

JULY CHURCHLETTER

"On Vacation!"



(Pastor Orde will provide pulpit supply on Sunday, July 12th and Sunday, July 19th. Gordie Wiegrefe will cover pastoral emergencies while Pastor Gary is gone.)

The office phone number is 651-280-0150

You can also reach the churches by email

at: st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com

or NerstrandUMC@gmail.com

Prayer Chain



Please direct all prayer chain requests to **Becky Tatge (507) 210-1214** or **Mary Kindseth 507-789-6879/507-330-1578**. Messages can be left on either of the phones. If you want to make any

changes on how you are contacted or add your

name to the list, you can be on the email or phone list.

Let's keep this available to our community.

Prayer chain and worship service link emails:

Becky Tatge has been regularly sending emails with the worship service link and/or prayer chain requests. If you have not been receiving them and would like to, please contact Becky at (507) 210-1214

Please send **bulletin (deadline-9am Thurs)** and **newsletter (deadline-20th of month)** information to:

st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com (Lynn Hirschey will be monitoring this email). Phone number 507-330-1831. Notes in the mail are also welcome if you prefer.

Wednesday Wear will be closed July 4th, 2026

Hours: Wed. 1-5 pm Sat. 9-noon

Remember that donations are welcome!

Any questions about being open or on donating, Call-Linda 507-789-5376

Or Marlene 507-334-2143

Church phone 507-332-4089



Joys and Concerns

Our Christian sympathy to the family of Norma Meyer. Norma, age 92, passed away June 4 at Pleasant View

Estates. Funeral services were held June 10 at St. John's UCC. Burial was in the St. John's Cemetery.

Graduates this year were recognized on Sun., June 14 at St. John's. Graduates from High school were: Ruby Heil, Zachary Quast, and Aneliese Scriven. Graduates from college were: Noah Heil and Katelyn Hess. Congratulations on your accomplishments!

The family of Norma Meyer would like to thank everyone for the words of comfort, support and prayers during our time of loss. It meant a great deal to us.

Thank you again,

Al Meyer

Cindy Donohoe

Bring your lawn chairs and a friend to our **July 15th Wednesday** night event at St. John's! Corey Becker will be back for our musical entertainment at 7pm. Join us for a relaxing evening and treats!!

Loving Thoughts and Prayers Surround:

Faribault Senior Living

Gerry Erickson

Pleasant View Estates

Shirley Bauer

The Emeralds

Judy Smith

At Home

Doris Hildebrandt

Arlene Shaske

Arlene Bultman

Mill City Senior Living

Kaye Spike

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St. John's annual Vacation Bible School

At this printing-Vacation Bible School is still in session at St. John's. We did have 35 students enrolled in the program. Also, there were 13 staff members, which included teachers, helpers, and assistants. A full report of the activities will appear in next month's newsletter.

A **BIG THANK YOU** to all the teachers and everyone who in any way helped make this past week a very successful event. A special "Thanks" to those who provided cookies and also to those who portrayed a bible character monologue in the tent at the close of each day. THANKS to Doug Spike for his "all-around" assistance during the week. A Special Thank to Craig Keller who works tirelessly to make sure it's always a big success keeping the vacation bible school organized and running.

ST JOHN'S UCC CARNIVAL -Wed., Aug. 19

Join us for a family night of FUN!! The Cow Bouncy House will be back by popular demand! Also face painting, bingo, and assorted kid's games for all ages! There will be walking tacos, popcorn, and freezies from 6 to 7 pm. Take a turn at the cakewalk for dessert!! The Lil Fun Band will be playing from 7-8 pm with peppy music to sing along and dance to!! Check out and share the enclosed

flyer with your friends and neighbors! This is a great opportunity to bring others to a FUN event at our beautiful church!! Free-will donation

Sunday School at St. John's

Sunday School is on summer break! We will resume in September. Enjoy your summer!

Please contact Carrie Hess with any questions: 651-775-5594 or littlehesshouse@gmail.com.

St. John's UCC Cleaning Committee



The St. John's UCC cleaning committee for the months of July/August is: People still needed to fill these months



St. John's
U.C.C. Council Meeting Notes 6.10.26
Council meeting called to order by Joan Schwake at 7 p.m.
Presentation by Dan Shultz, Account Manager with Church Mutual to review St John UCC property and liability coverage. Will be sending more information related to pricing options. Current annual premium of \$12,817 plus \$674 for workers comp. Some discussion about possible changes in future coverage, with more discussion needed at next council meeting.
Reports:
SPRC – no report
Secretary – Minutes from 5.12.26 read and approved.
Treasurer report reviewed and approved. Summary report of ytd financials will be placed in future newsletter.
Trustees – Tree removal in process. Thank you to Al Meyer for stump grinding. Work may need to be completed with help from volunteers this fall.
Old Business – Setting dates for "The Chosen" series tabled. Counter shades plus curtains are now installed in kitchen. Thank you to Steve and Deb Wille.
New Business – Thanks to events committee for the great work being done! May request occasional updates from Events Committee for Council meetings.
Reviewed upcoming events.

Next meeting July 12 at 11:30 a.m.
Motion made and approved to adjourn at 8:40 p.m.
Closed with the Lord's Prayer
Deb Purfeerst, Recording Secretary
Subject to approval

Elders: Brian Bauer, Michelle Otte, Joan Schwake
Deacons: Gordie Wiegrefe, Sarah Miles, Deb Purfeerst
Trustees: Zach Hertle, Jay Kindseth, Matt Schwake
Cemetery Board: Al Meyer, Kyle Keller, Steve Becher

Nerstrand UMC Administrative Board

Chairman-Duane Bailey
Secretary -Debbie Kerr



Second Saturday Quilters

Second Saturday Quilters is done meeting for the season.
We will let you know when we

start up again in the Fall.

Second Saturday Quilters is open to people from all churches & their friends.

Contact Deb Wille 507-323-

4813 or 83159deb@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, July 1st-Nerstrand UMC
Administrative Board meeting, at 11am

****Pastor Gary and Brenda on vacation, Friday, July 10th through Sunday, July 19th. (Pastor Orde will provide pulpit supply on Sunday, July 12th and Sunday, July 19th. Gordie Wiegrefe will cover pastoral emergencies while Pastor Gary is gone.)**

Sun., July 12-St. John's council 11:3

July 10-19 Pastor vacation

Wed. July 15-midweek service -SJ-Cory Becker

Sat., July 25-Saturday Evening Worship service at the Nerstrand UMC at 7pm.

Sunday, July 26- NUMC annual ice cream social 4:30-6:30pm

Wed., August 12- midweek service -SJ-Doug Spike

Wed. Aug. 19th St. John's carnival, 6 to 7 pm. Lil Fun Band will be playing from 7-8 pm

Saturday, August 29th, Saturday Evening
Worship service at the Nerstrand UMC, at 7pm.
Oct. 11 SJ 170th Anniversary Celebration
December 5th-Christmas dinner and concert

Sunday Church Service Schedule for 2026:

(Communion on first Sunday of month)

9:00 AM WORSHIP AT NERSTRAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

12 Maple Street, Nerstrand, MN 55053

E-mail: st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com

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10:30 AM WORSHIP AT ST JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Pastor- Gary Liker

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