

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran
Church & School**



Preacher: Pr. Matthew Moss
Liturgist: Pr. Matthew Johnson
Kantor: Dr. Crystal Rossow

Thanks to all who serve this week:

Altar Guild: Beth Giefer and LeAnn Cummins

Choir: St. John's Adult Choir

Brass Ensemble:

Trumpet~ Kevin Pomeranke
Horn~ Gretchen Kliche
Baritone~ Johanna Rossow

Processional:

Crucifer~ Emma Kanz (8am)
Lucas Kiesow (10:30am)
Torchbearers~
Ava Kanz (8am)
Bella Kanz (8am)
Adam Kiesow (10:30am)
Benjamin Kiesow (10:30am)

Worship Assistants:

8:00 am: Kevin Pomeranke
10:30 am: Ross Meyer

Acolytes:

8:00 am: Isaac Vogt & Sam Vogt
10:30 am: Christian Burfeind,
McKenzie Burke

Ushers:

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

Money Counters:

Scott Brockberg, *Scott Kulberg*,
Courtney Oakland, Deb Weinand

The Alleluia Verse

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The Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 25th chapter.

C: [sung] Glory to You, O Lord

¹[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. ²Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. ³For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, ⁴but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. ⁵As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. ⁶But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' ⁷Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. ⁸And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' ⁹But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' ¹⁰And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. ¹¹Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' ¹²But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' ¹³Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: [sung] Praise to You, O Christ.

Hymn of the Day: *Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying*

LSB 516

Sermon: "The Time when Waiting Shall End" (Matthew 25:1-13)

The Nicene Creed

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Prayer of the Church

Offering: Bicinium from Orgelpartita "Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme" (Hugo Distler)

Offertory: *Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful*

LSB 955

The Service of the Sacrament of the Altar

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Please review our statements about who may commune, found at the top of the strip on the front page of this bulletin.

Distribution Hymn: *The Day Is Surely Drawing Near*

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Distribution Hymn: *Christ Is Surely Coming*

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Canticle: "Thank the Lord"

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Collect and Benediction

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Closing Hymn: *Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers*

LSB 515

Postlude: Toccata from Orgelpartita "Wachet auf ruft uns die Stimme" (Hugo Distler)

**St. John's Evangelical Lutheran
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(LCMS)**

Est. 1864



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† The Last Sunday in the Church Year †

November 25, 2018

Pre-Service Verse, Prayer, and Music for Personal Preparation and Reflection

Verse: Alleluia. I saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. Alleluia. (Rev. 21:2)

Prayer: O Lord Jesus Christ, we earnestly await Your return in glory. Be our hope's fulfilment and return speedily to end all our pain and sorrow. Amen.

Prelude: Wachet auf, ruft uns die Stimme (Johann Ludwig Krebs)

The Divine Service

Processional Hymn: *The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us* **LSB 514**

Confession & Absolution **page 167**

Introit *Ps. 39:4-5, 7-8; antiphon: Is. 35:10*

The ransomed of the LORD shall return and come to Zion with | singing;*
everlasting joy shall be up- | on their heads.

They shall obtain glad- | ness and joy,*
and sorrow and sighing shall | flee away.

**O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure | of my days;*
let me know how fleeting | I am!**

**Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths, and my lifetime is as
nothing be- | fore you.***

Surely all mankind stands as a | mere breath!

And now, O Lord, for what | do I wait?*

My hope | is in you.

Deliver me from all my trans- | gressions.*

Do not make me the scorn | of the fool!

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.

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Kyrie & This Is the Feast **page 168**

Collect of the Day

Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son, we pray, to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Old Testament Lesson: Isaiah 65:17-25

¹⁷“For behold, I create new heavens and a new earth,
and the former things shall not be remembered or come into mind.

¹⁸But be glad and rejoice forever in that which I create;
for behold, I create Jerusalem to be a joy, and her people to be a gladness.

¹⁹I will rejoice in Jerusalem and be glad in my people;
no more shall be heard in it the sound of weeping and the cry of distress.

²⁰No more shall there be in it an infant who lives but a few days,
or an old man who does not fill out his days,

for the young man shall die a hundred years old,
and the sinner a hundred years old shall be accursed.

²¹They shall build houses and inhabit them;
they shall plant vineyards and eat their fruit.

²²They shall not build and another inhabit; they shall not plant and another eat;
for like the days of a tree shall the days of my people be,
and my chosen shall long enjoy the work of their hands.

²³They shall not labor in vain or bear children for calamity,
for they shall be the offspring of the blessed of the LORD,
and their descendants with them.

