


Messenger

St. John's Lutheran Church, Gillett, WI


November 2023



ST. JOHNS (CLOCK CHURCH) ANNUAL BAZAAR

Saturday, November 4th, 2023
10:00am - 3:00pm


Please contact
(920)855-6215
to purchase raffle tickets
(\$5 each or 3 for \$10)
or to rent a vendor table.



CHICKEN BOOYAH,
HOT BEEF,
EGG SALAD SANDWICHES
PIES, MILK, COFFEE




Ticket &
Bucket
Raffles



Fresh
Bakery



Crafts
&
Vendors



Special Guest
Pastor
Sam Magumba

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Serving God,
His Church,
His People...
Around the Clock!



Prayer List

Be sure to call the church office if you would like a pastoral visit.

Brenda Kadlec	Lorraine Gentz	Travis Rubright
Bill Pecha	Merlin Lintner	Briella Peiper
Dale Coopman	Lenea Carlson	Jim Dobberphul
Bob Schindel	Cynthy	Joe Doering
Carolyn Block	Bourgeois	Jamie Bratz
Nancy Jaeger	Jim & Barb	Rick Wollin
Lorraine Giese	Wicker	Lori Skarban
Dorothy	Carrie Williams	Sobiesczyk
McDowell	Art Percy	Lori Schultz

To be put on the prayer list in the bulletin or newsletter, or to start the prayer chain, we need the consent of the person in need of prayer. If you know someone who could use prayer, a call, or a visit, please get their consent before letting the office know. Their name will not be put into our publications unless they agree to it. This is the same policy for pastoral calls & visits. **If someone on the list has had prayers answered, please let us know so we can take their name off of the list and give a praise report of the answered prayer!**

Thank you.

From the Pastor

I love these words of Paul, which are so familiar in his writings. We are reminded in his words of how we are to be thankful. This year has been a year in which I have



“We give thanks to God always for all of you, constantly mentioning you in our prayers, remembering before our God and Father your work of faith and labor of love and steadfastness of hope in our Lord Jesus Christ.”

1 Thessalonians 1:2–3, ESV

much to give thanks for, as I have been so well cared for by so many of you in many ways. As my family and I come to the seasonal celebration of Thanksgiving, it is a wonderful time for us to be able to pray for all the blessings we have received.

This year, we have decided to take time on Thanksgiving for us to offer up special prayers on Thanksgiving Day. If there are special prayers that you'd like to have us pray, please feel free to email me or leave me a note. It will be a time for us to reflect on how much God has blessed our family in the healing of Dawn and how God brought us here to be a part of this spiritual family.

As a pastor, my desire and hope is that we continue to become a place of worship centered strongly on prayer.

The beauty of praying and offering up prayers of thanksgiving is how it changes our language and how we speak with one another. As we pray for one another, we find our hearts are more often softened in our care, even if there are things that we find difficult. Paul didn't act as if there were no issues that he saw.

In fact, he writes in his letters about issues that he feels are important to confront in order to bring about correction. However, he also wrote in ways that showed his desire to be in unity with his brothers and sisters in Christ. The same is true for us today.

As we seek to be in unity and to pray on Thanksgiving, it is good for us to pray for God to help us to shed those things that are not of God. I am constantly being reshaped by Christ and I believe that all who believe and trust in Him as Lord and Savior are also. It is not a one-time event but a process that occurs over time.

Particularly one's lifetime as one walks in faith with Jesus Christ. As a follower of Christ, God has continually been reshaping my thoughts and my actions. Throughout Scripture, many examples support this as God's way and how we can find hope when we fall short while not excusing our failure.

So, let us give thanks for the blessings that God has given to all of us and remember all the blessings that God has truly given to us. It is so wonderful that we have the freedom to not only come together and worship on Sunday, but we are able to share our faith throughout our community without fear of being arrested, and we can openly practice our faith in public without fear of reprisal. It is wonderful that we have that privilege, and our hope and prayer as a body is that we continue to protect that privilege and openly practice it in our daily lives. Let us be thankful for our wonderful congregation and the community in which God has placed us, and seek to be that beacon of Christ's light to all in our community! As I pray, I pray with great thanksgiving for each and every one of you.



