



Weekly News

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336-725-1651

8:30 a.m. – The Well
(Contemporary Service)

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class

10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

Sunday, January 8, 2017 – The Baptism of Our Lord

Participation last week, January 1, 2017

Sunday morning, 10:30 a.m.	100
Nursery	4
New Year's Eve 7 p.m.	40

Get involved in a Bible Study! Bible Study is every Sunday from 9:45 - 10:30. Jump in, and **grow** in the Word!

- Adult class in the Fellowship Hall

Children's Sunday School also meets from 9:45 – 10:30.

Tuesday Senior Women's Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in the After School Room, #101. The study "Great Women of the Bible," will include Eve, Sarah, Rebekah and Leah and Rachel. We will continue having 4th Tuesday sack lunch and board games after the Bible study. We invite all ladies to join us as we study God's Word. Call Dot Cleary at (336) 767-4116 with any questions.

Thursday Morning Women's Bible Study meets at 10:00 a.m. in the After School Room, #101. All women of St. John's and their friends are invited to join us for our weekly gathering of fellowship and study. We meet weekly through the school year. This year we will be studying Priscilla Shirer's "The Armor of God". If anyone has any questions please contact Kerstin Walker (336) 414-7667.

Thursday Evening Bible Study will resume on January 26 at 7:00 p.m. in the eighth grade classroom (downstairs). The new series, "That the World May Know," includes a video presentation. Contact Bill Thorpe for additional information.

A Congregational/Town Hall Meeting will convene today at approximately 12:30 PM. No lunch will be provided, but child care services will be available thanks to Addie Gartley, Hannah Lorenz and Samantha Pennucci.



Today, 1/8

Congregational Meeting following 10:45 Service
2:30 p.m. – Well Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Tuesday, 1/10

10:00 a.m. – Sr. Women's Bible Study
Spirit Night at Tijuana Flats

Wednesday, 1/11

8:30 a.m. – Chapel
Noon – Bulletin & Announcement Deadline
5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Dinner
6:00 p.m. – Hispanic Tutoring
7:15 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, 1/12

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Group in Sanctuary
10:00 a.m. – Women's Bible Study
6:00 p.m. – PTO Meeting

Sunday, 1/15

8:30 a.m. – "The Well" Service with Holy Communion
9:45 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship Service
2:00 p.m. – Junior Youth
2:00 p.m. – Prayer Shawl Ministry
2:30 p.m. – Well Rehearsal
6:30 p.m. – Senior Youth

Junior Youth will meet next Sunday at Airbound Trampoline Park from 2 to 3:30 p.m. The cost for one hour of jumping is \$12. Please bring extra money if you want a snack. The address is 7840 N Point Blvd. You must have a waiver on file to jump. You can fill one out on line or print one from Airbound's website.

Intercessory Prayer Warriors Needed: A group of people led by Katie Goad, has been meeting weekly from 9:30 – 10:00 AM on Thursday mornings to pray collectively for our St. John's Family. All church members are invited to meet in the Sanctuary during this half hour to pray for our congregation.

Good News! There are still openings for flowers for the altar for most months of 2017. Please consider signing up for a Sunday or two in memory of someone or in celebration of something or to the glory of God. You then are welcome to take the flowers home with you after the 10:45 service on the Sunday you sign up for. The sign-up book is in the narthex. Thank you.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Opportunities!

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry invites ALL members to make OR give OR request a *Prayer Shawl* or *lap-afghan* for a friend, family member, co-worker or acquaintance in need of a tangible reminder that they are loved by God and "wrapped" in prayer for divine healing, comfort, hope and strength. **There is no cost for the shawl.** If you'd like to make a shawl, lap-afghan or tags, or know someone who you'd like to receive one, please contact Ann Carney (336-602-1232), Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Katie Goad (336-924-6977).

The group will meet next Sunday, January 15, at Katie Goad's home, 3960 Talcott Ave, W-S 27106.



This ministry could not happen without the support of our awesome volunteer tutors! Please join us in being the "hands and feet" of Jesus to our neighbors! Come one Wednesday a month or as often as you like! **You do not need to speak Spanish to participate!!**

Please let us know if you would like to join us or if you have any questions, contact Kris Gartley, Kathleen Sawicki or Cheryl Wulfert. Hope to see you there!

The Church Directory will be re-printed later this month. If you have had a phone number or address change that should be included, please leave a note in the Church Secretary's box in the office or email your information to churchsecretary@stjohnsww.org. Thank you.

If anyone is not currently receiving emails for the Board of Directors' minutes and updates and would like to be included in the group email for this, then please send requests to Nathan Kottlowski, secretary to the Board of Directors, at misterkaye43@aol.com. Thanks. Otherwise, approved minutes and board announcements are posted on the church bulletin board.

Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund Twice a year, in January and August, the Board of Elders accepts applications for scholarship awards from the Turner-Hayes Scholarship Fund. Confirmed members of St. John's who are enrolled in and attending college are encouraged to apply. The award of \$500 is available each of these two times. The January applications will be accepted until January 27, 2017.

Inclement Weather Policy: When it is necessary to announce delays or closings for worship or church activities due to bad weather, St. John's Lutheran Church will post the revised schedule or cancellation on the TV WXII Channel 12 scroll and website. Also, there will be a radio announcement on WSJS Radio – 600 AM. Members will be alerted as well via email and the phone tree.

