

**St. John's Lutheran Church and School
Special Advent and Christmas Services**

- December 16 Sunday School 1st - 6th grade Christmas Service (11:00am)
- December 19 4:15 & 6:30pm Advent Services;
Supper 5:00-6:15pm
- December 20 St. John's School K-8th grade Christmas Services:
(5th-8th grade at both services)
K-4th Grade last name K-Z at 6:00pm
K-4th Grade last name A-J at 7:30pm
- December 23 8:00/9:30/10:45 Sunday Worship
- December 24 **Christmas Eve Services** w/HC (3:00 & 5:00pm)
- December 24 **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service** w/HC (10:00pm)
- December 25 **Christmas Day Festival Service** w/HC (9:30am)
- December 30 8:00/9:30/10:45 Sunday Worship
- December 31 Worship w/HC (5:00pm)



December 16, 2018

the Weekly WORD

Monday 17	Tuesday 18	Wednesday 19	Thursday 20	Friday 21	Saturday 22	Sunday 23
6:30am Men's Bible Study 5:15-6:15pm Gathering Place 6:30pm Worship w/HC	9:30am R.O.C.K.	4:00pm Confirmation 4:15 & 6:30pm Advent Services 5:15-6:30pm Advent Supper 7:00pm Messengers of Praise	9:30am Women's LifeLight 6:30pm SJS K-8th Grade Christmas Service 7:30pm SJS K-8th Grade Christmas Service 7:00pm Women's Bible Study	SJS Happy Birthday Jesus Parties		8:00, 9:30 & 10:45 Worship *No Education Hour

Wednesday Midweek Advent Services 4:15 & 6:30pm.

Supper served from 5:00-6:15pm.

December 19 Supper served by the Moe Family and Elders

Christmas Worship

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December 31 Worship w/HC (5:00pm)

2018 Contributions Reminder

Please keep in mind that contributions for 2018 must be received (or post marked) in the St. John's office by the end of the day on Monday, December 31. **The church office will be open from 8:00am-noon on December 31.**

Contributions received after December 31 must be recorded in 2019. If you are planning a year-end stock transfer, the shares must be in the St. John's account on December 31. If you have any questions concerning year-end contributions, please call the office. Thank you for your generosity towards our ministry.

Church office Hours:

Monday, December 24 8:00-noon

Tuesday & Wednesday, December 25 & 26 Church office closed

Monday, December 31 8:00-noon

Tuesday, January 1 Church office closed

St. John's Lutheran School's Christmas service is Thursday, December 20 at 6:00 & 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome!

There are a lot of dishes left from the last funerals we had. Dishes can be found in the Fellowship Hall kitchen. All dishes not claimed by **today**, December 16 will be taken to RACK (formerly Blessed Bee).

Volunteer Opportunities

Worship Assistants help; ushers and sound. Your help is very much appreciated and we work around your schedule. Please call the church office if interested, 952.448.2433.

Chaska Food Shelf is asking for 800 cans of fruit for the month of December. Please place your donation in the grocery cart in the upper gathering area. Thank you!

Greeter for the Gathering Place the 4th Monday of every month. Please call the church office if interested, 952.448.2433.

Birthday Blessings

We pray God's blessings upon those who are celebrating the gift of life from a loving Lord.

- 12/16 Daniel Wittenberg, Keith Anderson, Jill Huwe
- 12/17 Christine Poppitz, Bernardine Stillman
- 12/18 Sarah Rasmussen, Heidi Christinsen
- 12/19 Tristan Lainhart, Donna Ghassan, Wade Mesenbring, Simon Wiegert
- 12/20 Colston Reinke, Rick Panning, Emily Saba, Kreg Schmidt, Julie Herrmann
- 12/21 Alexis Kirchoff, Donald Rasmussen, Jill McGlothlin
- 12/22 Chance Carlson, Ryder Doucet

Anniversary Blessings

We pray God's blessings upon those who are celebrating the gift of marriage from a loving Lord.

- 12/18 - Jim & Leanne Backlund
James & Sarah DeWaard
- 12/19 - Tim & Joan Bode
- 12/20 - Byron & Barbara Frye
John & Mary Stuewe

Please call the church office to add or remove your name. Thank you!

In our Prayers

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| Keith Anderson | Paul Beussman | Bernie Gnan |
| Lois Degler (Dean) | Don Wenz, Sr. | Lorraine Schoen |
| JeNola Panning | Earl Meyer | Wally Lahl |
| Debbie Hanson | Gerry Schmitz | Arlan Kemnitz |
| Gretchen Laubach | Donna Miller | Shirley Gaarder |
| Gerry Grapentine | Maguerite Craighead | |
| Wayne Ingbritson (Uncle of Jason Post) | | |
| Tim Guth (Brother of Catherine Guth Gray) | | |
| Dana Hill (Grandson of Penny Eastlund) | | |
| Phyllis DeRocher (Mother of Paul DeRocher) | | |
| Lorraine Simon (Sister of Donna Olson) | | |
| Dean Ott (Son of Carol Ott) | | |
| Kris Williams (Mother of Kim Bailey) | | |

Battling Cancer

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| Patrick Oliver | Jim Vangerud | Riley Krueger |
| Keith Balzum | Madeline Dawson | |
| Patricia Guth (Mother of Catherine Guth Gray) | | |
| Berdeena Chase (Sister of Glennice Shay) | | |
| Christine Moritz (Family friend of Kade Klahsen) | | |
| Heather Miller (Friend of Brian Mosley) | | |
| Lois Anderson (Cousin of Ida Schwartz) | | |
| Florence Foust (Cousin to Penny Eastlund) | | |
| Pastor LeRoy LaPlant (St. Mark's New Germany) | | |
| Andrew Stahlke (Nephew of Gretchen Laubach) | | |
| Scott Fritz (Son of Verna Fritz) | | |
| Elaine Vangerud (Mother of Jim Vangerud) | | |

Protecting Our Freedom

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| Mitchell Krause | Christian Wachter |
| Jacob Hames | Spencer Roxas |
| Brandon Neitzel (Brother of Ashley Lenz) | |

CaringBridge

- Patrick Oliver: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/patrickoliver>
- Riley Krueger: www.caringbridge.org/visit/rileykrueger2018
- Pastor LaPlant: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/pastorlaplant>
- Brody Lenz: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/brodylenz>
- Grace Watry: <https://www.caringbridge.org/search?q=watry>



Worship for
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