COUNCIL MINUTES

St. John's Lutheran Church
Council Meeting Minutes
October 18, 2023 | 7:00p

Members Present: Jon Simpson, Jerry Luther, Clara Luther, Penny Gerhartz, Bill Block, Marilyn Reichwald, Pastor Chris Byars
Absent: Micki Carlson

1. Call to Order at 7:00pm
2. Devotions: Pastor Chris Byars
3. Approve Agenda: Clara, Penny, MSC
4. Communications from attendees and correspondence
 - a. CYF Report: Rachel (should create a numbers report on baptisms, students in Confirmation, students in Sunday School, VBS, etc.)
5. Secretary's Report
6. Motion to amend minutes from August meeting to include motion to remove Steven Block & Christine Reinke from membership as they are attending a church closer to their homes by Clara, Bill, MSC.

7. Treasurer's Report Marilyn, Penny, MSC
 - a. David Michael Carrillo payment: \$400 Penny, Jon, MSC
8. President's Report: verbal report
9. Pastor's Report: 7 new members
10. Team/Organization Items for Council Action
 - a. L.A.C.E. decided to give \$300 for We Believe
11. Old Business
 - a. Mice: crack in foundation that could possibly be an entry point, purchased hedge balls that seem to be helping, no other action taken
 - b. New Member program/class: Stewardship & Evangelism should look into handling it
 - c. Conflict Coaching: lengthy discussion
12. New Business
 - a. Sell lighting system to Austin Wright: \$50, Jerry will negotiate with Austin
 - b. Advent/Christmas Eve services: 3 midweek Adent services (Dec. 6, 13, and 20), Christmas Eve morning service (Last Sunday in Advent) and 3 evening Candlelight services with communion (3:30, 5:30, and 7:30p.m.)
 - c. Motion to accept new members: Vanessa Kastning (pending baptism), Kyson Kastning, Antone Michalek (pending baptism), Dustin Krause, Megan Krause, Kahleesi Krause (pending baptism) by Clara, Marilyn, MSC
 - d. Motion to give \$200 to We Believe from the Philippi Fund by Penny, Bill, MSC
 - e. Sidewalk Snow Removal: ask Jameson Byars if he is interested: \$12 per hour by Jon, Bill, MSC
 - f. Motion to pay \$20 for Christmas in the Park light display by Bill, Penny, MSC
12. Miscellaneous
13. Staff Reviews: November 30
14. Communications from the council: Is there anything discussed at this meeting (dates, decisions, information, etc.) that needs to be told to someone outside of Council? Who will be in charge of telling them?
 - a. Jerry will talk to Austin about the lighting system, and Rachel about numbers report
 - b. Chamber of commerce: pay \$50 dues to be members, Marilyn, Penny, MSC
15. Next meeting Date: 11/15/2023
16. Devotions: Bill Block
17. Adjournment & close with prayer. Clara, Marilyn, MSC
Closed in the Lord's Prayer

Submitted by Jon Simpson

WORSHIP TEAM

October 3 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Sharon Simpson, Laura Koenig, Jan Ruege, Lisa Anderson, Nancy Stark

Work Evening: Cleaned brass candles

Altar Guild schedule updated

Thanksgiving service: Nov 22 at 7:00p,

All Saints Day is November 5, need to ask Rachel how many "Memorial Candles" to be put out (November 2022-November 2023) for November 5 service.

Check with Pastor about Advent Wreath stand, maybe put darker finish on it (Gary Lisowe?) and plastic under wreath

Next Meeting: November 7 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Nancy Stark

CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILY TEAM

October 25 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Chris & Dawn, Erik & Rachel, Sydnie, Heidi

OLD BUSINESS

Recap Harvest Days booth

NEW BUSINESS

Reformation Sunday: hand out gummy worms

Bazaar: make a basket from the CYF Team

Coffee fundraiser: Sunday, November 19 - Sunday, December 3

First Advent Service: meal at 6:00p

Cookie Decorating Kits: hand out Sunday, November 26

Christmas Program: plans are well underway

Miscellaneous:

Prayer Weekend instead of Confirmation Camp

Next Meeting: November 8 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by Rachel Knueppel

WOMEN OF THE CHURCH TEAM

October 10 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Present: Dawn Byars, Jane Frederick, Laura Koenig, Helen Lisowe, Sharon Raatz, Nancy Stark, and Sheri Wenzel.

Meeting was called to order with a prayer by Sharon Raatz.

