

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

SUNDAY December 10th

7:45 Worship
9:00 Education Hour
10:15 Worship
3:00 School Advent Program
7:00 Contemporary Worship

MONDAY December 11th

6:00 Prayer Time

TUESDAY December 12th

6:45 Care Ministry
6:00 School Board

WEDNESDAY December 13th

8:00 Chapel
10:00-1:00 Bethesda Work Day
4:30 Youth Group Bakes Cookies
6:30 JAM/Confirmation

THURSDAY December 14th

6:30 A.M Men's Bible Study
7:00 Worship H/C

FRIDAY December 15th

SATURDAY December 16th

Christmas Eve Practice

SUNDAY December 17th

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



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS IN PRAYER

Renaissance—Della Marquardt
Rennes—David & Norma Zimmermann,
Eugene Zunker
Care Partners—Florence Block
Atrium—Viola Thorson Primrose—Doris Strehlow
Mountain Terrace—Marion Schalow

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

ELDERS FOR DECEMBER

Dan Maas & Ryan Prah

ALTAR GUILD FOR DECEMBER

Lana Kunze
Susie Borchardt

USHERS THIS WEEKEND

Roger & Beverly Tesch~ 7:45 am
John Glynn

Neal & Cindi Schalow~ 10:15 am
Randy, Lisa & Cody Fritz

ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND

Dennis Stransky~ 7:45 am
Kolten Gurski~ 10:15 am

CLEANING TEAM THIS WEEK

Roger & Beverly Tesch

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

Happy Birthday this week to:

Nancy Gieschen (12/11)
Carla Borchardt (12/14)
Katherine Rieckhoff (12/15)
Dan Maas (12/16)



Happy Anniversary this week to:

David & Debra Zahrt (12/12)



God's Blessings on your special day!

The Week of December 10th-December 17th 2017

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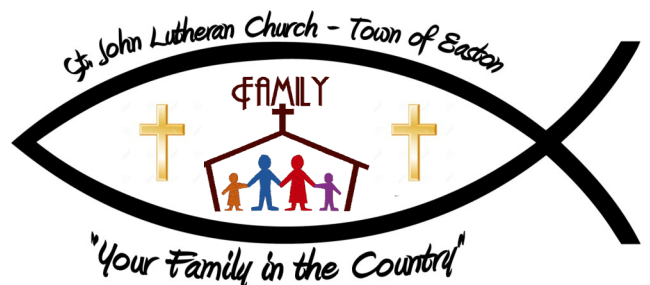
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Church & School Office Hours

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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."

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY— 9:15 in the Missions and Ministry Room

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

ATTENDANCE REPORT	2016	2017
Thursday, November 30th	33	18
Sunday, December 3rd	129	133

BUILDING FUND FINANCIAL STATUS

Contributions received for December 3rd, 2017
\$1185.00

Only contributions made using the green "Building Fund" envelopes are used towards the payment of the mortgage. Building fund envelopes are available in the narthex and church office.

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Envelope & Plate
Sunday, December 3rd, 2017 - \$5545.00
Tuition- \$50.00 Extended Care- \$268.00
Debt Reduction- \$140.00

Pastor John's Office Hours:

Monday: 7:30 am to 12:00 PM
Tuesday: 7:30 am to 10:00 AM ~Shut-in visits after
Wednesday: 7:00 AM to 9:00 A.M. & 4:30-8:30 P.M.
Thursday: 6:30 P.M. to 9:00 P.M.
Friday: Off
Saturday: By appointment
Cell phone number: 715-870-1700 call or text anytime
Email: pastorjohn@mailstjohn.com

Sunday School meets in the sanctuary at 9:00 AM on Sunday mornings. All children preschool-aged through 5th grade are welcome. There are also Bible studies on Sunday mornings for older children and adults. The schedule of upcoming topics is as follows:
December 10: God Provides for Elijah; First Article of the Apostles' Creed
December 17: Elijah and the Prophets of Baal; First Commandment

St. John Holiday Worship Schedule

- * 7:00 P.M. Midweek Advent Services, December 7th, 14th, 21st.
- * Sunday December 24th 9:00 A.M. Advent Worship
 - * Christmas Eve Worship:
 - * 3:30 P.M. Worship H/C
 - * 6:00 P.M. Children's Program
 - * 11:00 P.M Candlelight Worship H/C
 - * Christmas Day Worship, 9:00 A.M.
 - * New Year's Eve Worship 7:00 P.M.

