

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
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The Epistle  
December 2024



*CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICE TIMES:*

*Christmas Cantata: December 21st, 5:30 pm*

*Christmas Eve Worship Services: December 24th, 3:30 & 5:30 pm*

*Christmas Eve Cantata: December 24th, 8:30 pm*

*Christmas Day Worship Service: December 25th, 10:00 am*

# From the Desk of Pastor Mews

## ***“Habits of Healthy Churches”***

Thirteen of our members including myself attended the “Heartland Best Practices Conference” in October in Carmel, Indiana. We were blessed by the “Preparing for Amazement Ministries” sectionals at this conference. One was entitled “Habits of Healthy Churches”, that offered wisdom, guidance, encouragement and practical solutions to bless our church in growing healthier. (The reality is that if an organism is healthy it grows!) Our Principal, Mrs. Kristina Phipps, has captured the essence of these habits and tied them to real-life habits, which I will now share:

### ***7 Habits of Healthy Churches:***

#### ***1. Healthy churches are praying churches.***

- They empower and celebrate prayer warriors.***
- They emphasize prayer.***
- They have seasons of prayer***
- They teach and preach on prayer.***

#### ***2. Healthy churches do conflict well.***

- The priority in conflict is relational.***
- Conflict can be redemptive, because those who do conflict well create close bonds.***
- Matthew 18:15-20 gives a model for dealing with sin and conflict.***

#### ***3. Healthy churches make decisions in a healthy way.***

- The Church is the Bride of Christ.***
- The Church is God’s design to bring the Gospel and Kingdom of God to others.***
- The Church is the body of believers, unified in Christ, yet diverse in every other way.***
- The Church is a living organism, an organization of people with a common mission.***

#### ***4. Healthy churches are focused more on those outside the church than those inside.***

- The Church exists for the good of others and the good of the world.***
- It’s not about me, but us; it’s about the Gospel of Jesus.***
- The purpose is outlined in The Great Commission. . .make disciples!***

#### ***5. Healthy churches value process.***

- Process enables us to stop and hear and discern the whisper of God.***
- Process allows us to gather wisdom from the outside.***
- Process protects us from reactionism and leads to greater reflection.***
- Process enables focus in mission over methods and has many procedures, but few policies.***

#### ***6. Healthy churches focus on adoption rather than assimilation.***

- Adoption is inviting you to our family because you are loved.***
- We want everyone to experience God’s unconditional love and grace.***
- We want to support you as the Holy Spirit changes your life and makes you new.***

#### ***7. Healthy churches are not territorial.***

- Healthy churches see buildings, furniture and other possessions as tools for ministry, not items to be guarded, hoarded or fought over.***
- Healthy churches use what God has given them with good stewardship.***

***What did you learn? Where are we? What can we improve? What can I do, you do, we do? As we enter into a new quarter-century and as our church moves to its 175th birthday, may God use the above words to bless and edify you, me, and the redeemed body of Christ at St. John Lutheran Church and School.***

***In Christ, Pastor Kurt F. Mews***



# From the Desk of Ms Phipps



*Hello, Everyone,*

*I personally believe that I'm STARTING to get a handle on quite a few of the aspects that go along with the role of Principal here at St. John Lutheran School. I know I still have a long way to go, but I'm learning many things every single day. I'm very appreciative of all the support I continue to get from my church family. I love that individuals and groups have committed to praying daily for the school itself, the school and church combined, the teachers and staff, and our students and their families!*

*As a protection for our staff, our volunteers, and our students, we are requiring any adults who interact with our students as they come work or volunteer in the school more than one time to have a background check done. Krystle Clark is now able to do fingerprinting in-house as the church purchased a fingerprint scanner. These same workers and volunteers must complete a Ministry Safe video training. Some of you have already done one or both of these, and we greatly appreciate that. Sharing these requirements with you is my way of telling those of you who signed up on the surveys to volunteer or substitute in some capacity that I am making my lists and checking them twice. Be ready to serve when I call and ask!*

