

News and Notes

for Saturday & Sunday October 5. 6, 2019



Sunday (10/06)	Worship service	9:00 am
	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
	Fellowship Time	10:00 am
	Education Hour	10:15 am
	Lunch	11:30 am
	Voter's meeting	12:30 pm
Monday	Quilting	9 am-3 pm
	Social Ministry	10:00 am
	Elders Meeting	5:30 pm
Tuesday	Women's Bible study	1:00 pm
	Handbell rehearsal	5:30 pm
	Church council	7:00 pm
WEDNESDAY	CASE	4:30 pm
	Choir practice	6:30 pm
	Worship service -Brownsdale	10:15 am
Thursday	Crossways Bible Study	10:00 am
	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
	Gray Matters Bible Study	7:30 pm
Friday		
SATURDAY	Worship service	6:00 pm
Sunday (10/13)	Worship service	9:00 am
	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
	Fellowship Time	10:00 am
	Education Hour	10:15 am
	Youth activity	1:00 pm

Holy Communion.

For us at St. John's the Lord's Supper is a very sacred and Holy Meal. If you would like to join us at this Sacramental Supper, please read the <u>laminated invitation</u> in the seat pocket.

Tithes and Offerings

If you are a guest visiting with us today, please do not feel obligated to contribute to the offering plate when it is passed. Tithes and offerings are part of being a member of a church. This congregation would like to honor you as our guest today.

The Comfort of Prayer

IF YOU WOULD LIKE SOMEONE TO COME ALONG SIDE OF YOU IN PRAYER, A SMALL GROUP WILL MEET NEXT TO THE ORGAN AFTER THE SERVICE. EVERYTHING THERE IS KEPT IN STRICT CONFIDENTIALITY.

Having problems? Talk to God on the spot. Try to nip small problems in the bud. Don't wait until it's time to go to bed to try to pray.

Notes for the Lord's Supper For those with sensitivities to alcohol, non-alcohol wine is offered in the light colored cups in the center of the communion tray. Also, if you need a gluten-free wafer, please contact an usher, the pastor, or an elder before the service so this can be available.

The live radio broadcast on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is given given by St. John's LWML in thankfulness to God for the radio broadcast outreach to our community. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio.

Live Streaming sponsors for October are Pat & Arnie Mulso in memory of Arnie's brother Allan Mulso.

To sponsor a radio broadcast, contact Ellen Petersen at 433-6626 or 440-8070. The cost is \$150.00.

Sponsor the Internet broadcast. If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's church services over the Internet (\$109 a month) Contact Dave Watkins at 507-458-5018.



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 **CHILDREN'S** and snacks! All for free! For children going into 1st—6th grade.

Every Wednesday 4:30-6:30 pm.

We need volunteers to help with coffee/treats on Sunday morning. All you need to do is fill coffee cups and see that the treat is set out. There is a sign up sheet in the kitchen next to the coffee maker.

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 email Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com

Annual Winter Coat Drive We would like to be of help to those in our community who may have need of a winter coat. Do you have unused winter apparel that is hanging in your closet? Please consider donating these items to St John's and we will see that they are distributed to those who may have a need. We are happy to take men's, women's and children's coats that are in good condition. Monetary donations would also be welcome to help us to purchase children's coats. We will be applying for Thrivent Funds to purchase children's coats also. With thanks, Board of Evangelism

Attention Quilters The quilters meet on Mondays at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to join us for the morning or the day. No sewing experience is necessary.

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YOUTH GROUP FUNDRAISER

Help support the Youth and join in the spirit of the holidays by purchasing Christmas wreaths provided by Mickman Brothers. The Youth will be selling wreaths following the church services the month of October. The <u>orders must be in by November 1st</u> and then we will distribute them on Sunday November 24th after church. We are raising money to be able to send our youth to the National Youth Gathering in Houston Texas in three years. You may order wreaths at anytime or call with questions to Kerri Groleau at 320-280-0043.



College Students and Families. Social Ministry is updating the bulletin board in Schleicher Hall. St. John's members show support to our college students with cards and prayers! Please share your students name, college address, major, and year of school with Kara Grant. Email kara.grant4@gmail.com or text 507.440.7693

Need Handbell Ringers - Students or adults, young or old – what a great way to use the musical talents God has given you. Set the time aside to use those talents to God's glory in our worship services. Curious?? Talk to Gale Siegfreid (507-993-3535) or David Ruhnke (507-219-0932)

Audio-Visual tech	Tim Carlson	
Reader	Sandy Groleau	
	Arnie Mulso	
Ushers	Kim Downey	
	Thad Kusick	
Communion	Tony Florings	
Server	Tony Flerlag	
Acolyte		
Organist	Annette Kiehne	
	Miriam Luehmann,	
Dravon Ministry	Tim Carlson (Elder),	
Prayer Ministry	Kathy Carlson	

Scrip Every Sunday we have a manned table at the West entrance. (*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 tshirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, in-door nativity set, books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Scrip cards after the service (or purchase them from the office secretary during the week):

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

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

Shoe Away Hunger If you have gently used shoes you no longer need, consider placing them in the box near the office. One pair of shoes can supply a family with seven days of essential groceries. <u>Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.</u>

PRINTED COPIES OF THE SERMON CAN BE FOUND ON THE USHER'S TABLES.

