

SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY

Life Sunday

January 20, 2019

8:00am & 10:45am



St. John Lutheran Church and School

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

Reverend Jeff Caithamer

School Principal: Tim Gabbert

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN! We ask members and guests to fill out an attendance card located by the hymnals; indicate your attendance at Holy Communion. Cards may be placed in the offering plate. Note that there are two glasses in the center of each tray with diluted wine.

ABOUT THE LORD'S SUPPER: Our congregation is a member of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, a family of congregations who pledge themselves to teach and to believe the same doctrines. We invite those persons who are members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod or of a church in fellowship with the LCMS to receive the sacrament. We want to express our sincere welcome to guests and to assure them that it is in their spiritual interest that we practice closed communion. Guests desiring to learn more about our beliefs are asked to make an appointment to speak with our pastor.

SERVING TODAY – Preaching & Presiding: Rev. Jeff Caithamer. **Organist & Choir Director:** Keith Williams. **Elders:** 8:00 – John, Dan, Robert & Larry; 10:45 – Joe, Dave, Terry & Dan. Violin: Lois.

OUR CONGREGATIONAL FAMILY – The altar flowers are given today by Donna & Stephen in thanksgiving to God for His continued blessings and unfailing love. We also remember the following people in our prayers: *for strength, hope, and peace:* Pat; *hospitalized:* John; *for healing and recovery:* Esther, Herb, Roy -father of Anne, Lydia, Michael, Mavis, Eunice, Joe, Judy, Judy -sister of Larry, Bill -son in law of Dave & Donna, Dan -brother of Bonnie; Bruce, Rachel -niece of Judy, Lois, Ellie, Merv, Todd, Tom; *for successful treatments:* Phillip - son-in-law of Steve & Pam; Phyllis, Roxy, Todd -husband of Kim, Dan -father of Beth, Philip -son of Starley, Joan, Jeanette, Nancy, Shawn -sister of Maxine; *for those in the military:* Nick, Mitchell, Taylor, Andy, Brandon, Suzzanna, Ben, Allyson, Zachary; *for our homebound:* Floyd, Betty, Lavina & Geneice.

For requests for the prayer chain or to be added to the chain:
<http://stjohnmedia.org/church/PrayerList.html>

Music Notes – *Panis Angelicus* is part of a communion hymn the text of which was written by St. Thomas Aquinas. A translation is:

The bread of the angels becomes the bread of man; the bread of heaven is given a bounded form. O wondrous thing! The poor, the slave and the humble feed on their Lord.

Of You, threefold and one God, we ask: Come to visit us as we worship You; lead us on Your paths to where we want to go: to the light in which You dwell.

EDUCATION HOUR TODAY

Adult Bible Class – Fellowship Hall - Pastor Caithamer

Sunday School Opening will be in the Sanctuary for K-8th grade at 9:30. Preschool (3/4yrs) will have their opening in Room 4C. Come and join us!

3/4yrs	Room 4C	5 th /6 th	Room 4B
Kindergarten	Room 1A	7 th /8 th	Room 3B
1 st /2 nd	Room 2C	High School	Youth Room
3 rd /4 th	School Library		

To Our Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ at St. John, thank you so much for your overwhelming love and support during this time of mourning following the death of our father and grandfather, Joe Caithamer. We rejoice that he is with the Church Triumphant and awaits with us all the Resurrection on the Last Day. Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints. And we give thanks to God always for you, the dear people of St. John. Love in Christ, Pastor, Katie, Maggie, Josh, and Lydia Caithamer.

Living Alternatives Pregnancy Resource Center Baby Bottles: In honor of Life Sunday, as a fundraiser to support this life saving ministry we will be handing out bottles after each service to collect your loose change and return to a box in the church overflow or the church office in March. We will also have a door offering today as well. Thank you for praying for and supporting this important ministry.

Change of Security Code - The new security system installation has been completed and the code has been changed and activated. If you have a fob and were unable to attend the security system meeting last Tuesday, please contact the church office for training.

2019 Contribution Envelopes are on the table in the hallway near the fellowship hall doors. If you do not have envelopes and would like them, please contact the church office.