*I'm very excited to share my vision of what I want the school to look like for next school year. I want to open a combined classroom of first and second graders as well as a combined third and fourth grade class, while we continue to offer our preschool programs and kindergarten. We have families that we had to help enroll elsewhere back in August tell me they can't wait to send their children back here next year and have made sure they've stayed connected with us! We are currently putting together a call committee so we can call a synodically trained Lutheran teacher or two to come to St John. If you feel moved to help our school grow again and want to join the call committee, please let Jeff Rohlf or me know as soon as possible!*

*Our school board also strongly believes that we need to expand the childcare services we offer through our Tiger's Den Childcare Center. We want to get it back to what it was before the COVID shut-downs back in 2020. Before COVID, we were open to the community and still had the opportunity to share Jesus' love with children whose parents did not choose to send them to our school programs. Having this service available actually encouraged more families to enroll their children in our school programs so it became a blessing in so many ways.*

*With that being said, with the help of the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) who has provided us with the names and address of all the families in the area with children between the ages of birth through 10 years of age, we are sponsoring a major outreach activity in February. We're still in the beginning stages of planning, but want to have something fun here at the church and invite all of these families to it. This will also be right around the time we begin registration for next school year. The overall goal of this event would be to recruit families to expand our Tiger's Den now, and our preschool and school-age programs for next year. Plan to come be part of our growing process!*

*Blessings!*

*Kristina Phipps, Principal*





## WINTER LIFE WITH GOD



**WINTER 2025, St. John Lutheran Church, Defiance, OH**

### **LIFE WITH GOD: (LWG 1) Starting, Monday, January 6, 2025**

Does God exist? What happens after death? Why are there so many different religions? Can the Bible be trusted? Why do bad things happen to me? I want to learn more about Lutheranism and become a member of a Christian Church. St. John's "Life with God" explores and answers these questions and more in an informal, enjoyable, yet beneficial way through a 12 session/week course called "Life with God" (LWG 1). Sign up below. We ask that participants attend 10/12 classes and there are videos over each class that can be viewed for missed classes. For those who complete this course they can become communicant members if they desire. Life with God will be offered each winter, spring and fall. St. John members are asked to attend a "Life with God," class once every five years to renew and refresh their faith! LWG 1 is offered three times a year: January, May and September!

**TOPICS:** Evidence for God's existence, Saving Faith, Baptism, The Lord's Supper, The Bible, Law and Gospel, Living a Christian Life, Being a part of the Body of Believers at St. John, The Reformation, Good Works, The Ten Commandments, Worship, and Christian Stewardship. Come to learn and grow together.

**DATES:** Monday, January 6, 2025 to Monday, March 31, 2025. Classes are held on Monday evenings in the Adult Bible Study room A from 6:30-8:30 P.M.. Bring nothing. On the last class we will bring refreshments/snacks to share. After the 2nd class, no new class members are to join, and all will receive a class notebook to keep. A confirmation/new member date will be set in the future.

**TEACHERS:** Pastor Mews, who has been teaching "Life with God" for over 22 years!

**FOR:** Adults or High School students desiring to be members of St. John Lutheran Church, or those who want to support those attending. This class is also for those who simply desire to renew their faith or explore the basic teachings of Christianity and Lutheranism with NO pressure to join.

**REGISTRATION:** Return to the church office by Sunday, January 5, 2025, or hand to Pastor Mews.

### **WINTER 2025, St. John Lutheran Church "Life with God 1" (LWG 1) Registration Form:**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Baptized? Circle: Yes      No**

**Current Church Membership:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check those which apply:**

\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God and my desire is to become a communicant member of St. John.

\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God to renew my faith and/or to support a friend attending.

\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God to simply explore and learn about Christianity and Lutheranism.

\_\_\_\_ I plan to attend Life with God and will decide later about possible membership.

