

MAY 10, 2026

THE WEEKLY WORD

ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL



WEEKLY SCRIPTURE FOCUS

Acts 17:16–31

¹⁶While Paul was waiting for them at Athens, his spirit was provoked within him as he saw that the city was full of idols. ¹⁷So he reasoned in the synagogue with the Jews and the devout persons, and in the marketplace every day with those who happened to be there. ¹⁸Some of the Epicurean and Stoic philosophers also conversed with him. And some said, “What does this babbling wish to say?” Others said, “He seems to be a preacher of foreign divinities”—because he was preaching Jesus and the resurrection. ¹⁹And they took hold of him and brought him to the Areopagus, saying, “May we know what this new teaching is that you are presenting?” ²⁰For you bring some strange things to our ears. We wish to know therefore what these things mean.” ²¹Now all the Athenians and the foreigners who lived there would spend their time in nothing except telling or hearing something new.

²²So Paul, standing in the midst of the Areopagus, said: “Men of Athens, I perceive that in every way you are very religious. ²³For as I passed along and observed the objects of your worship, I found also an altar with this inscription, ‘To the unknown god.’ What therefore you worship as unknown, this I proclaim to you. ²⁴The God who made the world and everything in it, being Lord of heaven and earth, does not live in temples made by man, ²⁵nor is he served by human hands, as though he needed anything, since he himself gives to all mankind life and breath and everything. ²⁶And he made from one man every nation of mankind to live on all the face of the earth, having determined allotted periods and the boundaries of their dwelling place, ²⁷that they should seek God, in the hope that they might feel their way toward him and find him. Yet he is actually not far from each one of us, ²⁸for “‘In him we live and move and have our being’; as even some of your own poets have said, “‘For we are indeed his offspring.’”

²⁹Being then God’s offspring, we ought not to think that the divine being is like gold or silver or stone, an image formed by the art and imagination of man. ³⁰The times of ignorance God overlooked, but now he commands all people everywhere to repent, ³¹because he has fixed a day on which he will judge the world in righteousness by a man whom he has appointed; and of this he has given assurance to all by raising him from the dead.”

THIS WEEK

Monday - May 11

Men’s Bible Study 6:30am
Monday Night Meal 5:15pm
AA 7:00pm

Tuesday - May 12

Elders Meeting 6:30pm
Mary Martha Guild Meeting 6:30pm

Wednesday - May 13

Moms in the Word 9:30am
Messengers of Praise Rehearsal 7:00pm

Thursday - May 14

Women’s LifeLight Bible Study 9:30am

Friday - May 15

7-12th Grade Spring Lock-In 6:00pm
AA 6:30pm

Saturday - May 16

Bible and Bacon Men’s Bible Study 7:30am
Celebration of Life Open House for
Gordon Thomas 2:00-4:00pm

Sunday - May 17

Sanctuary Re-Dedication Day
Worship in Sanctuary 8:00/9:30/10:45am



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Congratulations to Our 2026 Confirmands

Congratulations to the twelve young men and women who were confirmed last Sunday, May 3, during the 11:00 AM service. It was a joyful morning of worship, made even more special by the Family Choir.

As our confirmands professed their faith in Jesus Christ, we were reminded of the lifelong journey of faith we share in the Church. We give thanks for each of them and pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide and strengthen them in God's Word.



Announcements

Bible and Bacon Brothers in Prayer Event | Saturday, May 16

On Saturday, May 16th, the men of St. John's are invited to a powerful morning together filled with prayer, scripture, and bacon. Join us first for Bible and Bacon in the Fellowship Hall from 7:30–9:00 AM, followed immediately by a special time of prayer over the newly renovated Sanctuary at 9:00 AM.

This is a one-time opportunity for the men of the church to come together, lay hands on our new Sanctuary, and pray over the space, asking God's blessing and setting it apart for His glory and for generations to come. We will set apart and ask God's blessing on this place in preparation for our first Sunday worship the very next day. All men of the congregation are strongly encouraged to be part of this historic moment. No preregistration is required, just show up!

