

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

SUNDAY December 14th

7:45 Worship H/C
9:00 Education Hour
10:15 Worship H/C
1:00 School Advent Program

MONDAY December 15th

6:00 Prayer Time
6:30 Council Meeting

TUESDAY December 16th

10:00 Bible Study

WEDNESDAY December 17th

9:00 Bible Study
6:30 Youth Group/JAM/Confirmation

THURSDAY December 18th

7:00 Advent Worship H/C

FRIDAY December 19th

10:40 Family Chapel
11:15 School Family Feast

SATURDAY December 20th

Gym/Kitchen reserved all day

SUNDAY December 21st

7:45 Worship H/C
9:00 Education Hour
10:15 Worship H/C

REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS IN PRAYER
Marlys Zemke-Wellington Place Assisted Living



**THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK
IN THE LORD'S HOUSE**

ELDERS FOR DECEMBER

Lyle Juedes, John Christensen, Rick Borchardt

ALTAR GUILD FOR DECEMBER

Bryan & Peggy Piepenburg

USHERS THIS WEEKEND

Lisa Brost~ 7:45
Stuart Vaughn

Steven Jome~ 10:15
Rick Borchardt

ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND

Ivy Clark~7:45
Emmett Fenske~10:15
December 18th~ Joe Walters

CLEANING TEAM

December 14th-27th—Kris Prah

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

Happy Birthday this week to:

Carla Borchardt (12/14)
Dan Maas (12/16)
Baumann(12/16)
Keith Marten (12/18)
Riley Guss(12/19)



Happy Anniversary this week to:

There are no Anniversaries this week



God's Blessings on your special day!

**The Week December 14th-December 21st
2025**

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Church Office Hours

Monday –Thursday 9:00 AM– 2:00 PM

School Office Hours

Monday-Friday 7:00 AM-3:00 PM

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Our Mission Statement

“St. John Lutheran Church and School is dedicated to worship, love, teach, reach out and care through the love of Christ Jesus.”

ATTENDANCE REPORT	2024	2025
Thursday, December 4th	23	42
Sunday, December 7 th	123	133

OFFERING LAST WEEK
 Envelope & Plate
 Week of December 7th, 2025 \$5904.50
 Tuition-\$1651.00 Extended Care-\$90.00
 Debt Reduction (To pay Line of Credit Only)-\$80.00
 Line of Credit this week-\$0.00
 Expenses paid this week-\$
 Payroll paid this week-\$

Electronic Giving for week of December 7th
 General Fund-\$2918.00

St. John Holiday Worship Schedule
 Sunday 12/14 – School Advent Program 1PM
 Thursday 12/18 – 7 PM Advent Worship
 Wednesday 12/24 – 3 PM Christmas Eve Worship
 Wednesday 12/24 – 6:30 PM Children’s Program
 Wednesday 12/24 – 10 PM Candlelight Worship
 Thursday 12/25 – 9 AM Christmas Day Worship
 Wednesday 12/31 – 7 PM New Year’s Eve Worship
 Thursday 1/1 – No Worship Service
 *All Worship Services include Holy Communion

Memorials received this week: In memory of Marvin Matthiae from DuWayne & Sharon Hackbarth and St. John Senior Club. In memory of Audrey Narlock from Beverly Zahrt.

Sunday school will not meet on December 21 or December 28 during Christmas break.

If anyone would like Portals of Prayer or My Devotion (young kids' devotion booklet), the sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Sign up for next year is needed by December 27th.The first copy you would receive is in April 2026.These devotions are free of charge because of the generosity of Adult Fellowship.