**Other thoughts or concerns:**

## ADVENT 2024

*"His Name Shall Be Called: "Overview of the Sermon Series"*

During the season of Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of God's Son, who was given the name Jesus—a Hebrew name that means "God saves." In addition to His earthly name, Holy Scripture calls Jesus by various titles which describe something about His person or work. In this year's Advent series, we are going to examine four titles given to Jesus in Isaiah 9:6. Those titles are "Wonderful Counselor," "Mighty God," "Everlasting Father," and "Prince of Peace." We will learn how each of these titles describes something about who Jesus is and what He did for our salvation.

### **Advent Service Times:**

Wednesday, December 4, 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.,  
"His Name is Wonderful Counselor," Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7  
Wednesday, December 11, 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
"His Name is Mighty God," Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7  
Wednesday, December 18, 1:00 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.  
"His Name is Everlasting Father," Isaiah 9:1-2, 6-7



## **Pastor Mews' Sunday & Christmas Sermons December, 2024**

**Nov. 30-Dec. 1, 1st SUNDAY IN ADVENT, "What Are U Talking About?" Luke 21:25-36**  
**Peace / Endurance**

**Dec. 7-8, 2nd SUNDAY IN ADVENT, "All Will See God's Salvation" Luke 3:1-14**  
**Jesus in Flesh / Second Coming**

**Dec. 14-15, 3rd SUNDAY IN ADVENT, "On Guard" Philippians 4:4-7 Faith / Persecution**

**Dec. 21, 4th SUNDAY IN ADVENT, Saturday, 5:30, Christmas Cantata "His Name in Song and Pictures"**

**Dec. 22, 4th SUNDAY IN ADVENT, "Christmas Paradoxes" Micah 5:2-5a**  
**Uniqueness of Christ / Faith**

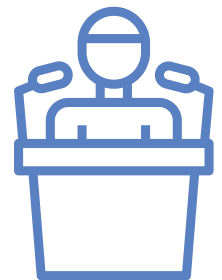
**Dec. 24, 3:30 CHRISTMAS EVE: "What Was That Name Again?" Matthew 1:18-25**  
**Jesus' Name / Birth**

**Dec. 24, 5:30 CHRISTMAS EVE: "What Was That Name Again?" Matthew 1:18-25**  
**Jesus' Name / Birth**

**Dec. 24, 8:30 CHRISTMAS EVE: Christmas Cantata, "His Name in Song and Pictures"**

**Dec. 25, 10:00 CHRISTMAS DAY, "His Name is The True Light" John 1:1-15**  
**Communion Christ's Birth / Light**

**Dec. 28-29, 1st SUNDAY After CHRISTMAS - Pastor Rellstab (5:30) Pastor Cripe (9:00 & 11:00)**







## **OFFICIAL ACTS**

**Baptisms of Beckett Allen Cereghin, Oliver Robert Cereghin and Allena Grace Gonzolez on 11/17 the 9:00 service.**

**Funeral for Keith Eberle on 11/9, at 11:00 a.m., he died on 11/4. Memorial service will be held for Bill Hultz on 1/4/25; he died on 9/7/24.**



### **Prayer Requests**

**Please let the church office know of any prayer requests. Call 419.782.5766 or email [church.office@stjohntigers.com](mailto:church.office@stjohntigers.com). For the Prayer Chain, please contact Judy or Penny via phone, text, or email if you have a prayer request, an addition, a correction, or any feedback for the Prayer Chain Warriors to include in their prayers. Judy Detter ([detterjudy@gmail.com](mailto:detterjudy@gmail.com)), text Judy: 419.783.7032. Penny Mueller ([pennym41@gmail.com](mailto:pennym41@gmail.com)) text Penny: 419.304.5768**

