

# ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## November 16, 2025


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### Acolytes This Sunday:

Mason Wecker & Mia Kenny

### Acolytes Next Sunday:

Lane Robson & Allison Wolf

 **PRAYER UPON ENTERING:** Lord Jesus, help us to look ahead and see the end. May we eagerly wait for Your return. Amen.

 **IN OUR PRAYERS:** Members of our congregation: Allan Schanbacher, Haley McNulty, Joyce Plotz, Don Waterman, Nancy Rinderknecht, Carla McLarty, Gayle Reese, LaVonne Sass, Kathryn Waterman, Doris Porazil, Denny Lohrer, Dan Voss, Laurie Davis, Ken Popenhagen, Carrie Sperfslage, and Marcey Jensen.

Others: Ongoing illnesses, issues, and recoveries: Clara Fry, Karen Smith, Molly Voss, Leslie Strottman, Holley Haerther, Brandon Pflug, Terri, Valerie, and Jeff; The family of Hiltrude Cram (Christine Kreutner's sister) who went to be with Jesus last Sunday.

**DOOR OFFERING:** Nov. door offerings are for Lutheran Bible Translators.

### THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN'S:

Today	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service (HC)</b>
	10:15 am	Christmas Committee Meeting (Conference Rm)
	10:15 am	Sunday School
	10:30 am	Bible Study
Monday	6:00 pm	CLS Board Meeting
	7:00 pm	LifeLight Bible Study
Tuesday	9:00 am	Sewing
Wednesday	8:30 am	CLS Chapel
	10:30 am	Adult Bible Fellowship
	1:00 pm	Women in Mission
	1:30 pm	Midweek class
	4:00 pm	Catechism class
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service</b>
		Samaritan Shoeboxes due today!
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	10:30 am	Bible Study



**CHRISTMAS COMMITTEE:** The 2025 Christmas Committee will meet in the conference room after the service today.



**WOMEN IN MISSION:** Women in Mission meeting is this Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm. Pastor will be the devotion leader and Judy Smith will be the hostess.



**CARD SHOWER:** Don Waterman will be celebrating his 97<sup>th</sup> birthday on November 26! Cards would be appreciated and may be left in his mailbox here at church or mailed to him at PO Box 172, Atkins, IA 52206. Thank you!



**THANK YOU:** Thank you to everyone who helped us celebrate our 75<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with the cards and heartfelt messages you sent. It was so appreciated! Ed & Vonnie Wilhelmi



**CHOIR:** Our choir is working on Christmas music. If you want to sing with us for our December 14 choir service this year, now would be a great time to start!



**SHOE BOXES:** The Samaritan Purse shoeboxes are due next Sunday! Please pick up your Samaritan shoebox, brochures/labels on the table in the narthex and return by next Sunday!



**SOUP SUPPER:** St. John Lutheran Church in Newhall is having a soup supper this Wednesday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from 4:30 – 7:00. Dine in or take-out available. A free will offering will go to support mission projects.



**CLS MUSICAL:** Everyone is invited to attend the CLS 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade musical, Back to the Manger on Friday, November 21. Matinee is at 1:30 pm and the evening performance is at 6:30 pm.



**ILSTO** The Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization (ILSTO) will gladly accept your gift that will provide financial assistance to our students. Your donation needs to be postmarked no later than December 31. Tax credits are available on a first come first served basis so the closer you donate to the deadline please call to make sure credits are available. If you would like to donate online, please go our website. You will receive a 75% tax credit on your Iowa taxes and charitable contribution itemized deduction on your federal form. To get more information for donating to the ILSTO go online to [www.iowalutheransto.com](http://www.iowalutheransto.com) or call Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991.

### Noses & Nickels Last Sunday:

Attendance: Last Sunday: 136    Offering: Home: \$5,582.00    Missions: \$71.00