May Worship Schedule

May is a busy and exciting month at St. John's! Please take note of these upcoming dates:

- **Sunday, May 10 - Last Day of Education Hour / End of Sunday School Celebration**
 - Worship in the Gym at 8:00, 9:30, and 10:45 AM
- **Sunday, May 17 - Sanctuary Re-Dedication Sunday**
 - Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:00, 9:30, and 10:45 AM
- **Sunday, May 24 - Summer Worship Schedule Begins**
 - Worship in the Sanctuary at 8:30 and 10:00 AM
- **Sunday, May 31 - Senior Blanketing Ceremony**
 - Join us at either the 8:30 or 10:00 AM service as we celebrate our graduating high school seniors.

**7TH-12TH GRADE
SPRING LOCK-IN**

May 15th | 6:00 PM - Midnight
At Living Christ Lutheran Church

Scan to learn more and register!

Questions? justin.weber@stjohns-chaska.org

JOIN US FOR OUR
Sanctuary
RE-DEDICATION

Sunday, May 17 | 8:00 · 9:30 · 10:45 AM
Scan the QR code for full details

On the Farm
An Intergenerational Bible Study

Select Sunday mornings this summer
9:30 - 10:00 AM in the St. John's Cym

June 14 & 28
July 12 & 26
August 9

Scan for more info!

St. John's & Christ Victorious invite you to
Family Faith Nights
Intergenerational summer evenings full of
faith, food, and fun!

Wednesdays | 5:30-7:00 PM

St. Johns
LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL

CHRIST VICTORIOUS
AMBASSADORS OF CHRIST TO A BETTER WORLD

June 10, July 8,
& August 5

June 24, July 22,
& August 19

REGISTER HERE

**HELP OUT WITH
SUMMER
COFFEE HOUR**

Love the coffee, lemonade, and
donuts at Summer Coffee Hour?

Scan the QR code to learn
more and sign up to help!

**American
Red Cross**

CELEBRATE MORE
Life

Red Cross
Blood Drive

Sign Up Here

St. John's Gym · Thursday, June 11 · 10:30 AM to 4:30 PM

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sundays at 8:00/9:30/10:45am through May 17
(Livestream at the 8:00am Service)

Education Hour 9:30am through May 10

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 8:00am-4:30pm

**Want to receive the Weekly Word and
church communications by email?**

Contact churchoffice@stjohns-chaska.org or
call the church office.



PRAYER LIST

We would love to pray for you. You may share your prayer requests by filling out the back of a Connect Card located on the information desks in the upper gathering area and main level common areas, or by visiting www.stjohnschaska.org and clicking "Prayer Request" under "Resources." You are also welcome to contact the church office by email at churchoffice@stjohns-chaska.org or by phone at 952-448-2433.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| 5/10
Dallas Siegle | 5/14
Jason Fredrickson
Joe Griep
Lucy Oliver
Andrew Polley | 5/15
Eva Medvedev
Logan Robb
Graham Vance |
| 5/11
Grant Lindberg
Carter Polley | 5/15
Maria Bergo
Dan Hennen
Jacob Lenz | 5/16
Bruce Bergo
Mason Busker
Mary Giernett
Connor Simpson
Justin Weber |
| 5/13
Evan Anderson
Mathias Rolf
Shannon Smith | | |



EXPECTANT MOMS

- Clara Crawley-Reid
- Haley Griffin
- Christina Krueger
- Brittany Thormodson

FOR HEALING AND STRENGTH

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| Matt Weber | Emily Pagelkopf | Anne Dutcher |
| David Burfield | Stephen Wetzel | Brody Miller |

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES

- 5/11 - Matt and Kylie Fick
- 5/12 - Bryce and Miranda Hansen
- 5/14 - Ben and Kristin Kuznia
- 5/16 - Andrew and Jocelyn Polley

IN SYMPATHY

The family of Phillip Waldron, upon his passing

ONGOING PRAYERS

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|-----------------|----------------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| Carol Affeldt | Marguerite Craighead | Eugene Henke | Melinda Meuwissen |
| John Barney | Sunnie Deis | Carol Jones | Steve Pond |
| Merlin Bentz | Anita Doss | Len Kallsen | Cliff Waller |
| Jack Boman | Sid & Merna Fjelstad | Tracy Koepsell | Lois Wenz |
| Jimann Campbell | Dennis Gaarder | Tim & Gretchen Laubach | Ruth Ziegler |
| Julie Carver | Ruth Harms | Marilyn Lenzen | |