

Look at the Week Ahead

Sun Oct 28	9:00 AM	Worship with Communion
	10:00 AM	Coffee Hour/ Reception
	10:00 AM	Sunday School Fun Day
	11:00 AM	Youth Pumpkin Carving Event
	11:00 AM	Rock'n the Church
	6:30 PM	NA Meeting
Mon Oct 29	7:00 PM	Boy Scouts
Tues Oct 30	7:00 PM	Grief Support Group
Wed Oct 31	6:30 PM	Voices of St John
	7:00 PM	Bells of St John
Fri Nov 2	8:00 PM	AA/Al-Anon Meeting
Sat Nov 3	5:00 PM	Worship with Communion

Mission Trip 2019 location has been set for Anchorage, Alaska! We are excited to be working with Praying Pelican Missions to help us coordinate this trip! The trip will take place May 25th-31st and is open to everyone 7th grade & up, 6th grade students may attend with and adult. Please talk to Missy Gregor (mgregor@montgomerymnelcalutherans.com or Kathy Westerman if you have questions.

Congratulations to Janell Ericksen & Lynn Schuknecht whom were married here at St John on Saturday, October 27th.



After school Youth Group for grades 3-6, 3:05-4:05 PM at church on the *first* Wednesday's of the month. *Next group meeting is November 7th.*

All League Pumpkin Decorating Party is set for Sunday, October 28th, 10 AM-1 PM. We'll start our fun during Sunday School's Sunday Fun Day and continue afterwards. This event is for grades 3-12. Younger kids can participate after Sunday school with an older youth helper or adult in attendance with them. Bring your own Pumpkin. Carving utensils, stencils, food, and games will be provided. **We need pumpkins! Talk to Missy if you have some to donate!**

It's time to start collecting items for Operation Christmas Child! Our Youth Group puts 30 boxes together every year. This year we will put our boxes together when we meet after school on **November 7th**. We need some items to make our boxes complete. Please visit our Operation Christmas Child donation tree located near the busy bags to see the need items. If there is an item you will donate, please take the ornament. Items can be placed in the donation box or given to Missy. Thank you for your help with this activity.

SPECIAL THANKS TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR SERVICE TODAY

Reader

Preston Anderson
Tanner Smith

Head Usher

Wendy Vargo

Ushers/Greeters

Gerald & Diana Smith
Berlyn & Garie Teig

Communion Assistants

Don Marcussen
Candyce Kadrlík
Youth Volunteer

Acolyte

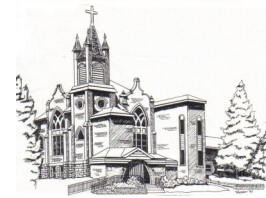
Devin Filter

Altar Guild

Lisa Schroeder &
Jeanne Anderson

Saturday's Service

Thank you to our
volunteer ushers and
others helping with this
service.



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October 28, 2018
Reformation Sunday

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Melissa Gregor, Youth Ministry Director/Secretary
Kathy Heyda, Music Director/Organist
Roman Jindra, Custodian
Diane DeWitte, Organist

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Welcome to Worship at St. John!

May you find peace and joy as we worship together on this day. We invite you to please sign the guest book located near the elevator. For those with children, we are grateful you are here. Activity bags and children's bulletins are available and are located at the top of the stairs. *All baptized Christians* who believe in Christ's real presence in Holy Communion may receive it. During the distribution of Holy Communion, children are invited to come forward to receive a blessing and a cookie. Wrapped gluten-free wafers and portioned cups of grape juice are available for Communion. Wine is distributed in the larger chalice and grape juice is distributed in the smaller chalice. Large print bulletins and inserts are available in the back of the church. Ask the head usher for these materials.

Worship Offering Last Weekend: General Fund \$3,118.98 Restoration Fund \$55
~ \$3,471.00 is needed weekly to meet the 2018 General Fund budget

Attendance Last Weekend: Saturday 48~ Sunday 95



Remember in your Prayers... Glenn, Kerkow, Cathy Herrmann, Eileen Segna, Nancy Vollmar, Tom Trenda, Greg Vlasak, Rev. Bob Boda, Phyllis Swidorski, Amy Kortheuis (Judy Ferguson's sister-in-law), Nancy Creger, and Kathy Fellman (sister of Peggy Hentges).

Please remember in your Prayers the following who are serving our country: Travis Ferguson, Cassidy Gilbertson, Shane Morris, Adam Smith, Adam Vlasak and Sam Westerhouse.



The Voices of St. John rehearsal dates for the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service (Tuesday, November 20th) will be: October 31st, November 7th, November 14th from 6:30 – 7:00 PM in the sanctuary. Rehearsal dates for the 10:00 PM Christmas Eve Service will be: November 28th, December 5th, December 12th, December 19th. We welcome all men and women from St. John who want to join us. Please let Kathy Heyda know if you are interested.

Operation Christmas Child "Declare His Glory among the Nations" Psalm 96:3

Girls and boys in more than 150 countries have experienced the joy of Christmas and heard the good news of Jesus Christ thanks to caring people who have packed over 157 million shoebox gifts for Operation Christmas Child since 1993. These simple shoeboxes filled with toys, school supplies and hygiene items bring smiling faces to God's precious children. Help spread joy and hope to children in desperate situations worldwide by taking part in this special Christmas project. Complete details are outlined in the Operation Christmas Child brochures available at church. Please bring your gift filled shoebox to church on or before Sunday, November 18th (shoebox collection and dedication Sunday). Last year we collected 127 shoeboxes. For more information, contact Mary Brahs 364-8058. *(Due to increasing custom regulations, candy and toothpaste will no longer be accepted in shoebox gifts.)*

A group of adults & youth (grades 9-12) will be volunteering at the Operation Christmas Child Twin Cities Processing Center on Wednesday, November 28th from 6-9 PM. There is a sign-up sheet on the youth bulletin board. Anyone under 18 must have a Samaritan's purse volunteer information form (posted next to the sign up sheet). We will leave from church at 4 PM and stop to eat before our work shift begins.

Book of Romans Bible Study will take place on Tuesdays, (November 13th & 27th) from 6:30-7:30 PM. Anyone can come to this, even if you've missed a night. You can read Romans and bring your comments and/or questions. We will be reading and discussing these chapters together, so that anyone can feel free to join us.

We are starting to collect items for the Soldier Boxes which we will be sending out the first part of December. These items are sent to those who are currently serving from our congregation, former veterans around our area, and veterans in rehab homes. Collection boxes are downstairs in the fellowship hall for your donated items. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please leave it with Missy or Pastor in one of the church offices. Thank you for your help with this wonderful program.

Women Of The Church— Please remember to let us know if you can work or contribute to the upcoming WOTC Fall Fundraiser on November 11, if you have any questions, please contact Renee Pribyl.