

ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Acolytes This Sunday:

Mason Wecker & Anthony Becker

Acolytes Next Sunday:

Mia Kenny & Lexi Hlas

 **PRAYER UPON ENTERING:** Lord, strengthen our faith as we hear, read, and study your holy Word. Amen.

 **IN OUR PRAYERS:** Members of our congregation: 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 Sperflage, and Marcey Jensen; Matt & Amanda Haapakoski, Jay & Carolyn Harris, and Bob & Kathy Koehn on their anniversaries today.

Others: Ongoing illnesses, issues, and recoveries: Karen Smith, Molly Voss, Leslie Strottman, Holley Haerther, Brandon Pflug, Terri, Valerie, and Jeff.

 **DOOR OFFERING:** October door offerings are for the Atkins Fire Dept.

THIS WEEK AT ST. STEPHEN'S:

Today	9:00 am	Divine Service (HC) No Sunday School or Bible Study CLS Brunch Fellowship Hall reserved (4-H Meeting)
	9:00 am-1:00 pm	
	4:00-7:00 pm	
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
	1:30 pm	Midweek class
	4:00 pm	Catechism class
Thursday	7:30 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Saturday	10:30 am	Fellowship Hall reserved
Sunday	8:00 am	Tone Chime Practice
	8:45 am	Sunday School meet in multipurpose room
	9:00 am	Divine Service No Sunday School or Bible Study
	10:30 am	Fall Festival



ALTAR FLOWERS: Altar flowers are given by Sandy Hopkins and Rhonda Prouty in loving memory of their dad for his birthday on Tuesday, October 21st.



CLS BRUNCH: Today is the Central Lutheran School Brunch!

Join us for ALL YOU CAN EAT with pancakes, eggs, ham, sausage, rolls, muffins, fruit, juice, milk, and coffee. Free-will donation event. Supplemental funds are provided by Thrivent.



TONE CHIME PRACTICE: Tone Chime practice starts next

Sunday, October 26 at 8:00 am in the Conference Room. If you missed the meeting last week, you are still welcome to join any time as a regular or a sub.



MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Sunday School students will sing

during our worship service next Sunday, October 26. Please have students meet in the multipurpose room at 8:45 to warm up our voices. We'd love to have all of our students there!



FALL FESTIVAL NEXT SUNDAY: Join us for our Fall Festival

and family potluck after church *next Sunday*, October 26. We will have Trunk Or Treat in the parking lot after our service followed by games and potluck. Feel free to bring treats for our trunk or treaters!



COMMITTEE BOARD MEMBERS: Board Members Needed –

Get Involved! We currently have open positions on the following church boards: Finance Board, Parish Education Board, and Youth Board. If you feel called to serve or would like more information, please contact the church office **as soon as possible** or talk to an Elder or Pastor. Thank you for considering these opportunities.



MARK YOUR CALENDAR: Save this date! Don't miss this! Our

Ladies Tea, "A Morning To Give Thanks," is Saturday, November 8, 9:00-11:00 am. Our guest speaker will be Julie Lefebure, author of Right Now Matters! Please plan to join us – guests are welcome.



IOWA LUTHERAN STUDENT TUITION ORGANIZATION: 75%

is the largest tax credit that Iowa offers. You've been hearing about the Iowa Lutheran School Tuition Organization. This giving opportunity isn't just for Lutherans – anyone who pays Iowa state income tax can donate and receive the tax benefits. For further information, please contact Dewey Torkelson at 712-260-2991.

Noses & Nickels Last Sunday:

Attendance: Last Sunday: 249

Offering: Home: \$7,075.00 Missions: \$61.00



Looking for an easy way to support the ministry of St. Stephen's?

In just seconds, you can make a weekly or monthly offering to Home, Missions, Birthday Fund, Monthly Door Offering, or Capital Campaign!

To get started, visit our church website at:

sslchurch.org

Or go directly to the Vanco giving link at:

<https://secure.myvanco.com/L-Z5RS>

Or download the **Vanco Mobile** App on your phone, search for *"St Stephens Lutheran Church"*

You will be asked to set up an account. Contributions must be linked to your bank account. Due to surcharges, we are not accepting debit or credit cards at this time.

You may set up either a one-time offering, a one-time at a future date, every week, every two weeks, or monthly.

If you have any questions, please talk to Scott Minkel.