



News and Notes

Sunday & Wednesday October 24 & 27, 2021



SUNDAY (10/24)	WORSHIP	9:00 am
	Live streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Fellowship	10:00 am
	Sunday School/Bible Study	10:10 am
	Worship-Praise	11:00 am
	Confirmation class	6:00 pm
MONDAY	QUILTERS	9:00 am
	LUNCH BUNCH	12:00 pm
	BOY SCOUTS	6:30 pm
TUESDAY	WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY	1:00 pm
	Handbells Rehearsal	5:30 pm
WEDNESDAY	CASE	4:30 pm
	WORSHIP	6:30 pm
	Youth Group	7:30 pm
THURSDAY	MEN'S BIBLE STUDY	5:00 pm
Friday		
SATURDAY		
SUNDAY (10/31)	Worship	9:00 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.

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.

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

Sunday Morning Bible Study

Pastor James is leading a Bible study on the Catechism in the fellowship hall.

Women's Bible Study - meets at 1:00 p.m. Tuesday afternoons. The study is "Mirror, Mirror". See yourself as God sees you, not as how you see yourself in the mirror.

Men's Bible Study - Join us each Thursday at 5:00 pm in the Council Room as we study how God speaks to us through the book of Acts concerning the central mission, inner workings and perpetual perils of His church here on earth,

Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 a.m. Worship (Traditional)

10:00 a.m. Adult Bible study

11:00 a.m. Worship (Praise)

Midweek

6:30 p.m. Wednesday service (Traditional)

The live radio broadcast on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is sponsored by Edna Freese and family in memory of Edna's husband Joe Freese, her son Tom Freese, and her son-in-law Dallas Lemmen. We are thankful for these gifts of love to keep God's Word on the radio.

Live Streaming sponsors for October are Adam & Alisha Meyer in memory of loved one's past and God's many blessings!

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.

Help Needed: We need people to volunteer to run the slides on Sunday mornings. Training will be provided. If this ministry is going to continue people must be willing to help. There is a sign up sheet at the computer with the slides. You can sign up as little or often as you like.

Lunch Bunch! We have started our monthly lunch outing again. We choose a different restaurant each month. Please consider joining us on **October 25** at Bella Victoria, 1801 14th Street NW, Austin at noon. Call the church office so we know how many people to expect.

“Legacy Churches” Summit, Nov. 13. See bulletin boards for more information.

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

Scrip Orders – Thinking about ordering Scrip cards to help the congregation? Order blanks are on the Scrip table. Check out the new list of businesses available. Orders, with payment, must be in by the third Sunday of the month, **Sunday, November 21st**. The cards should be here the following Sunday. Place your order and check on the Scrip table or bring it to the office.

We will still have the usual cards available after service.

Moving the pulpit A few weeks ago the Pastor mentioned moving the pulpit to the other side of the chancel. We have had a lot of positive feedback, so the plan will be to move it on October 31, Reformation Sunday. If you have any questions please share them an elder or the Pastor.

Packets to complete the background check and Boy Scout training can be picked up in the metal cabinet drawer in the office labeled **Child Protection Policy**. Any member who will be participating as a teacher or chaperon is required to fill this out to follow our new guidelines. Please contact Kara Grant with questions.

Anyone who has been stealing must steal no longer, but must work, doing something useful with their own hands, that they may have something to share with those in need. Ephesians 4:28

Dues for **LWML** are \$12 this year. You do not have to be active to belong. Please consider joining our group. Dues can be given to Ellen Peterson or left in the church office.

Pot “Blessings”- Plan on attending a Pot Luck dinner following the 11:00 service on October 24. A sign up sheet is on the table on the east side of the sanctuary. You may plan on an entree, a side dish/salad, or a dessert. This is a BYE week for the Vikings so you won’t miss the game!

New Women’s Bible Study starting Tuesday, Oct. 26th

Do you like what you see in the mirror? If you said no, you aren’t alone. Many of us just see the wrinkles or muffin top or bony elbows. We try to cover it up with makeup or just don’t look in the mirror at all. But the truth is that we don’t see ourselves the way God sees us. The lessons in **Mirror, Mirror** focus on looking at ourselves as God, our Creator and Redeemer, see us. God sees us through the filter of the cross, in the reflection of His Son, with the eyes of love. This Bible study will encourage you to see yourself this way, too. Let the office know if you plan to attend so that we have enough books for everyone.

Audio-Visual tech-9:00	
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Audio-Visual tech-Wed	Rocky Schammel
Organist-Sunday 9 am	Doraine Graff
Organist - Wednesday	Doraine Graff

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, indoor 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 News & Notes is Tuesday evening.

Newsletter deadline is the 15th of each month.



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It is that time of year when we need to get out the winter wear. The tree is up in the west entry with hats, gloves, mittens and scarves. If you need an item or know of someone who is in need please feel free to take the items. Donations are welcome.

Congregational Meeting, November 7th after the 11:00 service. The main purpose of the meeting will be to set a budget for 2022. Chicken and potatoes will be provided from Pizza Ranch. Members are asked to bring a salad or dessert to share.

On October 31, the Social Ministry Board will be handing out bags for the collection of nonperishable food. The bags will have a list attached with the most needed items. Please bring the bags to the chairs in the choir area.

The Salvation Army will be serving even more people during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays, so this donation will be of great use and much appreciated. Thank you for your participation and your generosity!

Attention Parents: On Wednesday October 27th at 7:30pm there will be an informational meeting for parents about the National Youth Gathering in Houston, Texas July 9th - 13th. Any youth who will be 14 years of age AND has been confirmed by July 9th is eligible to attend. We will be driving to Houston so travel dates will be July 7th - 15th. Contact Kara with questions.

A Handmade Christmas is a fundraiser that the Youth Group is having November 7th, 21st and 28th. After the Sunday morning service the youth will be selling a limited quantity of local handmade items you can purchase for yourself or someone on your Christmas list! Examples of items include pottery, knitted slippers, local honey and scarfs. Christmas wrapping will be available.

Boxes for college student goodie donations are out. We will be sending those in early November. Thank you for remembering our college students.

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.

All Boards & committies: Please e-mail your reports for the voters' meeting to the office as soon as possible so we can compile them for the meeting on Nove. 7th.

Bethlehem Church (next to Ellis School) has invited Austin churches to participate in their Trunk-or-Treat event held on Halloween, Oct. 31 from 5:30-7:30 pm. We ask our congregation to donate candy, volunteer at the event or to bring your “Trunk” and participate. We would like to purchase small bags to put candy in and put a label on them that reads, God Loves You – St. John’s Lutheran Church



**American
Red Cross**
Give Blood!

Every 2 seconds someone
in the U.S. needs blood!

Austin Blood Drive
Tuesday, November 16, 2021
12:00 PM - 06:00 PM

Call 800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org
enter: Austin MN to schedule an appointment.
Walk-ins accepted.