

## Old Testament Reading: Exodus 34:29-35

<sup>29</sup>When Moses came down from Mount Sinai, with the two tablets of the testimony in his hand as he came down from the mountain, Moses did not know that the skin of his face shone because he had been talking with God. <sup>30</sup>Aaron and all the people of Israel saw Moses, and behold, the skin of his face shone, and they were afraid to come near him. <sup>31</sup>But Moses called to them, and Aaron and all the leaders of the congregation returned to him, and Moses talked with them. <sup>32</sup>Afterward all the people of Israel came near, and he commanded them all that the LORD had spoken with him in Mount Sinai. <sup>33</sup>And when Moses had finished speaking with them, he put a veil over his face.

<sup>34</sup>Whenever Moses went in before the LORD to speak with him, he would remove the veil, until he came out. And when he came out and told the people of Israel what he was commanded, <sup>35</sup>the people of Israel would see the face of Moses, that the skin of Moses' face was shining. And Moses would put the veil over his face again, until he went in to speak with him.

## GRADUAL Ps. 45:2a; 110:1

You are the most handsome of the | sons of men;\*  
grace is poured up- | on your lips.  
The Lord says to my Lord: "Sit at my | right hand,\*  
until I make your enemies your | footstool."

## DAILY READINGS

**January 21:** Joel 1:1-20; Rom. 10:1-21; **22:** Joel 2:1-17; Rom. 11:1-24;  
**23:** Joel 2:18-32; Rom. 11:25-12:13; **24:** Joel 3:1-21; Rom. 12:14-13:14;  
**25:** Zech. 1:1-21; Rom. 14:1-23; **26:** Zech. 2:1-3:10; Rom. 15:1-13; **27:**  
Zech. 4:1-5:11; Rom. 15:14-33.

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## Epistle: 2 Peter 1:16-21

<sup>16</sup>For we did not follow cleverly devised myths when we made known to you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but we were eyewitnesses of his majesty. <sup>17</sup>For when he received honor and glory from God the Father, and the voice was borne to him by the Majestic Glory, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased," <sup>18</sup>we ourselves heard this very voice borne from heaven, for we were with him on the holy mountain. <sup>19</sup>And we have something more sure, the prophetic word, to which you will do well to pay attention as to a lamp shining in a dark place, until the day dawns and the morning star rises in your hearts, <sup>20</sup>knowing this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture comes from someone's own interpretation. <sup>21</sup>For no prophecy was ever produced by the will of man, but men spoke from God as they were carried along by the Holy Spirit.

## Holy Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

<sup>1</sup>After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James, and John his brother, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. <sup>2</sup>And he was transfigured before them, and his face shone like the sun, and his clothes became white as light. <sup>3</sup>And behold, there appeared to them Moses and Elijah, talking with him. <sup>4</sup>And Peter said to Jesus, "Lord, it is good that we are here. If you wish, I will make three tents here, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." <sup>5</sup>He was still speaking when, behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them, and a voice from the cloud said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." <sup>6</sup>When the disciples heard this, they fell on their faces and were terrified. <sup>7</sup>But Jesus came and touched them, saying, "Rise, and have no fear." <sup>8</sup>And when they lifted up their eyes, they saw no one but Jesus only.

<sup>9</sup>And as they were coming down the mountain, Jesus commanded them, "Tell no one the vision, until the Son of Man is raised from the dead."

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# † The Transfiguration of Our Lord †

January 21, 2018

**VERSE:** Alleluia. Sing to the LORD; tell of his salvation from day to day. Declare his glory among the nations, his marvelous works among all the peoples! Alleluia. (Ps. 96:2-3)

**PRAYER:** Christ, our God, shed Your light upon us that we may behold Your glory, enter into Your sufferings, and proclaim You to the world. Amen.