²⁴Before they call I will answer; while they are yet speaking I will hear.

²⁵The wolf and the lamb shall graze together; the lion shall eat straw like the ox,
and dust shall be the serpent's food.

They shall not hurt or destroy in all my holy mountain,” says the LORD.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual

Ps. 45:14-15

**In many-colored robes [the king's daughter] is led | to the king,*
with her virgin companions following be- | hind her.**

With joy and gladness they are | led along*

as they enter the palace | of the king.

The Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

¹Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. ²For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³While people are saying, “There is peace and security,” then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. ⁴But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. ⁵For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. ⁶So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. ⁷For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. ⁸But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. ⁹For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, ¹⁰who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. ¹¹Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

† The Last Sunday in the Church Year †

- *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 329-330).*

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Youth Group

GET CONNECTED: We have many Youth Group events throughout the year and we want to make sure YOU know about them. Keep an eye on your email, the Church bulletin and the School newsletter for info on the events. Contact Jayme Kruse with questions on how to get connected - jayme.kruse@gmail.com/612-807-6526.

YOUTH GROUP SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY (grades 5-12): The STJL Youth Group program is geared towards 6th-12th graders; however, beginning this year, we have invited 5th graders to attend Youth Group Bible Study on Sunday mornings. This gives them an opportunity to start getting to know the other kids in Youth Group as well as take advantage of age-appropriate topics we discuss. Each Sunday, between services, 5th and 6th graders will meet in the Auxiliary Room and 7th-12th graders will meet in the 6th grade (Mr. Peterman's) room upstairs. We have some great topics planned, you won't want to miss it!

YOUTH BIBLE STUDY (9-12): On Sundays Dec. 2, 9, and 16th Pastor Moss will meet with just the 9th - 12th graders during the Bible study hour. Please let your youth know and encourage them to attend. The Youth should bring whatever questions or issues they are frequently confronted with at work/school and want answers for, and Pastor will also have studies ready for preparing for college, careers, and family.

50+ CHRISTMAS LUNCH: Sat. Dec 9th, Carols & games; at STJL; 11:45 am-2:30 pm.

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



**CONGREGATION PRESIDENT / DEACON CHAIRMAN
(Erik Preus, Chris Kruse):**

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**† The Last Sunday in the Church Year †**

**November 25, 2018**

**REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

**Members who are sick and in need of healing and comfort**— Rick Bymark (wife Jackie, son Hank), Lynn Slauson, Pam Linton (daughter of LaVerne & Arlene Bagne), Robert Malwitz, Alvin Cook, Diann Bates (mother of Toya Fish), Ilene Shepherd, and Brigitte Miest. 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, and Ilene Shepherd.

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

**Those who have lost loved ones during the past year**—Scott Gehl & family (at the loss of his father William), the family of Alex Hansen, the family of William Dodds, the family of Caroline Lucht, and the family of Dorothy Schutte, Paul & Diane Radintz (at the loss of their son Bill), John Malikowski & family (at the loss of his mother Frances), Cindy Cook & family (at the loss of her sister Jackie), the family of William Cahlander, and Kathleen Cooper & family (at the loss of her father John Giguere).

**And we remember those who have recently lost loved ones**— the family of Ron Conley, Steve Orbin & family (at the loss of his mother Vonnie), and Russ Reznecheck & family (at the loss of his mother Doris).

**THIS WEEK:** The congregations in our circuit are praying for St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church & School, Corcoran, and Pastors Matthew Moss and Matthew Johnson.

**PRAYING FOR OUR CHURCH & SCHOOL:** This week we pray for Property & Grounds Deacons Kevin Pomerence & Dan Holthus and the Board Members, and our Maintenance Manager John Draskovich, and also for our Kitchen Managers, Heather Bursch & Lynn Schutte, along with all of the lunch helpers.

**PRAYERS FOR PR. JOHNSON:** Our pastor, Rev. Matthew Johnson, has received a Divine Call to serve as pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Slayton, MN. Please keep Pastor Johnson, his family, our congregation, and Trinity-Slayton in your daily prayers as Pastor Johnson considers the calls he has to serve here and there.

**THE SERVICE OF INDIVIDUAL CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION** is available the first Thursday of every month at 6:30 pm in the sanctuary (and by appointment any time with your pastors). 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).



† Announcements †

**FROM THE PASTORS:**

**SPECIAL FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:** 11/30 St. Andrew (Ezek. 3:16-21; Rom. 10:8b-18; John 1:35-42a)



**SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY WITH PASTOR MOSS:** This Fall we will take up a different theological topic each week. In the wake of Luther's death theological controversies shook the Evangelical Lutheran Church down to its very foundation: the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We will study these various controversial topics, see their connection to the Gospel, and learn how to speak clearly in accord with God's Holy Word.