Deadline for weekly insert is Tuesday evening.



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ENCOURAGEMENT FOR PRAYING FOR THE WAYWARD:

Do you have a family member, relative, or friend who was Christian, but has fallen away from our faith? Pastor Stohlmann invites you to an evening of sharing, encouragement, and prayer for these people. We will meet again on Monday, October 14, 2019, at Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Austin, at 7:00 PM. We will have time to share some of our stories, be encouraged by God's Word, and then pray for these people. Come and join brothers and sisters in our faith from Holy Cross, Our Savior's, St. John, and Zion Lutheran churches. Thank you for your help,

Rev. Robert Stohlmann

This weeks	Bible read	ling/prayi	ng challenge
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October 6	Psalm 7
October 7	Psalm 8
October 8	Psalm 9
October 9	Psalm 10
October 10	Psalm 11
October 11	Psalm 12
October 12	Psalm 13

New Fellowship Opportunity

Let's start a new fellowship opportunity by starting a Lunch Bunch. Those interested will go out to lunch together once a month starting Thursday, October 17th at 1:00. Our first outing will be at Perkins. We can choose a new restaurant each month. Please sign up on the bulletin board outside the office or call the church office if you are interested.

We would also like to take an occasional day trip so bring ideas.

Thank you to all who have donated pasta and rice! In September, 25 pounds were taken to the Salvation Army. They really appreciate the During the month of August they fed 849 of our neighbors. Social Ministry is grateful for everyone's generosity and hope we can continue to help feed those in need.

Coming Soon! The Hallelujah Harvest Festival!

The 16th annual **Hallelujah Harvest Festival** will be at St. John's **Thursday, October 31st, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** We will provide a safe, warm, family-oriented environment where children can play games for prizes and treats and win some great door prizes too. Invite your friends and neighbors to share a light meal and have a fun time with your family and friends!

Donations of bags of mini candy bars such as Snickers, Kit Kat, etc... are needed for the Hallelujah Harvest Festival. Last year we used 100 lbs. of candy. Please place your candy donations in the specially marked totes at either entry way of the church.

You could be the one we are looking for! If you would like to be part of the fun-filled evening, why not staff one of the games, the registration table, or work in the kitchen for the Hallelujah Harvest Festival. Your help would be greatly appreciated! Game signup sheets are in the east entryway of the church.

Volunteers needed!!

Food donation sheets for the meal we will serve are in both entryways of the church.

Set-up will be after Sunday school and Bible class Sunday, Oct. 27^{th} . We will set up all the games, do the decorating and build the maze. Pizza will be served for lunch! Please come and join in the fun to make the Hallelujah Harvest Festival a great success!!

Adult Bible Study Opportunities

Sunday: Adult Bible Class at 10:25 am led by Pastor James.

Sunday: Total Forgiveness at 10:25 am led by Thad Kusick

Tuesday: A <u>women's Bible study</u> on the book of <u>Hebrews</u> 1:00 pm at St. John's. Led by Sandy Groleau, LCMS Lay Minister. All ladies are welcome.

Thursday: Crossways Bible Study at 10:00 am goes through the entire Bible. Led by Sandy Groleau, LCMS Lay Minister. Study guides are provided.

<u>Gray Matters</u> meets on Thursdays at 7:30 pm. at Perkins Restaurant. Join us for a free-flowing discussion led by Pastor James.

Men's Bible Study at 5:00 pm - Immigrants Among Us - how can God's word guide us in the conflict between the law and caring for our neighbors. Good discussions led by Dave Ruhnke.

RACHEL'S Hope is in need of volunteers! Do you have a desire to reach out to pregnant women and families with young children? Would you be able to share the mercy and love of Jesus by offering practical assistance in both word and action? Please consider helping families in our community with your God given talents and compassion. If you would like more information, please call or email Linda at Rachel's Hope, 437-7595 rachelshope1@rachelshope-mn.org

Youth Activity

The youth will be go to Sekapp Orchard in Rochester, October 13^{th} . We will leave church at 1 pm and be back at 4:30 pm.