

Announcements

St. John Lutheran Church, ELCA

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

www.stjohnbeatrice.org

1st Sunday of Advent

November 30th & December 1st, 2019

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- This week's Voice of St. John is given by Sterling & Naomi Kohrs in celebration of their 62nd wedding anniversary on Nov. 24th.
- Sunday's flowers are given in honor of Lorna Waldmeier's 98th birthday by Tabitha Circle.

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- 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.

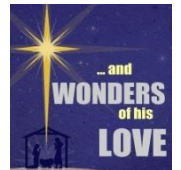
Did you know? \$97,500 is the magic number needed in December to meet the 2019 general fund budget. That's roughly \$19,500 each Sunday in December. We are sharing this and future messages for the congregation to be better informed of normal operating expenses and how our offering keeps the doors open. Please prayerfully consider planned giving in anticipation of St. John's 2020 budget.



December Memory Verse:

May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit. Romans 15:13

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

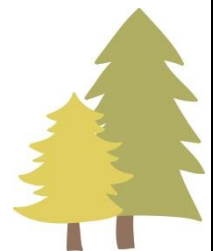


Join us each week for a hot meal and wonderful fellowship. Please contact Heidi Price if you are willing to volunteer during the meal or donate food. **Wednesday, 12/4:** hotdogs and chili, salad, and dessert

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 Dec. 1st

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 Soup Supper
- 5 PM Cub Scouts 85 (U7)

Monday (2)

- 9 AM Food Pantry (B1)
- 3:45 PM FUEL Gr. K-2 (U7)
- 4 PM Evangelism Committee
- 6 PM Float Decorating (Tonka Lanes)
- 7 PM Stewardship Committee
- 7 PM Boy Scouts
- 8 PM Al-Anon (B4)

Tuesday (3)

- 10 AM Cluster Text Study
- 3:45 PM FUEL Gr. 3-4 (U7)
- 5:30 PM Worship & Music Committee
- 6 PM Float Decorating (Tonka Lanes)
- 6:30 PM Narcotics Anonymous (B9)

Wednesday (4)

- 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)
- 6 PM Bells of St. John (Stage)
- 7 PM Advent Worship

Thursday (5)

- 9 AM Food Pantry (B1)
- 3:45 PM FUEL Gr. 5-6 (U7)
- 6 PM Food Pantry Meeting (Library)
- 6 PM Float Decorating (Tonka Lanes)

Friday (6) Office Closed

Saturday (7)

- 4:40-6:30 PM Holiday Lights Parade (Downtown)
- 6 PM Worship/Communion (Chapel)

Sunday (8)

- 9 AM Worship
- 10:10 AM Adult Forum (FH), Sunday School, B3 Group
- 11:15 AM Worship/Communion
- 12:30 PM Faith Formation Meeting (Resource Room)
- 12:30 PM Sunday Night Fellowship Luncheon (FH)
- 5 PM Children's Christmas Program with Potluck supper
- 5 PM Cub Scouts 85 (U7)



Thank you to everyone who participated in the CROP Walk this past October. The totals are in and the Beatrice Community Food Pantry, the Salvation Army in Beatrice, and the Community Food Pantry in Wymore will be receiving \$164.06 each from the funds raised. We are looking forward to another great walk in 2020!



The Youth are selling farm fresh eggs every Sunday and Wednesday. \$2.50/dozen or \$2.00/dozen with the return of a clean carton. See the table in the entryway to purchase. Proceeds will go towards youth trips and activities. Thank you for your support!

Serving in Worship

Nov. 24	Sunday 9 a.m.	Sunday 11:15 a.m.
Reader	Matt Kuhlman	Verneal Dodge
Children's Message	Heidi Price	Heidi Price
Acolytes	Makenzie Barnard	Kalynn Jeadoe Austin Rhoden Preston Saathoff
Greeters	Bruce & Carol Bartling Travis & Heidi Gregory	Pat & Dawn Jeardoe

Cantor— Scott Spilker

Communion Assistants— Norbert Harms & Danny Toland

Sun. Office Duty—Jodi Berke & Diane Courtney

Sat. Musician— Liz Holgate

Worship Attendance Last Weekend

† Saturday 6 p.m. Nov. 23 ... 28

† Sunday 9 a.m. Nov. 24 ... 177

† Sunday 11:15 a.m. Nov. 24 ... 74

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