



St. John's
Ev. Lutheran Church

HOLY TRINITY
31 May 2026

In the Congregation

Come learn how to use St. John's kitchen! Two training sessions, led by Cheri Berggren, will be held in June: one on Monday, June 1 at 10:00 a.m., and another on Wednesday, June 3 at 6:30 p.m. These sessions are open to anyone who is interested, and are intended to help maintain consistent use of the kitchen, establish "rules" for monthly breakfasts and potluck lunches, and educate the next generation on how to use the church kitchen. Please come whether you are already a regular volunteer or are brand new to the kitchen.

While Pastor Wright is on vacation, please call the church office first for any pastoral care needs. One of our circuit pastors will step in to help.

On Saturday, June 6 from 9:00 a.m.–2:00 pm., Doorstep will have its first-annual Neighborfest in the parking lot of Christ the King Catholic Church. Festivities include a 5K Walk/Run and a Classic Car Show, along with food trucks, bounce houses, raffles and more.

Volunteers are also needed for Doorstep's Neighborfest. You can sign up to volunteer at bit.ly/DoorstepNeighborFestVolunteers. If you have any questions, contact Yvonne Berry.

The LWML Salad Lunch will be on June 9 at noon, followed by a hymn sing. Please bring a salad to share. Dessert, drinks, and table service will be provided. Children are welcome to attend!

St. John's Music Camp will be held June 8–12 from 9:00–11:30 a.m. Children entering 1st grade through 5th grade are welcome to attend. Cost is \$30 per child. Come enjoy a week of music, snacks, crafts and games gathered around God's Word. The camp will be led by Kantor Bethany Johnson and Erin Grass. Register at stjohnlcmstopeka.org/learning/music-camp.

The next monthly breakfast will be June 14 with the Elders serving biscuits and gravy.

VBS registration is now open! VBS will be held on June 22–26 from 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. The theme is "Wake Awake: Watching for Jesus." Children PreK–5th grade are invited to attend, and older children and adults are encouraged to volunteer. Register at this link: vbsmate.com/stjohnstopeka.

If you have left any dishes or containers in the kitchen, please pick them up. Unwanted items will be put in the bargain sale.

Altar flowers this week are given by Clayton Kinnett in thanks to God for His many continued blessings.

Altar flowers are needed for June 21.

In our prayers: All those who are hospitalized along with our homebound members.

Coming Up

Sunday, May 31

HOLY TRINITY

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:20 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Divine Service
12:30 p.m. Adult Catechesis

Monday, June 1

10:00 a.m. Kitchen Meeting
1:00 p.m. LWML Exec

Wednesday, June 3

6:30 p.m. Kitchen Meeting

Thursday, June 4

9:00 a.m. LWML Mission Blankets

Sunday, June 7

TRINITY I

8:00 a.m. Divine Service
9:20 a.m. Coffee & Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Bible Class/Sunday School
11:00 a.m. Divine Service

The Congregation at Prayer

*A Guide for Daily Family Prayer
For the Week of June 1-7*

Psalm of the Week

Psalm 29, antiphon v. 2

Hymn of the Week

“We All Believe in One True God” (LSB 954)

Daily Readings

Monday (6/1): Ecclesiastes 9:1-17; John 9:24-41

Tuesday (6/2): Ecclesiastes 10:1-20; John 10:1-21

Wednesday (6/3): Ecclesiastes 11:1-10;
John 10:22-42

Thursday (6/4): Ecclesiastes 12:1-14; John 11:1-16

Friday (6/5): Proverbs 1:8-33; John 11:17-37

Saturday (6/6): Proverbs 3:5-24; John 11:38-57

Sunday (6/7): Proverbs 4:1-27; John 12:1-19

Prayer of the Week

Almighty and everlasting God, You have given us grace to acknowledge the glory of the eternal Trinity by the confession of a true faith and to worship the Unity in the power of the Divine Majesty. Keep us steadfast in this faith and defend us from all adversities; for You, O Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, live and reign, one God, now and forever.

Looking Forward to Next Week

Trinity I

Genesis 15:1-6; 1 John 4:16-21; Luke 16:19-31

Bible Study

Adult & High School
Bible Study on
Sundays at 9:45 a.m.,
studying the book of
Romans

Adult catechesis is on
Sundays at 12:30 p.m.

A special thank you to Eileen Klumpp

I wanted to take a moment to express our deepest gratitude for Eileen Klumpp's many years of incredible service to St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church. The work she performed was so often 'behind the scenes,' but I want to assure you that I—and the Lord—see her many hours of labor to make this place a home where Christ is worshipped and glorified.

Eileen, the Called Staff, office staff, officers, church council, and congregation thank you for your faithful support and wish you a wonderful retirement!

In His Service,
Andy Grittman, President

St. John's Women's League

Meetings

Monday, June 1, 1:00 pm:
LWML Exec



Ladies Salad Luncheon

Tuesday, June 9, 12:00 p.m.

