

# ST. STEPHEN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

## August 17, 2025


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### Acolytes This Sunday:

Mia Kenny & Mason Wecker


### Acolytes Next Sunday:

Keaton Schmid & Sophie Philipps

 **PRAYER UPON ENTERING:** Loving God, Creator of all times and places, we thank you for the gift of summertime, the days of light, warmth and leisure. Amen.

 **IN OUR PRAYERS:** Members of our congregation: Gayle Reese, Don Waterman, LaVonne Sass, Kathryn Waterman, Doris Porazil, Denny Lohrer, Dan Voss, Joyce Plotz, Laurie Davis, Ken Popenhagen, Carrie Sperfslage, Marcey Jensen, and Carla McLarty; Nancy Rinderknecht recovering from a broken hip; Doug Carte, Kristin Keiper, Darci Lange, Jerry Sherbon, and Brittany Thompson on their birthdays today.

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

 **DOOR OFFERING:** August door offerings are for Lutheran Blind Ministry.

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

Today	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service (HC)</b> Central Lutheran School Staff Affirmation
Monday	6:00 pm	CLS Board Meeting
Tuesday	9:00 am	Sewing
Wednesday	<b>7:00 pm</b>	<b>Worship Service</b>
Thursday	9:30 am 11:45 am	Lutheran Living Communities Meeting Women in Mission leave for Vinton
Sunday	<b>9:00 am</b>	<b>Divine Service</b> 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Bible Presentation 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Catechism Presentation

### Noses & Nickels Last Sunday & Wednesday Evening:

Attendance: Last Sunday: 90	Wednesday: 10
Offering: Home: \$2,647.00	Missions: \$50.00



**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR:** Flowers on the altar have been given to the glory of God by George & Jill White as they thank the Lord for His continued love and blessings to them as they celebrated their 45<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on August 15<sup>th</sup>.



**WOMEN IN MISSION MEETING:** Women in Mission will have their monthly meeting in Vinton on Thursday, August 21<sup>st</sup>. Kris Carte will be the devotion leader. This is a luncheon meeting and then we go to Vinton Lutheran Home Communities to play Bingo with the residents at 2:30. Please meet at church at 11:45 if you would like to car pool to Pizza Ranch in Vinton or meet us at Pizza Ranch at 12:30 or so. All are welcome to join us!



**FELLOWSHIP:** Next Sunday, August 24<sup>th</sup>, cake will be provided for fellowship after the service by Dennis & Marranda Larson to celebrate their 70<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Come celebrate with them!



**THANK YOU:** THANK YOU to all who donated delicious bars and helped out at our Friday Fun Food booth last weekend during Watermelon Days. We had lots of fun serving and supporting our great community. We are also grateful to Thrivent for supporting our event. We raised over \$1,300 for our local Helping Hands food pantry.



**THANK YOU:** A very big thank you from Women in Mission to everyone who donated to the school supply donation drive for Swaddling Clothes at St. John in Keystone. So many wonderful supplies were received...thank you so much for your generosity. Swaddling Clothes is very grateful also and appreciates all donations all year long!



**CAMP IO-DIS-E-CA NEEDS YOUR HELP!:** Right after summer ended, the well for both Alpha and Omega Lodges stopped working, leaving both lodges without water. Thankfully, they were able to get the well fixed quickly and have running water at the lodges again. However, they now have an unplanned \$13,000 expense to cover. Can they count on your support to help them cover this cost? To donate, you may send a check to 3271 Sandy Beach Rd. NE Solon, IA 52333 or go to [campiodiseca.org/believe](http://campiodiseca.org/believe) and note that your donation is intended to go toward this expense.

*There are three good reasons to be a teacher...*  
*June, July, and August*

## **Central Lutheran School Professional Staff**

### **2025-2026**

Becky McKinney - Preschool 3's and 4's  
Jessica Fry - Kindergarten  
Heather Johnson - 1st grade  
Shalan Knapke - 2nd grade  
Hope Nordman - 3rd grade  
Melissa Voss - 4th grade  
Tonya Schanbacher - 5th grade, K-8th grade PE, Co-Athletic Director  
Ally Sullivan - 6th grade, Upper Grades Math, Co-Athletic Director, Co-Technology  
Dave Runge - 7th grade, Upper Grades Social Studies  
Denise Carley - 8th grade, Upper Grades Science  
Aaron Huesmann - PS-8 Music and Choirs Director  
Kristin Meyer - Interventionist, Co-Technology  
Doreen Anderson - Band  
Shauna Voelker - Preschool Paraeducator, Librarian  
Pam Berger, Kristen Schanbacher, Becky Erger, Cassi Mumby - Paraeducators  
Faith Muehler - Deaconess from LFS, School Ministry and Care  
Rachel McLeod - Food Service Director, Head Cook  
Stella Wolter and Becky Rieck - Assistant Cooks  
Lorrie Towle - KFJ Extended Care  
Jeanne Duffy - KFJ Extended Care Associate  
Abbie Rathje - Financial Manager  
Jackie Seeck - Administrative Assistant  
Franklin O. Parris - Principal