**Sermon:** "Your Glory Is in Jesus Only" (Matthew 17:1-9)

**Preacher:** Pr. Matthew Moss

**Liturgist:** Pr. Matthew Johnson

**Kantor:** Dr. Crystal Rossow

**Prelude:** Variations on Deo gracias, mvt. 1 & 2 (Michael Burkhardt)

**Anthem:** Earth and All Stars (Herbert F. Brokering; David N. Johnson)

**Offering:** You Are Mine (David Haas; arr. Mark Hayes)

**Postlude:** Alleluia, Song of Gladness (Robert Hobby)

<b>Choir:</b>		St. John's School Children
Processional:	8:00 am:	Crucifer~ Jack Stoffels Torchbearers~ Adam Kiesow, Ben Kiesow
	10:30 am:	Crucifer~ Noelle Dolan Torchbearers~ Della VanLith, Emma Kanz
Altar Guild:		Jan Steig & Lois Anderson
Worship Assistants:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander
	10:30 am:	Ed Kemna
Acolytes:	8:00 am:	Bradley Kruse & Faith Grant
	10:30 am:	Gabriel Lodholz & Kristian Lodholz
Ushers:	8:00 am:	Dan Kolander, Matt Kolander, Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland
	10:30 am:	David Giefer, Ed Kemna, David Kliche
Money Counters:		Mike DeSplinter, Paul Dolan, Scott Kulberg, Russ Reznecheck

**THIS WEEK:** The congregations in our circuit are praying for Concordia Theological Seminary (Fort Wayne, IN) and Concordia Seminary (St. Louis, MO).

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL:** This week we pray for Deacon Chairman Greg Christopher and Deacon Secretary DJ Schilling, and also for Teachers Maria (Pre-K) and Jeremy (2nd) Koosman.

**SCHEDULE FOR THE LORD'S SUPPER:** At the Reformation the Lutheran Churches celebrated the Lord's Supper "every Sunday and on other festivals" (Apology XXIV, 1). We follow this fine custom and so offer the Lord's Supper every Sunday at both morning Divine Services. Individual glasses are used in the 8:00 a.m. Divine Service on the first Sunday in the month and in the 10:30 a.m. Divine Service on the second Sunday in the month. All other celebrations use the chalice.

**TWO LARGE PRINT LSB HYMNALS NOW AVAILABLE:** (4 NOTE-BOOKS) Please ask the ushers about the notebooks that are now available for those who have difficulties with small print hymns.

**PARENTS:** We're happy you've brought your children to worship today. Jesus says, "The kingdom of God belongs to such as these." If you must leave during the service for any reason, please be aware that there are also exits at the front of the sanctuary to the left and right; that you will be able to hear the service over loudspeakers in the entrance area and in the upper room to the left of the sanctuary; and that there is a changing table in the restroom near the elevator.

**THE DIVINE SERVICE** The Divine Service is the time when God serves His people with His forgiving grace in Word and Sacrament. It is not a time to be entertained. To show she is not a sect or cult the Lutheran Church retained the historic liturgy as much as was possible. The liturgical service makes no attempt to meet current cultural norms or personal needs but is the time when God comes in Word and Sacrament to meet our deepest spiritual needs. The Lutheran Church uses an ordered liturgy so that God's holy "priesthood" can participate and "declare the praises of Him who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light" (1 Peter 2:9). The Augsburg Confession concludes, "It is quite clear that among us nothing in doctrine or ceremonies has been accepted that would contradict either Holy Scripture or the universal Christian Church (AC, Conclusion).

**INTROIT** Ps. 84:1-20, 4, 10-11; antiphon: Ps. 77:18b

Your lightnings lighted | up the world;\*

the earth trem- | bled and shook.

How lovely is your dwelling place, O | Lord of hosts!\*

My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts | of the Lord.

Blessed are those who dwell | in your house,\*

ever sing- | ing your praise!

For a day in your courts is better than a thousand | elsewhere.\*

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of | wickedness.

For the Lord God is a sun and shield; the Lord bestows favor and | honor.\*

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk up- | rightly.

**Glory 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.**

Your lightnings lighted | up the world;\*

the earth trem- | bled and shook.

**COLLECT OF THE DAY**

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully fore-showed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

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- Since the Lord's Supper is testimony of our unity in the faith, the Sacrament is reserved for members in good standing of congregations of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod.
- Visitors from sister LCMS congregations who agree with our doctrine and practice should announce your desire to commune to a pastor before joining us at the Lord's Table.
- Members may prepare by reading Luther's "Questions & Answers for those who intend to go to the Sacrament" (LSB 329-340).