### **PASTOR'S SERMONS**

**If you missed a sermon, you can find it on our YouTube channel, on our webpage ([www.stjohndefiance.com](http://www.stjohndefiance.com)) and on our Podcast site. Google search: st john lutheran church defiance ohio youtube. Then subscribe to St. John channel to get notified when we are broadcasting "live".**

#### **LINK TO OUR WEBPAGE**

**<https://www.stjohndefiance.com/sermons-2/>**

#### **LINK TO OUR PODCAST**

**<https://www.buzzsprout.com/54964>**

**Put your favorite podcast app on your phone and listen to the sermons any time of day.**

**Our service is broadcast a week later on the radio on Sunday at 9:30 a.m. on WONO 1280 AM and on WZOM 105.7 FM at 8:00 a.m.**



### **BLUE CHRISTMAS**

*St. John Lutheran Church will be offering a Blue Christmas service during the Advent season. Blue Christmas is traditionally held on December 21st (which is the longest night of the year) to symbolize the struggle with darkness and grief faced by those living with loss. For some, the Christmas season can be one filled with joy and cheer, but for others, Christmas can be a painful reminder that the world is still deeply broken and longing for Jesus to come again. We grieve with those who have lost jobs and relationships. We mourn with those who have seen dreams deferred and celebrations canceled. We take time this Advent season to approach God in our sorrow, knowing we have a Savior who says, "Come to me all who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Matthew 11:28 (NIV) We are planning a Blue Christmas service on Tuesday, December 17th at 6:30 in the Church sanctuary. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 419-782-5766.*

## **Bible Study Opportunities**

### **Led by Pastor Mews**

#### **The Reason For God**

This study is based upon the NY Times best-selling book from Rev. Keller, the gifted and seasoned Christian pastor. This practical author addresses doubts from both skeptics and believers about Christianity. Using literature, real-life conversations and potent reason, this class engagingly shows how belief in God is a sound and rational one. Taught by Pastor Mews, participants will be able to give very credible arguments for pursuing the "Reason for God" with those they know and encounter who are skeptics, doubters and even atheists. The class gathers Wednesdays from 2:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Room. We invite you to join our class! All is provided.

#### **ISAIAH**

This Bible study is over the book of Isaiah and it gathers from 10:00-11:30 A.M. in the Fellowship Room. The book and class theme is "To keep the people in eager anticipation of Christ!" Feel free to join us, as all is provided. Our outreach ministry is to the PATH Center of Defiance.

#### **Fall "Life with God 1"**

This class continues for those desiring to become communicant members of St. John Lutheran Church, those desiring to renew their faith, or those who wish to "check out" the basic teachings of Christianity and Lutheranism. We encourage every member to attend once every five years. Watch for more details or share with Pastor Mews dates and times that are best for you.

#### **PRIVATE COMMUNION**

Pastor continues to offer private Communion for anyone who wishes to have Communion. Please call the church office for an appointment.

#### **SHUT-IN CALLS**

We have around 30 people who are designated as shut-ins in our congregation. Pastor, Walt & Lorna Smith, and Jim & Nancy Schatz are keeping in contact with our members. If the shut-in person is comfortable having a home visit, arrangements will be made for this visit.



#### **Bible Studies**

**SUNDAY-10:00 a.m.**

**Phil Rohlf – "The Life of David"  
Fellowship Room on the right**

**Sandy Gyurnek – "Anxious for  
Nothing" by Max Lucado  
Fellowship Room on the left**

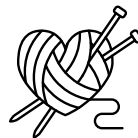
**Jeff Rohlf – "Dare To Be Uncommon"  
by Tony Dungy, Adult Ed A**

**Faye Luhning - "Hebrews"  
Dolena Bergman Room**



#### **TUESDAYS AT TEN BIBLE STUDY**

**Tuesdays at Ten Bible Study  
meets every Tuesday at 10:00 a.m.**



**The Women's Knit and  
Study group meets the  
second and fourth Tuesday  
of the month at 1:00 p.m.**

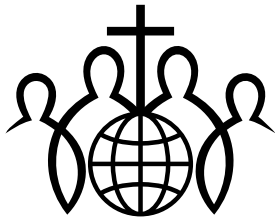


**The Hand Bells practice on  
Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m. The  
Senior Choir practices on  
Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.**

