

## THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

### SUNDAY December 1st~Advent begins

7:45 Worship H/C  
9:00 Education Hour  
10:15 Worship H/C

### MONDAY December 2nd

6:00 Prayer Time

### TUESDAY December 3rd

6:45 Care Ministry Meeting

### WEDNESDAY December 4th

10:40 Chapel  
6:30 JAM/Confirmation/Youth Group

### THURSDAY December 5th

9:00 Bible Study  
7:00 Worship

### FRIDAY December 6th

### SATURDAY December 7th

9:00 Prayer Shawl Ministry

### SUNDAY December 8th

7:45 Worship  
9:00 Education Hour  
10:15 Worship  
3:00 School Advent Program  
6:00 Women's Bible Study



**REMEMBER OUR SHUT- INS IN PRAYER**  
Marlys Zemke-Wellington Place Assisted Living

## **THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK IN THE LORD'S HOUSE**

### **ELDERS FOR DECEMBER**

John Christensen, Rick Borchardt

### **ALTAR GUILD FOR DECEMBER**

Peggy Piepenburg

### **USHERS THIS WEEKEND**

Lisa Brost, Dawson Hahn~ 7:45  
Stuart Vaughn

Steven Jome~ 10:15  
Rick Borchardt, August Stransky

### **ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND**

Annabelle Marquardt~ 7:45  
Warren Prah~ 10:15  
December 5th~Croix Bender

### **CLEANING TEAM**

December 1st-14th– Diana Rux, Lorraine Christensen

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

## **The Week December 1st-December 8th 2024**

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Pastor's Email-  
[pastor.john@stjohnofwausau.org](mailto:pastor.john@stjohnofwausau.org)

### **Church & School Office Hours**

Monday –Friday  
8:00 AM– 2:00 PM

Diane Goetsch- Principal  
Ext. 108 Email-  
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## **Happy Birthday this week to:**

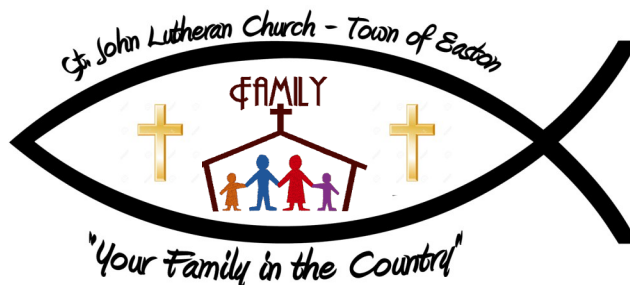
Dale Prah (12/1)	Karen Opper (12/4)
Sharon Hackbarth (12/1)	Tom Karcher (12/4)
Sue Prah (12/1)	Kyle Borchardt (12/4)
Tim Christensen (12/2)	Neil Koenig (12/5)
Steve Kunze (12/2)	Kristy Isberner (12/6)
Jodi Kraucyk (12/2)	Leon Seliger (12/6)
Brianna Lund (12/3)	Lisa Brost (12/7)
John Stransky(12/3)	Katie Prah (12/7)
Hannah Fritz (12/3)	Logan Seliger (12/7)
Camden Blom (12/4)	Beverly Tesch (12/8)

## **Happy Anniversary this week to:**

Eric & Olivia Breitenfeldt (12/4)



God's Blessings on your special day!



## **Our Mission Statement**

"St. John Lutheran Church and School is dedicated to worship, love, teach, reach out and care through the love of Christ Jesus."

Please have the announcements into the Church office by Wednesday at 9:00 am. Thank you

<b>ATTENDANCE REPORT</b>	<b>2023</b>	<b>2024</b>
Thursday, November 21st	28	64
Sunday, November 24th	140	135

#### **BUILDING FUND FINANCIAL STATUS**

Contributions received for week of November 24th, 2024  
\$1005.00  
Building Loan \$

#### **OFFERING LAST WEEK**

Envelope & Plate  
Week of November 24th, 2024 \$3074.00  
Tuition-\$2442.00 Extended Care-\$70.00  
Debt Reduction (To pay Line of Credit Only)-\$.00  
Line of Credit this week-\$.00  
Expenses paid this week-\$  
Payroll paid this week-\$

**Electronic Giving for week of November 24th**  
General Fund-\$1148.00 Building Fund-\$217.00

#### **2024 Advent Worship Schedule**

Sunday, December 1st– Beginning of Advent  
Thursday, December 5th Midweek Advent Service  
Thursday, December 12th Midweek Advent Service H/C  
Thursday, December 19th– Advent Hymn Sing Service

#### **2024 Christmas Worship Schedule**

December 24th  
3:00 P.M. Worship H/C  
6:30 P.M. Children's Service  
10:00 P.M. Worship H/C  
December 25th– 9:00 A.M. Worship H/C  
Thursday, December 26th- No Worship Service  
December 31st- 7:00 P.M. Worship H/C

