

2023 PARISH REPORT

BAPTISMS

<u>Soul:</u>	<u>Baptismal date:</u>	<u>Birthdate:</u>	<u>Parents:</u>
Zyran Lynn McDaniel	March 26, 2023	September 3, 2022	Caleb & Lola McDaniel
Zakeus Allen Eugene Savage	March 26, 2023	March 5, 2023	Kaytlin Savage
Kinden Dean Miller	April 1, 2023	October 1, 2011	Jason & Brandi Miller
Adalynn Lea Miller	April 1, 2023	January 2, 2011	Jason & Brandi Miller
Myles Austin Holt	April 23, 2023	April 22, 2009	Ashley Holt
Mason William DeLeon	May 21, 2023	April 5, 2023	Luke & Shelby DeLeon
Kota James McKinven	August 27, 2023	April 19, 2011	Keaton McKinven & Chelsie Platz
Ava May Shannon	August 27, 2023	August 31, 2010	Patrick & Stephanie Shannon
Haley Marie Shannon	August 27, 2023	November 18, 2012	Patrick & Stephanie Shannon
Reagan Shelby Shannon	August 27, 2023	March 30, 2015	Patrick & Stephanie Shannon

RECEIVED INTO COMMUNICANT MEMBERSHIP

Junior Confirmation: April 2, 2023

Adalynn Lea Miller
Tatum Elizabeth Miller
Talen Ann Stuewe
Megan Nichole Piper
Luke Harry Nieman Ruhnke
Grace Kendall Zeller

Adult Confirmation: November 12, 2023

Linda Bundy
Steven Bundy
Aaron Levi Dickens



Transferred Into Membership

Lola McDaniel
Kim Annette Herren

From

Faith Lutheran, Linn
Trinity Lutheran, Ventura, CA

Date

March 15, 2023
June 26, 2023

Profession of Faith:

Baptism

Confirmation

Profession of Faith

REMOVED FROM CHURCH MEMBERSHIP

Funerals:

<u>Soul:</u>	<u>Date of Death:</u>	<u>Age:</u>	<u>Date of Funeral:</u>	<u>Place of Burial:</u>
Earl Dean Diepenbrock	March 31, 2023	94	April 6, 2023	St. John Lutheran
Evelyn Zeckser	May 1, 2023	103	May 6, 2023	St. John Lutheran
Dillan Michael Stelly	July 30, 2023	18	August 5, 2023	Wetmore Cemetery
Letha Rae Herren	September 12, 2023	90	September 18, 2023	St. John Lutheran
Leslie Owen Rubottom	October 7, 2023	71	October 13, 2023	St. John Lutheran

Member Non-Burial

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Non-Member Funerals

<u>Soul:</u>	<u>Date of Death:</u>	<u>Age:</u>	<u>Date of Funeral:</u>	<u>Place of Burial</u>
Peggy Rae TenEyck	October 31, 2023	87	November 7, 2023	
Stanley Delton Padgett	November 12, 2023	90	November 24, 2023	Alma City Cemetery

Transferred Out

Rev. Jim & Becky Mayes

Transferred to

Mt. Calvary, Wamego

Date

September 30, 2023

Members Released

Nathan & Susan Anderson
(Caleb Ratts)

Ciara Bauer
Emily Parker

Aaren Becker
Jaqueline Patterson
(Kate Wilt)

Chenoa Phillips
(Jaden Phillips)

Date

January 29, 2023

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Voter Action

Released to High View, Alta Vista

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Released to Mill Creek Baptist

McFarland

Self-exclusion

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MARRIAGES

Wedding Couple

Karsen Abigail Schultz, Seth Mathew Surface
Analia Jo Swanson, Benjamin Robert Gleason
Brittany Lynn Ostmeyer, Austin Conrad Feyh
Lessly Carolina Castillo, Jason Robert Kraus

Date

June 20, 2023

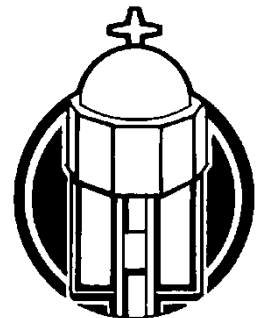
September 16, 2023

October 11, 2023

October 28, 2023

VITAL STATISTICS OF OUR CONGREGATION

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
Number of Baptized Members.....	540	544
Number of Communicant Members	408	413
Number of Baptisms	10	3
Number of Confirmations	9	5
Profession of Faith	0	1
Number of Marriages	4	3
Number of Funerals	5	7
Other Members Deceased	0	0
Funerals of Non-Members	3	1
Gains in Baptized Membership.....	15	21
Losses in Baptized Membership.....	5	12
Gains in Communicant Membership	9	18
Losses in Communicant Membership.....	4	10
Members of St. John in Day School (K-8)	23	22
Members of Trinity in Day School (K-8)	2	2
Lutheran Non-members	5	4
Non-Lutheran students in Day School (K-8).....	15	14
Sunday School Eligible Member (ages 3-14, not confirmed).....	81	86

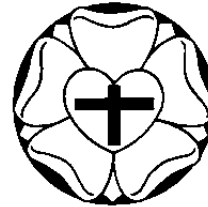


SUNDAY ATTENDANCE RECORD FOR 2023 (2022) in parentheses

January	538 (472)	May	475 (602)	September	480 (478)
February	533 (460)	June	463 (463)	October.....	598 (610)
March	581 (495)	July.....	562 (514)	November.....	438 (467)
April	708 (618)	August.....	563 (536)	December	540 (368)

Attendance

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
Number of Sundays	53	52	52
Total Sunday Attendance:	6,479	6,083	6,448
Average per Sunday:	122	117	124
Percentile change from previous year:	4%	-6%	33%
Total number of services:	94	100	122

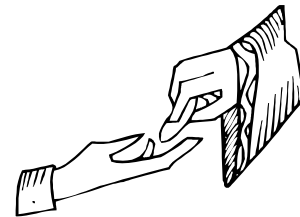


Pastoral visits:

Home:	50
Hospital:	78
Shut-in:	110
Office:	<u>76</u>
Total:	314

OUR PARTICIPATION IN THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

	<u>2023</u>	<u>2022</u>
Total Number of Communicants	418.....	403
Total Number of Communed in Church	2,739.....	2,940
Total Members Communed Privately	101.....	107
Total Members Communed Elsewhere.....	10.....	10
Total Communed	2,848.....	3,067
Average Times Communed per Communicant.....	6.8.....	7.5
Number of Communicants Not Communing.....	(111).....	(111)
Guests Communed.....	62.....	76
Number of Communion Services.....	34.....	34



The Age of St. John Lutheran Church Membership



The median age of St. John members in 2023 was 39.9 years, which is 18 months younger than last year. It is ten months older than ten years ago. This means that older members have died even though we have greater longevity than before. Outreach to children is a continuing goal for our church and school. The chart below shows the number of members in each category as of today, 10 and 20 years ago.

	Today	10 years ago	20 years ago		Today	10 years ago	20 years ago
0-9 years old	52	74	54	50-59 years	68	73	62
10-19 years	81	68	95	60-69 years	50	56	47
20-29 years	61	79	75	70-79 years	63	47	38
30-39 years	55	71	74	80-89 years	38	21	23
40-49 years	59	68	84	90-plus years	6	8	10