



# News and Notes

for  
Sunday  
April 26, 2020



<b>SUNDAY (04/26)</b>	Live streaming & Radio	9:00 am
MONDAY		
TUESDAY		
WEDNESDAY		
THURSDAY		
Friday		
SATURDAY		
<b>SUNDAY (05/03)</b>	Live streaming & Radio	9:00 am

**Office Hours: Monday – Thursday 8:30 – 12:00**

## Prayer Vigil

St. John's will again be observing the National Day of Prayer on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup> with a Prayer Vigil and mid-day worship service.

The Prayer Vigil will start at 8 am until 8 pm. Call the office to sign up for a 20 minute time period to pray. A prayer guide will be provided to assist you.

**The Heritage Happiness and Hope** worship service of Holy Communion has been postponed.

The **Voter's meeting** has been postponed.

## 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.

**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 going on. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio.

**Live Streaming sponsors** for April Kathy & Tim Carlson.

**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. Canceled until further notice.**

**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](mailto:Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com)

**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  
<https://www.rubyspantry.org>

**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 **Sunday, May 16.** 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.**

### **Youth Fundraiser**

Youth and Family is having a Fundraiser to help the youth get to the National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas. The rummage sale planned for May has been postponed. You can still **bring items in to the church and we can store them here**. So start going through your stuff and save it for the rummage sale. Contact Lisa or Kerri for more information. Please let Kerri Groleau or Kara Grant if you would like to take advantage of this opportunity.

### **Organizations that have requested cloth face mask donations:**

1. Rev. Derek Lecakes is president of the Atlantic District, which serves the metro New York City area. He has issued a plea to the Church for cloth face masks. There are communities of hundreds of thousands who simply are too poor to afford the material to make their own face masks. Needless to say, those communities are among the hardest hit with the COVID-19 virus in the world.

If you can help by sending homemade face masks to help the hardest hit area, please send them to:

Pastor Derek Lecakes  
40-30 219th Street  
Bayside, NY 11361-2352  
<https://ad-lcms.org/>  
[derek.lecakes@ad-lcms.org](mailto:derek.lecakes@ad-lcms.org)

2. Lutheran World Relief urgently needs cloth face masks to send to vulnerable communities they work with. You can visit their website to make a pledge and help them reach their 75,000 face mask challenge. They also have several easy tutorials to help you learn how to make cloth face masks.

Completed masks can be sent to their warehouse:

Lutheran World Relief  
398 East Richmond Street  
South St. Paul, MN 55075  
651-457-9009

Thank you for whatever you can do to help!

Audio-Visual tech	
Reader	
Ushers	
Communion Server	
Acolyte	
Organist	
Prayer Ministry	

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

**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

**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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