#### **Pastor John Stransky's School Year Office Hours**

Monday: 8:00 AM to 2:30 PM (in classrooms in morning)  
Tuesday: 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM  
Wednesday: 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM (school chapel)  
5:30 PM to 8:30 PM (confirmation at 6:30)  
Thursday: 9:30 AM to 2:30 PM  
5:30 PM to 9:00 PM (Church Service at 7:00)  
Friday: Off  
Saturday: By Appointment

**Shopping Mall Donations** for St. John School: We will again be having a Christmas Shopping Mall. Please consider donating homemade or purchased items to St. John School. These items will be tagged at low prices to sell to the 3K-8th Grade student shoppers on Wednesday, December 11th from 8:15-10:45 in the gym. Bring donated items to the Church office during the week. office hours are 8:00-2:00. The purpose is to have a shopping place for children to purchase affordable, inexpensive gifts for Mom, Dad, brothers and sisters. They will not only purchase the gifts, but also have them gift wrapped and labeled by volunteers before they take them home. This is a fundraiser event. All profits will go to field trips fund. If you would like to volunteer that day, or for more information contact Gerry Marquardt at 715-297-3167 or 715-297-5821.



**Love to Sing**...then you need to read this: God uses our voice to share His message and love with those who hear our words. We will be reactivating a joint choir with St. John and Zion to share our Gift of Music during worship. First rehearsal will be on Thursday, December 5 at 5:30 pm at St. John Church. Our goal is to have one song ready to sing during one of the Christmas Eve or Christmas Day services. Please contact Diane Goetsch ([dgoetsch87@gmail.com](mailto:dgoetsch87@gmail.com)) or 715-573-4406 if you have questions. Hope to see many of you at our first rehearsal on December 5.

**St. John Care Ministry** will once again have the Cap and Mitten Tree. You can place your caps, mittens, scarves and socks under the tree in the Narthex. We will take them to the Neighbors Place at the end of December. Thank you very much for all your donations.



**Directory Portraits**: Thank you to everyone who came in to have your portrait taken for the new directory. I am now in the process of preparing the files you will need should you wish to print the photos at your own leisure. You will receive a high resolution, 8x10 and thumbnail versions for your social media. It would be great to see Facebook plastered with church portraits. You will receive an email from



**WeTransfer** with a link to download the files. **NOTE: transfer link will expire 3 days from the time you receive the email.** Please download your files immediately. Included in the files will be a release granting you permission to reprint the photos should you have any difficulty with the vendor you choose for your prints. -Bryan Piepenburg

**Gifts of Hope**: 89Q is once again partnering with Covenant Community Presbyterian Church to provide Gifts of Hope for children and families in need this Christmas! You can stop by the 89Q studio starting Nov 25th at 3500 Stewart Ave in Wausau to pick out a tag or several with a requested item, go shopping for the gift and bring it back, wrapped up, with the gift tag attached by December 11th. You can also request a tag by filling out the form below. Please allow 1 business day to process your gift tag request. If you would like more than THREE tags, please select "yes" on that option and 89Q will contact you to assist with your selections. If you would like to adopt a whole family of 4 children or less e-mail [89QOffice@89q.org](mailto:89QOffice@89q.org) Requests will be filled the next business day. Thank you! If the tags you'd like are not available, or you'd like to add more to your gift, they have requested toddler mittens or boys and girls waterproof gloves kids sizes to adults: unwrapped. Each child will receive four gifts of clothing, toys or games. Plus a Family gift. Please wrap each gift individually - paper wrapping is more fun for kids to open. Bags are okay for teens. You are welcome to include an extra gift (Suggestions: PJ's or extra outfit. Please label it so we know what is in the package and who it is for). Donations are also gratefully received to replenish winter outerwear that has already been distributed to the families. Bring cash or checks to 89Q Office, 3500 Stewart Ave, Wausau. We discourage gifting general gift cards. Sizes vary so much, so please include a gift receipt if possible. Thank you for being a blessing to a child in need.

**Join us for a night full of twinkling lights**, winter magic. and holiday spirit at the Wausau Holiday Parade! This parade will start at Marathon Park at 6:30 P.M. and lead to the 400 Block in Wausau, where floats will be announced by our Radio sponsors. The event is free to all community members and we are very excited to celebrate the Holiday season with all of you! For details go to [wausauevents.org/events/holiday-parade](http://wausauevents.org/events/holiday-parade).

**St. John School Cheese Fry Fundraiser**: December 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> St. John Students will be in the Narthex to take orders. Cash or Check only. Cheese Fries are from M & M Bakery in Athens, WI. 12-inch Cheese Fry with Sauce, 4/\$30 or \$8 each. The funds raised will be used for a variety of school activities. Thank you for supporting St. John Students and Teachers.

**Memorials received this week**: In memory of Jeff Long from Barb and Sam Morgan.