



St. John's News and Notes Sunday, January 5, 2025

Sunday (1/5) 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	6:00 pm
Tuesday	FROGs (Men)	9:00 am
	Women;s Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:15 pm
	Scouts	6:00 pm
Wednesday	Stewardship	6:00 pm
	Confirmation	6:00 pm
Thursday	Social Ministry	4:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
Friday	Blood Drive	11:00 am
Saturday		
Sunday (1-12) Worship		9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Sunday School	10:15 am
	Voter's Meeting	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 – **507-450-2012**

Worship Services

Sunday

9:00 am Worship

10:15 Education Hour

Tuesday

1:00 Women's Bible Study

Thursday

5:00 Men's 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-Grandchildren, and their growing family.

January live streaming is sponsored by **Dale and Lori Siegfried and Gale Siegfried and Dick Heuton** in memory of Mary Siegfried.

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.

The Radio Broadcast is in need of sponsors: If you would like to sponsor a broadcast the fee is \$150.00 a week. Contact Ellen Petersen, or drop off a check in the church office. Thank you!

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, January 19**. 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.

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 Wednesdays and Fridays.

Men's Bible Study - *On the Life, & Ministry of the Messiah* video-based Bible study weaves together the Bible's fascinating historical, cultural, religious, and geographic contexts and reveals insights into Scripture's significance for our lives today. Thursdays at 5:00 in the conference room.

Women's Bible Study - We meet on Tuesday's at 1:00 pm. We are currently studying the book of Isaiah "Herald of the Messiah." If you would like to join us, or for more information, please contact Pam Reistad at 507-440-1939 or just come to the Bible Study on Tuesdays at 1:00. Looking forward to seeing you there!

**Austin Blood Drive
St. John's Lutheran Church
Friday, January 10, 2025**

11:00 am - 5:00 pm

**Call for appointment 1-800-733-2767
Register online at RedCrossBlood.org
Enter: Austin MN to schedule an appointment**

United Way Winter Wear Donations

We will be participating in a project to collect winter clothing suitable for students. Please bring any donations you may have to the special box in the east entry. More information can be found on posters found on bulletin boards in both entries.

Special Voters Meeting - *There will be a special voters meeting on Sunday, January 12th. The call committee will recommend that voters approve a call to Pastor Shayn M Jonker (pronounced yonker) to be our pastor. The meeting will convene after the worship service at 10:15.*

There is a **sign-up sheet to adopt a shut-in** on the table east side in the church. Please sign up to send cards and encourage our shut-ins from time to time in 2025. Our shut-ins enjoy company and receiving greetings from our members. Please brighten the day of a shut-ins.

Hard of hearing? Headphones and receivers are available to assist in listening during our worship services. Talk to Rocky Schammel, David Ruhnke or an usher for help.

AV Tech Sunday	Joanne Miller
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff

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

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

**Please pick up 2025 envelopes from the
table on the east side of sanctuary.**

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.

January 5 – Second Sunday after Christmas

Luke 2:40 – “And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon him.” At Christmas God became man. And as a man, Jesus grew up and increased in strength and wisdom. We are called to follow in the footsteps of Jesus, to grow in His image. The power for this growth comes from receiving the grace of Jesus in His Word and Sacraments. How is the Lord calling you to grow this year?



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