Secretary's Report was read and accepted.

Treasurer's Report was read and accepted.

Correspondence: Pastor Byars made a request that Pastor Magumba could have a vendor's table at the Bazaar. Permission granted.

Old Business: Saturday November 4th Bazaar.

Raffle tickets will be \$5 for one and \$10 for three.

Bucket tickets remain at \$1 and \$20 purchase will get a special ticket for a bonus basket. We need donations of new items for the baskets.

Please consider donating baked goods for the Bake Sale.

Proceeds from Bazaar will be ear marked for replacing carpet in Fellowship Hall.

New Business: We will have vendor tables at Bazaar. No fee but a donation to Bucket raffle would be appreciated.

Meeting adjourned with the Lord's Prayer.

Next Meeting: November 14 | Time: 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by: Helen Lisowe, Sec.

MISSION TEAM

October 11 | Time: 9:00 a.m.

Present: Mel Reichwald, Ken Butzin, Sharon Raatz, Pastor Chris, Wayne Wenzel, Sheri Wenzel

Old Business: Giving for WRVM was: \$570

White Basket for David Michael Carrillo was: \$609

Tartu House of Hope for the year is: \$2,660

Thank you so much for your generosity

New Business: November mission is We Believe. This is Gillett's Christmas Charity to make sure everyone has a nice holiday. At our November meeting we will be planning next year's missions. Any suggestions please come to our next meeting or contact one of us or the office.

Next Meeting: November 8 | Time: 9:00 a.m.

Submitted by: Sheri Wenzel

November's Items of the Month for the Care Share Food Pantry: rice & laundry soap



October 2023 | CYF MINISTRY DIRECTOR REPORT

Past events:

- ◆ Homecoming & Harvest Days: despite being moved indoors due to rain, it was a really fun event and we were able to make connections with a lot of local families!
- ◆ Sunday School is going well! We're working on making consistency a key with Sunday School families. We're using a rewards system and have a memory verse for every quarter instead of every Sunday to make it easier for kids to hide God's word in their heart
- ◆ Confirmation is going well! More students are actively participating in conversation and discussion.
- ◆ The Youth Group Family event was a lot of fun! We went to the candy store in Lakewood and the Fire Lookout Tower in Mountain. We had a picnic lunch and most of our kids climbed a portion/all the way up!

Events in the planning stage:

- ◆ Reformation Sunday is all planned and we're excited to have another Youth-Led Sunday with a special treat!
- ◆ Our coffee fundraiser will start on Sunday, November 19 and end on Sunday, December 3.
- ◆ Our Christmas Eve Children's Program is written (thanks to Dawn Byars!) and plans are in motion. We will give out the script right away to the older kids who are narrating and rehearsals will begin Sunday, December 3.

CYF ACTIVITY REPORT

Since the beginning of the year, our Children, Youth, and Family Ministry has had an encouraging number of kids involved in our various programs and events. Numbers aside, there has been positive changes and attitudes in everything we've done!

Sunday School:

- ◆ 15 kids regularly attending (this includes Elementary and Middle/High School age classes); some as teachers
- ◆ We're utilizing a 2-team system for teachers so they don't get burnt out.

VBS:

- ◆ 26 kids; again, some students were involved as leaders
- ◆ The spirit of this VBS was different from years past. This year, we really tried hard to keep it simple and focused on what really matters: the kids and what they're learning. The kids seemed to focus better and get a lot out of the whole week. In years past, almost every single volunteer is exhausted and wonders if they can do it all again next year but this year was a lot calmer and smoother.

Youth Group:

- ◆ 8 kids in regular attendance plus parents/family members
- ◆ We've been meeting once a month and have had a lot of parent/family involvement in the Youth Group. This is something that we've been encouraging because one of our main goals is to connect the generations.

Stepping Stones:

- ◆ Baptisms: 3 (with 4 more planned for the month of November); many of the families who have had children baptized in the past few years have been staying engaged and involved in the church!
- ◆ First Grade Bibles: 6
- ◆ First Year Confirmation Bibles: 1
- ◆ First Communion: 2
- ◆ Confirmed: 3, next year will be 7!

