

St. John's News and Notes

Sunday, April 6, 2025

Sunday (04-06) Worship w/Communion	9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	9:00 am
	Bible Study/Sunday School	10:15 am
Monday	Quilters	9:00 am
	Board of Elders	6:30 pm
	Board of Trustees	6:30 pm
Tuesday	Women's Bible Study	1:00 pm
	Handbells Rehearsal	5:15 pm
	Church Council	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Lenten Meal	5:30 pm
	Confirmation	6:00 pm
	Lenten Service	6:30 pm
	Youth Group	7:30 pm
Thursday	Social ministry	4:00 pm
	Men's Bible Study	5:00 pm
Friday		
Saturday		
Sunday (04-13)	Worship w/Communion	9:00 am
	Live Streaming & Radio	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 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.

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 the Barclay Families in memory of their Parents Bob and Alvina Barclay

April live streaming is sponsored by **Ruth & Vance Oelkers** Thankful for Easter Blessings!

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!

<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>April 20</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 Miriam.Luehmann@icloud.com.

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

"There will be a congregational meeting on Sunday, April 13, Palm Sunday, for the purpose of calling a new pastor. The meeting will be in the church sanctuary immediately following the worship service. Since there is only this one item of business, the meeting will be short, We will then go to the Fellowship Hall for coffee & Bible study on Hebrews."

These are two pastors the call committee has selected from a list of 13 names we received last week. We believe either one would be a good fit with our wants and needs here at St. John's, and our hope is that if it pleases the Lord, He would guide one of them to be our shepherd. We will be interviewing each one in a few days. We will provide more information about each pastor at the special voters meeting right after worship on April 13th. But for now here are their names, ages and the web site addresses of their churches.

Rev. Gregory Schaffer from Davenport, NE age 50, https://www.stpetersdavenport.org/
Rev. Timothy Swanson from Wausau, WI age 51, https://www.rmlcwausau.org/

EASTER EGG HUNT

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt for the Sunday School students on Palm Sunday, April 13. Boxes are located in both entries for candy donations.

Thank you!

A reminder from the LWML: We have a great selection of greeting cards for sale in Schleicher Hall, west end. We have get well, birthday, thinking of you and holiday cards. Now is a great time to pick up your Easter cards! Just pick the cards you want and leave the money in the envelope and put it in the slot. The cards are very reasonably prices so have yourself a look! Thank you St. John's LWML.

AV Tech Sunday	JoAnn Miller	
AV Tech Wednesday	Rocky Schammel	
Organist Sunday	Doraine Graff	
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Deadline for weekly **News & Notes** is *Wednesday evening*.

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

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.

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

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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</u> longer be accepted.

April – Lent 5

Genesis 22:2 – "He said, 'Take your son, your only son Isaac, whom you love, and go to the land of Moriah, and offer him there as a burnt offering on one of the mountains of which I shall tell you." It's hard for us to even fathom a faith as strong as Abraham's — he follows the Lord's Word even when it seems impossibly hard. But he does so because he knows that the Lord only means to bless. What happened here to Abraham should be an encouragement for us: trust the Lord and keep His Word.



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