

Announcements

St. John Lutheran Church, ELCA
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Second Sunday of Epiphany

January 19 & 20, 2019
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In Memory

- ❖ Today's radio broadcast is sponsored by **Lutheran Men in Mission** of St. John Lutheran, Beatrice.
- ❖ Flowers are given in memory of **Ruby Genrich**, by family and friends.

We extend our sympathy to the family and friends of **Alta Mae Phillips** whose funeral was held at St. John recently.

We also extend our sympathy to the families and friends of **Virgil Dorn** and **Virgil Daubendiek** who passed away recently.

We will have a **budget review** between the worship services (10:10 a.m.) this 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.

Please pick up your **offering envelopes** today. If you would like envelopes and don't find a box with your name on it, check with the church office. If there is a box with your name on it, and you don't use them, let us know that also, so we don't order for you next year. If you do SimplyGiving, but would like envelopes for special services, such as Christmas Eve, check with the church office.

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

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

"Stewardship starts with an understanding that all we have, and all we are, is God's." See Psalm 24:1

Radio Broadcasts: Beginning in Jan., the cost of sponsoring a broadcast on Sun. will be \$115. We are in need of sponsors in Feb. and March. The radio station will broadcast Lenten services also. The cost is \$125 per week. Please sign up in the church office.

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.

Week Beginning January 20

Sunday (20)

9 AM Worship/Communion
10:10 AM Congregational Budget Update (FH)/
 Sun. School/ Parent Group (B3)
11:15 AM Worship (Manna Band)
1 PM Girl Scouts (FH)
 Middle School Gathering
 Council Packets and Annual Reports Available

Monday (21)

9 AM Food Pantry (B1)
3:45 PM F.U.E.L. Gr. K-2 (U3)
6:30 PM Cubs Scouts (stage)
7 PM WELCA General Board Meeting (Library)
7 PM Boy Scouts (BC)
8 PM Al-Anon (B-4)

Tuesday (22)

1:30 PM Staff Meeting (Library)
3:45 PM F.U.E.L. Gr. 3-4 (U3)
6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous (B-9)

Wednesday (23)

2 PM Crochet Group (Library)
5 PM Wed. Night Meals (FH)
5:30 PM Cherubs (U6)
5:30 PM Choristers (Chapel)
5:30 PM Praise Ringers (Stage)
6 PM Jubilate (Chapel)
6 PM Bells of St. John (Stage)
6 PM F.U.E.L. Gr. K-6 (U1-3)
6:30 PM 1st Yr. Confirmation (BC)
7 PM Chancel Choir
7:30 PM 2nd Yr. Confirmation (BC)
7:30 PM Youth Group (HS YR)

Thursday (24)

9 AM Food Pantry (B1)
9:30 AM Announcements Deadline
3:45 PM F.U.E.L. Gr. 5-6 (U2)
7 PM Church Council Meeting (Lib)

Friday (25) Office Closed

Saturday (26)

6 PM Worship/Communion (Chapel)

Sunday (27)

9 AM Worship
10:10 AM Adult Forum (FH)/Sun. School/
 Parent Group (B3)
11:15 AM Worship/Communion
12 Noon Lunch Served by Youth (FH)
1 PM St. John Annual Meeting (FH)

American Legion #27 Auxiliary is hosting a **Chicken Supper** on Wed., Jan. 23. Serving is from 5-7 p.m. at the Beatrice Veterans Club. Proceeds go to youth, community and veteran programs.

The Good Life Senior Series - Using Your Military Service Benefits. Join us at The Kensington for our lunch and learn as Gage County Veterans Service Officer, Phil Dittbrener, talks about Using Your Military Service Benefits. Enjoy a complimentary lunch, the warm hospitality The Kensington is known for and valuable, trustworthy information to help every senior live a *Good Life!* Thurs., Jan. 24 at 12 p.m. Call to reserve your seat 402-228-2000; The Kensington, 105 N. 6th St., Beatrice.

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.

Serving in Worship

Jan. 20	Sunday 9 a.m.	Sunday 11:15 a.m.
Cantors	Eric Hansen	Manna Band
Readers	Lawrence Penner	John Humble
Children's Sermon	Matt Kuhlman	Mackenzie Smith
Acolytes	Gus Bauman Megan Hoffman Parker Zulauf	Emma Leners Brittney Ruh Addison Barnard
Greeters	Dave/Nancy Niedfeldt Roy/Beckie Schwisow	Rodney/Alicia Buhr Mike/Mary Lohmeyer
Greeters Jan. 27	Don/Joyce Zimmerman Dennis/Chris Henrichs	Bob/Barb Tiemann Nick/Rachelle Koch

Sat. Musician—Donna Miller

Worship Attendance Last Weekend

- † Saturday 6 p.m. Jan. 12 ... 23
- † Sunday 9 a.m. Jan. 13 ... 112
- † Sunday 11:15 a.m. Jan. 13 ... 94

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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. 23: Taco Bar—chicken & beef!**



- This weekend, Jan. 19 & 20, Heidi Price and Jodi Berke, along with nine St. John youth, will be in Kearney at the **NE Synod Middle School Gathering**. Please keep them in your prayers.
- The **St. John youth will be serving lunch** before the annual meeting on Jan. 27 as a fundraiser for upcoming events and the NE Synod Journey to Chicago. Please join us!
- **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.
- Would you be interested in an **exercise group** or class at St. John on Wednesday evenings? We are considering offering "Holy Yoga." Please talk to Heidi about this opportunity.

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.



What are the committees at St. John working on?

- The **Worship & Music Committee** is starting to promote fundraising efforts for Sound System and Screen Additions. We are planning to host several Lenten Suppers and also host Hymns and Alleluias. We will be planning the Maundy Thurs. Supper for Apr. 18.
- The **Stewardship Committee** is working on new time and talent opportunities for the building, the grounds and office assistance. We will have general stewardship information available at the Congregational Budget Update (1/20/19) and the Congregation Annual Meeting (1/27/19).

