

Announcements

November 27, 2022 – First Sunday in Advent

Worship and Bible Study will be as follows:

Contemporary Worship “The Well” – 8:30 a.m.

Bible Study – 9:45 a.m.

Sunday School – 9:45 a.m.

Traditional Worship – 10:30 a.m.

Offering Plates are located in the back of the church on the tables and as you come forward for communion.

Holiday Schedule

Advent Mid-Week Services – Wednesday’s – November 30, December 7 & 14 – 7:00pm (Meal at 5:30pm)

Christmas Eve – Saturday, December 24 – 6:00pm, 8:00pm

Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25 – 10:30am – **One service only**

New Year’s Day – Sunday, January 1, 2022 – 10:30am – **One service only**

Advent Family Nights – Wednesday’s

Please join us for a Family Night of crafts, games, and service projects. Everyone is welcome!! Wednesday evenings during Advent **from 5:00-7:00pm, November 30th—December 14th**. We will share HOPE & LOVE as we enjoy fun and games. We will create gifts to give and gifts to donate.

Advent Meals – Nov. 30 – Lasagna & Salad, Dec. 7 – Baked Potato & Salad Bar, Dec. 14 – Spaghetti & Salad

Thank you from Pastor & Gwen

We are, once again, in awe of your support and generosity. Thank you for the Clergy Appreciation Gift. Thank you, considerably more, for your prayers and gracious words. **Retirement Note:** We look forward to serving you for another six months. My announcement said retirement date would be May 31, 2023. I might be here a couple of weeks in June, since I’m already scheduled to do the Brake/Marks wedding on June 3rd.

Sunday School Notes

There will be **no** Sunday School on **December 25 or January 1, 2023**. It will resume on Sunday, January 8. Thank you to Ben Anderson for volunteering to teach 3rd & 4th grade class starting January 8, 2023.

Adult Bible Study Notes

There will be **no** class on **December 25**. **Join us:** at 9:30am sharp, on **Sunday, January 1** for a fun time playing **BIBLE JEOPARDY!**

Mission Support

Our current budget includes just over \$900 a month to local/various mission projects. So far this year, monthly gifts have been given to: LWML, Sister-2-Sister Intl., and to the LCMS Fla/Ga District to assist with flood relief. Additionally, we were able to send another \$500 to Pastor and Janis McDaniel to assist with their medical bills. God has blessed us, to be a blessing.

Poinsettia Sign-Up

HEADS UP EVERYONE!! Time to sign up for poinsettias for the altar again. **Deadline this year is December 4**. We only have 4 Sundays before the deadline. Please put your payment in the envelope that is next to the sign-up sheet and put in the offering plate or give to Kerstin in the office. The **price this year is \$15.00**. The florist will NOT bill you. The sign-up sheet is in the back of the church next to the Altar Flower book.

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

Will be celebrated on **Sunday, December 11** at both services. We will recognize and rejoice, specifically, those called to glory during this past year. You also have opportunity to list any loved ones you would like to remember. **Forms are in the back of the church, please return by December 4.**

Sweatshirts

We will soon place a second order for St. John's sweatshirts. If you missed the first opportunity you can order one now. **Orders must be in by tomorrow** and they are \$30.

Hispanic Ministry – Wednesday evenings

This ministry provides homework assistance to children. Specifically, we target families where English is a second language in their home. You do not need to speak Spanish to volunteer! All that is needed is the ability to read and welcome children! **Light meal served at 5:30pm, tutoring begins at 6:00pm.** Please talk with Kris Gartley, Kathleen Sawicki, or Cheryl Wulfert if you have questions.

Scrip ordering is back!

Help support the school by ordering scrip.

Sunday, Nov. 27 8pm > > > Available for pickup Thurs. Dec. 1 - **TODAY**

Sunday, Dec. 11 8pm > > > Available for pickup Thurs. Dec 15

You can also take advantage of ScripNow! to order anytime and print your gift certificates or reload your physical gift cards directly from your phone or computer. RaiseRight App can be added to your phone to order gift cards. For any questions please contact Rachel Orsborn rachel.orsborn@gmail.com

Tuesday Morning Senior Ladies Bible Class

We meet at **10:30am in room 100. Nov. 27 only 10:00 am.** Ladies come and enjoy coffee and fellowship with a group of wonderful women. Call Dot Cleary for any questions. #336-767-4116.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

Next meeting will be December 11 at 12:30pm room 100. Everyone is welcome to join this Ministry Team. Any questions contact Claudia Essbach, Cherry Horn, or Ann Carney.

Thursday Evening Bible Study

Our Thursday Evening Bible Study will continue on Zoom. During September we will study the minor prophet Micah and then move into a 16-part study of the New Testament Epistle of 1 Peter. Please contact Bill Thorpe, wthorpe.bt@gmail.com, or Rich Essbach, rhcessbach@triad.rr.com for more information.

Please join Pastor and Gwen

Join Pastor and Gwen in reading thru the Bible this year.

MONDAY – Ezek. 41-42; 1 Peter 3

TUESDAY – Ezek. 43-44; 1 John 1

WEDNESDAY – Ezek. 45-46; 1 John 2

THURSDAY – Ezek. 47-48; 1 John 3

FRIDAY – Daniel 1-2; 1 John 4

WEEKEND – Daniel 3-9; 1 John 5 – 2 John

Crisis Control Item of the month – December – beef stew, chicken stew

If you would like to donate food to Crisis Control, please drop the food off in the basket in the back of the church. – **95 lbs. was collected for the month of October. Thank you for your donations!**

Worship Assistant: 8:30am – Bob Burke; 10:30am – Nathan Kottlowski

Lector: 8:30am – Maddie Orsborn; 10:30am – Cheryl Wulfert

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God, Susan Marks in Thanksgiving for God's blessings and in honor of Gary Brake's birthday.

Altar Guild for November: Mary Rochester, Sandra Linder, Sarah Strahm