Announcements February 5, 2023 – 5th Sunday after Epiphany

Worship and Bible Study will be as follows:

Contemporary Worship "The Well" – 8:30 a.m.

Bible Study/Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.

Traditional Service – 10:30 a.m.

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

Church Directory Photo make up date is here

On **Tuesday**, **February 28**, **2023**, the Universal Church Directories will be on campus taking pictures of members for our upcoming photo directory. **This is the one and only date they will be at St. John's**. **Please sign up for your photo slot**. https://ucdir.com/ - **Church Code**: **NC401**, **Password**: **photos** This will help us tremendously if you are able to do so online. You may also call the church office for help with sign-up.

Small Group Ministry – Today after both services

Are you interested in growing in your faith and building better relationships with other Christians? Then you may want to join a Small Group. Come to a short informational meeting in the **Library** after each service today to learn about the 5 W's - who, what, where, when, why. See you there!

New Youth Ministry

A 4th and 5th grade Youth Group will be starting up at the end of February here at St. John's Lutheran Church. We will be **meeting weekly beginning on Sunday**, **February 26th**. Youth Group will take place in the gym from **6pm-8pm**. Each week, we will have a bible study and games/activities. Students in 4th and 5th grade are invited and encouraged to bring their friends. If you have any questions, please contact Tiffany Banks tbanks@stjohnsws.org.

Funeral Urn Pal

Our church has been given a gift of a funeral Urn Pall. The Pall was given by Martha and Bob Burke and Sandy Linder.

Curriculum Committee

We are ready to put together our curriculum committee. This committee will be responsible for evaluating different curricula for our students. The most pressing matter will be a math curriculum for K-3. We would like to have 2-3 church members, 3-4 parents (ideally K-3 for this round), and of course, the K-3 teachers.

If you would like to be on this committee, please let Mrs. Banks know at tbanks@stjohnsws.org. The first meeting will be on Wednesday, February 8th at 3:15pm in room 100.

Daddy Daughter Dance

This year's St. John's Lutheran Church and School Daddy Daughter Dance will be **Friday**, **February 24**. Please join us for a night of food, photos, fun, and great memory making. Don't miss the chance to show her how special she is! To purchase tickets please complete the pre-order form and deposit it with payment in the box in the church or school office. **Tickets can be picked up the night of the event. Exact change or checks only please.**

CPR, AED, & First Aid Training Opportunity

St. John's will be offering training for our Congregation Members. **The cost will be \$50 per person**. You may pay by credit/debit card on the morning of training. Training will take place on the first or second Saturday in March. **There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall. See Sonia Davidson if you have any questions.** sdavidson@stjohnsws.org or 336-413-6304

Pastor's Lutheran Classes

Sunday nights at 6:00pm. For non-Lutherans these are classes you need to be received as a member. For regular visitors, these classes are a great opportunity to get more connected with other members. For those already Lutheran, this is a fun review. Babysitting is provided. Please join us.

2023 Altar Flower Sign-up

The 2023 sign-up sheets for altar flowers are in the flower book in the back of the church. Sign up now for a week or two that are special to you! **February and March are needed now!**

<u>Hispanic Ministry – Wednesday evenings</u>

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.

Tuesday Morning Senior Ladies Bible Class

The Senior Women's Bible Class will be beginning a new study next week entitled "Contagious Joy". This study tells us about our true source of Joy – giving thanks in all circumstances and having a Joy that is actually radiant. Please join us at 10:30am on Tuesdays for coffee and fellowship to discover how Joy is infectious, transmittable, spreadable, and catching – in a word – "Contagious". We meet at **10:30am in room 100**. 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 February 19 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 be continuing our study of 1 Peter, an Epistle of hope. We meet via Zoom. Please contact Bill Thorpe, wthorpe.bt@gmail.com, or Rich Essbach, rhcessbach@triad.rr.com for more information.

Crisis Control Item of the month – February – Instant Potatoes

If you would like to donate food to Crisis Control, please drop the food off in the basket in the back of the church. - 63 lbs. was collected for the month of December. Thank you for your donations!

Worship Assistant: 8:30am – Rich Essbach; 10:30am – Nathan Kottlowski

<u>Lector:</u> 8:30am – Ann Carney; 10:30am – Cherry Horn

The Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God.

Altar Guild for February: Karin Lennon, Sarah Strahm