

# St. John's News and Notes Sunday, January 21, 2024

Sunday (01-21)	Worship w/Communion	9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
Monday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Boy Scouts	6:30 pm
		1.00
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:15 pm
Wednesday	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 (01-28)	Worship	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am

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.

Pastor Krusemark can be called for emergencies –

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# **Worship Services**

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 **Mavis Wood and family** in memory of Violet and Richard Wood, Dale Wood and Lou Vidman. To God be the glory!

**January's internet streaming** sponsors are **Dick & Kaaren Wuertz -** "In gratitude to God for 60 years of marriage on January 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024, and for the blessing of their family."

**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>January 21</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 <a href="Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com">Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com</a>.

It's that time of year to curl up with a warm blanket and a good book! Check the church library or bookmobile and sign out one of our great books!

The **2024 collection envelopes** are ready to be picked up. They are on the table on the east side of the church. Please do so. Thank you, Stewardship Board

**Men's Bible Study** - *Walk as Jesus Walked* - discover how disciples of Jesus who are on fire with the message of His kingdom can literally change the world! Join us Thursdays, 5:00 – 6:00 pm, and examine your own passion to be like Jesus and impact your world with His message.

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#### COME ONE COME ALL

The LWML is inviting everyone to join us in celebrating the birthdays of one and all in the congregation. Feb. 4, 2024 following the morning worship service. We will be celebrating birthdays of the four seasons. We will have a program "The Four Seasons" to start the birthday party followed by lunch being served by LWML Committee # 1. It is a wonderful time to share a meal, fellowship, and get to know one another better. Again, February 4, 2024 following the morning worship service! See you there!

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We have decided to start our **scrapbooking/craft** get together again! Our first get together will be Saturday, February 17 at 9 am. You can bring anything you want to work on; come enjoy some fellowship. We hope you can join us. If you have any questions please contact Sue Downey at 507-319-8994.

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## 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.

AV Tech Sunday 9:00	Ellen Petersen
Organist Sunday 9:00	Annette Kiehne

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

Deadline for monthly **newsletter** is the *15*<sup>th</sup> of the month.

The **2023** Contribution Statements are now ready to be picked up. They are located on the table on the east side of the Nave. Thank you.

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

# **Stewardship Thoughts**

# January 21 – Third Sunday after the Epiphany

Mark 1:14-15 – "Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, 'The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel." To repent means to turn away from sins and our former way of thinking and turn toward belief in God and His Gospel of grace and mercy. The whole Christian life is one of repentance and faith. Where is God calling you to repent today? How is He calling you to deeper faith?



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