

## **SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER**



**EARLY SERVICE at 8:30 am** (Oct. at West, coffee 9:30 am)

**JAM at 9:30 am** at West for all students, also West coffee

**LATE SERVICE at 10:30 am** (Oct. at East, coffee after)

## **THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US**

**WELCA Chair(s):** Oct. – Mary Brandt, Nancy Peterson

**Altar Guild:** Oct. - Mary Brandt & Sandy Iverson

**Acolytes:** Oct. 5 – Kaleb & Austin Palmersheim

**Reader:** Oct. 5 – Sue Hyland

**Ushers:** Pete Danielson organizes volunteers

**Deacon:** Oct. - Sue Hyland

**Stewardship:** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday – Luther League

## **READINGS: October 5, 2025: 17<sup>th</sup> Sun. after Pentecost**

**INTRODUCTION:** *A little faith goes a long way is Jesus' point in the gospel. A mustard seed's-worth of faith has miraculous potential. The patience, tenacity, and endurance required for the life of faith are the blessings received in holy baptism, holy communion, and the word read and proclaimed in this assembly. Anticipate them. Receive them with thanksgiving.*

**FIRST READING:** Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4: *Injustice and violence in the time leading up to the Babylonian exile move this prophet to lament: How can a good and all-powerful God see evil in the world and seemingly remain indifferent? God answers by proclaiming that the righteous will live by faith.*

PSALM: Psalm 37:1-9

SECOND READING: 2 Timothy 1:1-14: *This letter written to Timothy is a personal message of encouragement. In the face of hardship and persecution, Timothy is reminded that his faith is a gift of God. He is encouraged to exercise that faith with the help of the Holy Spirit.*

GOSPEL: Luke 17:5-10: *On the way to Jerusalem, Jesus instructs his followers about the power of faith and the duties of discipleship. He calls his disciples to adopt the attitude of servants whose actions are responses to their identity rather than works seeking reward.*

## TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

**>>> TODAY for EAST & WEST ST. OLAF CHURCHES  
MEATBALL DINNER at EAST CHURCH, THEN  
PARSONAGE TOURS**

Join us TODAY from 11:30 am-12:30 pm at the East church, for a great meal. Everyone from BOTH churches are invited – ask friends and relatives to come too!!

MENU: Scandinavian Meatballs, Mashed Potatoes, Lefsa and all the fixings! Proceeds going to the East St. Olaf general fund.

PRICE: \$15 ages 13-adult, \$8 ages 6-12, under age 5 are free.

**>PARSONAGE OPEN HOUSE & TOURS start at 1:00pm.**

*Members of the Parsonage Committee will be there as well as the presidents of both councils. Many people have not been in the Parsonage for many years, so here is the chance to come, look around, and ask questions. There will be a video tour that will be shown on the sanctuary screens that will include the attic and the basement spaces as well as the rest of the house.*

## ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT: 2025

West St. Olaf will host Advent by Candlelight on **December 7, 2025**. We will have time for fellowship and refreshments starting at 5:00 in the Chapel, service in the church at 6:00 where Pastor Heidi Heimgartner from the First Lutheran Church in Blooming Prairie will share her Advent message. A light supper will follow back at the chapel. If you are

interested in attending, hostessing a table, helping with the service or on the food committee, please sign up in the back of the church beginning in October. We hope to have 14-16 tables again this year to share the blessings of the season with many! *Please direct any questions to Donna Larsen or Heather Bamlet.*

## **FALL BAZAAR & BRUNCH AT WEST ST. OLAF**

Everyone is welcomed to attend the West St. Olaf FALL BAZAAR & BRUNCH from 9 – 11:30 am on Saturday, Oct. 25.

BRUNCH MENU: Stuffed French Toast, Parfait Cups with toppings, Sweet Breads, Orange Juice/Coffee.

PRICE: \$8 for Teens and Adults, Children 6-12 \$4, and 5 years and under are free. BAZAAR ITEMS: LEFSE, Rosettes, Krumkake, Baked Goods, Crafts, and Quilts.

**NOTE for West:** Please check the WELCA notes in Oct. newsletter for details about lefse/donut baking days, and for details about dropping off bazaar donations on that Friday or early that Saturday.

## **ST. JOHN'S KASSON: LUTEFISK & MEATBALL DINNER!**

Thursday, **October 23, 2025** – REVERVATIONS ONLY...

NO WALK-INS. *Bake sale 9:30 am until sold out.*

Adults \$25 and Children under 10 yrs \$10. See poster for info about reservations/seating times, and making payments.