## **TUESDAYS AT TEN**

*Tuesdays at Ten Bible Study recently had an Election Day Pulled Pork Drive through dinner.*

*They served 311 adult meals and 20 child meals. Through the profits of the dinner, donations and Thrivent action grants, the group raised \$3,607.31 for Shop with a Cop for our county children. Samira Stelzer and Beth Miller presented a check to Adam Kutz, a school resource officer. Shop with a Cop is organized by the Defiance County Law Enforcement Association. Our thanks to members of our congregation and the community for your support. God has truly blessed us.*



## **OUTREACH MINISTRY**

**November 2024**

*Outreach Ministry seeks to share the Gospel of Christ within and outside of our walls to proclaim Jesus and the ministry of our church and school locally, nationally and globally.*

*Guest bags have been assembled and are now being distributed. Included in each bag is a note, a Bible, a mug, a refrigerator magnet and certificates for tours of the church/school as well as a free Thrivent t-shirt.*

*Outreach had a presence at the St. John Trunk or Treat with information from both the church and school available to all who were present. Further, a Nativity scene is featured along with a large St. John Church and School banner at the Christmas Cruise-Thru at the Defiance County Fairgrounds in Hicksville from November 27 through December 29.*

*A second St. John welcoming sign on a major highway entering the city is being pursued. The first sign can be seen near the intersection of Ohio routes 15 and 18.*

*The Outreach Ministry Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month to plan additional opportunities to be more welcoming to worshippers and be more visible in the community. Anyone who is interested to learn more is welcome to attend.*

*Additional information regarding this ministry is available by contacting Mike Saxton at 419-393-2513 or Pastor Mews at 419-782-5766.*



## ***Come, Let Us Adore Him***



*Christmas time is when we look again to God's great love and mercy. It is when we consider Jesus' lowly birth—God coming to us a Child—and marvel at a love so freely given to a world so hostile and corrupt. There is really no response possible other than "Come, Let Us Adore Him!" At Christmas, God has come to us in His Son. Truly, "This is the day that the LORD has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it!"*

*Please join the Adult Cross Training class on Wednesday evenings through Advent at 6:30-7:15 p.m. in the Adult Ed Room "A". We dismiss early to allow members to attend the midweek Advent service at 7:30 p.m. All materials are provided for you. Contact Judy Detter (419-783-7932) or Penny Mueller (419-304-5768) with any questions.*

*Faye Luhring invites to you join a group of ladies who pray for not only our congregation and its members, but also our community and world affairs. They meet every other Monday at 9:00 a.m. at 274 Wilson St. This month they meet December 2nd and 16th from 9 - 10 am. For more information, please call Faye at 419-782-0153.*

## **MOMS IN TOUCH**



## **LADIES AID**

**We hope everyone enjoyed themselves at the Advent Tea. Our next December meeting will be December 19th at 2pm. The officers will host the meeting. Plan on attending the meeting to take home some goodies. Roberta Philipot, Co-President**



### ***St. John Food Pantry***

**We had 99 families or 310 people who visited the food pantry in October. Four hundred and fifty-two bags of food worth \$6,780 were distributed. Ten new families from Defiance County visited our food pantry for the first time.**

**The first serving day in November we served 20 families, which included the Thanksgiving food items. We included a Portals of Prayer devotional book and an invitation to attend the Thanksgiving Service in each bag. Thank you for all your help to provide a Thanksgiving meal for people in need. If you would like to contribute food items we are in need of the following: egg noodles, elbow macaroni, Rice-a-Roni, cream of chicken soup and cereal. **THANK YOU!****

