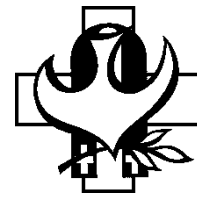


FIFTH SUNDAY
OF EASTER
MAY 3, 2026



DEAR FRIENDS, WELCOME! Christ Jesus is Lord. As Savior, He claims our hearts to fill us with joy and peace as He fulfills His promises. We welcome members and guests in the name of our gracious Lord and Savior.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Heavenly Father, we thank You that You did not leave us alone, but sent the Holy Spirit, the Helper and Spirit of Truth, to dwell within us. Lord, we ask that You guide us into all truth, as promised in Your Word, and help us to understand the deeper things of God; in your name we pray.

WE THANK GOD for all our blessings and the rain we received last week. We thank you for protecting those who were in the storms paths. We give thanks for the birth of Jameson Matthew Savage, son of Kyle and Kylie Savage, born April 28, 2026. We also pray for those with needs including, Evie Davis, Gayle Grimm, Dallas White, Greg Savage, Mitch Mayer, William Fritts, Evelyn Schmidt, Ruth Tracy, Ina Diepenbrock, Rev. Chris Kellogg, Rev. David Grouner, Calvin Lynch, Jim Channel, Arlys Hartmann, Joyce Mathies, Joyce White, and our shut-ins.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE ALTAR is a gift of God for believers to receive God's grace. Christ our Savior warns us to examine ourselves to look for true repentance and faith before we partake of this holy meal. We practice close communion, which recognizes that one may receive Christ's body and blood only if we share a bond of faith and practice. Guests who desire to commune are asked to speak with the pastor before the service. All may come forward to receive a blessing by placing their hands over their heart.

OUR ACTIVITIES FOR CHRIST THIS WEEK

TODAY	8:30am	Sunday School
	9:30am	Communion Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
MONDAY	9:00am	Quilt Tying
	12:00pm	Pray for Missions Around the World
	7:00pm	Elders
TUESDAY	6:15am	Bible Breakfast @ Frank's
WEDNESDAY	8:15am	<i>Chapel</i>
	7:00pm	JuBellation
THURSDAY	9:30am	Bible Class
	6:30pm	School Board
	7:00pm	Book Study @ Schultz's
SATURDAY	10:30am	Roberta Robiske Funeral
SUNDAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class

9:30am Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
 10:45am Parish Nurse

OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST		APRIL 26, 2026		
Attendance:				
Sunday	157	Livestream	25	Views 960
Sunday School	35			
Total Receipts	\$8,543.50	<i>Weekly Budget Needs</i>		<i>\$11,457.00</i>

WORSHIP SERVANTS: Sunday School Teachers: Pastor Grimm, Phillip Theel, Traci Dickens, Lisa Thompson, Cheryl Buttenhoff; Altar Guild: Carmen Altevogt, Sandy Altevogt; Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Jed Swicegood, Elaine & Shawn Becker; Acolytes: Kooper Runnebaum (Sat.), Elli Pfannenstiel, Brynn Anderson; Ushers: Kevin Moege, Richard Orton, Todd Orton, Dale Peterson, Dawson Schultz, Matt Anderson; Technicians: Kathy Hendricks, Whitney Howard, Mindy Miller; Children’s Message: Orville Altevogt.

FIELD DAY: This year St. John Lutheran School will be hosting Field Day at the Wabaunsee High School track and Alma Community Center on May 11th. Many helpers are needed. If you are able to help at any time during that day Please contact Mindy or the school office at (schoolofficestjohnalma@gmail.com). We have many different jobs for everyone or just come to support our young athletes.

BLOOD DRIVE: The Red Cross seeks blood donors. They will conduct a blood drive Monday, May 11, 2026, from noon to 6:00 p.m. in the parish hall at Holy Family Catholic Church. All are welcome to come. Give blood and receive a \$20 egift card, thanks to Amazon. You can sign up through the Red Cross or contact Louise Ronnau at 316-706-7060 (leave a message).

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL: At **Praisemakers**, your children will gear up for a JOY-themed VBS with lessons about perseverance and trust. Join us for 2 fun filled days, **May 26th and 27th from 9 A.M. - 3 P.M.** (Lunch will be served). **Day 1-** Psalm 98:4 *Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music.* **Day 2-** Proverbs 3:5 *Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.* Come along with us as we sing, craft, play, learn, and *more*. Can’t wait to see you there!

To register, fill out the form below and drop it by the church office OR register online at: https://forms.gle/dCQ4JUUYKQWcaSAP9_
 Additional forms can be printed at stjohnalma.org.

******(Participants: Age 3 - going into 6th grade.). **Registrations received by May 6th** will be included in our T-shirt order so get them in ASAP!!

Adult (entering 9th grade and older) and JH (7th - 9th grade) volunteers are needed. Sign up by clicking the link below and typing your NAME and EMAIL under the option that best fits you. Include "Monday only" or "Tuesday only" if unable to serve both days. Don't forget to give your t-shirt size. Thank you for your service!

<https://forms.gle/6C5raqKBkZULXf8D7>

JUBELLATION, St. John's handbell choir, is a guest of Immanuel, Junction City, as they celebrate 100 years of ministry this weekend.

PRE-ENROLLMENT: St. John Lutheran School of Alma is conducting a pre-enrollment for the 2026-2027 school year. Parents interested in sending their child(ren) to St. John Lutheran School are being asked to fill out and return a pre-registration form by May 29. Forms may be obtained by contacting the school office at 765-3914 or schoolofficestjohnalma@gmail.com

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES



- May 3 Ashley Stuewe
Kip & Brenda Meseke
- May 4 James Meseke
Kathy Cox
Eric Altevogt
Jed Swicegood
Madeline Mayer
Matt & Ginger Ruhnke
- May 5 Stephanie Tolbert
- May 6 *Brad & Logan Heine*
- May 7 Bernie Shepherd
Elizabeth Bierman
Justin & Mindy Miller
- May 9 Ervan Stuewe
Taylor & Cortney Giefer
Don & Teresa Zerbe