

Announcements

St. John Lutheran Church, ELCA
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Baptism of Our Lord

January 12 & 13, 2019
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In Memory

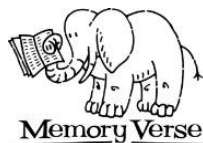
- ❖ Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by **Martha Circle** of St. John Lutheran Women of the ELCA.
- ❖ Flowers are given in memory of **Bob Probst**, whose 80th birthday would have been on Jan. 8, by Karen, Lyle, Jacque, Dennis, Chris, Ann and their families.

We will have a **budget review** between the worship services (10:10 a.m.) next Sun., Jan. 20. This is a chance for all members to become informed about St. John's budget and ask questions before we vote at the annual meeting.

The **St. John Annual Meeting** will be held at 1 p.m. on Sun., Jan. 27. The **youth will serve lunch** for a free will offering at 12:15 p.m., following the second worship service. This is a fundraiser for upcoming events and the NE Synod Journey to Chicago. Come for lunch and stay for the annual meeting. Remember we need a quorum of 100 people to have the meeting. Please make plans to attend.

Help Wanted: The Community Food Pantry and Emergency Services is in need of volunteers to help with the interviewing process. The interviewers meet with clients and take the grocery orders. Volunteers work one 3-hour shift during the month. We are open Mondays and Thursdays from 9 a.m. – 12 Noon and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. If you would be interested in helping us, please call Sue at the pantry office at 402-223-5306.

Jan. Memory Verse: "The statutes of the Lord are just and rejoice the heart; the commandment of the Lord is clear and gives light to the eyes."
(Psalm 19:8)



Remember in prayer

Virgil Dorn, Marlene Frerichs, Dale Jelinek (father of Bryan Jelinek)
Jennifer Schmitz (granddaughter of Margie Waltke)
Corinne Mason (daughter of Lois Kammerlohr)

Radio Broadcasts: Beginning in Jan., the cost of sponsoring a broadcast on Sun. will be \$115. We are in need of sponsors in Jan. and Feb.

Listening for God's Invitations is a day-long retreat sponsored by the Nebraska Synod for anyone who desires to participate in a day of experiential learning and spiritual renewal. It will be held at St. Paul's Lutheran in Grand Island on Sat., Feb. 2, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Cost is \$40. For more information and to car pool call Linda Sturgill at 559-213-5323. Registration deadline is Jan. 18.

We are missing several of the **hearing devices** available for use during the worship service. If you've used them in the past, check at home to see if you accidentally took one home with you.



Share the peace, not the germs! It's that time of year for colds, stomach bugs, and the flu. There are many ways to share the peace and avoid spreading germs. Some ideas include the fist bump, waving, American sign language, and the peace sign.

Holy Cross Women of the ELCA invite you to their **Annual Soup Luncheon** fundraiser on Sun., Jan. 20, 11 a.m.-1 p.m., at Holy Cross Lutheran Church, 1918 Garfield St., Beatrice. Homemade chili, chicken noodle and vegetable soups along with homemade pies and desserts will be served. A freewill donation will be accepted with proceeds going to support local community services.

Pancake Breakfast & Silent Auction on Sun., Jan. 20, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the American Legion, 701 Dorsey St., Beatrice. Free will donation. Proceeds benefit 4-H, Inc.

Would you be interested in helping the people of St. John get to know each other better? It's been 5 years since we did the last **picture directory** and lots of things have changed. Would you be interested in working with a group of people to begin planning for a new directory? Talk to someone on the church staff if this sounds like a project for you.

Large print bulletins are available. If you would like one, please ask an usher. **Hearing devices** and **noise reduction head phones** are also available from the ushers.

Faith Formation and Education Opportunities:

- **You are invited** to join us each Sunday at 10:10 a.m. for Sunday school and classes for all ages, as we explore God's invitation for everyone to join God's work in the world. We look forward to seeing you!
- **Wed. Night Meal Ministry:** Join us each week for a hot meal from 5 – 6:30 p.m. and wonderful fellowship. **Jan. 16: chicken potpie, corn, hotdogs, salad and applesauce**
- Join us for **"St. John Game Night"** this Sun., Jan. 13 at 5 p.m. We will be playing Family Feud-No-More and enjoy food, fellowship and fun!
- Next weekend, Jan. 19 & 20, Heidi Price and Jodi Berke, along with eight St. John youth, will be in Kearney at the **NE Synod Middle School Gathering**. Please keep them in your prayers.
- Would you be interested in an **exercise group** or class at St. John on Wed. evenings? We are considering offering "Holy Yoga." Please talk to Heidi about this opportunity.
- A **new women's circle** will be meeting beginning in Jan. We will meet on the third Tues. of the month. Join us on Jan. 15 at 6:30 p.m. at 4one8. Talk to Heidi Price or Jessica Cullison for more information.
- **Carol Joy Holling Summer 2019 CHAIN REACTION!** St. John week will be June 9-14. St. John will pay half the cost and scholarships are available if need for assistance with the other half. Do not let cost keep your child from attending. Early Bird (only available for full week sessions): **Register before Jan. 31** and get **\$50 off** a full-week session plus a camp drawstring bag. Information is on the desk outside the church office or talk to Heidi.



- High school youth are invited to participate in the **NE Synod Journey to Chicago** this summer July 7-12. We will serve in the Chicago metro area, learning from our neighbors there about how God is already at work in the community. Presiding Bishop, Elizabeth Eaton, will also be part of the Journey conversations. Regular registration is \$450. **A \$100 per person deposit is due with registration by Jan. 30.** Talk to Heidi for more details and registration forms.



Mission Action:

The Mission Action Committee is asking for your help. We will first need items for the **Personal Care Kits**. Please place items in the oak box by the elevator.

Each kit needs:

- 1 bath-size towel, dark color (between 20"x40" and 52"x27")
- 2 or 3 bath-size bars of soap in original wrapping (equaling 8-9 oz.)
- 1 sturdy comb
- 1 adult-size toothbrush
- 1 metal nail clipper

