



WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

Our Wednesday Night classes are on a hiatus until 2020

SUNDAY EDUCATION 9:55-10:35 am-

These classes are on hiatus until January 12th.

Children will meet in the following rooms: Early Childhood (Preschool-K)-Room 205, Elementary (1st-3rd) Room 203, Youth (4th-6th) Room 202, Jr./Sr. High Youth- Room 106

Youth Confirmation Class - Will meet in the Art Room

Bible Study with a Pastor –Join us on Sundays as our Pastors lead us in study and discussion. This class meets in the Music Room.

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

WEEKLY EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

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Ladies' Bible/Book Study, Tuesday 9:30-10:45 am We are beginning a study on the book of Galatians. 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 into a study on the Gospel of Mark.

WEEKENDS AT ST. JOHN

Traditional Services in the Sanctuary:

Saturdays 4:30 P.M. | Sundays 8:30 A.M.

Contemporary Service in the Dwelling Place:

Sundays 10:45 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.

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SERVING US THIS WEEKEND

Preacher: Pastor Troy Countryman

Organist: Kristen McCartney

Elders: (10:45 am) Thom Hanson

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

Acolytes: (4:30 pm) Reese Richey (8:30 am) Quinn Bowling (10:45 am) Shawn Velzen

Altar Guild: Sarah Rothe, Cathy Adams, J. Ann Downing

A/V: Shannon Velzen, Patrick Velzen



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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?

Helping Children in Foster Care: This Christmas season, we are collecting toys and clothes for children in the Foster Care System. All donations can be placed on the table by the Welcome Center. They will be delivered to the Children's Bureau on December 23rd.



Christmas Caroling: Christmas caroling today! You are invited to serve our homebound members by singing Christmas carols. We will gather at the church at 2:00 pm and will leave to visit the Altenheim and Rosegate facilities and several homes. We will return to the church around 5:00 pm for hot chocolate and desserts.



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 7, 2020! 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.



Offering Envelopes: 2020 Offering Envelopes are ready for pick up. If you normally attend the Traditional Service, you may pick up your envelopes by the Commons by the Courtyard. If you attend the New Song Service, your envelopes are outside the Dwelling Place. If you normally give online but still received envelopes and don't need them, please let the office know.

Office Hours over Christmas Break: The office will be closed on Dec. 24th, Dec. 25th, Dec. 31st and Jan. 1st, the rest of the days we're open 9-11:30 am. Hope everyone has a safe and blessed Christmas.



Upcoming Advent/ Christmas Worship Schedule



- **Christmas Eve** – 7:00 pm Family Service in the Dwelling Place; 11:00 pm Candlelight Communion Service in the Sanctuary.
- **Christmas Day** – 10:00 am in the Sanctuary.
- **New Year's Eve Service**- will be at 6:00 pm in the Sanctuary.

ORDER OF SERVICE FOR NEW SONG

Invocation

Lighting of the Advent Wreath

- Light One Candle

Confession/Absolution

- O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Prayer

Scripture Isaiah 7:10-17; Romans 1:1-7; Matthew 1:18-25

Sermon

Nicene Creed

Tithes and Offering

- O Little Town of Bethlehem

Prayers

Lord's Prayer

Communion

- Meekness and Majesty
- Jesus Messiah
- The Only Name (Yours Will Be)

Benediction

- Jesus, Name Above All Names