



News and Notes

for
Saturday & Sunday
Dec. 28, 29, 2019



SUNDAY (12/29)	Worship service w/communion	9:00 am
	Prayer Ministry	10:00 am
	Fellowship Time	10:00 am
	Education Hour	10:15 am
MONDAY		
TUESDAY	New Years Eve Service	6:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	New Years Day	
THURSDAY	Evangelism	9:00 am
	NO Men's Bible study	5:00 pm
	NO Gray Matters	7:30 pm
SATURDAY	Worship service w/communion	7:30 am
SUNDAY (1/05)	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

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.

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 family and friends by David and Sandy Grant. 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.

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

This weeks Bible reading/praying challenge

December 29 Psalm 91

December 30 Psalm 92

December 31 Psalm 93

January 01 Psalm 94

January 02 Psalm 95

January 03 Psalm 96

January 04 Psalm 97

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

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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St. John's Radio Broadcast

Thank God for the blessing of the St. John's radio broadcast. I hear all the time what a blessing it is to those who are shut in or otherwise unable to attend church on Sunday morning. We are most grateful this ministry has continued for more than 70 years with the generous donations of our members here at St. John's. I have several Sunday open in the new year that need a sponsor. The cost is \$150.00 per week to sponsor the radio broadcast. Please if you wish to sponsor a radio broadcast call me at home if I don't answer please leave a message.

Ellen Petersen 433-6626

St. John's Youth Group grades 7 - 12 are invited for a snow tubing afternoon at Mount Mankato today, Sunday, December 29th.

We will leave the church at noon and return around 8:00 pm. We will be snow tubing for 3 hours and then have a pizza party at the ski lodge. We can stop by the Mankato Mall for an hour if anyone is interested. The cost of the tubing and pizza will be covered by the church.

If you are interested please let Kara Grant know ASAP. Everyone needs to fill out the liability form on the ushers tables to snow tub on Sunday.

Dress warm and let's have some fun!

Kara Grant 507.440.7693

Congregational Christmas Party

January 19 we will have our congregational birthday party-please sign up to attend, to make a cake, decorate a table and to have a talent. Any questions contact Fran Strouf or Sandy Grant