### **The Clothes Closet,**

**located across the street from the school, continues to provide gently used clothing at an affordable price to our community. The Clothes Closet is open on Thursdays from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and on Fridays from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. If you have a donation, you may drop it off on Monday or Tuesday from 8:00 to 10:00 a.m. or during the times we are open. Bring donations and come on in and do a little shopping.**



## **CARE NOTES**

**Take One – Take Heart**

**Give One – Give Hope**

**Working Your Way Through Crisis**

**New Care Notes have been placed in the rack in the Caring Ministry Resource Room in the Work Room. Please take one for you or give to a friend.**

**Notes now available:**

**Bedside Prayers to Comfort Dying Persons and Their Loved Ones**

**Feeling Overwhelmed When One Loss Follows Another**

**When God Feels Far Away**

**Keeping Up Your Spirits in the Hospital**

**Moving Forward When a Loved One Suffers From PTSD**

**Understanding Thoughts of Suicide and Self-Harm**

**When Your Prayers Go Unanswered**

**Finding Your Will to Live- Suicide Prevention for Veterans**

**Finding Support as a Military Family**



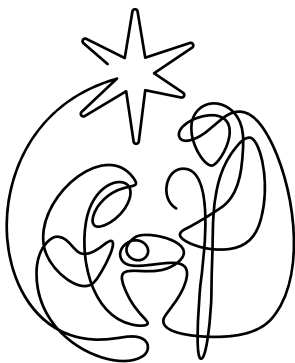
## **Scouting News December/January 2024**

*Learning about their bodies, physical fitness and nutrition through games and repetitive activity to reinforce the importance of health is the focus of the Cub Scouts over the next month. They will also host a Christmas party for the pack as well as inviting them to Boy Scout troop meetings. The Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts will be working together on a mixer to increase membership this month.*

*The Pack extends a thank you to all who have helped with their pop tab collection in the barrel in the cafeteria. The tabs are recycled to help the Ronald McDonald House, which helps families with sick children in hospitals. The Pack continues to help with worn-out flags by collecting them in their flag box in the south lobby by the coat rack. Both the Cub Scout and Boy Scout Troop have participated in flag retirement ceremonies to dispose of the worn-out flags in an honorable manner.*

*This month the Boy Scout Troop will participate in a Lock-In at St John Lutheran where they will make Christmas cookies for cookie plates, make Christmas wreaths with bows that they will sell at church, and have their Christmas party. The Troop also hopes to work with the Pack this month to raise money and make blankets for those in nursing homes and some of the shut-in members of St John Congregation and deliver them. January brings the annual Klondike Race which the Troop will take part in and if it gets cold enough, they hope to do a Polar Bear Campout.*

*The Troop extends their thanks to all who have dropped off pop cans and newspapers in the garage in the south parking lot. It not only helps with their conservation project of recycling but it has also helped with the cost of their activities. Youth and adults are always welcome to attend Pack and Troop activities to learn more about our program. Any questions can be directed to Stephanie Sindel at 419-438-8268.*



The Congregational Christmas Party & Potluck will be held on Friday, December 13th from 4:45 - 7:00 p.m. Please bring a main dish casserole to share. Drinks & desert will be provided. The Children's Christmas program will follow the dinner portion of the evening! Please mark your calendars for this very special night!

# Happy Birthday



**December & January 80+**

Barbara Hughes	12/3	(81)
James Miller	12/7	(86)
Helen Delventhal	12/10	(96)
Anna Sines	12/14	(90)
Larry Meyer	12/15	(86)
Janet Koch	12/17	(87)
Hank Gerken	12/21	(93)
Sue Imthurn	12/23	(80)
Edith Chandler	12/28	(93)
Susan Meyer	12/31	(84)
Judie Zachrich	12/31	(81)
Gladys Spreeman	1/6	(81)
Faye Luhring	1/8	(80)
Shirley Homan	1/19	(82)
Marv Steingass	1/22	(93)
Harold Sprow	1/25	(80)
Penny Mueller	1/28	(84)
Dorothy Bockelman	1/30	(86)