**This week:** If we confess, do we have to renounce?

**Next week:** Pastor Moss with High School Youth, Pastor Johnson has Adults

**Video Recordings** Available at: <http://tinyurl.com/lutheranbiblestudy>

**TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY:** We study the *Book of Proverbs*, meeting Tuesdays in the Auxiliary Room; we meet at **9:45 am**. You can also watch live online using Facebook Live; just go to St. John's Facebook page. Join us as we reflect on Jesus Christ, the Wisdom from on High. All knowledge *begins* with the Fear of the Lord and many practical insights flow from that knowledge- the saving knowledge of Jesus Christ.



**BOARD OF PROPERTY & GROUNDS (Kevin Pomeranke, Dan Holthus):**

**BUILDING PROJECTS / NEEDS / NOTICES:**



**Roof replacement project** ~ We have a comprehensive plan to replace the aging school roof over the next 7-10 yrs. The SE section of the building is in the worst shape, and we would like to replace that portion next summer; estimated cost \$60,000. If we do not proceed with this replacement schedule, the damage repair cost could be even greater. Funds are needed to start this project.

**Emergency lighting replacement**~ We are replacing the emergency lights throughout the building. The cost for the lights is \$1500 and we are doing the work ourselves.

*(Please consider these needs by making a special contribution to the St. John's Improvement Fund.)*

**BOARD OF TECHNOLOGY (Sam Kulberg):**



**This Week at St. John's Lutheran**

|              |           |                                                        |
|--------------|-----------|--------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>TODAY</b> |           | Last Sunday in the Church Year                         |
|              | 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                      |
|              | 6:00 pm:  | Robotics Club                                          |
| <b>MON:</b>  | 7:00 pm:  | Adult Instruction Class                                |
| <b>TUES:</b> | 9:45 am:  | Adult Bible Study                                      |
| <b>WED:</b>  | 6:00 pm:  | PS Catechism                                           |
|              | 6:15 pm:  | Brass Practice                                         |
|              | 7:00 pm:  | Choir Practice                                         |
| <b>THUR:</b> | 7:00 pm:  | Table Tennis                                           |
| <b>FRI:</b>  |           | Chapel ~ 7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup> Grades sing |
| <b>SAT:</b>  |           |                                                        |
| <b>SUN:</b>  |           | First Sunday in Advent                                 |
|              | 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                      |
|              | 6:00 pm:  | Robotics Club                                          |

**Those Serving Next Week, First Sunday in Advent December 2<sup>nd</sup>:**

|                     |           |                                                                     |
|---------------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Altar Guild:        |           | Arlene Rogge and LuAn Schutte                                       |
| Worship Assistants: | 8:00 am:  | Greg Christopher                                                    |
|                     | 10:30 am: | Dean Noren                                                          |
| Processional:       | 8:00 am:  | Crucifer~ Alexis Brockberg                                          |
|                     |           | Torchbearer~ Matthew Koosman                                        |
|                     |           | Torchbearer~ Hannah Thurber                                         |
|                     | 10:30 am: | Crucifer~ Sam Say                                                   |
|                     |           | Torchbearer~ Gavin Blanck                                           |
|                     |           | Torchbearer~ William Schutte                                        |
| Acolytes:           | 8:00 am:  | Sophia Beck & Henry Bymark                                          |
|                     | 10:30 am: | Evan Pulju                                                          |
| Ushers:             | 8:00 am:  | Larry Jobs, Rod Priebe, Jack Schalo                                 |
|                     | 10:30 am: | Joel Johnson, Ben Kemna,<br>John Meyer, Danny Schilling             |
| Money Counters:     |           | Randy Bredenberg, Cindy Kiekow,<br>Mike McFerrin, Nichole Schilling |

**Those Serving Next Week, Advent Midweek, Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>:**

|                     |          |                                    |
|---------------------|----------|------------------------------------|
| Worship Assistants: | 1:30 pm: | John Radintz (Chapel)              |
|                     | 7:00 pm: | Joe Koehler                        |
| Acolytes:           | 1:30 pm: | Matthew Koosman & Sam Say (Chapel) |
|                     | 7:00 pm: | Paige Dolan                        |

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):**

**Ways to Give ~ ~**



**In Person...**

Place checks or cash in an offering envelope and drop it in the offering plate as it goes by.