**OPENING HYMN:** LSB 415

**CONFESSION:** LSB 184

**INTROIT**

**KYRIE:** LSB 186

**GLORIA:** LSB 187

**COLLECT**

**SCRIPTURE READINGS**

Gradual

Responses: LSB 190

**CREED**

**HYMN OF DAY:** LSB 413 v. 2

men; v. 3 women

**SERMON**

**OFFERTORY:** LSB 416

**THE OFFERING**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**COMMUNION LIT:** LSB 194ff

**DIST HYMNS:** LSB 414

LSB 415

**NUNC DIMITTIS:** LSB 199

**CLOSING HYMN:** LSB 417

**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF  
January 21 – January 27**

<b>SUNDAY</b> Madelyn Schmidt	<b>WEDNESDAY</b> Nancy Wold
<b>MONDAY</b> Cindy Cook	<b>THURSDAY</b> Mason Brastad Ginny Bryant Jane Kothrade
<b>TUESDAY</b> Gregg Kilpela Katja Kroll Jonathan Mellum	<b>FRIDAY</b> Amy Christophersen Jaclyn Essig
	<b>SATURDAY</b> Ryan Fish Carol LaBerge

If you notice an update is needed, kindly advise the church secretary to make sure we have the correct information to publish.

**Ir./Sr. High Youth**

**GET CONNECTED:** Are you in 6th-12th grade? Are you a parent of a youth in 6th-12th grade? If you answered yes to either of those questions, then I want to hear from you! We have many youth group events throughout the year and I want to make sure YOU know about them. Please email me (Jayme Kruse) so that I can put you on the email list and keep you informed throughout the year! - jayme.kruse@gmail.com Also, be sure to request to join the "St. John's Youth Group" private group on FB!

**BIBLE CLASS TOPICS**

**1/21:** Life Sunday is today! How is life opposite from last Sunday's lesson? Guess how many times the word "life" is in the Bible. (No fair looking in the Concordance.)

**1/28:** Jesus Loves You So Much; You Can Learn to Love Yourself!  
Drugs, alcohol, and addictions.....

**Please lock all doors before leaving this building.  
If you unlock to enter, please lock as you leave!**

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**SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** *Jan. 24-* St. Timothy (Acts 16:1-5; 1 Tim. 6:11-16; Matt. 24:42-47). *Jan. 25-* Conversion of St. Paul (Acts 9:1-22; Gal. 1:11-24; Matt. 19:27-30), *Jan. 26-* St. Titus (Acts 20:28-35; Titus 1:1-9; Luke 10:1-9)

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort**— Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Bill Radintz (son of Paul & Diane), Bill Wacker, Dorothy Schutte, Gail Ledstrom>moved to West Virginia (her address can be found on the printed homebound/military list), Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Doris Gangelhoff, Katie Titler (daughter of Joe & Cilla Nadeau), and Troy Eder. Our Lord Jesus, who reached out to heal and comfort the sick and dying, continues to reach out with His healing Word through us. Cards, phone calls, and prayers are always appreciated. If you know of someone who is sick or hospitalized, please inform your pastors.

**Our homebound members** are Linda Bredenberg, Dorothy Cooper, Sue Erickson, Audrey Hansen, Marlys Johnson, Inez Koehler, Steve Orbin, Gerald Oswald, Mark Pruhs, Amy Schalo, Betty Schmiede, Ilene Shepherd, and Bill Wacker.

**All those serving in our Armed Forces**—Agena Hamilton (Oklahoma), Nicholas Malikowski (California), Kevin Mazurowski (Idaho), Nathan Mazurowski (Texas), Brian and Veronica Pruhs (Hawaii), Joseph Radintz (home), Marty Schiltz (home), and Andrew Zupfer (home).

**Those who have lost loved ones during the past year**—Jane Kothrade and family (at the loss of her father Loren Zander), Karen Orth (at the loss of her mother Elaine Larson), Tim Kanz & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Harold Bauermeister, Lori Kaiser & family (at the loss of her father Raymond Kinzler), Ed Kemna & family (at the loss of his brother Ted), the family of Marcella Faue, the family of Elaine Underdahl, Katy Briel & family and Erik Preus & family (at the loss of their mother Donna Preus), Dan Kolander & family (at the loss of his father Donald), Marv Cummins & family (at the loss of his brother Larry), Gloria Burns & family (at the loss of her mother LaVonne Richert), the family of Caroline Christophersen, Mark Coombs & family (at the loss of his father Paul), and Karen MacMillan & family (at the loss of her mother Yvonne Johnson).

