



St. John's News and Notes Sunday, December 1, 2024

Sunday (12-01) Worship w/Communion		9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
Monday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Bd of Elders	6:30 pm
Tuesday	FROGS (Men)	9:00 am
	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Evangelism	4:45 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:15 pm
	Scouts	6:00 pm
	Christmas Decorating	6:30 pm
Wednesday	Stewardship	6:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:00 pm
	Advent Service	6:30 pm
	Nativity Display	7:30 pm
Thursday	Bd of Education	5:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday (12-8) Worship		9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Sunday School/Bible Study	10:15 am

**Office Hours: Monday –
Thursday 9:00 – 12:00**

Holy Communion

For us at St. John's the Lord's Supper is a very sacred and Holy Meal. If you would like to join us at this Sacramental Supper, please read the [laminated invitation](#) in the seat pocket.

Tithes and Offerings

If you are a guest visiting with us today please do not feel obligated to contribute to the offering plate when it is passed. Tithes and offerings are part of being a member of a church. This congregation would like to honor you as our guest today.

Notes for the Lord's Supper

For those with sensitivities to alcohol, non-alcohol wine is offered in the light colored cups in the center of the communion tray. Also, if you need a gluten-free wafer, please contact an usher, the pastor, or an elder before the service so this can be available.

Pastor Krusemark can be
called for emergencies – 507-450-2012

Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 am Worship

10:15 Education Hour

Tuesday

1:00 Women's Bible Study

Thursday

5:00 Men's Bible Study

The live radio broadcast on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is given by **Loraine Andree** in memory of Loraine and Edward's parents Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Hockemeyer and Mr. & Mrs. Rudy Andree. To God be the Glory!

December live streaming is sponsored by **Kaaren and Dick Wuertz** in memory of their parents, Lorenz & Velma Wuertz and Glenn & Bernice Hovland. "What a blessing to have had Christian parents."

Sponsor the Internet broadcast. If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's church services over the Internet (\$117 a month) contact Dave Watkins at 507-458-5018.

The Radio Broadcast still has one opening late December. If you would like to sponsor a broadcast the fee is \$150.00 per week. Contact Ellen Petersen, or drop off a check in the church office payable to St. Johns Radio Broadcast. Thank you!

Scrip Orders – Thinking about ordering Scrip cards to help the congregation? Order blanks are on the Scrip table. Check out the new list of businesses available. Orders, with payment, must be in by **Sunday, December 15**. Place your order and check on the Scrip table or bring it to the office. **We will still have the usual cards available after service.**

Take It to the Lord in Prayer. Do you have a prayer concern or thanksgiving? Commend it to the Lord through your own prayers, but also through the loving service of our Prayer Chain. If you have an item you would like included on the Prayer Chain, please contact Miriam Luehmann at 437-7619 or email Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com.

For our shut-in families desiring pastoral care or communion please contact Pastor Olana, (507) 438-3888, to set up a time. Pastoral visits typically take place Wednesdays and Fridays.

Men's Bible Study - *On the Life, & Ministry of the Messiah* video-based Bible study weaves together the Bible's fascinating historical, cultural, religious, and geographic contexts and reveals insights into Scripture's significance for our lives today. Thursdays at 5:00 in the conference room.

Women's Bible Study - We meet on Tuesday's at 1:00 pm. Starting December 3 we will be studying the book of Isaiah "Herald of the Messiah." If you would like to join us, or for more information, please contact Pam Reistad at 507-440-1939 or just come to the Bible Study on Tuesdays at 1:00. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Quilters Welcome Donations

The quilting ladies would appreciate any donations of clean sheets – flat or fitted, any color, any size, would work.

Secret Sister Reveal, Our Savior Brownsdale, MN

We will have our secret sister reveal Tuesday, December 3rd at 1:30 p.m. There will be a Christmas tea and treats! Please bring a card for your secret sisters and sign your name to reveal who you are. Also bring a small amount of treats to share.

Cookies and Treats for Shut-ins

We are going to be delivering your delicious cookies or bars to our shut-ins on Monday, December 9th. Please bring your *individually-packaged* treats to the church kitchen by Sunday, December 8th. Service Committee #1 will be delivering, but if anyone else would like to help they would be very welcome. Our shut-ins love to have visitors come to see them. Let's try to make their holidays a little brighter!

Decorating For Christmas

We will be decorating the trees in the sanctuary and east entry on Tues. Dec. 3 at 6:30. Please join us in helping beautify our church for Advent and on to Christmas Day!

United Way Winter Wear Donations

We will be participating in a project to collect winter clothing suitable for students. Please bring any donations you may have to the special box in the east entry. More information can be found on posters found on bulletin boards in both entries.

Nativity Set Display Sponsored by the Library Committee

Celebrating the true meaning of Christmas

After our first Advent service on December 4th there will be a display of nativity sets in the Fellowship Hall. Christmas refreshments will be served. This display will remain in place for the Jesus Birthday Party which is Sunday, December 8th after the worship service.

AV Tech Sunday	Joanne Miller
Organist Sunday	Annette Kiehne

Deadline for weekly **News & Notes** is *Wednesday evening*.

Deadline for monthly **newsletter** is the *15th* of the month.

Advent Devotion Booklets are available on the usher stands in the sanctuary.

Hard of hearing? Headphones and receivers are available to assist in listening during our worship services. Talk to Rocky Schammel, David Ruhnke or an usher for help.

Please pick up 2025 envelopes from the table on the east side of sanctuary.

Scrip Every Sunday we have a manned table at the West entrance. (*FYI: the organ is on the west side of the sanctuary!*) You can purchase a variety of gift cards. St. John's receives 3 - 10% of the sale price. This money goes to projects like congregational t-shirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, indoor nativity set, and books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Scrip cards after the service (**or purchase them from the office secretary during the week**):
 Perkins: \$25 Kwik Trip: \$25, \$50, \$100
 Culvers: \$10 Hy-Vee: \$50, \$100

Shoe Away Hunger If you have gently used shoes you no longer need consider placing them in the box near the office. One pair of shoes can supply a family with seven days of essential groceries. Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.

December 1 – Advent I

Luke 19:31 – “If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, “The Lord has need of it,” and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life (in our homes, in the church and in the communities we live in). In each calling we have good work to do, which comes from the Lord’s hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?



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