Memorials received this week: In memory of Margie Zahrt from Arnie Baumann

Care Ministry will once again have the Cap and Mitten Tree . You can place your caps, mittens, scarves and socks under the big tree in the Narthex. We will take them to the Salvation Army latter this month. Thank you very much for all your donations. A blessed Christmas from all of us on the Care Ministry Committee.

The Beautification Committee would like to give a huge THANK YOU to all of the volunteers who helped decorate our beautiful church for our celebrations of the Advent and Christmas season. Thank you to Neal Koenig, Rick Borchardt and Ryan Prah for the selection and harvesting of our Christmas tree this year donated by

Rick & Kim Borchardt and Joanne Woodrich. A special thank you to all the volunteers who donated their time and talents to make our church gorgeous. Thank you to Sam, Emmett & Anna Fenske, Neal & Cindi Schalow, Chris Zimmermann, Amy & Olivia Jaecks, Tammy Koenig, Cal Siegel, Beth Doucette, mary, Audrey and Blake Koch, Leila Lucero, Dennis Holbach, Beverly Zahrt, Gayle Fenhaus, Grace Glen and Marie Juedes. Also thank you to the Confirmation class for their assistance. Enjoy the Christmas season. St. John Beautification Committee.

Listen closely this Christmas as the story of God's sacrificial love takes center stage. Beyond the noise and holiday distractions, an event unparalleled drama has unfolded-God with us-has come down to you and me. Visit lhm.org/advent to learn more about this year's Advent devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries. Printed Advent Devotions are available in the back of Church and on the table in the Narthex.

GOLF OUTING RESULTS: The 3RD annual St. John golf outing was held in early October. A great day was had by everyone who attended. As a result of everyone's efforts we were able to deposit \$2150.00 into the general fund of St. John. Thank you to all who helped or participated to make this event a success. A special thanks to Dan Maas and Heather and everyone at Tribute Golf course for their help.

This week on KFuo.org, we broadcast the Lutheran Senior Services Christmas Special (12/14 @ 1pm CT), hear about tasty Christmas treats with the STL District Dairy Council (12/12 @ 10am CT), cover 1 John, Jude, and dive into Revelation on Sharper Iron with Rev. Jonathan Fisk (weekdays @ 8am CT), and begin studying Titus on Thy Strong Word (weekdays beginning 12/13 @ 11am CT). Hear the live midweek Advent service broadcast from Village Lutheran Church in Ladue, MO, on 12/13 at Noon CT. Stay tuned for Christmas Music for the Sacred Season beginning December 24 and continuing through Epiphany. Find us at @KFUOradio on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram, www.kfuo.

St. John Mission Trip 2018: The Mission Trip will be Saturday, February 3rd-Saturday, February 10th. We will be going to Hammond, Louisiana and working for the Fuller Center, repairing homes damaged and constructing new homes needed from the 2016 flood. Cost of the trip is \$250.00 per person. We are looking for a 12-15 passenger van to rent for the trip. We will pay 14 cents a mile (\$400.00). Deadline to sign up for the trip is Sunday, January 7th. We will meet on this date to sign necessary paperwork. Please contact Cal Siegel, 715-470-2866, or Email friarsiegel@aol.com if you are interested in going

St. John Christmas Caroling: Anyone who would like to go caroling to our shut-ins and elderly at their homes, please meet at church on Sunday, December 17th at 1:00 P.M., to bring some cheer with your voice to these people.

MATCHING FUND CHALLENGE EXTENDED: \$15,000 GOAL ACCOMPLISHED!! We are now just **\$8,000** short of paying off the line of credit and the donor of the matching funds has generously offered to match \$4,000 more towards that amount, allowing us to completely pay off the line of credit!! Last week, gifts in the amount of **\$1,047** were received toward the \$4,000 we still need to raise. Awesome! Thank you to everyone for your participation in this campaign. If you have not already done so, please prayerfully consider joining in to get this loan paid.