Hymn Sing included
Bring a salad to share
Children invited to join!

Ladies Craft Night

Tuesday, July 7, 6:30 p.m.

Crafting, Cards, & Cookies
Supplies provided
Children invited to join!

Financial Update

Treasurer's Report

	Monthly	YTD
Apr 2025 Total Income(General Fund)	\$42,701.37	\$231,317.06
Apr 2025 Total Expenses	\$66,760.92	\$267,043.68
Current Monthly Total	(\$24,059.55)	(\$ 35,726.62)

Financial Secretary's Report

Apr 2025 Contribution Receipts	\$45,300.50	\$240,686.98
Apr 2025 Projected Monthly Receipts	\$67,482.14	\$254,147.25
Over/Under Budgeted Contribution	(\$22,181.64)	(\$1 3,460.27)



St. John's Music Camp

SPONSORED BY
ST. JOHN'S MUSIC ACADEMY



June 8-12

9:00-11:30 a.m.

901 SW Fillmore, Topeka

Ages: entering 1st-5th grades

Cost: \$30 per child

**music, snacks, crafts, & games
gathered around God's Word**



Led by Bethany Johnson and Erin Grass

Questions? Contact Bethany Johnson (bjohnson@stjlcms.org)

Register: stjohnlcmstopeka.org/learning/music-camp/



Wake, Awake

WATCHING FOR JESUS

◆ HYMN VBS ◆

Join St. John's for VBS this summer!

VBS will be held 9–12:00 p.m. on June 22–26 for children PreK–5th grade. Older children and adults encouraged to volunteer!

At *Wake, Awake*, children learn the wonderful truth that Christ, our Savior, who once came to this world to save us, will come again and take all believers to live with Him forever in the new creation.

Register here: vbsmate.com/stjohnstopeka.



2026 Worship Conference

Music as Proclamation

Rev. Tim Frank,
presenter & organist

Saturday, August 29, 2026
8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church
901 SW Fillmore St., Topeka, KS

Ending with Vespers and an organ recital,
celebrating 500 years of Luther's Deutsche Messe

Musicians, pastors, and lay members
are welcome to attend!
More information and registration:

[https://stjohnlcmstopeka.org/
worship/worship-conference/](https://stjohnlcmstopeka.org/worship/worship-conference/)



Doorstep's NeighborFest



A Calm in the Storm

1966



2026



For 60 Years

\$20
Entry

JUNE 6TH, 2026

CHRIST THE KING CATHOLIC CHURCH
5973 SW 25TH TOPEKA, KS 66614

9A - 2P

- BEST IN SHOW
- BEST CLASSIC
- BEST TRUCK
- PEOPLE'S CHOICE
- REGISTER TODAY!



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DOORSTEPTOPEKA.ORG

Update on Shawnee County Lutheran Education Foundation:

The Shawnee County Lutheran Education Foundation (SCLEF) is offering scholarships to students who are enrolled full-time at a LCMS Concordia University/Seminary and preparing to become ordained or commissioned LCMS church workers. Partial educational loan repayment grants are also being offered to current called church workers within Shawnee County LCMS congregations. Application forms for 2026/2027 and eligibility guidelines can be found at www.sclef.org. Scholarship applicant must be a member of good standing within an LCMS congregation of Shawnee County, Kansas.

Deadlines are July 1 (Scholarships) and September 15 (Partial Educational Loan Repayment Grant). This information has been shared with the KS LCMS District Office and Concordia institutions as well. For more information contact Marlene at lutheranedfoundation@outlook.com. Thank you for your prayers and support of the work of the SCLEF as well as for LCMS Concordia students and church workers.

From the SCLEF Board of Directors:

Timothy Bolz, President;

Casey Ford, Vice President and Treasurer;

Sarah Ramsey, Secretary;

Rachel Kathman, Member at Large;

Ann-Marie Bevel, Member at Large

New confirmands:

Jackson Emme and Campbell Robinson



Doorstep News: May 2026

This is an exciting month here at Doorstep! We are celebrating our 60th anniversary with our new event: “NeighborFest”!

We combined our annual Salk/5k Run with celebratory events and came up with a whole new fundraiser... Doorstep’s NeighborFest! Come out on Saturday, June 6th and celebrate with us!

We will be on the grounds of Christ the King Catholic Church at 25th & Wanamaker Rd.

8am – 8:45am ~ Walk/5K Fun Run Check-in & Event Day Registration \$30/person

9am & 9:10am ~ The 5K and Walk Start with WIBW Melissa Brunner as Celebrity Starter

8am – 10am ~ Classic Car Show Registration \$20/car

10am – 2pm ~ NeighborFest is in full swing...

Food Trucks; Free Family Fun area with Bounce houses, face painting & balloon artist; Touch a Truck with a Fire Truck, Top City Storm Chaser vehicle, one of the original trucks from the movie Twister, ServiceMaster, and KSNT Meteorologist Matt Miller with their Storm Tracker vehicle; DJ from 10am-12pm; raffles; and a special announcement about the future of Doorstep!