**Text...** St. John's New "Text to Give" # 763-225-2689

Set up a one time or recurring donation by texting the amount you wish to give. \*\*\*



**Giving App...**

Download the 'GivePlus Church' app to set up one-time or recurring donations. You can also manage and view your giving from the convenience of your smartphone! \*\*\*



**Online...**

Visit [www.stjlutheran.org](http://www.stjlutheran.org) to set up and manage your one-time and recurring gifts. \*\*\*

\*\*\*you can use the printed "I Give Electronically" cards as a visible sign of your stewardship during services...The supply is available upon entering service and will be returned to replenish for re-use after the money counting process.

**ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK** Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup> ~ 8:00 am: CT: 157 CM: 139  
10:30 am: CT: 111 CM: 102



**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

|                                         | <u>Last Week</u><br>11/18/18 | <u>Year-to-date</u><br>since 07/01/18 |
|-----------------------------------------|------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Total General Fund Receipts-All Sources | \$ 14,938                    | \$ 595,082                            |
| Amount Needed                           | \$ 25,058                    | \$ 761,295                            |
| Amount Ahead (Behind)                   | \$ (10,120)                  | \$ (166,213)                          |
| % Ahead (-Behind)                       |                              | -22%                                  |

Current Building Mortgage Balance (October 31) \$588,343

**Important Notes:**

Amount Needed above includes the prior years' cumulative deficit of \$131,500 at June 30, 2018, plus the pro-rated portion of the \$53,217 Congregation-approved deficit for the current budget year beginning July 1, 2018.

Please contact Board of Admin Deacons Mike Gaffer (mtgaff@comcast.net) or Tom Eversman (Theversman@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**BOARD OF EDUCATION (Stu Glock, Dan Kolander):**

**PT ESP JOB OPPORTUNITY:** Responsibilities will include supervising children after school with homework and playtime. Availability Mon-Fri 2:15-5:30; flexible days & hrs. Contact Julie Zemke: 612-940-6065, julie@zemke.com



**THANK YOU!** Your support of the Gala this year is much appreciated. Because of your time, talents, generosity, and prayers we were able to gather together to GIVE THANKS and GIVE BACK. More details will follow in the coming weeks.



**FUNDRAISER:** We will be holding a Craft and Bake Sale **NEXT** Sunday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> before and after each church service. Please stop by and help support our 7th and 8th graders and their Washington, DC trip!

**BOARD OF ADMINISTRATION (Tom Eversman, Mike Gaffer):**

**CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES:** Kindly remember to write your offering amount on the front of your envelope ~ this helps the Money Counters and the data entry of your contribution into your giving records.



Please note~ If your preference is to contribute to a mission, St. John's currently designated Mission Project options are: **Issues, Etc, Japan/Iastrom, Lutherans for Life, Nigeria/Wokoma, or Synod.** (If any other mission is indicated on your envelope, your offering will be divided between all of these current mission options with the exception of Issues, Etc.)

If you have not indicated on the envelope where you want your money to be directed, the application of those undesignated funds will default to the General Fund to pay the ongoing expenses of the Church and School.

Also, **if you have any leftover envelopes from a previous calendar year,** ~please discard them and do not use them~ as your envelope number for the current year is a different number and your offering will not be correctly allocated to your giving records; it will get posted to whoever owns that number in the current year.

**FROM OTHER CONGREGATIONS:**



**MAYER LUTHERAN:** Annual Dinner and Auction, "Celebrate His Harvest", **THIS** Friday November 30, 5:30-10pm. Registration, Social Hour, Silent Auction, Dinner, Dessert Dash, and Live Auction. Semi-formal attire admired but not required. Purchase tickets online at [www.CelebrateHisHarvest.org](http://www.CelebrateHisHarvest.org).

**INVITATION:** To the installation of Rev. Wm (Bill) Hillyer as Pastor of Eternal Hope Lutheran Church, 10508 Douglas Dr, Brooklyn Park, on Sunday, Dec 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2:00 pm. Reception to follow.



**FROM THE CONGREGATION AT LARGE:**



**THANK YOU:** on behalf of Dorothy Cooper and her family to the pastors and all who were able to come share her 100th birthday celebration last Sunday. Your presence and wishes made it a special occasion.