## **HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK**

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

*Deadline for newsletter info - by approx. the 20<sup>th</sup> day, each month.*

<b>TODAY</b>	8:30 am	West worship, <u>communion</u>
	9:30 am	JAM classes at West (for both) <i>Also West coffee</i>
	10:30 am	East Worship, <u>communion</u>
	<u>11:30am-12:30pm</u>	<u><b>BOTH INVITED TO EAST, for a MEATBALL DINNER! After dinner – then tour PARSONAGE!</b></u>
	<u>1:00pm -2:30 pm</u>	<u><b>BOTH: PARSONAGE TOURS!</b></u>

<b>Monday:</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
<b>Tuesday:</b>	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch
	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
	6:00 pm	<u>EAST council meeting</u>
<b>Wednesday:</b>	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch
	1:00 pm	<u>West WELCA meeting</u>
		<i>Hostess- Jana Thompson, and</i>
		<i>Study by Pastor Paul</i>
	7:00 pm	Both: Confirmation at West
<b>Thursday:</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
<b>Friday</b>	_____	Pastor's day-off
<b>Saturday:</b>	10:00 am	<u>EAST WELCA meeting at church</u>
<b>Sun. (10/12):</b>	8:30 am	West worship
	9:30 am	JAM classes at West (for both)
		<u>West "Confirmation Recognition"</u>
		<u>during coffee hour for Isabelle Conelly,</u>
		<u>Ryker Hazelman, &amp; Mathea Horejsi</u>
	10:30 am	East Worship
		<i>East coffee after church</i>

## COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

### **OCT. 12 thru 14: Pastor at Fall Theological Conference!**

<b>Oct. 13 (Mon.):</b>	7:00 pm	<u>WEST council meeting</u>
<b>Oct. 14 (Tue.):</b>	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
<b>Oct. 15 (Wed.):</b>	>>>>	<u><b>NO class</b></u> for Confirmation (MEA)
<b>Oct. 16 (Thur.):</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
<b>Oct. 17 (Fri.):</b>	_____	Pastor's day-off
<b>Oct. 19 (Sun.)</b>		<b><i>Pastor Paul on vacation</i></b>
	8:30 am	West worship-Rev. Chris Miller
	9:30 am	JAM classes at West (for both)
		<i>Also West coffee</i>
	10:30 am	East Worship-Rev. Chris Miller
		<i>East coffee after church</i>
<b>Oct. 20 (Mon.):</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
	7:00 pm	<u>DEADLINE to submit info for</u>
		<u>the next newsletter</u>
<b>Oct. 21 (Tue.):</b>	9:00 am	<u><b>West LEFSE/Donut baking day</b></u>

	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
<b>Oct. 22 (Wed.):</b>	7:00 pm	Both: Confirmation at West
<b>Oct. 23 (Thur.):</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
	9:30 – 11:30	<b><u>West LEFSE/Donut baking day</u></b>
<b>Oct. 24 (Fri.):</b>	_____	Pastor's day-off
<b>Oct. 25 (Sat.):</b>	9:30-11:30 am	<b><u>WEST FALL BAZAAR &amp; LUNCHEON – All welcome!!</u></b>
<b>Oct. 26 (Sun.)</b>	8:30 am	West worship, <u>communion and Confirmation Day at West</u>
	9:30 am	JAM classes at West (for both) <i>Also West coffee</i>
	10:30 am	East Worship, <u>communion</u>
	After church:	<b><u>EAST members are invited to a dinner hosted by Circle 4:</u></b> <u>Scalloped potatoes &amp; ham &amp; more,</u> <u>(for free-will donation)</u>
<b>Oct. 27 (Mon.):</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
<b>Oct. 28 (Tue.):</b>	10:00 am	East quilting/sack lunch
<b>Oct. 29 (Wed.):</b>	7:00 pm	Both: Confirmation at West
<b>Oct. 30 (Thur.):</b>	9am-noon	Pastor at office
	<b>&gt;&gt;&gt;&gt;</b>	<b><u>NEWSLETTER DAY at OFFICE</u></b> (9:10-print, 9:25-fold, 10:35-collate)
<b>Oct. 31(Fri.):</b>	_____	Pastor's day-off

### TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

**West Prayers:** Ashley Hazelman, Jay B. (*friend of Carma B.*), Sandy Morris (*wife of Dick Morris*), Lexi Glynn, Linda K., (*friend of Pat Nelson*), Amber Haley (*Todd and Denise Beaver's daughter*), Russ Skov, Carma Bjornson, Joy Beaver, Kathy B., Sandy Miller (*sister of Carma. B.*), Bill Tietje (*brother of Carma B.*), Aloma Eastlee, Dawn Hugelback, Darlene Hanson, Kelly Keckhafer, Gloria & Boyd Pew, Cindy & Philip Senjem, and Matt Miller (*nephew of Carma B.*). **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*).

## CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

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### COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION:

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