

We have this hope as an anchor for the soul, firm and secure...

Hebrews 6:19



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*We cordially welcome all who are worshiping with us this week.
May our Lord Jesus Christ grant you the will and the wisdom
to renounce the world and to live as His follower and disciple.*

St. John Calendar Dec. 12-19



Sunday/12	9:00a	Worship Ladies Aid Card Sale
	10:00a	Sunday School
Monday/13	3:00p	Scrip Orders Due
	5:30p	Handbells
	6:30p	Ladies Bible Study
Tuesday/14	12:30p	Deacons
	1:00p	Church Council
Wednesday/15	10:00a	Bible Study at St. John
	4:00p	Soup Supper Fundraiser
	6:30p	Advent Service St. John School Choir Singing
Saturday/18	10:30a	Choir Rehearsal
Sunday/19	9:00a	Communion
	10:00a	Sunday School

CALENDAR CHANGE: Christmas Eve Service will be at 5:00pm.

December 12, 2021

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Third Sunday in Advent

Hymns

Opening Hymn: 354 – Arise, O Christian People

Hymn of the Day: 345 – Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding

Hymn: 602 – The Gifts Christ Freely Gives

Closing Hymn: 803 – Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee

Readings

Old Testament Reading – *Zephaniah 3:14-20*

Epistle – *Philippians 4:4-7*

Holy Gospel – *Luke 7:18-28*

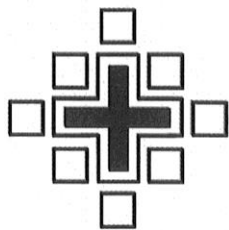
Advent 3rd Candle:

The Shepherd Candle or Candle of Joy

The angels sang a message of JOY! "...and she gave birth to her firstborn, a son. She wrapped him in cloths and placed him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn. And there were shepherds living out in the fields nearby, keeping watch over their flocks at night. An angel of the Lord appeared to them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, 'Do not be afraid. I bring you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. Today in the town of David a Savior has been born to you; he is Christ the Lord. This will be a sign to you: You will find a baby wrapped in cloths and lying in a manger.' Suddenly a great company of the heavenly host appeared with the angel, praising God and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to men on whom his favor rests.' When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, 'Let's go to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has told us about.' (Luke 2:7-15)

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INTROIT *Ps. 146:5–8; antiphon: Phil. 4:4*

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*
again I will say, | Rejoice.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,*
whose hope is in the | LORD his God,
who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is | in them,*
who keeps faith for- | ever;
who executes justice for | the oppressed,*
who gives food to the | hungry.

The LORD sets the prisoners free; the LORD opens the eyes | of the blind.*

The LORD lifts up those who are bowed down; the LORD loves the | righteous.

Glorify be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Rejoice in the Lord | always;*
again I will say, | Rejoice.

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, we implore You to hear our prayers and to lighten the darkness of our hearts by Your gracious visitation; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

GRADUAL *Zech. 9:9; Ps. 118:26, alt.*

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of | Zion.*

Shout aloud, O daughter of Je- | rusalem.

Behold, your king is com- | ing to you;*
righteous and having sal- | vation.

Blessèd is he who comes in the name | of the Lord.*

From the house of the Lord we | bless you.

DAILY READINGS

December 12: Is. 29:1–14; Jude 1–25; **13:** Is. 29:15–30:14; Rev. 1:1–20; **14:** Is. 30:15–26; Rev. 2:1–29; **15:** Is. 30:27–31:9; Rev. 3:1–22; **16:** Is. 32:1–20; Rev. 4:1–11; **17:** Is. 33:1–24; Rev. 5:1–14; **18:** Is. 34:1–2, 8–35:10; Rev. 6:1–17.

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Those Serving the Lord This Weekend

Officiant: Rev. David Weirauch

Organist: Deanna Karsten

Reader: Carole Shay

Deacons: Willard Brege & Terry Bellmore

Ushers: Ethan Grulke & Kaitlin Nowicki

Those Sharing Their Faith With Us Last Week

Sunday Worship: 89 In-person; 76 Communed

Wednesday Chapel: 80 In-person; Advent: 40 In-person

Offerings for December 5

Current envelopes (Excel in Giving and loose plate): \$4581

Weekly amount needed to meet budget: \$3500

Mission: \$246; M & I: \$229; Thanksgiving: \$55

Advent: \$241; Christmas: \$35; Bible Study Books: \$90

General Fund Memorials: \$45; Ladies Aid Utilities: \$1000

Immanuel Insurance: \$851; Immanuel Travel/Supplies: \$1632.50

Advent & Christmas

December 15th from 4-6:00pm

Dinner Fundraiser – St. John

*(Soup Supper to help the SJLC teens attend
July 2022 National Youth Gathering in Texas)*

December 15th at 6:30pm – St. John

(St. John School Children's Choir will be singing)

December 24th at 5:00pm Christmas Eve Service – St. John

(Children's Program will be held during this service)

December 24th at 7:30pm Christmas Eve Service – Immanuel

(Candlelight, Hymn & Readings Service)

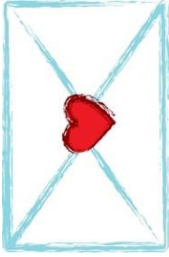
December 25th at 9:00am Christmas Day Service – St. John

(with Communion)

December 25th at 10:30am Christmas Day Service – Immanuel

(with Communion)





Our Shut-Ins Would Love to hear from You.

Please consider sending them letters and cards.

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In Our Prayers the Week of December 12

If you have a prayer request you would like included on our public prayer list or on our private prayer chain, make sure the person gives approval to be included on one or the other and then call or send the request to Pastor Weirauch. You may also use the Prayer Request Form.