**THANK YOU:** to Jayme Kruse, her team of youth, and parents for raking my yard. Your service to others is very much appreciated!  
~Caroline Schaefer



**THANK YOU:** Thank you to both Pastors Moss and Johnson for their many trips to visit Zach and our family before surgery, during his hospital stay and also after returning home. We appreciated your prayer and devotions at our time of need, as it gave us great comfort and renewed our faith in God's many promises. Also, thank you to St. John's School (staff & students) for the many prayers in classrooms, meetings and chapel services - we are so blessed and thankful to call St. John's our home! May God bless you always.  
~The Kappel Family

**BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP, EVANGELISM, WORSHIP, and ALTAR CARE (Mark Ellinger, Phil Schutte):**



**LUTHERAN WITNESS:** Since we no longer mail the Lutheran Witness magazine to individuals at their home address; if you wish to have one set aside for your household, please fill out a form and place it in the appropriate box on the narthex table...to ensure that a monthly copy of the Lutheran Witness will be placed in your church mailbox.



**CROSS...FOOD NEEDS:** Each month CROSS collects food items to be donated to the needy. Items desired from STJL during the month of **NOVEMBER** are: Hamburger Helper & Cake Mix/Frosting. Thank you for helping when you can; your contributions placed in the narthex area are greatly appreciated.



**GROCERIES FOR CROSS:** Help feed families this holiday season! Grocery Bags and grocery lists are available for you to take along the next time you go shopping. Please consider filling and donating bags for those in need. Share your abundance. Return the groceries to the blue container in the narthex.



months.

**CROSS FILL-THE-TRUCK EVENTS:** You are invited to stop by to donate food after church service Sunday Dec 9<sup>th</sup> at Cub Foods in Rogers and Champlin (the CROSS trucks will be in the parking lots collecting donations). See lists in the narthex identifying the "most needed items" that will help carry families through the next few



**DECEMBER MUSICAL EVENTS:** The Minnesota Bach Society will present Bach's Christmas Oratorio at 3:00 on Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>. Tickets available through their website or at the door (see poster by the sanctuary doors). On Dec. 16<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 the North Star Boys' Choir will present their annual Christmas concert. Freewill offering.

**FROM THE SECRETARIES:**

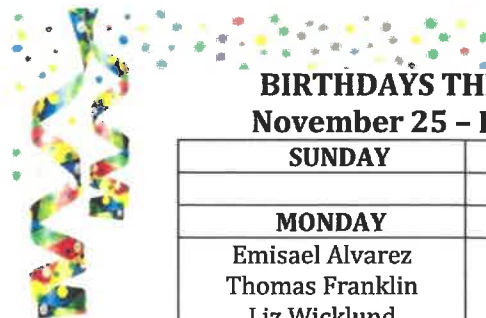
**EACH QUARTER:** FIVE COPIES OF LARGE PRINT PORTALS OF PRAYER will be available to share with those who need this magazine in larger print.

**"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.

**SCHEDULING CHURCH AND SCHOOL EVENTS AT ST. JOHN'S:**

Please remember to check with the church/school secretary about scheduling any event; all church and school events need to be coordinated through this main calendar. Thank you!  
763-420-2426 Julie A.: secretary@stjlutheran.org

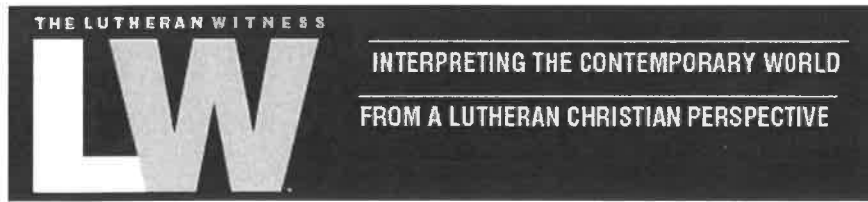
**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS:** Items received by midnight Wednesday will be included in the Sunday bulletin. Kindly please submit your request timely to ensure your announcement gets published as needed. Ruth D.: secretary2@stjlutheran.org



**BIRTHDAYS THE WEEK OF  
November 25 – December 1**

| SUNDAY                                             |                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|                                                    |                                                                            |
| MONDAY                                             | THURSDAY                                                                   |
| Emisael Alvarez<br>Thomas Franklin<br>Liz Wicklund | Michelle Brynjulfson<br>Audrey Kappel<br>Matthew Koosman<br>Hannah Walters |
| TUESDAY                                            | FRIDAY                                                                     |
| Jon Bode                                           | David Giefer<br>Patricia Matter<br>Aaron Schutte<br>Shanna Unke            |
| WEDNESDAY                                          | SATURDAY                                                                   |
| Shawn McDowell<br>Jody Preus                       | Katy Briel<br>Toya Fish<br>Kaity Minnihan<br>Judy Stromback                |

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



Our monthly subscription for St. John's has **changed . . .**  
Please note the magazine will no longer be mailed to  
individuals at their home address.

If your household would like to receive a copy, please  
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