More information on our website: www.DoorstepTopeka.org

60 years of ‘neighbors helping neighbors’ is amazing and humbling to see how our services have been needed for all these years! In the beginning, Doorstep offered cooking and sewing classes, had a daycare, used to buy and renovate houses, offered food and other services.

Today, our focus is helping with basic needs and other supporting services. Topeka has so many wonderful non-profit organizations and services that we can refer people to other organizations who provide more specialized services.

The need for food has remained at the increased level, our clothing room stays busy, and other services such as rent, utilities, prescriptions, gas vouchers, Topeka Metro bus tickets, dental vouchers, auto services, phone bills, and daycare assistance are needed as people experience a crisis in their lives, endure the increased cost of living, are disabled, or live below the poverty level.

We cannot provide any of these services without YOU! Your willingness to help your neighbor whose face and name you may never know. Donating food, clothing, household items, hygiene products, and money! YOU are Doorstep... Neighbors Helping Neighbors!



End of the Year Thoughts

by Andrea Kosmicki

We have just completed the third year for St. John's Classical Lutheran School. This year was really one of growth. We added a new teacher with Rachel Kathman joining our staff. We also added some new events. We completed our first Kindergarten Readiness Screening in January and held our first Fine Arts Showcase in May. The Fine Arts Showcase was a fantastic night and a culmination of a year of hard work. Both of these events will help set the school up for future success.

We are also looking forward to moving into the church. This move will help to connect the school and church even more. I know that we will all need some time to get adjusted to what all this means, but I see that as a huge growing step for us. A big thank you to everyone who helped physically move the school into the church and those who are working on the building project.

More than that, your thoughts, prayers, and support as a congregation are so very much appreciated. It is a wonderful blessing for myself, the teaching staff, and the students to have a supportive congregation behind us. It means so much to know how much you value our school and classical Lutheran education.

Prayer

Dear Heavenly Father, thank you for another great school year to learn more about You in Your Word and in Your creation. Grant us grace to continue to live in Your Word through faith in You. In your name we pray, Amen.



Highlights

- Memorizing the Table of Duties: To Everyone and memorizing verse of the year
- Learning about Elijah, Elisha, Manassah, and Josiah
- Reading *Twenty-One Balloons* (5/6)
- Reading American Studies stories (3-6)
- Reading Beatrix Potter stories and Norse Mythology (2)
- Reading *Miss Rumphius* and *The Story about Ping* (1)
- Completing embroidery and painting projects for Mother's Day gifts
- Singing and poetry for nursing homes
- Creating clay volcanoes and watching them erupt (3-6)
- Presenting in our first Fine Arts Showcase with poetry, recitations, and singing
- Narrative writing (K-2)
- Learning "mea culpa" meaning "my fault" in Latin (3)
- Going to the zoo and Gage Park for our end of the school year field day and fishing
- Creating their own board game called Geonopoly (5-6)
- Writing a children's book on symmetry (3-6)

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June 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
HOLY TRINITY 31 8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:20am COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am DIVINE SERVICE 12:30pm ADULT CATECHESIS	1 10:00am KITCHEN MEETING 1pm LWML EXEC	2	3 6:30pm KITCHEN MEETING	4 9:00am LWML MISSION BLANKETS	5	6
TRINITY I 7 8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:20am COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am DIVINE SERVICE	8 9-11:30am MUSIC CAMP	9 9-11:30am MUSIC CAMP 12pm LWML LUNCHEON 4pm SJCLS	10 9-11:30am MUSIC CAMP	11 9-11:30am MUSIC CAMP 6:30pm ELDER CALLING 7pm ELDERS	12 9-11:30am MUSIC CAMP	13
TRINITY II 14 8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:15am MONTHLY BREAKFAST 9:15am PARISH ED 9:45am SUNDAY SCHOOL 11am DIVINE SERVICE	15 5:30pm STEWARDSHIP	16 4:30pm TRUSTEES 6pm MISSIONS/EVANG	17	18 NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 9:00am LWML MISSION BLANKETS	19	20
TRINITY III 21 8am DIVINE SERVICE 9:20am COFFEE & FELLOWSHIP 9:45am BIBLE CLASS/SS 11am DIVINE SERVICE 12:30pm ADULT CATECHESIS	22 9am-12pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	23 9am-12pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 6:30pm COUNCIL	24 NATIVITY of ST. JOHN the BAPTIST 9am-12pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	25 PRESENTATION OF THE AUGSBURG CONFESSION 9am-12pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	26 9am-12pm VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	27
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"CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED"



The Mission of the Church

“Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you.” (Matthew 28:19–20a)

“So that we may obtain faith in Christ, God instituted the ministry of teaching the gospel and administering the sacraments. Through the gospel and sacraments, as through means, God gives the Holy Spirit who produces faith, where and when He wills, in those who hear the gospel.”

(Augsburg Confession, Article 5)