23rd Sunday After Trinity
November 8, 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: Teach us to hate evil, pride, arrogance, and deceit, and fill us with prudence, discretion, and sound counsel. Guide our decisions, whether in work, leadership, or daily relationships, so that we may walk firmly on the path of righteousness and justice revealed by Christ as our Savior; in Jesus' name we pray. Amen



We Thank You, God for your great mercy and authority to forgive our sins and heal our deepest brokennesses. We pray for those who request our petitions, including Jim Berroth, Ruth Tracy, Greg Savage, William Fritts, Evelyn Schmidt, Rev. Chris Kellogg, Rev. David Grouner, Jim Channel, Donna, Michael Fairchild, Kyle Murray, Sherri Barnes, Arlys Hartmann, Joyce Mathies, Joyce White, and our shut-ins.

Worship Servants: Sunday School Teachers: Pastor Grimm, Phillip Theel, Traci Dickens, Lisa Thompson, Cheryl Buttenhoff; Altar Guild: Ashton Torrey, Darcy Torrey; Greeters: Mr. & Mrs. Corey Thompson, Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Moege; Acolytes: Elli Pfannenstiel, Kooper Runnebaum; Ushers: Dennis Theel, Randy Meseke, Perry Piper, David Savage, Don Zerbe, Doug Messer, Shawn Becker; Technicians: Bruce Schultz, Whitney Howard; Children's Message: Orville Altevogt.



Our Activities For Christ This Week

TODAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class
	9:30am	Worship Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
	10:45am	Parish Nurse
	11:00am	Lunch Following Church
	2:00pm	Bible Study @ Media Center in the School
	4:00pm	Adult Information Class
MONDAY		*No USD 329 Bus Service*
	12:00pm	Pray for Missions Around the World
	7:00pm	Choir
TUESDAY	6:15am	Bible Breakfast @ Frank's
WEDNESDAY	8:10am	Veteran's Day *Chapel*
	6:15pm	Confirmation
	6:30pm	JuBellation
THURSDAY	9:30am	Bible Class "End Times"

	11:00am	Chapel @ Heritage Home
SATURDAY	6:05pm	Worship Service with Communion
SUNDAY	8:30am	Sunday School / Bible Class
	9:30am	Communion Service (FM 88.3; FB Live)
	10:45am	Voters' Meeting
	11:30am	Lunch Bunch @ El Corral
	2:00pm	Bible Study @ Media Center in the School
	4:00pm	Adult Information Class
	5:30pm	All-School Musical

OUR LOVE FOR CHRIST		**OCTOBER 31 & NOVEMBER 1, 2026**			
Attendance:					
Saturday	29				
Sunday	121	Livestream	17	Views	301
Sunday School	30				
Total Receipts	**$33,745.76**	*Weekly Budget Needs*		*$12,304.05*	

VETERAN'S DAY CHAPEL SERVICE: All Veterans of the Alma community and surrounding area are invited to St. John's Veteran's Day Observance on Wednesday, November 11th. We will recognize those who have served or who are currently serving in the military of our Armed Forces. Join us for chapel at 8:10 a.m. in the Sanctuary.



SEMINARY SUNDAY: Admissions Counselor Rev. Christian Schultz represents Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne (CTSFW). He will lead Bible Class, preach in our worship service, and be available to visit with people about the work of the seminary at a dinner after the service. Turkey casserole and chicken fried steak will be provided as a main dish. Please bring a side, salad, or dessert. We will take a door offering for the Seminary Fund.

ALL-SCHOOL MUSICAL: the SJLS students will tell all our veterans thank you. Everyone is invited to gather in the school gym on Sunday, November 15th at 5:30 p.m. to support the students and thank God for His blessings here in the United States of America.



LERT TRAINING on November 14th has been cancelled due to low registration numbers and trainer availability.

NEED CHRISTMAS OR BIRTHDAY GIFTS? St. John School's LPTL is once again placing orders for RaiseRight Gift Cards during the months of November and December. You will find the order forms on the table by the secretary's office or on the SJLS website (*https://stjohnalma.eduk12.net/*). If there is another gift card you are interested in you may look on the *raiseright.com* website for all the cards available. Orders will be placed on Nov. 30 and Dec. 9. Please contact the school office or Gayle Grimm if you have any questions. Thank you for supporting St. John Lutheran School with your purchases!

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BIBLE STUDY: Beginning this afternoon at 2:00 p.m., there will be a class for. Ashley Seematter and Whitney Lynch will teach the class, "Promised Rest, Finding Peace in God's Presence." Join them in the library at school.

ADULT INFORMATION CLASSES begin today at 4:00 p.m. Come to Pastor's office and explore the teachings of the Lutheran Church to review or prepare for membership in the Lutheran Church.

VOTERS' MEETING: On November 15th after church, we shall meet to: establish a spending budget for 2027, affirm a Synod By-lay change, and elect officers. Those nominated are: Ryan Theel for President; Dale Peterson for Vice-President; Deborah MacGregor for Secretary; Bruce Schultz for Financial Secretary; Kip Meseke, Don Snodgrass, or Phillip Theel for Board of Elders; Jim Diehl, Dalton Luetje, Michael Savage, or Russell Torrey for Board of Trustees; Orville Altevogt and Tim Songs for Board of Stewardship; and Deanna Moege for the School Board.

LUNCH BUNCH will meet at El Corral next Sunday after the Voters' Meeting.

BIRTHDAYS AND *ANNIVERSARIES*

Nov. 8	Shawn Becker
Nov. 10	Lindsey Wertzberger
Nov. 11	Haidyn Falk
	Walter Johnston
	Valerie Wright
Nov. 12	Andrew Anderson
	Haidan Simon