



St. John's News and Notes Sunday, March 3, 2024

Sunday (03-03) Worship w/Communion	9:00 am
Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
Monday	Quilters 9:00 am
	Bd of Elders 6:30 pm
	Boy Scouts 6:30 pm
	Bd of Trustees 7:00 pm
Tuesday	FROGS (Men) 9:00 am
	Women's Bible Study 1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal 5:15 pm
Wednesday	Ed Youth & Fam Bd 5:00 pm
	Lenten Meal 5:30 pm
	Stewardship 6:00 pm
	Lenten Service 6:30 pm
	Cub Scouts 6:30 pm
	Youth Group 7:30 pm
Thursday	Bd of Evangelism 4:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study 5:00 pm
	Cub Scouts 6:30 pm
Friday	Blood Drive 11:00 am
Saturday	
Sunday (03-10) Worship	9:00 am
Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am

**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.

Pastor Krusemark can be
called for emergencies –

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Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 am Worship

10:15 Bible Study

Wednesday

5:30 pm Lenten Meal

6:30 pm Lenten Worship

The **live radio broadcast** on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is sponsored by Pauline Field in memory of her brother, Carl Claus, who was killed in the Korean War in 1952. Pauline will be celebrating her birthday on March 10th. Pauline will be 101 years old, to God be the Glory!

March's internet streaming sponsors are the **Ladies of LWML** to the "GLORY OF GOD!!"

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.

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 **Sunday, March 17**. 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.

March is Minnesota Food Share Month. We once again will be collecting food donations for the Salvation Army. The Minneapolis Council of Churches will be giving them a grant this year according to the amount of food donated. **This will enable them to purchase more food for our community. We thank everyone for participating in this drive.**

Bags will be handed out at the door today.

Lenten Devotions from Lutheran Hour Ministries are on the ushers' stands for your use. This year they were written by Dr. Kari Vo. Her picture is on the cover of the Spring, 2024 issue of Lutheran Woman's Quarterly. An article about her inside tells how she became a Christian, met her husband Pastor Chau, then a Vietnamese refugee, and became a writer for Lutheran Hour Ministries. Very Interesting. Copies of The Quarterly are on the ushers' stands and the table by the office for you to take.

Women's Bible Study

The Women's Bible Study will be starting a new study on **February 27**. We will be doing a study on Angels and what the Bible says about Angels. If anyone is interested in joining this Bible Study, or for more information, you can call Pam Reistad at 507-440-1939, or just come to the Bible Study on Tuesday's at 1:00 pm.

**Austin Blood Drive
St. John's Lutheran Church
1200 13th AVE NW
Austin, MN 55912
Friday, March 8, 2024
11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Call for appointment
Red Cross 1-800-733-2767
Or register online at
RedCrossBlood.org
and enter: *Austin MN* to
schedule an appointment.

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.

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.

If you are a **Thrivent member**, it is time to direct your Choice Dollars now until March 31. The phone number to call to do this is 800-847-4836. This may also be done online. Our church, St. John's, would appreciate your gift of Choice Dollars, but you may donate to any nonprofit organization of your choosing. Remember, the deadline is March 31st.

AV Tech Sunday	Ellen Petersen
AV Tech Wednesday	Joanne Miller
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff
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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"

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

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

Stewardship Thoughts

March 3 – Lent 3

John 2:16 – “And he told those who sold the pigeons, ‘Take these things away; do not make my Father’s house a house of trade.’” The Lord’s house is not a place to sell, but a place to receive and a place to give. It’s not a place for our schemes and plans. Instead, the church is a place for the Lord’s gracious giving and our faithful sacrifices in response.



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