2019 Altar Flower Chart - If you would like to reserve a date in memory or in honor of someone or an occasion, available upcoming dates are March 3rd, 24th, and 31st.

Radio Ministry sign-up sheet has moved and is now located by the altar flower chart and greeter sign-up in the overflow.

St. John Webstore - The webstore is open and ready for ordering. There are many different items as well as personalization and text options. Orders will be processed as they are received. The school office will contact you when items are ready for pickup. Visit <https://stjohnstore.martinonesource.com> to select your items.

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OUR WEEK AHEAD

Today	<i>2nd Sunday after Epiphany</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School, 10:45 Holy Communion
Monday	<i>Church & School Closed; Newsletter Deadline</i>
Tuesday	6:00 Parish Ed; 7:00 Youth Board
Wednesday	8:10 Chapel; 3:30 PTF Meeting; 5:45 Midweek School, Lifelight; 6:00 Handbells; 7:15 Holy Communion
Thursday	9:30 Lifelight; 6:00 Men's Choir; 6:45 Mixed Choir
Friday	5:30 Spaghetti Dinner; 7:00 Talent Show
Sunday	<i>3rd Sunday after Epiphany; National Lutheran Schools Week</i> ; 8:00 Holy Communion; 9:30 Adult Bible Class, Sunday School; 10:45 Holy Communion (Men's Choir)

The Church Will Be Closed tomorrow, Monday, January 21st, for building maintenance. The School is closed for Martin Luther King Day.

Tuesday Morning Bible Class is cancelled for this week. We will resume next Tuesday, January 29th, at 10:00am.

Pasta Dinner - Join us for a great evening of food and fellowship on Friday, Jan. 25th from 5:30-7:00pm. The 7th grade class is hosting the dinner to raise funds for their class trip to Gettysburg and Washington, DC next fall. Desserts will be available at the Live and Silent Auction. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for children 12 and under. Tickets may be purchased in the school office or at the door.

Desserts for Pasta Dinner - If you would like to donate a dessert for the dessert auction during the Pasta Dinner, there is a signup sheet by the school office or contact the school office.

St. John Lutheran School Talent Show - Friday Jan. 25th at 7:00pm (following the Pasta Dinner) - Do you have a special talent? Want to sing a song, perform a silly skit, or play a musical instrument? If you would like to perform in the talent show, please fill out a form (one per act) and return it to the school office no later than Tuesday, January 22nd. Extra forms are in the school office. Acts should run no longer than 3-4 minutes and must be approved by the Talent Show Committee.

LWML invites the women of St. John to a Soup Supper and Bible Study at the St. John LWML January 28th, 2019 in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm. Please come and enjoy fun and fellowship with warm soup and pie including a helping of God's Word.

This Week at St. John Lutheran School and Little Lamb Preschool - Jan. 14-20: Monday – No School– Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, VB HOME vs. Calvary, Normal, 6p; Wednesday – Chapel, bring offering for CID Deaf Ministry, PTF Meeting, 3:30p; Thursday–VB @ Next Generation, 6p; Friday – 7th Grade Spaghetti Dinner/Talent Show, 5:30-8p; Sunday – National Lutheran Schools Week begins, All School Choir sings at 8a and/or 10:45a services

LEARN BY HEART
THE FAMILY ALTAR

The families of St. John are encouraged to learn these words from the Small Catechism by heart this week:

The Sacrament of Holy Baptism

How can water do such great things? Certainly not just water, but the word of God in and with the water does these things, along with the faith which trusts this word of God in the water. For without God's word the water is plain water and no Baptism. But with the word of God it is a Baptism, that is, a life-giving water, rich in grace, and a washing of the new birth in the Holy Spirit, as St. Paul says in Titus, chapter three:

“He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, whom He poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, so that, having been justified by His grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life. This is a trustworthy saying.” Titus 3:5–8

Bible Passage: Then they said to him, “What must we do, to be doing the works of God?” Jesus answered them, “This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent.” John 6:28-29

Hymn 370 *What Child Is This* (st. 3)

Psalm 138

Bible Readings for the Week:

The Lord's Revelation to Elijah – 1 Kings 19:9b-21

The Lord Condemns Ahab – 1 Kings 21:17-29

Elijah Ascends to Heaven – 2 Kings 2:1-15