



News and Notes

for
Saturday & Sunday
Dec. 21, 22, 2019



SUNDAY (12/22)	Worship service w/communion	9:00 am
	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
	Fellowship Time	10:00 am
	Education Hour	10:15 am
	Confirmation Class	6:00 pm
MONDAY		
TUESDAY		
	Christmas Eve Service	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY		
	Christmas Day Service	10:00 am
THURSDAY		
	NO Men's Bible study	5:00 pm
	NO Gray Matters	7:30 pm
SATURDAY		
	Worship service	7:30 am
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	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
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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 [laminated invitation](#) 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.

2020 Offering Envelopes are available on a table on the east side of the sanctuary.

Please pick your envelopes up.

Every night before bed, think of one thing you're grateful for that you've never been grateful for before.

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 in memory of Dalvin Augustin and in remembrance of Dalvin & Janet's wedding anniversary by Janet Augustin and family and friends. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio.

Live Streaming sponsors for December are Adam & Alisha Meyer

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 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

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.

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

Script Orders – Thinking about ordering Script cards to help the congregation? Order blanks are on the Script table. Check out the new list of businesses available. Orders, with payment, must be in by today, **Sunday, Jan. 19.** The cards should be here the following Sunday. Place your order and check on the Script table or bring it to the office.

We will still have the usual cards available after service.

Women's Bible study and Crossways will not meet until January, 2020. Women's Bible study will begin the study of Daniel in January. Please join us then.

Gray Matters will meet next on Thursday, January 9, 2020.

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 women's Bible study on the book of the Bible. 1:00 pm at St. John's. Led by Sandy Groleau, LCMS Lay Minister. On break until January 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. We will continue in January.

Gray Matters meets on Thursdays at 7:30 pm. at Perkins Restaurant. Join us for a free-flowing discussion led by Pastor James. We will not meet until January 9, 2020.

Thursday: Men's Bible study, weekly at 5:00 pm - a topical study on the wisdom from the book of Proverbs. Facilitated by Dave Ruhnke

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.

Fellowship Opportunity Lunch Bunch fellowship opportunity. Those interested will go out to lunch together once a month. **January lunch will be on Friday Jan. 17 at 1:00, place: Kenny's Oak Grill 307 Oakland Ave. W, Austin.** 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.

Mary Siegfried was called home to her heavenly Father on Monday, December 16th
Funeral plans will be announced at a later date. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Tuesday 12/31 New Years Eve Service 6:30 pm

This weeks Bible reading/praying challenge

December 22 Psalm 84

December 23 Psalm 85

December 24 Psalm 86

December 25 Psalm 87

December 26 Psalm 88

December 27 Psalm 89

December 28 Psalm 90

Audio-Visual tech	Donna Bailey
Reader	Dick Heuton
Ushers	David Grant, Eric Grant, Ethan Grant, Jonathan Grant
Communion Server	Thad Kusick
Acolyte	
Organist-Saturday	Annette Kiehne
Prayer Ministry	Carol Schleicher, Richard Kiehne, (Elder) Dick Heuton

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 3-10% 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 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,

Pastor James Office Hours	
Monday	9-11:30 a.m.
Wednesday	9-11:30 a.m.
Thursday	9-11:30 a.m.

On Tuesday Pastor James is working at home but can be reached by phone: 320-336-8149

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. Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.

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

Deadline for weekly insert is Tuesday evening.



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