



# St. John's News and Notes Sunday, March 24, 2024

<b>Palm Sunday</b>		
<b>Sunday (03-24) Worship w/Communion</b>		9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
<b>Monday</b>	Quilters	9:00 am
	Boy Scouts	6:30 pm
<b>Tuesday</b>	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:15 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Cub Scouts	6:30 pm
	Youth Group	7:30 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
	<b>Lenten Service</b>	6:30 pm
	Cub Scouts	6:30 pm
<b>Friday</b>	<b>Good Friday Service</b>	6:30 pm
<b>Saturday</b>		
	<b>Easter</b>	
<b>Sunday (03-31) Worship</b>		9:00 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.

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

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

## **Worship Services**

### **Sunday**

9:00 am Worship

10:15 Bible Study

### **Thursday**

6:30 pm Maundy Thursday Service

### **Friday**

6:30 pm Good Friday Service

The **live radio broadcast** on KAUS 1480 AM of this Sunday's worship service is given by **an anonymous donor, to the Glory of God!**

**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, April 21**. 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](mailto:Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com).

### **Library Snippets**

\*Pontius Pilate! What was he like? Read Pontius Pilate, a novel by Paul L. Maier. While the story is fiction, the book contains historical notes for each chapter. Find the book on the bookmobile.

\*How to explain the Easter Bunny & the real meaning of Easter to your young children - Check out the book Easter Bunny - Are you for REAL? by Harold Myra. Find it on the bookmobile.

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. The donations will be picked up on Wednesday, March 27.

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### **Women's Bible Study**

The Women's Bible Study has started a new study We are 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.

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**Men's Bible Study** – The Bible's Timeless Call to Impact Culture – this in-depth video-based study tours the buried distant, or otherwise forgotten places where the stories of the Bible actually happened. You will never read the Bible the same again. All men are invited to join in on Thursdays, 5:00 - 6:00 PM, in the Conference room. Come even if you can't be there every time.

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### **Women's Gathering - Hosted by LWML**

Saturday, April 13, 2024 9:00 - Noon

Holy Cross Lutheran Church in Austin - 300 16th St. NE

\$15 registration fee includes the lunch

Program - "Bringing God's Word to India - the Most Unreached Nation in the World"

For more information, see the flyer on the office bulletin board.

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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.

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*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	Joanne Miller
AV Tech Thursday	Ellen Petersen
AV Tech Friday	Ellen Petersen
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff
Organist Thursday	Annette Kiehne
Organist Friday	Doraine Graff

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

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

**An Easter Egg Hunt** for school-age  
children will be held today during  
Sunday School.

**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 24 – Palm Sunday

Zechariah 9:9 – “Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation is he, humble and mounted on a donkey, on a colt, the foal of a donkey.” No king ever rode to war like this. But no king had ever come to wage battle by dying. In His Passion, our Lord Jesus gives everything He has and is; He does this to bring us from death to life, to make us His own people, and show us an example of self-giving love that we should follow.



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