**And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones** — Scott Gehl & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Alex Hansen, and the family of William Dodds.

**THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** is available the first Thursday of every month in the sanctuary from 6:30 until 7:00 pm or by appointment. Take advantage of this opportunity to hear God's Word of forgiveness spoken to you individually in Jesus' Name. "If we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness." (1 John 1:9)

**EACH QUARTER:** FIVE COPIES OF LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER will be available to share with those who need this magazine in larger print.

**"LUTHERAN HOUR"** this week on WCCO 830 AM at 6:00 a.m., WWJO 98.1 FM at 7:30 a.m., and KRWC AM Buffalo at 9:30 a.m.

† Announcements †

**TRANSITIONING TO LENT:** The joyous 12 Days of Christmas have ended. The visit of the magi at Epiphany has passed. The Baptism of Christ has been celebrated. Miracles and now the Transfiguration have been commemorated. As we come down from this festive mountaintop and prepare for the long, sober road of Lent which begins on Ash Wednesday it is good to have a brief period of transition. The next three Sundays of the Church Year have been called "pre-Lent", but their Latin names actually point us to Easter Joy – seventy days away, sixty days away, fifty days away. And the three Gospel lessons of these Sundays remind us of the three Solas of the Lutheran Reformation.

Grace Alone – Matt. 20:1-16 (Jan. 28)  
 Scripture Alone – Luke 8:4-15 (Feb. 4)  
 Faith Alone – Luke 18:31-43 (Feb. 11)



**BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOSS:** The Book of Exodus has been called "the Old Testament of the Old Testament". It sets the stage for everything that comes after it! In it we hear of God's deliverance of His chosen people from slavery and death. Countless prophets and poets of the Old Testament look back to the events recorded in this book even as they look ahead to the coming of the Christ for the final deliverance from slavery *to sin* and Death. Join us in between services as we cull out the Charleton Heston version of Moses (and the Christian Bale version for more recent movie-goers) and learn about the real man, Moses, drawn up from a watery death in the Nile to lead God's people out of slavery and to the very land God promised to give to their fathers, Abraham, Isaac, and Israel.  
*This week:* The Other End of Life: What Does God Say about Death?  
*Next week:* Exodus 5

**BAPTIZED** following this morning's 10:30 am Divine Service is Micah Dean Sumstad, infant son of Casey & Mitchell Sumstad. May our Lord Jesus bless Micah as he is nourished in the faith by his parents so that he may join us at the foretaste of the wedding feast of the Lamb in His Kingdom. "May this child, Your mercy sharing, in Your arms be shielded ever, Yours on earth and Yours forever...Write the name we now have given; write it in the book of heaven." (LSB 592)



**THANK YOU** ...St. John's School children for singing this morning!

**NORTH STAR BOYS CHOIR** is holding an open rehearsal this Saturday morning 10:00-11:30 at Immanuel Methodist Church, 10025 Ct. Rd. 101, Corcoran. Boys and families are invited to visit, listen to a practice, and enjoy refreshments.



This Week at St. John's Lutheran

**TODAY** 8:00 am: Divine Service with Lord's Supper (K-8 sing)  
 9:15 am: Sunday School  
 9:30 am: Bible Study  
 10:30 am: Divine Service with Lord's Supper (K-8 sing)  
 12:00 pm: Faculty Safety Training  
 4:00 pm: Adult Open Gym

**MON:** National Lutheran Schools Week

**TUES:** 9:00 am: Adult Bible Study  
 1:30 pm: Pr. Jastram's School Presentation (FH)  
 6:00 pm: Adult Catechism (New Members)

**WED:** 6:00 pm: Public School Catechism  
 6:15 pm: Brass Practice  
 7:00 pm: Choir Practice

**THUR:** 7:15 pm: Table Tennis

**FRI:** 8:00 am: No Chapel

**SAT:** 12:00 pm: Feed My Starving Children Event

**SUN:** 8:00 am: Divine Service with Lord's Supper  
 9:15 am: Sunday School  
 9:30 am: Bible Study  
 10:30 am: Divine Service with Lord's Supper  
 4:00 pm: Adult Open Gym

