

East St. Olaf Lutheran Church

6200 County Road 3 SW – Byron, MN

October 27, 2024: Reformation Day

Holy Communion

Confirmation/Affirmation of Baptism

Rev. Paul Thompson

Organist: Pat Nelson

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE VISITING:



If you're visiting, please sign our guestbook (in narthex).
Worship times rotate monthly between East & West St. Olaf.

NOVEMBER WORSHIP SCHEDULE



[Pastor will be on vacation Nov. 7 thru Nov. 12]

WEST 9:00 am worship (coffee hour at 10:00 am)

BOTH 10:00 am JAM at West church

EAST 11:00 am worship (with coffee after church)

THANK YOU TO THOSE SERVING US

Note: Anyone interested may join Altar Guild

Altar Guild: Oct. – Meghan Ohman

Deacon: Oct. - Mary Madson

Acolytes: If none listed, then ushers are covering

East Coffee Servers: 4th Sunday – Circle 4

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK:

Sunday, October 27, 2024 – Reformation Day & Confirmation

INTRODUCTION: Rooted in the past and growing into the future, the church must always be reformed in order to live out the love of Christ in an ever-changing world. We celebrate the good news of God's grace, that Jesus Christ sets us free every day to do this life-transforming work. Trusting in the freedom given to us in baptism, we pray for the church, that Christians will unite more fully in worship and mission.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 31:31-34 *The renewed covenant will not be breakable, but like the old covenant it will expect the people to live upright lives. To know the Lord means that one will defend the cause of the poor and needy (Jer. 22:16). The renewed covenant is possible only because the Lord will forgive iniquity and not remember sin. Our hope lies in a God who forgets.*

PSALM: Psalm 46

SECOND READING: Romans 3:19-28 *Paul's words stand at the heart of the preaching of Martin Luther and other Reformation leaders. No human beings make themselves right with God through works of the law. We are brought into a right relationship with God through the divine activity centered in Christ's death. This act is a gift of grace that liberates us from sin and empowers our faith in Jesus Christ.*

GOSPEL: John 8:31-36 *Jesus speaks of truth and freedom as spiritual realities known through his word. He reveals the truth that sets people free from sin.*

TODAY'S HIGHLIGHTED ANNOUNCEMENTS



AFFIRMATION OF BAPTISM

Congratulations and God's blessing to the young men and women who are affirming their faith today,



October 27th, 2024 at East & West St. Olaf. May

God guide them and bless them with wisdom.

EAST ST. OLAF

Ella Mae Ohman (*daughter of Corey & Meghan Ohman*)

Rachel Pyfferoen (*daughter of Amanda Pyfferoen, Brian Pyfferoen*)

Ryley Pyfferoen (*daughter of Amanda Pyfferoen, Brian Pyfferoen*)

WEST ST. OLAF

Rachel Arett (*daughter of Steve & Laura Arett*)

Drew Baudoin (*son of Tina Bigaoutte, Dominic Baudoin*)

Cooper Beyer (*son of Brian & Leah Beyer*)

Adrien Dahle (*daughter of Jacob & Rebecca Dahle*)

Wyatt Naylor (son of Katie & Brandon Schuck, Will Naylor)
Clara Watson Smetana (daughter of Billie Jean & Chad Smetana)

EAST AND WEST INVITED TO A MEATBALL DINNER AT EAST ST. OLAF CHURCH (Hosted by Sarah Circle) **NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2024**



12:00pm Church Basement at East Church
Menu: Meatballs, mashed potatoes, gravy, fall-favorite sides, & pie.

Price: Free will donation. *Proceeds benefitting East St. Olaf Church*

PARENTS: THE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM IS COMING UP!

PRACTICES WILL BE on Sundays at 10am:

Nov. 10, 17, and 24 will be one hour long, at West.

Dec. 1 will be two hours long, at East.

PROGRAM DATES:

The first program is at East, Dec. 8, at 9am.

The second program is at West, Dec. 15, at 11am.

EAST WELCA & OTHER IMPORTANT DATES

OCTOBER:

29 10:00am Quilting/Sack Lunch

NOVEMBER: Worship 11:00

3 All Saints Day

Noon: MEATBALL DINNER by Sarah Circle - for

BOTH East and West congregations, in East basement

5 10:00am Quilting/Sack Lunch

6:00PM Council Meeting at East

9 10:00am WELCA Meeting

12 10:00am Quilting/Sack Lunch

19 10:00am Quilting/Sack Lunch

26 NO East quilting (*due to Thanksgiving week*)

EAST MEMBERS: If you know of anyone who would like a get a card from East St. Olaf, please contact Jane Williams (507) 271-2272 (Talk or Text). *Help us share a blessing!*

PRAYER UPDATES:



Please inform Gina if you have any prayer updates... whether someone to add to our prayer list or if someone is now doing well and can be removed.

EAST CONTRIBUTIONS:

(Oct. 13 & 20, 2024) Current \$4,486, and In Memory of Donald, Gary, and Greg Rud: Cemetery \$30

HAPPENING TODAY & THIS WEEK

Deadline for bulletin information – Wednesdays by 7:30 pm.

