

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

SUNDAY December 15th

7:45 Worship H/C
9:00 Education Hour
10:15 Worship H/C
6:00 Women's Bible Study

MONDAY December 16th

6:00 Prayer Time
7:00 Council Meeting

TUESDAY December 17th

10:00 Women's Bible Study
7:00 P.T.L. Meeting

WEDNESDAY December 18th

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

THURSDAY December 19th

9:00 Bible Study
7:00 Advent Hymn Service

FRIDAY December 20th

SATURDAY December 21st

SUNDAY December 22nd

7:45 Worship
9:00 Education Hour
10:15 Worship



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

Roger & Beverly Tesch~ 7:45
Isaac Walters, Tristan Schlund

Neal & Cindi Schalow~ 10:15
Randy & Lisa Fritz

ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND

Natalie Schlund~ 7:45
Lydia Prah~ 10:15
December 19th~Tucker Maas

CLEANING TEAM

December 15th-28th- Tom & Janet Felch

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

Happy Birthday this week to:

Dan Maas (12/16)
Bexley Baumann(12/16)
Keith Marten (12/18)
Riley Guss(12/19)
Rachel Stuplich (12/20)
Marcia Habeck (12/22)



Happy Anniversary this week to:

There are no Anniversaries this week



God's Blessings on your special day!

The Week December 15th-December 22nd 2024

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Church & School Office Hours

Monday -Friday
8:00 AM- 2:00 PM

Diane Goetsch- Principal

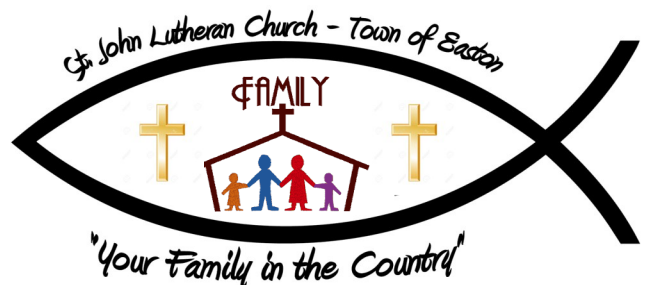
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Our Mission Statement

"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

ATTENDANCE REPORT	2023	2024
Thursday, December 5th	25	53
Sunday, December 8th	145	122

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Envelope & Plate
Week of December 8th, 2024 \$3092.00
Tuition-\$802.00 Extended Care-\$20.00
Debt Reduction (To pay Line of Credit Only)-\$50.00
Line of Credit this week-\$0.00
Expenses paid this week-\$1319.97
Payroll paid this week-\$

Electronic Giving for week of December 8th

General Fund-\$3098.00 Building Fund-\$247.00

2024 Advent Worship Schedule

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

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.

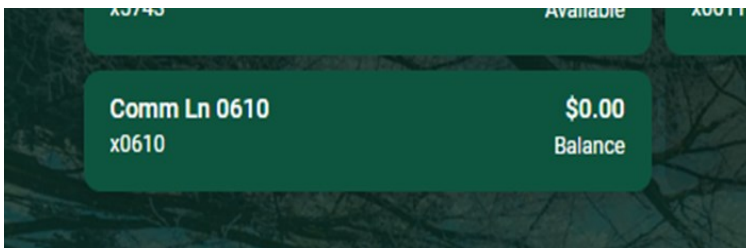
Directory Portraits: Thank you to everyone who came in to have your portrait taken for the new directory. I am now in the process of preparing the files you will need should you wish to print the photos at your own leisure. You will receive a high resolution, 8x10 and thumbnail versions for your social 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

St. John School Cheese Fry Fundraiser: December 15th and 22nd 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.

Sunday school will not meet on December 22 or December 29 during the Christmas break. Sunday school will also not meet on January 19 for the mortgage payment celebration.

Christmas Cards are now available on the cart in the Narthex. Cards are a \$1.00 a piece or a freewill donation is acceptable. Other assorted cards are also available. There is a box behind the cart to put your money in.

We pray this week: Eternal God, give of all good gifts, You have brought us to this milestone in the life of St. John Lutheran Church and School. With gratitude to You, we remember the planning, the years of working together, the gifts, and the sense of common purpose that we have shared in this task. Bless us now as we rejoice in its completion. AMEN! As of December 4, 2024 the BUILDING FUND MORTGAGE is PAID IN FULL. Please join us in the celebration service on January 19, 2025.



If anyone would like Portals of Prayer or My Devotion the sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Sign up for next year is needed by December 25th. The first copy you would receive is in April 2025. These devotions are free of charge because Adult Fellowship pays for the cost of these devotions.

COFFEE HOUR: After several years of providing refreshments between services on Sunday mornings, Diana Rux and Lorraine Christensen are stepping aside effective the end of December. THANK YOU DIANA AND LORRAINE FOR YOUR FAITHFUL GIFT OF SERVICE! VOLUNTEERS NEEDED. Beginning in January, we will need volunteers to keep coffee hour going. This is an easy and fun way to serve and simply involves making coffee, setting out treats, and a little clean up afterward. There will be a sign-up sheet in the kitchenette. Please consider signing up for a week or two so we can continue this great time of fellowship. If you have any questions, please talk to Carol Kunze, 715-432-7918

From the Lutheran Education Association: We are excited about what God has in store for 2025! We invite you to help us prepare for the next exciting steps in linking, equipping, and affirming educators in Lutheran ministries. Please contribute to the LEA annual fund or endowment to assist us in supporting those who serve in diverse Lutheran education settings around the world and as we support students who are preparing to enter this ministry. We value your partnership through the year! Go to lea.org or call 1-708-209-3343 for more information.

The Christmas Journey: Saturday, December 21, 4:00 PM - 9:00 PM at Northland Lutheran High School, 2107 Tower Road, Kronenwetter. "The Christmas Journey," is a free, family-friendly event where you take a 30-minute outdoor guided walk around the Northland Campus to help you envision the first Christmas and what it means for you today. This life-changing story includes more than 100 actors/volunteers, and real live animals (including donkeys). Reserve your 30-minute time slot online. Walk-ins are also welcome. If you are curious about the new church being established on the Northland campus, we would love to share the progress and invite you to future events. Thank you, and Merry Christmas!

Jingle Ball: Rock the Hall, Sunday, December 22, 7:00 PM- 8:00 PM at the Grand Theater, 401 N 4th Street, Wausau. Presented by NorthStar Restoration Services. Featuring Symphony on the Rocks to benefit Blue Hearts of Wausau: Supporting local law enforcement, their families, the community they live in, and the loved ones of fallen officers nationwide. Tickets from Grand Theater Ticket Office. For Questions, Donation Opportunities or Raffle Baskets contact Clay Rice at 715-679-4760

On Sunday, December 29th, there will be only one Worship Service at 9:00 A.M.