Community/Outreach Events:

Gillett Schools Summer Splash, First Day of School cheering, Harvest Days, Oconto County Fair, Youth Alive event, Independence Day Parade, Thanksgiving Eve meal at Hillside, S'mores Night, Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper

All Saints Day, November 1st

With hope and faith in the expectation of our reunion at the Resurrection, we remember our brothers and sisters who have passed in this last year:

Jean E. Ruege December 23, 2022

Judy Genke January 22, 2023

Lloyd Kruschke March 12, 2023

Dale Hischke May 25, 2023

Shawn Luther July 26, 2023

Robert McDowell August 8, 2023

Dick Block August 12, 2023

Ilene Block August 16, 2023

Jean J. Ruege September 29, 2023



All Saints' Day



OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY
to the family of Jean J. Ruege,
who passed away on Friday,
September 29, 2023. The funeral
was held here at St. John's on
Friday, September 6 at 11:00 a.m.

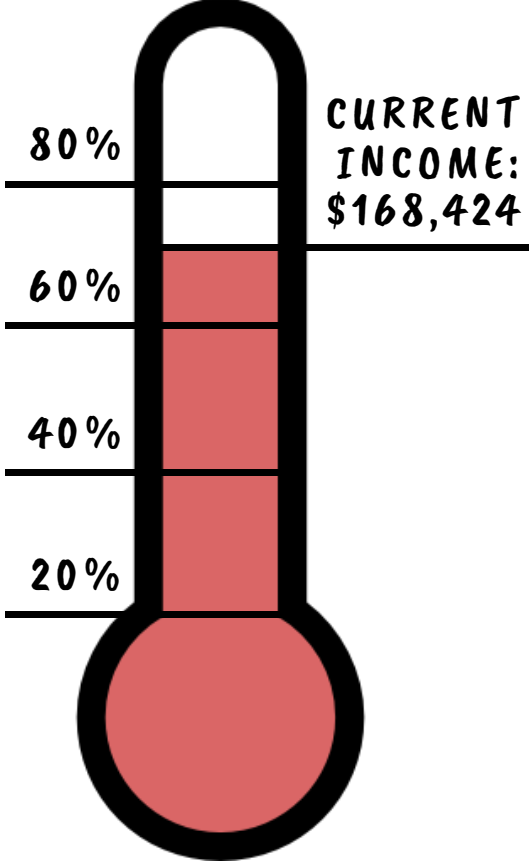
THANK YOU

Thank you for your donation of \$540 to Honor Flight Network. Please know your donation will enable veterans to visit and reflect at the memorials dedicated to honoring their service and sacrifice—all at no cost to the veteran.

- Meredith Rosenbeck, CEO of Honor Flight Network

Thank you to Jerry Winkler, Mel Reichwald, Jerry Luther, and Pastor David Michael Carrillo for running our Sunday services while the Byars were on vacation!

**OUR GOAL:
\$240,600
2023 budget**



**Help us end the
year strong!**

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

November 5	9:30 a.m.
Usher/Greet	Jerry & Sharon Luther, Clara Luther, Junior & Sydnie Patzer
Read	Nathaniel Byars
Communion	Jerry Luther, Clara Luther, Nathaniel Byars
Acolyte	Nathaniel Byars
November 12	9:30 a.m.
Usher/Greet	Al & Pearl Czechan
Read	Laurie Penkivich
Acolyte	Dakota Friedman
November 19	9:30 a.m.
Usher/Greet	Jerry & Karen Winkler, Vern & Annette Dahlstrom
Read	Elaine Hertwig
Communion	Jerry Winkler, Claire Hertwig
Acolyte	Taylor Anderson
November 22	7:00p (Thanksgiving Eve service)
Usher/Greet	Jim & Laura Koenig
Acolyte	Trystan Kirchner
November 26	9:30 a.m.
Usher/Greet	Todd & Micki Carlson
Read	Todd Carlson
Acolyte	Jameson Byars
ALTAR GUILD LEADERS	Laura Koenig & Lisa Anderson

Our Confirmation students have been assigned Sundays to serve as acolytes. For those who are greeting, please check the bulletin to see who is supposed to be acolyting and connect with them & remind them when to light the candles

TREASURER'S REPORT

Operating Checking

Beginning Balance (8/31/2023)	\$7,530.27
Deposits (\$2,000 from savings)	\$19,031.98
Expenses	- \$16,306.12
Ending Balance (9/30/2023)	\$10,256.13

WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

December 3	9:30 a.m. (First Sunday of Advent)
Usher/Greet Read Communion Acolyte	_____ Amy Myrick Amy Myrick, Wayne Wenzel, Isabella Ondik Trystan Kirchner
December 6	7:00 p.m. (Midweek Advent service)
Usher/Greet Acolyte	Dan Brown, Jane Frederick??? _____
December 10	9:30 a.m. (Second Sunday of Advent)
Usher/Greet Read Acolyte	Darrell & Jan Ruege, Bill & Laurel Block Laurie Penkivich _____
December 13	7:00 p.m. (Midweek Advent service)
Usher/Greet Acolyte	Don & Ramona Genke _____
December 17	9:30 a.m. (Third Sunday of Advent)
Usher/Greet Read Communion Acolyte	Miles & Donna Winkler, Linda Bublitz Elaine Hertwig Claire Hertwig, Miles Winkler _____
December 20	7:00 p.m. (Midweek Advent service)
Usher/Greet Acolyte	_____ _____
December 24	9:30 a.m. (Fourth Sunday of Advent)
Usher/Greet Read Acolyte	_____ _____ _____

Altar Flowers for the month of November are being provided by Gary & Helen Lsowe.

Next month, flowers will be provided by Scott & Kerri Pankow and Jim & Laura Koenig.

You can still sign up to provide altar flowers on our Flower Chart—stop in the office to sign up!



WORSHIP ASSISTANT SCHEDULE

**PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE OR JAN RUEGE IF YOU CAN
BE A WORSHIP ASSISTANT AT OUR CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES!
THANK YOU!**

December 24	3:30 p.m. (Christmas Eve service)
Usher/Greet Read Communion Acolyte	_____ Jerry Luther Jerry Luther, Jerry Winkler _____
December 24	5:30 p.m. (Christmas Eve service with Children's Christmas Program)
Usher/Greet Communion Acolyte	_____ _____ _____
December 24	7:30 p.m. (Christmas Eve service)
Usher/Greet Read Communion Acolyte	Miles & Donna Winkler _____ Miles Winkler _____
December 25	9:30 a.m. (Christmas Morning Pajama service)
Usher/Greet Read Communion Acolyte	_____ _____ _____ _____
December 31	9:30 a.m.
Usher/Greet Read Acolyte	_____ _____ _____
ALTAR GUILD LEADERS	Laura Koenig & Lisa Anderson

VETERAN'S DAY RECOGNITION

Veterans Day is a federal holiday in the United States observed annually on November 11, and intended to thank living veterans for their service. If we have forgotten to name a veteran here, please let the office know so we can correct our mistake and give your veteran the thanks they deserve for their service.

In May, we would like to list all veterans who have passed away in remembrance of them and to honor their service. If your veteran has passed away, please give us their name so we can list them in our May newsletter.

Veterans Name, Branch, Conflict

Leonard Block, Army
 Bill Bublitz; Air Force
 Ken Butzin: Army
 Everett Carlson: Navy Air Corps
 Andrew Cornelius: Army
 Jim Cornelius: Army
 Scott Genke, Navy, Iraq
 Karl H. Hensel, Navy
 Tyson Hensel, Navy
 Jon Hertwig, Military Police, 1980-2002
 Lloyd Kirsch: Marines
 Ricky Klatt, Navy, KBR Iraq
 Jerry Linzmeyer: Army
 Gary Lisowe: Army, Viet Nam
 Frank Meunier: Navy, WWII
 Noel Neinstedt, Army
 Dennis Olesewski, Army, Korean
 Willy Pecha: Army
 Jim Petersen: Army
 John Severson: Army
 Bob Schindel: Marines
 Daniel Schmidt: Navy
 Jim Schmidt: Army
 Mike Stark: Army
 Jerry Winkler: Army

Active Duty

Victoria Loberger, Army Reserves
 Doug Schneekloth, Air Force, North Dakota
 Nathan Shriver, Air Force, South Korea

A NOTE FROM THE OFFICE:

I would like to thank you in advance for your patience and prayers as we are heading into a busy season of the church! I apologize in advance for anything that might be missing or forgotten in newsletter and bulletins. Please let me know if there is anything missing so I can rectify the situation. Thank you so much!