Shut-in Sally's Care

Betty Rusch

Shut-ins at Home

Mark Bruning; Rosie Bruning

Shut-in Medilodge

Royce Grulke

Recovering at Home

Sharon Hein

Service Men & Women

Alexa Quaine, Megan Quaine
Elizabeth Wickersham



Loss of Loved One

Tammy, Terri, Annette & Amy
in the loss of their mom,
Shirley Wenzel

Help Wanted

We are looking for a volunteer to help with vacuuming the church carpeting. This task will involve about one to two hours per week of your time. Please talk to Lila Wenzel if you would like more details.

It is also proper that we acknowledge the members who have volunteered their time for this task: Joan Altman, Cindy Bellmore, Jackie Langlois, Marsha Pidgeon and Lila Wenzel. "LET'S ALL DO OUR PART TO KEEP THE LORD'S HOUSE CLEAN AND IN GOOD ORDER."

Sunday School Need

The St. John Sunday School is looking for a superintendent and treasurer for 2022. If you are interested, please give the office a call.

Looking for Tech Volunteers to be dedicated to our live streaming service needs. A team of youth and leaders would be a great start. Involves minor experience and heart of a servant. If interested, contact the office.

In Loving Memory of Bill Budnick

*On their 55th Wedding Anniversary, Dec. 17th
a gift was given by Darla Budnick
to the Radio Fund*



In Loving Memory of My Dad, Bud Basel

*A gift was given on his birthday, Dec. 12th
by Ron & Joan Altman to the Radio Fund*

In Loving Memory of Harold Hopp

*A gift was given by Ron & Donna Hopp
to the Radio Fund*

In Loving Memory of Rosalie Taylor

*A gift was given by Ron & Joan Altman
to the Radio Fund*



In Loving Memory of Thomas Joseph Paquin

*A gift was given by Dick & Donna Peacock
to the School Memorial Fund*

In Loving Memory of Janet Menci & Jeannie Wirgau

*A gift was given by Ron & Joan Altman
to the Radio Fund*

Extra Special Advent Evening

The SJLS Children's Choir will be singing at the 6:30pm worship service on Wed., Dec. 15 at St. John Church. Before the service, from 4-6pm, there will be a Soup Supper in the church lower level. Free will donations are appreciated and will be used to help send our SJLC teens to the July 2022 National Youth Gathering in Texas. We hope all are able to come fellowship and worship.



Ladies Bible Study on Dec. 13 at 6:30pm will be studying Lot's life.

2022 Giving Envelopes are available for pick up in the church narthex. Please, do not use any of the new envelopes until the new year. If you are in need of contribution envelopes contact the office.



Be Ready for New Year Time Change

St. John's Worship Service will begin at 10:30am starting January 2 and continue at 10:30am, throughout the year.

Also, church doors will be locked, during service time. If you are late someone will let you in.

Pizza Cards Are For Sale in the Office!

\$49 for five pizzas; \$99 for 2022 pizza-a-month. Thanks to The Lighthouse for offering this great fundraiser year after year.

Scrip It Up for the Holidays

A gift card order will be placed on Dec. 13. For the holiday season some cards are available in smaller increments. Available for \$10: Amazon, Applebee's, CVS, Olive Garden, Home Depot, iHop, Meijer, Outback, Red Lobster, Regal, Safeway, Target and Walmart. Available for \$5: Barnes & Noble, Cold Stone, Panera Bread and Taco Bell. Orders will arrive before the end of the week.

Ongoing Bottle Drive

The 8th graders have been blown away by your many incoming bottles and cans. They say: "Thank you and please keep them coming." What a great win-win situation for all of us.

Thank You for Your Generosity

Gifts were given by
Immanuel Lutheran Church Ladies Aid
and St. Michael's Ladies Aid
to the Radio Fund



WITH THANKS AND WITH APPRECIATION TO:

- NEIL AND ANDY GRULKE OF GRULKE HARDWARE FOR THEIR DONATION OF EIGHT BAGS OF ICE MELT COMPOUND FOR CHURCH AND SCHOOL
- NEIL AND ANDY GRULKE OF GRULKE HARDWARE FOR THEIR GIFT OF A DANBY 5.5 CF FREEZER FOR THE PARSONAGE
- ST JOHN LADIES AID FOR THEIR GIFT OF \$1000 TO ASSIST WITH CHURCH UTILITY BILLS FOR THE COMING WINTER SEASON. THIS GIFT WILL HELP OFFSET THE INCREASED COST OF NATURAL GAS AND ELECTRICITY FOR THE UPCOMING HEATING SEASON.
- THANK YOU TO AN ANONYMOUS DONOR FOR A GIFT TO HELP WITH POSTAGE FOR MAILING BULLETINS TO SHUT IN MEMBERS.



LUTHERAN WITNESS SUBSCRIPTION

It's time to re-subscribe or subscribe to the Lutheran Witness at the congregational special rate of **\$11.60** per year. The Lutheran Witness (LW), which includes the Michigan District In Touch supplement, is the official periodical of The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and is published 11 times a year. LW provides Missouri Synod laypeople with stories and information that complement congregational life, foster personal growth in faith, and help interpret the contemporary world from a Lutheran Christian perspective.

Your payment should be made on or before Sunday December 12, in order to meet the District submission deadline of December 15. Please make your check payable to St. John Lutheran Church. You may include your check or cash with your weekly contribution envelope or give it to your Lutheran Witness Coordinator, Donald Schaedig, who will be pleased to provide additional information @ 734-3892 or dschaedig@hotmail.com.

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