## SATURDAY & SUNDAY DECEMBER 15 & 16, 2018

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#### THE MISSION OF ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH



Through Jesus Christ, we <u>Proclaim</u> God's Word, <u>Encourage</u> one another in faith, <u>Witness</u> to God's love and <u>Serve</u> all people.



The live radio broadcast on KAUS am 1480 of this Sunday's worship service is given by Richard & Kaaren Wuertz in memory of their parents Lorenz & Velma Wuertz and Glen & Bernie Hovland. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio

**Live Streaming sponsors for December** are Pastor Bob and Donna Bailey. **To sponsor a radio broadcast,** contact Ellen Petersen at 433-6626 or 440-8070. The cost is \$142.00.

If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's weekly church services over the internet/**Live Streaming** (\$109 a month).

Every Sunday we have a manned table in the west entry-way. (FYI: the organ is on the west side of the sanctuary!) You can purchase a variety of gift cards. St. John's receives 3-15% of the sale price. This money goes to projects like congregational t-shirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, in-door nativity set, books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Script cards after the service (or purchase them from the office secretary during the week):

McDonalds: \$10 Hy-Vee: \$50, \$100

Kwik Trip: \$25, \$50, \$100 Culvers: \$10 Perkins: \$25

THERE ARE PRINTED COPIES OF THE SERMONS AVAILABLE NEXT TO THE SERVICE BULLETINS.

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday 12/16	Worship service -Children's program Prayer Ministry Fellowship time Education Hour	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 10:15 am
Monday	Bible Study	9:30 am
Tuesday	Women's Bible study Handbell rehearsal	1:00 pm 5:30 pm
Wednesday	CASE Confirmation Advent Service Choir Practice	4:30-6:30 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:30 pm
Thursday	Crossways Men's Bible study No Grey Matters in December	10:00 am 5:00 pm
Saturday	Worship service	6:00 pm
Sunday 12/23	Worship service Prayer Ministry Fellowship time Education Hour	9:00 am 10:00 am 10:00 am 10:15 am

Audio-Visual tech	Ellen Petersen
Reader	
Ushers	David Grant, Larrry Waters
Communion Servers	
Organist -Saturday	Doraine Graff
Prayer Ministry	Kathy Carlson, Tim Carlson (Elder)
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Holy Cross will have Advent services at 11:30 on Wednesdays. A light lunch will follow at 12:45.

There will be special pre-service music for the Christmas Eve service. Come about 30 minutes early. It will be a blessing to the service.

C.A.S.E – Christian After School Education. We will continue to teach the children the wonders of God's Holy Word. There are Bible lessons, games, music and snacks!

All for free! For children going into 1st—6th grade.

Every Wednesday 4:30-6:30 p.m.

This week's lesson: Temptation of Jesus

Confirmation Lesson: Lord's Prayer – Sixth Petition

**Take It to the Lord in Prayer.** Do you have a prayer concern or thanksgiving? Commend it to the Lord through your own prayers, but also through the loving service of our Prayer Chain. If you have an item you would like included on the Prayer Chain, please contact Miriam Luehmann at 437-7619 or

Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com.

**Prayer Ministry** . . . will be right after worship service by the organ. We pray for others... we pray for you. All remains confidential. Bring your special needs or hurts and we will petition the Lord with you. Questions? Feel free to call Carol Schleicher at 396-8420.



#### Ladies please Sign up for a secret Sister!

Fill out the sheet provided on the table along the east wall in the church and put it in the box provided. You will be assigned your secret sister the end of December so you can start encouraging your secret sister in January 2019!

Alone this Christmas? St. Olaf Church is providing a Christmas dinner Christmas Day. They will be serving from 11 A.M. - 1 P.M. Call 507-219-1151 for reservations

### **Adult Bible Study**

**Sunday: Adult Bible Class at 10:25 a.m.** led by Pastor James. A new study "Everyone His Witness"

**Monday morning Bible Class at 9:30 a.m.** led by Pastor James, is studying the lessons that will be read in the services the following weekend. Come and join us!



**Tuesday:** A <u>women's Bible study</u> on the book of **Amos** 1:00 p.m. at St. John's. Led by Sandy Groleau, Lay Minister

**Thursday: Crossways Bible Study** at 10:00 am. Study the entire Bible in two years. Led by Sandy Groleau, LCMS Lay Minister.

<u>Gray Matters</u> meets on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m. at Perkins Restaurant. **Join us for a free-flowing discussion.** On break until January, 2019.

<u>Men's Bible Study</u> - A New Testament book, yet to be selected, will be our focus beginning Thursday the 29th, at 5:00 pm and every Thursday after that.

#### YOUTH AND FAMILY MEETING

Youth and family is having a meeting on Sunday January 6th at 11:30 to discuss going roller skating for our January activity. At this time, we are also going to start planning our Valentines Pasta Dinner, that we hope to schedule for February 17th. Parents are also invited to this meeting

# **Special Worship Services**

Wednesday 12/20	Advent Worship Service (Love in Christ)	6:30pm
	vent mid-week services are also ross at 11:45 am	being held
Sunday 12/24 (	Christmas Eve Service Joy in Christ)	9:00am
Sunday 12/24	Candle Light Service (Christ our Savior is Born)	3:30pm
Monday 12/25	Christmas Day Service (Is Christmas Necessary?)	10:00 am
Sunday 12/31	New Years Eve Service	6:30 pm