



**Purpose Statement**

Living Christ centered lives so we may love all, serve our community, and share the Word.

**News for Sunday, July 5, 2026**

**Join us for at 9:00 a.m. for Worship**

**NAME TAG SUNDAY!**

Today is Name Tag Sunday! This will help us all! The ushers will remind us to make our own nametags as we enter the sanctuary. The nametags and markers on the table by the sound booth.

**Coffee Fellowship will follow worship this morning**

Click [HERE](#) for the 9:00 a.m. Worship bulletin

Click [HERE](#) to watch the Livestream

**We Remember in Prayer;** those on our Home Visitation list and those on our prayer list: Maggie Villafuerto, Richard J., Callahan McCallister, Melinda, Brock Woessner, Lori Dewey, the Woodworth family, Michelle Klinger, Matt Friel, Sandy Julifs, Mike, Dylan Wescott, and Phyllis Jacobson.

**During this time of transition** if you have an emergency, please call Sue in the church office or one of the council members who will contact the pastor that is covering during that time.

**HELP!**

**Gabby is seeking donations of food items for VBS.** Take a note home, purchase the item(s), and return to the church by July 12<sup>th</sup>. The notes are located at the back of the sanctuary on the wall. Gabby could also use a person or two to help serving the food next Sunday evening at Bethel. Talk to her if you can help out!

**This summer,** the **UNITE** churches are again hosting student musicians from the Sterling/Rock Falls area. This includes any student completing 7<sup>th</sup> grade – a just graduated college/post grad student. We ask that students share a piece with us at St. Paul and then arrange to play that piece at other **UNITE** congregations, where you will be paid \$30/service as a guest musician. This is a chance to keep your music skills tip top over the summer, share an IMEA or audition piece you may be working on, or another special piece. Please contact *Dawn Zeigler* 815.275.3775 or [dawn@stpaulsterling.com](mailto:dawn@stpaulsterling.com) for all of the details! We can't wait to hear you!

**Children's Offering**

The July Children's offering will go to towards the purchase of supplies needed for LWR School Kits. Families are also invited to shop for the needed supplies or contribute monetary donations to be used to purchase the items. Grab an empty bag from the coat rack at the back of the sanctuary to take with you. The list of items is attached to the bags.

**THIS WEEK**

**Monday, July 6**

Menz Group at St. John's – 5:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, July 7**

Pastor Mark will be in the office -9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

WELCA Tri-Church Bible Study at St. John's – 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, July 8**

Family Group at St. Paul – 5:30-7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, July 9**

Council Meeting – 5:30 p.m.

**Next Sunday, July 12**

Worship/Communion service at 9:00 a.m.

Coffee Fellowship at 10:00 a.m.

CommUNITY VBS begins at Bethel Reformed Church

Free supper – 5:30 p.m. – Program – 6:00-8:00 p.m.

**Next Week – July 12**

**Worship Assistants**

Opener/Head Usher/Closer – Dawn Waite

Acolytes – Altar Guild

Greeters – Dan Dir, Bev Graunke

Ushers – Ann Beswick, Gary Fields

Reader – Ann Beswick

Sound – David Carrillo

Communion Assistant – Ann Beswick

Altar Guild – Audrey & Cathy Cox

Coffee Fellowship – *Volunteer needed*

# Lutheran World Relief School Kits

Through the month of **JULY** we will again gather School kits supplies to send with the quilts to enable children to participate in their learning.

We have 60 backpacks sewn. They will be in the back of the sanctuary. Please take and fill with the school supplies and return to the church during the month of July. Thank you.

## LWR School Supplies Shopping List

(All items need to be new)

4-70 sheet notebooks of wide-or-college-ruled paper. **NO** loose leaf paper.

1-30 centimeter ruler, or a ruler with centimeters on one side and inches on the other. **Hard rulers only please**

1-Pencil sharpener

1-Eraser (2 1/2inches)

1-BLUNT pair of scissors

**5-UNSHARPENED** #2 Pencils with erasers

5-Black or Blue ballpoint pens (No ink gel)

1-Box of 16 or 24 count crayons