TODAY 10/27

BOTH: CONFIRMATION DAY

9:00 am	East worship/ <u>Confirmation Day, with Communion</u> East coffee always after church
10:00 am	JAM at West (for both), West coffee
11:00 am	West worship, <u>Confirmation Day, with Communion</u>
After church	WEST CHAPEL RESERVED (for Dahle family’s confirmation meal)

Monday 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Tuesday >>>> **NEWSLETTER DAY at office...**
(9:00-print, 9:20-fold, 9:40-collate)

Wednesday 10:00 am East quilting/sack lunch
7:00 pm Confirmation class at West church

Thursday 9am-Noon Pastor at office

Friday ----- Pastor’s day off-work

Sun. 11/03 >>> **Daylight Saving Time ends**

9:00 am	West worship, Comm
10:00 am	JAM at West (for both) <u>WEST HERITAGE COFFEE HOUR</u>
11:00 am	East worship, Comm... and
NOON	<u>BOTH churches invited to EAST For a MEATBALL DINNER - Free will offering benefits East church</u>

COMING UP AT EAST & WEST

Nov. 4 (Mon.)	9am-Noon	Pastor at office
Nov. 5 (Tue.)	10:00 am	<u>East Circle 4 meeting</u> , then quilting and sack lunch
	6:00 pm	<u>East council meeting</u>
Nov. 6 (Wed.)	7:00 pm	Confirmation class at West church
>>> Nov. 7 – Nov. 12 Pastor Paul will be on vacation.		
Nov. 9 (Sat.)	10:00 am	<u>East WELCA meeting at church</u>
Nov. 10 (Sun.):		<i>Rev. Wayne Vogt preaching</i>
	9:00 am	West worship
	10:00 am	JAM at West (for both) West coffee
	11:00 am	East worship, coffee after church
Nov. 11 (Mon.)	7:00 pm	West council meeting
Nov. 12 (Tue.)	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch
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Nov. 13 (Wed.)	9:00 am	West quilting/sack lunch
	1:00 pm	West WELCA meeting, Host-Jana Thompson
	7:00 pm	Confirmation class at West church
Nov. 14 (Mon.)	9am-Noon	Pastor at office – but a 10am, he goes to Kasson Ministerial Mtg.
Nov. 15 (Fri.)	_____	Pastor’s day off-work

BOTH LOCAL EVENTS

Sat. Nov. 2 (4-7:00 pm) Hayfield American Legion & Village Pub *“All You Can Eat Liver and Onions (Meatball Alternative)”* Meal includes: Potatoes, gravy, Ida’s special corn, homemade bread, and ice cream. FREE WILL DONATION, (Cash, check and Venmo payments accepted)

TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER

East Prayers: Todd Pyfferoen, Kathy B., Orillie Iverson, Mary Madson, Jerry Nelson, Kaysie Peterson, Scott Kittleson (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Alan Hovey, Jean (*Sandy Dahle’s daughter*), Dawn Hugeback, Debra Moekel (*daughter of Audrey Carlson*), Keith Roeder (*son-in-law of Paul Jordan*), Dalton Mansfield (*in*

military), John (*cousin of Pat Nelson*), Sylvia Torstenson, Heidi Guenius (*cousin of Becky Brakke*), and John Heydt (*brother of Pat Nelson*).

West Prayers: Carma Bjornson, Joy Beaver, Kathy B., Jerry Nelson, Sandy Miller (*sister of Carma. B.*), Bill Tietje (*brother of Carma B.*), Loretta Himle, Gloria Brown, Aloma Eastlee, Dawn Hugeback, Darlene Hanson, Kelly Keckhafer, Gloria Pew, Boyd Pew, Cindy Senjem, Philip Senjem, and Matt Miller (*nephew of Carma Bjornson*). Those serving in our military: Jack Kenyon (*nephew of Will & Gail Laxen*), Patrick Reynolds (*grandson of Sue Hyland*), Erika Smith (*granddaughter of Carma & Ardean Bjornson*).

CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION

PASTOR Paul Thompson: (*Please call before driving to office*)

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Office hours: Monday and Thursday

9:00 am–Noon... OR by appointment (*Day off-work is Friday*)

SECRETARY: Gina Moser: (*Please call before driving to office*)

Office Phone: 507-365-8222 **Cell Phone:** 507-951-4964

Emails: eastwest@kmtel.com AND certainty@kmtel.com

Send all emails for Gina to both of her email addresses.

Office Hours: Tues. & Thursdays 10:00 am-Noon

OUR WEBSITES: eaststolaf.org OR weststolaf.org

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COUNCIL CONTACT INFORMATION:

President, Bruce Peterson: 507-254-1822

Gary Kearns: 507-206-3158 or 507- 254-5285

Bryan DeCook: 507-208-1590

EAST: VISITS FOR OUR MEMBERS

If you know of anyone who may like a call or visit from Pastor Paul or from another member, please contact East deacon, Jane Williams: 507-271-2272.