Great News about the Stained Glass Fund: Enough money has been raised to repair the stained glass window! As of November, about half of the funds had been raised, and due to additional contributions in December, we can now proceed with the repairs. The work will be done in May and will include placing a protective Plexiglas in front of the window. Thank you to all who participated in undertaking the preservation of this important focal point of our church building.

Come with us in June! Kathleen and Bruce Sawicki are researching the use of a rental van to go to Albuquerque, NM for the big LWML convention. If you've never attended before, now is your opportunity to travel with friends. Call Kathleen at 336-744-2971 for details ASAP. Save your seat! The Special Convention insert is in the latest Lutheran Women's Quarterly, Winter 2016. It has tons of information, including the early registration opening Feb. 1st (\$175 early, \$195 later) for June 22-25, 2017. Check the bulletin board.

Greetings in Christ and Merry Christmas from our new friends Mark and Megan Mantey, headed for Uganda! A copy of their newsletter is on the bulletin board, too.

Ways to support the school:

Link your Lowes Foods card to our school. You can now link your Lowes Foods card to St John's and we get a portion of your purchases of Lowes private label items. You can link up to 3 schools.

<https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/Account/SelectCard?mode=CartToClass> to sign up. Thanks so much from the PTO!

Honey Baked Ham. Please check out the fundraising page at https://honeybakedfundraising.com/fundraiser/St_Johns_Luthern_School_PTO. Note that the misspelling of Lutheran is the way the page is set up.

Spirit Nights in January will be January 10 at Tijuana Flats and January 24 at Panera Bread.

Get Your St. John's Cookbook! Support St. John's and enjoy a GREAT resource by buying the anniversary cookbook today! It includes a free digital download version of all 335 recipes! Visit the church office Monday thru Thursday from 9am-3pm or purchase one between services on Sunday mornings. Books are \$15. Funds will help purchase a new stage and new church banners. These make wonderful gifts! Contact Lydia.k.ingram@gmail.com for more information.



Happy Birthday to:

1/9 – Amber Baldwin
1/9 – Katie Sayles
1/11 – Vicki Clark
1/12 – Scott Keller
1/12 – Patrick Nelson
1/14 – Chip Baker



St. John's Prayer Needs

We pray for St. John's congregation and school

Principal Mark Edmiston
Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin
Our called workers and staff
Frances Burmeister
Michael Zeoli
Board of Directors
Board of Elders
Hispanic Tutoring

Please be sure to extend your heartfelt thanks to these folks as you see them around the St John's campus. Praise God for the talented people that we have at St. John's.

Our Board of Directors: Bill Thorpe, Vice Chairman, Nathan Kottlowski, Secretary, Judy Meisinger, Dot Anderson.

We remember those who are homebound:

Harry Armstrong, Frances Chambers, Chris Johnston, Marty Loper, Kay Moose, Gene Rapier, Carl Schlotzhauer, Millie Tetzlaff, Susan Thorpe, Irene Whitener, Thelma Wolf, Dorothy Zick.

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Barb Aron (Ann Carney's sister), Becky Baker (Martha Tegeler's daughter), Duke Bledsoe (Jane Davidson's brother), Bambi Braun, Joel Christiansen, Laura Ference (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friend), Jack Fordham, Katie Goad, R J Hamby (Joan Happel's son-in-law), Eva Hammacker (Donna Gronewoller's mother), Bob Hoisington, Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Kathrine Less, Jerry Linder, Bill Lonnecker (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friend), Steve Miller, Stan Moeller (Sam Drouillard's cousin), Cameron Moore's father (Avery Johnson's friend), David Penno (Linda Pennucci's brother), Mike Timms (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friend), Arline Urban, Judy Winkler (Alice Mierisch's sister-in-law)

For those undergoing/recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:

Jeanette Allred, Mary Barcio (Dave's mother), Rev. Partee Boliek (Andrea Duggins' great uncle), John Bredenberg, Wade Burlson (Holly Wilson's neighbor), Frances Burmeister, Mike Henderson, Bobbi & Dean Hoegemeyer (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friends), Michael Hoisington (Bob & Anita's grandson), Jim Johnson, Doris Jones (Steven Shannon's grandmother), Bob King (friend of Holly Wilson), Dave Lundmark, Dave McCombs (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friend), Lisa Mingus, Amanda Pennucci, Jean Rudolph, Leonard Sampson (Rich & Claudia Essbach's friend)

For the Pennucci Family as they go through the adoption process of 9-year-old daughter Valerie.

For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home:

Dallas Darcy, Loren Jacobi, Branden Lackey, Andrew Nelson, Tegan Owen, Allie Petty, Brad Rullman, Jon Tessmann, Kevin Wilson

Persecution Prayer

"Many Christians are afraid. They are afraid as they watch American culture and society continually turn away from biblical teachings and Christian values they hold dear. They are afraid that the persecution our brothers and sisters face in nations like China, Nigeria, North Korea and Libya may soon be much more than something we read about. It may be the path that we - Christians in the 'land of the free' - are called to walk." *
Pray that we learn how to rest in the promises of our Lord and Savior, to trust that He is always with us, loves us, and will guide us through difficult times of persecution.

* From "The Voice of the Martyrs" January 2017 page 4

For more information see the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

A Great Place to Grow in Christ

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8th
grade. All programs/grades
have full-time care available.*

Mark Edmiston, Principal

**Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and
Community Relations**

Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool

**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for
Contemporary Worship**

**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional
Worship**