



News and Notes

for
Sunday & Wednesday
October 11 & 14, 2020



SUNDAY (10/11)	Traditional Worship	9:00am
	Live streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study	10:00 am
	Praise Service	11:00 am
	Defibrillator training	12:00 pm
	Confirmation Class	6:00 pm
MONDAY	Defibrillator training	4:00 pm
	Boy Scouts	6:30 pm
TUESDAY		
WEDNESDAY	Traditional Worship	6:30 pm
	Gray Matters	7:30 pm
	Youth Group	7:30 pm
THURSDAY	CROSSWAYS BIBLE STUDY	10:00 am
	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	5:00 pm
	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	
Friday		
SATURDAY		
SUNDAY (10/18)	Traditional Worship w/communion	9:00am
	Live streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study	10:00am
	Praise Service w/communion	11:00 am
	Confirmation Class	6:00 pm

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

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.

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.

Sunday Morning Bible Studies

Total Forgiveness has begun again on Sunday, October 4th, following the 9 a.m. service. It will meet in Schleicher Hall. Led by Thad Kusick, Elder.

The Gospel of Luke will begin on October 4th in the small conference room near Schleicher Hall, following the 9 a.m. service. Led by Sandy Groleau, certified Director of Church Ministries.

Pastor James will begin a new study soon in the conference area near the office.

Note: The Praise service has moved 11:00 in October to allow for Bible study at 10:00 a.m.

Crossways Bible study is being held at 10:00 am Thursday mornings and there is room to socially distance. Books are provided. Contact the church office if interested.

Men's Bible Study - Forensic Faith - learn to give the reason for the hope you have in Jesus Christ as you have the opportunity to witness to others. Every Thursday at 5:00 pm.

GRAY MATTERS

Gray Matters Bible study led by Pastor James has started up. We meet on Wednesday at 7:30 pm at St. John's following the Wednesday service. All are welcome. We will have room for social distancing.

Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Sunday

10:00-11:00 Adult Bible study

11:00 a.m. Sunday (Praise Service)

Midweek

6:30 p.m. Wednesday

Please join us - our next **Ditch Adventure** is planned for Sunday 25 October. On the east side of Austin, starting by the country club, there is a 2 mile stretch of I-90 we are responsible for picking up trash on the north and south sides of the freeway (we do not do the median) and we are required to do 2 clean ups each year. Sorry – no youth – must be 18 to participate. Meet at church at 1, be done by 3 and bring gloves. I'll have the bags, vests and some post-adventure refreshments. Dale Siegfried.

The live radio broadcast on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is sponsored by Cheryl Qualey and family and friends in memory of Cheryl's parents Harry and Lois Anderson. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio.

Live Streaming sponsors for October are Virginia & Harold Rohne.

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.

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

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, October 18**. 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.**

From the Elders: Worship attendance is slowly increasing. A concern among some members is possible COVID transmission by people not wearing masks when arriving and leaving worship. Elders are strongly recommending masks be worn when attending worship to protect others from possible transmission. Remember, you protect others, not yourself, when wearing masks.

A new technology we are offering is a system you can call to listen to is an abbreviated version of the worship service. Please give it a try and let me know what you like and dislike about it. Tell me how the audio quality is and any suggestions you think may improve the system. The number you dial is: 518-906-1379. You will then automatically hear an abbreviated service from the previous Sunday. More features and details will be made available later but the initial release of this new system is up and running now.

Volunteers needed. We are in need of a few people to help with the screens on Sunday morning for the 9:00 and 11:00 services. Everything will be set up so it is very simple. Training will be provided. Contact the church office if you can help with this ministry even if only once a month.

Automated External Defibrillator AED training will be offered after the second service on Sunday October 11th and at 4:00 on Monday October 12. This will take about one hour. Please sign up for a date if interested on the sign up sheet outside the church office. If you have any questions please let me know. Kara Grant

Audio-Visual tech	Tim Carlson
Organist-Sunday	Annette Kiehne
Organist-Wednesday	Annette Kiehne

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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