

News and Notes

for Saturday & Sunday October 26, 27, 2019



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SUNDAY (10/27)	Worship service	9:00 am
	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
	Fellowship Time	10:00 am
	Education Hour	10:15 am
	Confirmation Class	6:00 pm
Monday	Quilting	9 am-3 pm
Tuesday	Women's Bible study	1:00 pm
	Handbell rehearsal	5:30 pm
Wednesday	CASE	4:30 pm
	Choir practice	6:30 pm
	Worship service -Holy Cross	10:15 am
Thursday	Hallelujah Harvest	5:30-8 pm
	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
Friday		
SATURDAY	Coat Drive	9 am-3 pm
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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.

For dealing with fear, see Psalm 47; for security, see Psalm 121:3;

for assurance, see Mark 8:35; for reassurance, see Psalm 145:18

All these numbers may be contacted directly..no operator assistance is necessary, all lines to heaven are available 24 hours a day. Feed your faith, and doubt will starve to death.

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 Edna Freese & family in memory of Edna's husband Joe Freese & her son Tim Freese. 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.

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

Ruby's Pantry: Grace Lutheran Church 2001 6th Avenue SE Austin, MN 55912 3rd Thursday of the Month. Doors open at 4:00 pm Distribution 5:00-6:30 pm

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.

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.



This weeks Bible reading/praying challenge				
October 27	Psalm 28	October 31	Psalm 32	
October 28	Psalm 29	November 1	Psalm 33	
October 29	Psalm 30	November 2	Psalm 34	
October 30	Psalm 31			

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

Audio-Visual tech	Tim Carlson	Scrip Every Sunday we have a manned
Reader	Dick Heuton	table at the West entrance. <i>(FYI: the organ is</i>
Ushers	Arnie Mulso Kim Downey Thad Kusick Arnie Mulso on the west side of the sanctuary!) Yo purchase a variety of gift cards. St. Jo receives 3-10% of the sale price. This	
Communion		money goes to projects like congregational t-
Server		shirts, choir chairs, picnic expenses, in-door
Acolyte		nativity set, books and shelves for the
Organist	Doraine Graff	library. Feel free to purchase any of the
Prayer Ministry	Carol Schleicher Tony Flerlage (Elder) Marsha Jensen	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 USHERS' TABLES.

Deadline for weekly insert is Tuesday evening.



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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. 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.

<u>We need volunteers</u> 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.

SOCIAL MINISTRY IS LOOKING TO UPDATE THE BULLETIN BOARDS IN SCHLEICHER HALL AND NEED CURRENT AND NEW INFORMATION ON OUR MILITARY MEMBERS.

The poster will now include Veterans, anyone who has served in any of the services: Army, Marines, Air Force, Navy, Coast Guard, National Guard and Reserves or have family members currently serving, please check the notice boards in both entryways to ensure we have all the correct information. Thank you for your service!

On Sunday, Oct 27th at 3 pm the Loren Singers of Decorah, Iowa, under the direction of Dr. David Judisch will present a concert at Greenfield Lutheran Church in Harmony. (235 Main Ave S. No admission charge. Free will offering. This is an opportunity to hear the oldest Norwegian American male chorus (over 70+ voices) sing and entertain you.

This year the **Camp Omega-sponsored Appreciation Event's** "target" of appreciation is on those people who commit their time and talents to singing in their church choirs. Ten areacongregation choirs will present a warm up for Thanksgiving concert at 2:30 on **Sunday**, **November 24th**, at the Trinity Lutheran Church in Faribault. Following the concert, choir members, concert-goers and anyone else who would like to show appreciation for these special people, are invited to the Faribault American Legion for a 4:30 happy hour, followed by a FREE turkey-and-all-the-trimmings supper. YOU DO NOT HAVE TO BE A CHOIR MEMBER to join this evening's activity! I don't need to know if you will join with those at the concert, but f you plan to join us at the Legion, you <u>must</u> RSVP to Curt via phone (I still don't know how to text) at 507-330-5627 or e-mail <u>curt@campomega.org</u> sometime before Monday, November 18th. Let's show these servants we appreciate them and their use of God's gift of singing.

Parents – Please help your children remember to return books for the Library Reading Program, so they can check out more. The last day to check out books is Nov. 3rd. <u>All</u> materials must be returned by Nov. 10th to be counted for prizes, which will be given on Nov. 17th. **Remember to return books, especially by Nov. 10, so that no one will be disappointed.**

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. 27TH. 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 freeflowing discussion led by Pastor James.

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