



# St. John's News and Notes

## Sunday, January 12, 2025

<b>Sunday (1/12) Worship</b>		9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Sunday School	10:15 am
	Voter's Meeting	10:15 am
<b>Monday</b>	Quilters	9:00 am
<b>Tuesday</b>	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbell Rehearsal	5:15 pm
	Church Council	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday</b>	Confirmation	6:00 pm
<b>Thursday</b>	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
<b>Friday</b>		
<b>Saturday</b>		
<b>Sunday (1-19) Worship w/Communion</b>		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**

**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.

## 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 given in memory of **Dianne Brandt** by family and friends. To God be the Glory!

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

**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](mailto: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!

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### **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.

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***Special Voters Meeting*** - *There will be a special voters meeting today after the service. 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.*

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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.

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**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.

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AV Tech Sunday	Rocky Schammel
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff

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

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

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

**2024 Contribution Statements** are 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. Damaged shoes can no longer be accepted.

## January 12 – Baptism of Our Lord

Luke 3:21 – “Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying ...” We know why the people were baptized, but why was Jesus baptized? He didn't need repentance or forgiveness. The answer is that He did it for us. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism, our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.



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