

St. John's News and Notes Sunday, November 26, 2023

Sunday (11-26)	Worship	9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
Monday	Boy Scouts	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:00 pm
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Wednesday	Confirmation (Holy Cross)	6:00 pm
	Cub Scouts	6:30 pm
	Youth Group	7:30 pm
Thursday	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
	Cub Scouts	6:30 pm
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday (12-03)	Worship w/Communion	9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am

Pastor Krusemark can be called for emergencies – 507-450-2012

For our shut-in families desiring pastoral care or communion please contact Pastor Olana, (507) 438-3888, to set up a time. Pastoral visits typically take place on Wednesdays and Fridays.

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 <u>laminated invitation</u> 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.

Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 am Worship 10:15 Bible Study

The **live radio broadcast** on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is sponsored by **Butch and Helen Grabau** in thankfulness to God for their Children, Grandchildren, Great-Grandson, and their growing family. To God be the glory!

November's internet streaming is sponsored by **Lori & Dale Siegfried** celebrating God's Blessing with the marriage of their son Joseph to Rosemarina at her church in St Paul.

Sponsor the Internet broadcast. If you would like to sponsor a month of St. John's church services over the Internet (\$117 a month) contact Dave Watkins at 507-458-5018.

<u>Scrip Orders</u> – 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 <u>Sunday</u>, <u>December 17</u>. 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.

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

Pack The Pews

November is the time for the Salvation Army food drive. We have bags for you available at both usher stands. Please use them for donations that will help our community. We appreciate all your support!

Organ Renovation Fund – Donations are welcome and encouraged to achieve the 3-year goal of \$50,000, and can be made in several ways: one-time donation, regular, weekly, monthly or annual donations, as a gift in memory of, or in honor of someone, as a memorial, in the form of cash, checks, tax deductible appreciated stocks, mutual funds, bonds, etc. Fund progress can be viewed on the graph at the back of the Nave. Please make any donations in addition to your regular giving as it isn't the intent to take away from ongoing needs.

St. John's call committee would like to schedule another congregational meeting, immediately following the 9 AM service, on Sunday 3 December for the purpose of calling a pastor to St. John's. We currently have conducted interviews with 2 pastors (we're trying to arrange a 3rd) and will present the information for these prospective pastors at the meeting where the congregation will be able to ask questions of the committee and vote to possibly call one of them. The pastors we have conducted interviews with are Pastor David Hahn (no current congregation) and Pastor Michael Suelzle of St. Andrew Lutheran Church Niagara ND, Grace Lutheran Church Lakota ND and St. Peter's Lutheran Church Devil's Lake ND.

Let's Encourage Our Shut-ins!

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the sanctuary. Please pick a shut-in to send cards and notes of encouragement to throughout this year. If you are comfortable with visiting you could visit your shut-in from time to time. All you have to do is sign your name by the shut-ins name you wish to sent cards to for 2024. Pick up the paper with their name and address on it.

Also – **cookies for shut-ins** are due Sunday, December, 10. They will be packed on Monday, December 11 at 9:00 am and delivered afterward.

Thank you all so much!

AV Tech Sunday	Joanne Miller
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff

Deadline for weekly **News & Notes** is *Wednesday evening*.

Deadline for monthly **newsletter** is the *15*th of the month.

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, and books and shelves for the library. Feel free to purchase any of the following Scrip cards after the service (**or purchase them**

<u>from the office secretary during the week)</u>:

Kwik Trip: \$25, \$50, \$100

Culvers: \$10 Hy-Vee: \$50, \$100

Perkins: \$25

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. <u>Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.</u>

Stewardship Thoughts

Nov. 26 – Proper 29

Matthew 25:44 – "Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?" With this parable Jesus once again emphasizes that our good works come from who we are, not the other way around. Sheep do sheep works, and goats do goat works. So first things first: if we want to live more faithfully, let us come to Jesus, receive His gifts and ask Him to increase our faith!



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