# HAPPY Anniversary!

## 40<sup>th</sup> plus

Steve & Brenda Buchs	12/4	(44)
Tom & Samira Stelzer	12/8	(45)
Neal & Judy Detter	12/9	(52)
Jim & Nancy Schatz	12/10	(58)
Ron & June Crosser	12/22	(46)
Allan & Valerie Van Vlerah		
	12/28	(56)
Alan & Darlene Steingass		
	12/30	(57)
Dennis & Kathy Ripke	1/7	(48)
Bob & Deb Hastedt	1/15	(53)



**St. John Lutheran Church now has the capability to perform BCI AND FBI background checks for all employees and volunteers. Thanks to the endowment committee for making a donation to this very important aspect of running a church and school. This service is open to the public. Please see Mrs. Clark in the church office.**



St. John Lutheran

# CHRISTMAS

## Sunday School Service Singing

JOIN US!

DECEMBER

15

9:00 AM SERVICE

\*Kids will still be dropped off and picked up in the Sunday School Room\*

\*This will be our last Sunday School class until January 5th\*







JOIN US FOR OUR

*Congregational  
Christmas  
Potluck & Program*



AT 4.45 PM

13

DECEMBER

Bring a main dish to share  
and then enjoy the St.  
John Lutheran School  
Christmas Program  
Drinks & Dessert Provided

ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
& CHRISTIAN DAY SCHOOL  
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# December



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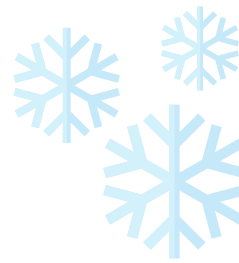
## 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> Adult Bible St. 10:00	2 Moms In Touch 9:00 Finance 9:30 Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30 TeleCare 6:30	3 Food Pantry 9:00 Tuesdays @10 10:00 Music Leaders 11:00 Book Club 2:00 Youth Board Mtg 6:30	4 Advent Ser. 1:00/7:30 Reason For God 2:00 Hand Bells 5:45 Senior Choir 6:30 Cross Tr./ACT 6:30	5 Clothes Closet 9:00 Food Pantry 9:00 Isaiah Bible St. 10:00 Elders Mtg. 6:00	6 Clothes Closet 10:00 Boy Scout Lock-In 6:00 pm – 12 am	7 Boy Scout Lock-In 12am – Noon Worship Service 5:30
8 <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> Adult Bible St. 10:00	9 Finance 9:30 Life With God 6:30 Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30	10 Food Pantry 9:00 Tuesdays @10 10:00 School Board 6:00	11 Advent Ser. 1:00/7:30 Reason For God 2:00 Hand Bells 5:45 Senior Choir 6:30 Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30	12 Clothes Closet 9:00 Food Pantry 9:00 Isaiah Bible St. 10:00 Boy Scouts Roundtable Mtg. 5:00	13 Clothes Closet 10:00 Congregational Potluck Dinner & 4:45 Children's Prog. 6:00	14 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
15 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> Adult Bible St. 10:00	16 Moms In Touch 9:00 Finance 9:30 Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30	17 Food Pantry 9:00 Book Club 12:30 Blue Christmas Trustees 6:30	18 Advent Ser. 1:00/7:30 Reason For God 2:00 Hand Bells 5:45 Senior Choir 6:30 Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30	19 Clothes Closet 9:00 Food Pantry 9:00 Isaiah Bible St. 10:00 Ladies Aid 2:00 Parish Planning 6:00	20 Clothes Closet 10:00	21 Cantata Worship Service 5:30
22 <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> Adult Bible St. 10:00	23 Finance 9:30	24 Food Pantry Closed Worship Services 3:30 Worship Service 5:30 Cantata Service 8:30	25 Christmas Day Service w/ Communion 10:00 Church Office Closed	26 Clothes Closet Closed Food Pantry Closed	27 Clothes Closet Closed	28 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
29 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> Adult Bible St. 10:00	30 Finance 5:30 Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30	31 New Year's Eve Food Pantry Closed	January 1 Happy New Year! Church Office Closed	2 Clothes Closet Closed Food Pantry Closed No Isaiah Bible Class Elders Mtg. 6:00	3 Clothes Closet Closed	4 <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>