Those Serving Next Week, Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup>:

Altar Guild: Jan Steig & Lois Anderson

Worship Assistants: 8:00 am: Kevin Pomeranke  
 10:30 am: Todd Haag

Acolytes: 8:00 am: Mackenzie Coombs & Christian Burfeind  
 10:30 am: Reece Fish & Sam Brustuen

Ushers: 8:00 am: Dan Kolander, Matt Kolander,  
 Mike McFerrin, Rich Oakland  
 10:30 am: David Giefer, Ed Kemna, David Kliche

Money Counters: Duane Abraham, Jon Bode,  
 Mike McFerrin, Mark Radintz

**LIFE SUNDAY:** TODAY, January 21<sup>st</sup> is Life Sunday focusing on end-of-life issues: euthanasia, assisted suicide, and problems with Living Wills. Come to Bible Class today at 9:30 to find out more information, and check out tables in the narthex and fellowship hall.

**THE 45TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROE vs. WADE** will be remembered on Monday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, with a March for Life at the MN State Capitol at noon. Please join us in taking a stand against abortion & the threat of assisted suicide. If interested, call LeAnn 763-420-2317 or Patty 763-350-8058.



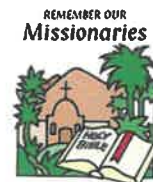
**A MOST HEARTFELT THANK YOU** to everyone who remembered us this past Christmas with gifts and cards. Be assured that your generosity and kindness are deeply appreciated. A blessed Epiphany to all of you as we take time to ponder the marvel of God's incarnation and appearance in our human flesh. ~ Pr. & Mrs. Briel



**WORDS CANNOT EXPRESS** my deep, heartfelt appreciation for all the gifts and cards and expressions of thanks I received from all of you for my years of service here at St. John's. I am truly humbled by this since I have never considered myself worthy of such adulation. Over the many years (which went by all too quickly!) I simply did what every faithful pastor should do--preached the gospel, catechized children and adults as clearly and faithfully as I could according to our Lutheran Confessions, administered the holy Sacraments according to our Lord's institution, visited the sick and

shut-ins bringing to them the sweet comfort of our Lord's Word, prepared couples for marriage, comforted the dying and their loved ones with the certain hope of the resurrection, counseled the troubled applying Law and Gospel where necessary and confirming to them our Lord's sweet forgiveness with the words of holy Absolution, I led Divine Worship every Sunday and in school chapels according to the best Lutheran liturgical tradition, supported our wonderful school and dedicated faculty and, in general, tried to the best of my God-given ability to keep all of us focused on our Lord Jesus and the sure and certain hope we have in the forgiveness of sins, life, and salvation for Jesus' sake. The motto for my ministry has always been and will continue to be summarized in our Lord's command, "When you have done all that you were commanded, say, 'We are unworthy servants; we have only done what was our duty'" (Luke 17:10). God bless and keep each and every one of you in His grace and, by that grace and mercy, grant that we may join together in heaven to sing forever that which we have sung together so many times here on earth as we prepared to receive our risen Lord's body and blood in His Supper, "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God of Sabaoth; heaven and earth are full of Thy glory. Hosanna in the Highest!" Soli Deo Gloria! ~ Pastor Briel

**IF YOU ARE WILLING TO HELP:** Pr. Briel's Nigerian trip this coming February to teach at Pr. Wokoma's Lutheran seminary is in need of funding for his travel expenses and the cost of instruction materials. Overages will benefit the seminary. If you are able to help with this special cause, kindly make your donation payable to St. John's and please clearly identify "Briel Feb Trip" in the memo line. Thank you for your generosity and continued support!!



**PR. JASTRAM HERE THIS WEEK:** A school presentation is scheduled for this Tuesday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> in Fellowship Hall at 1:30 pm. All parents and St. John's members are also welcome to attend this meeting with Pr. Jastram.



**DOOR OFFERING:** Next Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> we will have a Door Offering collection that we will present to Pastor Jastram as a thank you to him for his presentation and visiting with us here at St. John's.