Rachel Knueppel

LOOKING AHEAD

Dec 2	ALL DAY	Christmas in the Park
Dec 3	8:30a	Christmas Program Rehearsal
Dec 3		CYF Coffee Fundraiser Ends
Dec 3		Christmas Cookie Kits: hand out
Dec 6	6:00p	Advent Meal
Dec 6	7:00p	Advent Service
Dec 10	8:30a	Christmas Program Rehearsal
Dec 13	7:00p	Advent Service
Dec 17	8:30a	Christmas Program Rehearsal
Dec 20	7:00p	Advent Service
Dec 24	9:30a	Last Sunday of Advent Worship Service
Dec 24	3:30p	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec 24	5:30p	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service with Kids Christmas Program
Dec 24	7:30p	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service
Dec 25	9:30a	Christmas Day Pajama Worship Service
Dec 26-Jan 1		Christmas Break: Office is Closed

Church Council As the Governing Body of our Congregation, we consist of members who are in good standing and have been regularly in attendance for more than a year. Members serve to ensure that the congregation is functioning as it should and as a support for all the other ministry teams in the work they must complete to fulfill the mission of the congregation.

Stewardship & Evangelism We seek opportunities to spread the word of God throughout our community. We encourage members to be involved in the life of the church and society. Promote generous giving to the work of the Church (local and global) in terms of time, talent, and tithing. Promote and encourage Christian discipline in daily life with the ultimate goal to transform and shape lives for Christ.

Missions Our purpose is to reach out to the community and the world primarily beyond St John's. We meet once a month on the 2nd Wednesday at 9 am. We discuss the missions that we support and explore new missions that we might support in the future. Our committee is a team of members from our congregation who are not voted on by the congregation at the annual meeting. Anyone can join us at any time. All members are welcome to join us and/or bring us suggestions for future missions.

L.A.C.E. FUND (Loving And Caring Endowment Fund) We are community-minded, and our church is mission-focused. The purpose of L.A.C.E. is to enable the further growth of our church and its loving and caring ministry opportunities apart from the general operations of this congregation.

Worship We oversee all the planning and preparation for the worship services and all that goes with it as we coordinate with various teams to handle greeting, ushering, Reading, Communion Preparation, and all other altar Guild duties. We seek to maintain a clean and orderly sanctuary that creates a welcoming environment for all who worship with us weekly.

Property & Cemetery We serve to keep our facility, Grounds, and cemetery well maintained. This is the group for those who like to work with their hands and aren't afraid of a little dirt.

Prayer Chain for those members who would like to pray for those in need that will hold their prayers and the issues in the greatest confidence for those members that may not want their prayer needs to be broadcast to the greater church or during our worship time.

TEAMS

Women of the Church We are the women who want to see this congregation shine. We help with funeral meals, plan the Annual Bazaar, and fundraise for special things needed in the church.

Children, Youth, And Family The CYF Team brings attention to all generations of our congregation through events and activities. Through those events and activities, our goal is to help promote, provide, and grow relationships with Jesus and each other.

Tech We handle all of the church's audio and visual aspects to ensure that everything runs smoothly and soundly every time we come together to worship. We seek to provide quality to our service not only to those sitting in our sanctuary but the many who enjoy our services online.

Nominating The congregation appoints us to seek out people to help make our teams work. Each year, we seek candidates to serve in leadership positions in the various teams. We always seek those who desire to lead and are prepared to serve.

Fellowship If you like to plan and serve in ways that help promote conversation and collegiality, then this is the team to join. We are here to create and support things that will bring us together for a conversation with one another to grow together as the family of Christ.

Finance A team to do quarterly and Annual audits and to help the council and treasurer prepare the annual budget for the annual congregational meeting. Must be trustworthy, accountable, and fiducially responsible.

Prayer Warriors We are for those who have a heart for prayer. We are seeking those who would like to lift up members in prayer during the service and beyond. Strong, faithful, and spiritually mature members are invited to join us as we seek to pray through the Holy Spirit for the needs of our congregation, whether before the congregation or in the background.

Visitation for the spiritually mature who would like to visit those shut-in members to bring communion and/or fellowship as we seek to connect those who can come to service with their church home.

Calling Ministry For those members who would like to contact members who may be shut-in or ill from time to time and be a friend with a simple conversation, prayer, and let our members know that they are always in our thoughts and hearts.