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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>December 29</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> <b>Adult Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b> <b>New Year's Eve</b>	<b>1</b> <b>New Year's Day</b> <b>CHURCH OFFICE</b> <b>CLOSED</b>	<b>2</b> <b>Clothes Closet 9:00</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>No Isaiah Bible Class</b> <b>Elders Mtg. 6:00</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Clothes Closet 10:00</b>	<b>4</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
<b>5</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> <b>Adult Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>6</b> <b>Moms In Touch 9:00</b> <b>Finance 5:30</b> <b>Music Leaders 11:00</b> <b>Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30</b> <b>Tele-Care 6:30</b> <b>Life With God 6:30</b>	<b>7</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Tuesdays @10 10:00</b> <b>Book Club 2:00</b> <b>Youth Board Mtg 6:30</b> <b>Outreach Min. 6:30</b>	<b>8</b> <b>Reason For God 2:00</b> <b>Hand Bells 5:45</b> <b>Senior Choir 6:30</b> <b>Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30</b>	<b>9</b> <b>Clothes Closet 9:00</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Isaiah Bible St. 10:00</b> <b>Boy Scouts Activity 5:00</b>	<b>10</b> <b>Clothes Closet 10:00</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
<b>12</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> <b>Adult Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>13</b> <b>Finance 5:30</b> <b>Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30</b> <b>Life With God 6:30</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Tuesdays @10 10:00</b> <b>Knit &amp; Study 1:00</b> <b>School Board 6:00</b>	<b>15</b> <b>Reason For God 2:00</b> <b>Hand Bells 5:45</b> <b>Senior Choir 6:30</b> <b>Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30</b>	<b>16</b> <b>Clothes Closet 9:00</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Isaiah Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>17</b> <b>Clothes Closet 10:00</b>	<b>18</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
<b>19</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> <b>Adult Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>20</b> <b>Moms In Touch 9:00</b> <b>Finance 5:30</b> <b>Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30</b> <b>Life With God 6:30</b>	<b>21</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Tuesdays @10 10:00</b> <b>Book Club 2:00</b> <b>Trustees Mtg. 5:00</b> <b>Parish Planning 6:00</b>	<b>22</b> <b>Reason For God 2:00</b> <b>Hand Bells 5:45</b> <b>Senior Choir 6:30</b> <b>Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30</b>	<b>23</b> <b>Clothes Closet 9:00</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Isaiah Bible St. 10:00</b> <b>Ladies Aid Mtg. 2:00</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Clothes Closet 10:00</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>
<b>26</b> <b>Worship 9:00 &amp; 11:00</b> <b>Sunday School 9:00</b> <b>Adult Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>27</b> <b>Finance 9:30</b> <b>Boy/Cub Scouts 6:30</b> <b>Life With God 6:30</b>	<b>28</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Tuesdays @10 10:00</b> <b>Endowment Mt. 11:30</b> <b>Knit &amp; Study 1:00</b>	<b>29</b> <b>Reason For God 2:00</b> <b>Hand Bells 5:45</b> <b>Senior Choir 6:30</b> <b>Cross Tr./ ACT 6:30</b>	<b>30</b> <b>Clothes Closet 9:00</b> <b>Food Pantry 9:00</b> <b>Isaiah Bible St. 10:00</b>	<b>3</b> <b>Clothes Closet 10:00</b>	<b>February 1</b> <b>COMMUNION</b> <b>Worship Service 5:30</b>