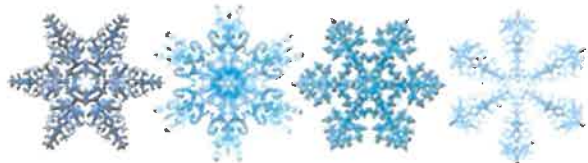
**"GIVE THANKS, GIVE BACK" 2017 GALA FINANCIAL UPDATE:** The Lord blessed us, at this past year's Gala with a profit of \$61,000!!! 75% of these proceeds will go to tuition assistance, to help families attend our school. 25% of the proceeds will be used for technology improvements in the church and school, with some money already being used to purchase laptops for the church and school staff. We want to sincerely thank all the people who generously gave of their time, talents or treasures. Mark your calendars for the 2018 Gala on Friday November 9th. To God all praise and glory! ~The Gala Committee

If you have further questions about the event, would like to be a part of the 2018 Gala Committee, please contact Liz Glock at 612-247-4794 or lizzystu@aol.com



**FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN EVENT:** The Youth Group is organizing a FMSC event and we want YOU to attend! Our goal is to connect the youth, congregation members, school families, staff, faculty - anyone that is connected to STJL - in an event that includes fellowship as well as giving back. We reserved 140 spots and would like to fill them all! The event is THIS Saturday, January 27. We will have a potluck at STJL from 12:00 - 1:15 or so and then head over to FMSC in Coon Rapids for a shift from 2:00 - 4:00. Sign up on the large sign-up sheet in the Narthex or by contacting the office or Jayme Kruse!





**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK** Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>: 8:00 am: CT: 146 CM: 130  
10:30 am: CT: 148 CM: 108



**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

	<u>Month-to-date</u> 01/14/17	<u>Year-to-date</u> since 07/01/17
Offerings Received	\$ 15,096	\$ 398,275
Amount Needed	\$ 13,635	\$ 395,415
Amount Ahead (Behind)	\$ 1,461	\$ 2,860
% Ahead (-Behind)	11%	1%



Mortgage balance as of December 31, 2017 = \$663,503.39

Please contact BOA Deacon Mike Gaffer, BOA Deacon Tom Eversman, or Church Treasurer Chad Brown if you have any questions on St. John's financial condition.

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Items received by the end of the day on Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. If there is an accompanying flyer or insert, kindly provide the information by the Monday beforehand to allow appropriate processing time to accommodate your posting. Thank you!!

**SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S!** Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event! The Secretary keeps a main calendar and all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar!

**PROPERTY & GROUNDS UPDATE-PARSONAGE REPAIRS:** A generous gift has been received which has been allocated toward much need repairs and maintenance on the parsonage including the following:



- remove and replace attic insulation due to water damage (to be done this winter)
- install new doors and windows (work will be done spring and summer 2018)
- install a new roof (this will need to be done within the next five years)

Even with this gift an additional \$25,000 is needed in order to finish all the work. If you'd like to donate to this cause please mark your envelope with "parsonage repairs" or contact one of the property and grounds deacons.

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION NEWS:** Want to become more involved at St. John's? The church's current Treasurer, Chad Brown, is not seeking reelection when his term is up in March 2018. Consequently, the Board of Administration is seeking a qualified volunteer for this role. A strong financial accounting background and/or experience with Quickbooks is highly desirable. The time commitment is estimated at 8-10 hours per month. Activities would include preparing monthly financial reports and projections, reviewing financial transactions and budgets, performing bank reconciliations, communications with the congregation and other financial-related volunteers, working with the church bookkeeper, and coordinating proper treatment and acknowledgement of larger gifts and donations. If interested and for more information on the Church Treasurer role at St. John's, please contact Deacons Mike Gaffer (mtgaff@comcast.net) or Tom Eversman (Theversman@gmail.com).

**CROSS...FOOD NEEDS:** Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **JANUARY** are: Kidney Beans/Chili Beans and Hand Soap. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



**SEEKING PROFESSIONAL WORKERS:**

Property and Grounds would like to give congregational members a chance to bid on work needed on the property before we turn to an outside firm. We currently have work to do in these two areas:

- insulation removal and installation and roof vent work
- licensed electrician (both new wiring and replacement)

If anyone has expertise in these areas and would like to bid on a job, please contact one of the property and grounds deacons.