THE GIVING TREE

How to support the St. John's Giving Tree:

- 1 Please select a tag from the Christmas tree in the lower narthex.
- 2 On each tag you will find a child's gender, age, and size.
- 3 Buy your gift of clothes and add a toy if you so desire.
- 4 Please return your gift **unwrapped** by **November 27** to the church. You can put it under the tree or drop it off in the office.
- 5 All gifts will be delivered to Spirits in Gillett to be distributed for the We Believe program.

We Believe was started as a way to help make Christmas better for families in Gillett. In the first years, We Believe helped out around 13 families and is now helping 40 families and around 20 elderly people in our community through donations and local help from many generous people.

Any items donated through our Giving Tree and others (clothes, toys, etc.) are given to the families. We Believe uses any money donated by individuals, churches, or businesses to supplement the gifts but also to buy good winter clothes and groceries for each family.

If you prefer not to shop, you can donate to our Mission of the Month, which in November is the We Believe Program.



POINSETTIAS & BULLETINS



From the Flower Shoppe, Gillett
**Order deadline for Poinsettias is
 Sunday, November 29, 2023**

Poinsettias (*Cost of single 6-1/2" plant is \$18.00*)

# of:	Color: red, white, pink	Total
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Do you plan on _____ taking your plant home
 _____ leave for display in church

Christmas Bulletins
 Amount Donated: _____

Given in memory /honor of :

Given by:

Make checks payable to St. John's Lutheran Church

PUZZLE



THANKS-FILLED GIVING

The virtues of gratefulness and generosity are connected. When we're truly thankful for all God provides, we want to sow generous seeds in other people's lives. What will be the harvest?

Directions: Solve the clues associated with each picture. Then write the words in the correct spaces to complete 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV.

This becomes a plant _____



Willing to give _____

The result of planting seeds _____



The act of gratitude _____

Food made from wheat _____



Now he who supplies _____ to the sower and _____ for food will also



supply and increase your store of _____ and will enlarge the _____



of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way so that you can be

_____ on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result

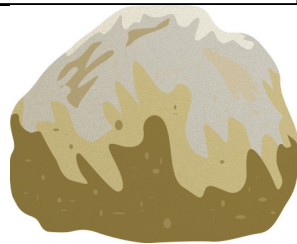


in _____ to God. 2 Corinthians 9:10-11, NIV



CHRISTIAN SYMBOL

ROCK — We call Christ "the Solid Rock," remembering his parable about the wise and foolish builders (Matthew 7:24). Jesus changed his disciple Simon's name to Peter, meaning rock, saying he'd build his church "on this rock" (Matthew 16:18). Although some Christians understand Peter to be the rock-foundation of Christ's church, others interpret the foundation as faith in Christ, which, Jesus said, was revealed to Peter by God.



MEMORIAL LIST

We are thankful for any Memorial Gifts given to us in honor of loved ones who have passed on. At St. John's we don't expect any of these things but are thankful for them as they better our worship life together. Thank you for remembering us in your giving as you help perpetuate the ministry here in honor of your loved ones.

Technology Updates: \$8,650
 Replace altar cloths
 Reblack parking lot: approx. \$8,500
 Banners for church, approx. \$100/each
 Safety & Security upgrades to facilities
 (doors, glass security film, etc.)
 L.A.C.E. Endowment Fund
 Carillon (new unit): \$6,500-15,000

Bible Quiz

Fill in the blank:

"Rejoice always, pray continually,
 give _____ in all circumstances;
 for this is God's will for you
 in Christ Jesus."

- A. alms
- B. praise
- C. thanks
- D. offerings





Birthdays & Anniversaries

- 1 Dawn Byars,
Derek Zahn
- 3 Marissa Sherman
- 5 Emmie Friedman
- 6 Everett Carlson,
William Byars
- 7 Croix Carlson
- 10 Dale Coopman, Carson Krueger
- 11 Kimberly Krueger
- 12 Amy Tibbits, Andrew Lemens
- 13 Jerry Linzmeyer, Jessica Peterson
- 15 Derek Hanson
- 17 Sharon Luther
- 18 Joanne DeBauch, Trevor Schaal
- 20 Donald Svitak
- 22 Caleb Young
- 24 Carol Nass
- 26 Elaine Hertwig, Lori Schultz
- 28 Brooke DeBauch, Elizabeth Hansen
- 30 Tracy Ondik

Date		Years
3	Gail & Lloyd Kirsch	50
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