

Announcements

St. John Lutheran Church, ELCA

701 N. 6th St., Beatrice, NE 68310

www.stjohnbeatrice.org

24th Sunday after Pentecost

November 23rd-24th, 2019

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- This week's Voice of St. John is given by Gil & Judy Buhr in thanksgiving for family, friends, and all our many blessings.
- This weekend's bulletins are given in memory of Levi Dodge by Verneal Dodge and family.
- We extend our sympathy to Jessica Cullison & family at the loss of her grandmother Marie Buhr.

Serenity Blankets for Sale! The youth are selling fleece tied blankets for \$20. Please contact Heidi Price to purchase a soft, cuddly, & warm blanket.



Hanging of the Greens will be December 1st from 4:30-5:30. Soup and Sandwich supper to follow. Come help us prepare for the Christmas season!

Sponsor a Poinsettia- St. John will be ordering Poinsettias. They are \$15 for a floral shop quality plant. You may take the poinsettia home with you to enjoy after the Christmas Day service.



Form and \$15 are due to office by Sun., Dec. 15.

The 2020 Nebraska Synod Middle School Gathering is January 11-12. All youth ages 6th-8th grades. Register by Dec 6: \$70 See Heidi for more information or to register.



Messages for Megan - Megan Hoffman is spending the year attending school in Denmark. The youth are sending her a Christmas care package and would like to invite the congregation to add notes of blessing and well wishes. There are notes in the Narthex - Please return to Heidi Price by **Dec. 1st**.

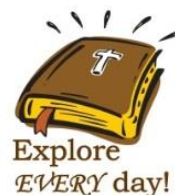
Holiday Lighted Parade - December 7th! St. John will have a float in this year's holiday parade. If you would like to help decorate the float or walk in the parade, see Heidi or fill out a form at: <https://www.stjohnbeatrice.org/form/6651>

Remember in prayer

Jennifer Schmitz (granddaughter of Margie Waltke), Bonnie Saathoff, Sharon Schoneweis, Kevin Spidle, Connie Lantz, Hilda Remmers, Jason Christ, Gloria Kellerman, and Gary Langford.

Did you know? From the Stewardship Committee Did you know that St. John pays roughly \$34,100 annually in utilities? That's \$2,833 a month! We are sharing this and future messages for the congregation to be better informed of normal operating expenses and how our offering keeps the doors open. Please prayerfully consider planned giving in anticipation of St. John's 2020 budget.

November Memory Verse: He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell. Colossians 1:17-19



Children's Christmas Program: 5:00 PM on December 8th! Potluck supper to follow. All are welcome!



Thankofferings will be accepted through November 30th. Please be sure to mark "Thankoffering" on the envelope or in the memo line. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Epp or Janet Byars.

***Please Note* Tabitha Circle Meeting - December 11th @ 6:30**

Two trees are taking root at St. John!

In the Narthex, please add a leaf with a short trait of what you'd like to see in a new Senior Pastor. This will assist the Call Committee when they put together a profile of St. John's needs.

On the office window- take a Gage County Wish List star to sponsor a Christmas present for a child in our community. Gifts can be brought to St. John for pickup by **December 4th**. More information on the back of each star.



New year, new opportunities! We are looking for a 2020 Nursery Coordinator for Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings. Please see Heidi if interested.

Week Beginning Nov. 24th

Sunday (24) Christ the King

- 9 AM Worship/Communion
- 10:10 AM Adult Forum (FH), Sunday School, B3 Group
- 11:15 AM Worship/Communion
- 5 PM Cub Scouts 85 (U7)

Monday (25)

- 9 AM Food Pantry (B1)
- 9 AM Blanket Sewing
- 3:45 PM FUEL Gr. K-2 (U7)
- 8 PM Al-Anon (B4)

Tuesday (26)

- 10 AM Cluster Text Study
- 3:45 PM FUEL Gr. 3-4 (U7)
- 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous (B9)

Wednesday (27)

- 9 AM Staff Meeting (Library)
- 2 PM Revelation Bible Study (Library)
- 2 PM Crochet Group (Kitchen)
- 5 PM Wednesday Night Meal (FH)
- 5:30 PM Cherubs (U7)
- 5:30 PM Choristers (Chapel)
- 5:30 PM Praise Ringers (Stage)
- 5:30 PM Yoga (BC)
- 6 PM Jubilate (Chapel)
- 7 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service

Thursday (28) Office Closed

Happy Thanksgiving!

Friday (29) Office Closed

Saturday (30)

- 6 PM Worship/Communion (Chapel)

Sunday (1)

- 9 AM Worship/Communion
- 10:10 AM WELCA Coffee, Cookies, & Christmas Carols (FH)
Sunday School, B3 Group
- 11:15 AM Worship
- 4:30 PM Hanging of the Greens
- 5:30 PM Potluck Supper
- 5 PM Cub Scouts 85 (U7)



Two new library books have been placed on the rack in the narthex for you to check out. When God Winks on New Beginnings by Squire Rushnell is the library's second God Winks book that contains stories of coincidences as assurances from God. Believer on Sunday, Atheist by Thursday—Is

Faith Still Possible? written by Beatrice native Ronald Byars (brother of Dennis Byars.) Ron retired after serving as President of Union Presbyterian Theological Seminary and also serving as a pastoral minister for many years.

Community Fundraisers:

Christ Church Episcopal Annual Soup Supper- November 24th, from 4:30 to 7:00 PM. Adults \$7, children \$4, under 3 yrs Free!

Alzheimers Association Brunch- Sunday, December 1st from 10:45am-1:00pm @ American Lutheran Church Fellowship Hall - Adams, NE. All free will donations will go to the Nebraska Alzheimers Association for Alzheimers/Dementia research.

Benefit for Rhonda Weise- December 1st @First Baptist Church from 3-6 pm. Soup and dessert to be served. Rhonda has triple negative breast cancer and all funds raised will help cover medical bills.

Serving in Worship

Nov. 24	Sunday 9 a.m.	Sunday 11:15 a.m.
Reader	John Humble	Deanne Moon
Children's Message	Kim Seggerman	Matt Kuhlman
Acolytes	Cody Toland Sierra Jordan Raquel Moore	Grace MacNett Nolan Marlatt Destiny Meers
Greeters	Vic & Alvera Bade Shirley Hill & Beth Schroeder	Doug & Lori Coon Katie & John Humble

Cantor— John Francis

Communion Assistants— John Fritz, Glenn Schwab, & Danny Toland

Sun. Office Duty—Jodi Berke & Diane Courtney

Sat. Musician— Erin Blake

Worship Attendance Last Weekend

† Saturday 6 p.m. Nov. 16 ... 36

† Sunday 9 a.m. Nov. 17 ... 159

† Sunday 11:15 a.m. Nov. 17 ... 96

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