Jesus tells us to care for the poor and the widows. Our Care Ministry is doing its best to help people of our congregation and the community. We have a shopping cart in the Narthex to gather non-perishable food and paper products. Care Ministry delivers these to local shelters on a timely basis. When you are shopping, if you could pick up an item or 2 and place it in the cart, it would be much appreciated by all. For requests for help contact Pastor Stransky or Neal Schalow

WSAW Share Your Holidays now through December 29th. Every dollar you give becomes two, 100% of the proceed go to: The Salvation Army, The Neighbors Place and Peyton’s Promise. Monetary donations made to Share Your Holidays will be doubled up to \$85,000, thanks to our generous sponsors: The Dudley Foundation, The Miller-Halvorsen Family, The B.A. & Esther Greenheck Foundation, The MacDonald Foundation and IncredibleBank. Food donations can be dropped off at WSAW studios, located at 1114 Grand Ave. Checks can mail to us made out to ‘Share Your Holidays’, or go to WSAW website

The American Red Cross is urging donors to step up this December and donate blood or platelets. This call to action is crucial to maintaining a steady blood supply during the busy holiday season. Blood types O positive, O negative, and B negative are

particularly needed. December is National Month of Giving, and donating can bring hope and healing to those in need. To make a donation, you can use the Red Cross Blood Donor App, visit RedCrossBlood.org, or call 1-800-RED CROSS. Donors from Dec. 8-18 will receive a \$15 Amazon Gift Card by email, while those donating from Dec. 19 to Jan. 4 will get a Red Cross long-sleeved T-shirt, while supplies last. For more information on these offers, visit RedCrossBlood.org/Gifts. If you're unable to donate blood, consider making a financial contribution to support the Red Cross's lifesaving mission. January 5th 11:00 AM-4:00 PM there will be a Blood Drive at Dales Weston Lanes, 5902 Schofield Ave, Weston and another Blood Drive on January 6th, 9:00 AM-2:00 PM at the Wausau Elks Lodge, 414 Scott St #414, Wausau.



Dear friends in Christ, As we wait with Advent expectation for the light of the world to come, I want to thank you for your fervent prayers and faithful support for the work of The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod (LCMS) over the past year, which have helped us shine the light of Christ both here in the United States and around the world. That support has helped bring Christ’s light to those who suffer after natural disasters; to places around the world that desperately need to hear the Reformation message of salvation by grace through faith; and to many corners of our own country where new churches are being planted, young people are being brought up in the true faith and Lutherans are standing up for the sanctity of life. Your prayerful support will mean that the LCMS can continue to share the mercy and love of Christ with a world that is ever darkening. And that means the light of God’s Word will continue to pierce the darkness, bringing the Gospel to those who have not yet heard it, until Christ returns. With Advent hope, Rev. Dr. Matthew C. Harrison President

Sweating with Santa: Saturday, December 20th 8:00am - 11:55am, 6400 Alderson Street. Join us for the 1st Indoor 5K on Turf! Come get your sweat on with Santa in this one-of-a-kind, family-friendly event. Proceeds go towards Greenheck Turner youth sports scholarships, the D.C. Everest Education Foundation, and D.C. Everest athletic scholarships. Registration Cost: \$30.00. **Included with your registration:** Sweating with Santa Dri-Fit Shirt, Picture With Santa, Hot Chocolate/Coffee sponsored by the Pinery Coffee Co., Cookie to decorate courtesy of Trina's Home Treats, Post Race bananas/water etc. courtesy of Festival Foods, Race bag and bib with special offers from our sponsors, Entry to win Door Prizes from our sponsors. Race Schedule: 8:00am - Santa Sprint, 8:20am - Frosty's 2.5K, 9:00am - Griswold Family 2.5K Run/Walk, 10:15am - Sweating With Santa 5K (Family), 11:15am - Sweating With Santa 5K (Individual/Competitive)

The Women's Bible study on Esther will restart on Sunday January 11 at 6:00 p.m. in the Missions and Ministry Room. The Tuesday group will meet Jan 13th at 10:00 a.m. in the Missions and Ministry Room. We will continue to meet the 2nd and 4th Sunday and Tuesday of the months January, February and March.