

SERVING US THIS WEEKEND

Preacher: Pastor Jim Myers

Organist: Kristen McCartney

Adult Choir Director: Pamela Johnson

Elders: (4:30 pm) Joe Tilford (8:00 am) Bud Ingle (10:25 am) Thom Hanson (10:45 am) Tim Galligar

Ushers: (4:30 pm) Leigh Colgate, Dave Bernath, David Cooper, Garrison Benning, Tim Benning (8:00 am) Lynn Fox, Greg Hausz, Terry Bowling, Dennis Walker (10:25 am) Brad Walburn, Brent Locklear, Joe Tilford, Mark Miske, Tony Watkins (10:45 am) Lee Grubs, Gary Fox, Chris Hinton

Acolyte: (4:30 pm) Clayton Hughes (8:00 am) Samantha Bennett (10:25 am) Ethan Lecher (10:45 am) Cale Cullingford

Altar Guild: Nancy Steele, J. Ann Downing, Sarah Rothe

A/V: Sandy Pride, Doug Hoeferkamp

SUNDAY EDUCATION . . . 9:30-10:15 am

Children and Youth Classes will meet in the following rooms:

PreS/PreK-Room 205, K/1st-Room 203, 2nd-3rd-Room 204, 4th-6th in Room 202, Youth in Room 107

Adult Classes: We will not have Adult Bible Classes this week due to our New Member Reception.

Bible Study with Pastor Troy - Next Sunday morning class sessions (12/16) we will be discussing what it means to be a citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven and a citizen of the United States of America. In order to help guide our conversation we will be watching a video conversation between Dr. Joel Biermann and Dr. Dale Meyer from Concordia Seminary, St. Louis.

Current Events thru the Eyes of Faith: led by Rick Kerr, meets in the Media Center.

OTHER EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES:

Ladies' Bible/Book Study, Tuesday 9:30-10:45 am We are studying the book *The God of All Comfort* by Donna Pyle. All ages are welcome! We meet in the Commons by the Courtyard. If interested, contact Summer Burns, (812) 361-6450.

Wednesday Morning Midweek Bible Study, 9:45 am Join us every Wednesday as we dig back into the book *Echo*.

WEEKENDS AT ST. JOHN

Traditional Services in the Sanctuary:

Saturdays 4:30 P.M. | Sundays 8:00 A.M. & 10:45 A.M.

Contemporary Services in the Dwelling Place:

Sundays 10:25 A.M.

The order of service for contemporary worship is available on our app.

Our nursery is located in the Commons by the Courtyard and is staffed on Sundays from 9:00 a.m. to Noon.

Assisted hearing equipment:

Available for every service. For the Sanctuary, call Jim Lehenbauer at 317.862.5302. For the Dwelling Place, visit the AV desk.

Go further on our website:

Weekly sermons are available on the Church website.

Questions? Contact John Marohn, at 317.869.9208.

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Flowers in Sanctuary are given by Lynn and Judy Fox in thankfulness for many blessings.



St. John Lutheran
CHURCH & SCHOOL

“Christ’s Face Must Show”
Malachi 3:3

December 8-9, 2018

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WHERE DO I BEGIN?

Welcome! We are so thankful that you chose to attend St. John Lutheran Church. You may be a life-long Lutheran or taking your first step on a spiritual journey. Wherever you are on your path, you are welcome here.

If you'd like to connect with someone from our church or learn more, please fill out the guest card (available on the seat in front of you) or come to our guest desk in the Commons.

Children of all ages are welcome in our service. If you need the nursery, please see an usher or volunteer and he/she will direct you there.

OUR MISSION

- PROCLAIM God's forgiveness.
- PREPARE God's people.
- PROJECT God's love.

To learn more about our church, school and childcare center, please visit StJohnIndy.org

FOR THOSE WHO WISH TO COMMUNE

In care for those desiring communion at our altar for the first time, we ask that you speak with Pastor prior to Communion.

- Holy Communion is the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, under the bread and wine, for us Christians to eat and to drink, instituted by Christ Himself.
- Our Lord has instructed us to examine ourselves before participating in this meal (1 Corinthians 11:23-32).
- In preparation for the sacrament, you should ask yourself the following questions:
 - Am I a sinner, and am I sorry for my sins?
 - Do I believe that Jesus Christ is my Lord and Savior?
 - Do I believe that Christ gives me His body and blood together with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of my sins?
 - Will I try, with God's help, to amend my sinful life?

New Member Weekend: This weekend we are happy to welcome 16 new families into the St. John Community.

Confirmation 360: Discipleship is a Lifelong Journey – Our fourth confirmation session will feature an open forum panel discussion with Christians ranging from college age to the senior years. There will be plenty of time for open Q&A. Join or listen in on the discussion today, December 9th, 4:00 pm in the Dwelling Place. As always, this session is open to anyone.

Devotions: Advent Devotions are available on the coffee bar or welcome center. You can also find them online at www.lhm.org.

Poinsettia Orders: Stop by the Welcome Center to pick up your Poinsettia Order form. All orders are due by Sunday, Dec. 16th.

Christmas Caroling: Caroling to homebound members has happened in the past. Anyone is invited to participate on Sunday, December 16th. We will gather at church at 2:00 pm and then will leave to visit the Altenheim and Rosegate facilities, and several individual homes; maybe meeting up again at 5:00 pm for soup and dessert. Interested? Sign up at www.stjohnindy.org.

A Christmas Carol Reading: Mark your calendars for Friday, Dec. 21st from 5:30-7:30 pm for a live reading of "*A Christmas Carol*." Each family will receive a copy of the book. Soups, salads and dessert will follow. Sign up to attend at www.stjohnindy.org.

Ladies Aid: All ladies are invited to join us for lunch on Thursday, Dec. 13th, at 11:30 am at the Hideout. (7242 W. US 52 - New Palestine, In.) Car Pool will leave the back of church at 11:15 am. If you have any questions, contact Jo Ann Hartley, 317-356-4127 or joannhartley8901@comcast.net.

Night to Shine: St. John Lutheran Church is proud to be an official host church for Night to Shine, sponsored by the @TimTebowFoundation on February 8, 2019! Night To Shine is an unforgettable prom night experience, centered on God's love, for people with special needs, ages 14 and older. To volunteer visit stjohnindy.org.

Upcoming Advent/ Christmas Worship Schedule can be found at www.stjohnindy.org.

Other Ministries

Christmas Concert: Please join us and celebrate the Christmas season at the annual LHS **Christmas Concert** on **Sunday, December 9, 4:00 pm** in the Ruth Lilly Auditorium. Hear the Choirs and Bands perform Christmas favorites that focus on the coming of Jesus. The concert is free and open to the public.

Association Game Night: LHS welcomes families to our Association Game Night. Join us as the Saints' varsity basketball teams take on Southwestern High School on Friday, December 14. Girls' game starts at 6:00 pm and Boys' game starts at 7:30. All Association students and staff receive free admission!

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR NEW SONG

Invocation

- Prepare Ye the Way

Lighting of the Advent Candle- Preparation

Confession and Absolution

- Come Lord Jesus (Even So Come)

Scripture: Malachi 3:1-7, Philippians 1:2-11, Luke 3:1-20

Sermon "*Christs Face Must Show*"

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Announcements

Offering

- Waiting Here for You

Reception of New Members

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

- Comfort, Comfort
- What a Friend
- Your Great Love
- The Power of Your Love

Benediction

- My Life Is in You, Lord