

THIS WEEK THE LORD WILLING

SUNDAY January 4th

7:45 Worship H/C

9:00 Education Hour

10:15 Worship H/C

MONDAY January 5th

TUESDAY January 6th

6:45 Care Ministry Meeting

WEDNESDAY January 7th

7:00-1:00 NTC Safety Training

9:00 Bible Study

10:40 Chapel

6:00 B.O.C.E

6:30 JAM/Confirmation/Youth Group

THURSDAY January 8th

7:00 Worship

FRIDAY January 9th

SATURDAY January 10th

SUNDAY January 11th

7:45 Worship H/C

9:00 Education Hour

10:15 Worship H/C

3:00-7:00 Gym/Kitchen reserved

6:00 Bible Study



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

THOSE SERVING THIS WEEK IN THE LORD'S HOUSE

ELDERS FOR JANUARY

Eric Breitenfeldt, Bryan Piepenburg, Lyle Kunze

ALTAR GUILD FOR JANUARY

Janet Felch

USHERS THIS WEEKEND

Cliff & Kris Prahl~ 7:45

Jon & Steve Roble

Wayne & Brett Breitenfeldt~ 10:15

Eric Breitenfeldt

ACOLYTES THIS WEEKEND

Addison Marten~7:45

Oliver Robinson~10:15

CLEANING TEAM

December 28th-January 10th Lyle & Lana Kunze

A cry room is located by the choir loft steps.

Happy Birthday this week to:

Sarah Clausen (1/5)
Brittanie Schulz (1/6)
Taylor Peterson (1/7)
Shawn Kosterman (1/7)
Beyla Fritz (1/7)
Keagen Benz (1/7)
Matthew Habeck (1/8)
Keagan Anderson (1/8)
Parker Rogalla (1/28)

Tyler Knoblock (1/10)
Kathy Schlund (1/11)
Croix Bender (1/11)



Happy Anniversary this week to:

There are no Anniversaries this week



God's Blessings on your special day!

The Week January 4th-January 11th 2026

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Monday –Thursday 9:00 AM– 2:00 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."

Please have announcements to the office by 8:30 A.M on Wednesday

ATTENDANCE REPORT	2024	2025
Christmas Eve 3:00	190	172
Christmas Eve 6:30	175	164
Christmas Eve 10:00	65	56
Christmas Day	52	73
Sunday, December 28 th	116	113

OFFERING LAST WEEK

Envelope & Plate

Week of December 21st-28th, 2025 \$10,920.00
Tuition-\$1667.00 Extended Care-\$115.00
Debt Reduction (To pay Line of Credit Only)-\$80.00
Line of Credit this week-\$.00
Expenses paid this week-\$
Payroll paid this week-\$

Electronic Giving for week of December 21st-28th

General Fund-\$2561.00

Memorials & Honors received: In memory of Jim Erdman from Jon & Karen Roble and Steve & Carol Kunze. In memory of Marvin Matthiae from Scott Sleeter, Allan & Peggy Schultz, Edward Mueller, Jason & Melanie Neuendank and Kay Block. In memory of Gene Sorson from Shirley Zahrt. In honor of Adeline Wenzel from Beth Doucette.

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.

Camp Luther Men's Retreat: February 5th - February 8th 2026. Step Away, Reconnect, Be Refreshed. Men, it's time to step away from the everyday. Whether you're looking to unwind, recharge, or seek adventure, this retreat offers a weekend to reconnect—with God, with brothers in Christ, and with yourself. This isn't just a break from routine—it's an opportunity to: Be strengthened in your faith, enjoy authentic fellowship, experience the beauty of God's creation. Activities include Bible Study, Napping, Cross Country Skiing, Broomball, Concealed Carry Training, Tubing Fire, Worship and so much more. Pricing and Housing: \$210.00 per person. This includes 7 meals, Retreat Center Housing, and full programming for the retreat! If you would like to stay in a cottage, those are available as well. Leave feeling challenged, inspired, and refreshed. Go to campluther.com/adults for all the details and registration.



takes about 8 hours of your time over the year. We are always looking for new team members to relieve some who wish to take a break or to form new teams which will reduce the volunteer hours for everyone. I'll be sending out a new schedule soon for 2026 so please let me know if you would like to serve in this way. I'll be happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you! Carol Kunze, 715-432-7918

Be a voice for life: Pro-Life Signature Ad Notice. Add your name to the pro-life signature ad appearing in the City Pages January 29th. There is a signup sheet in the back of Church, mail by January 16th to WRTL, P.O. Box 58, Wausau, WI 54402 or sign up online at give.classy.org/2026signatures

Red Letter Giving Challenge beginning January

11th: In a culture obsessed with more, more comfort, more security, more stuff, Jesus calls His followers to live counter culturally through radical generosity. Giving Challenge is a six-week journey inviting our Church to trade in the world's ways of using money for the ways of Jesus, discovering deeper joy and purpose in the everyday act of giving. Together we will explore the words and life of Jesus, learn timeless biblical truths, hear inspiring stories, and find that generosity brings more joy than we ever thought possible. Sign up for your small group today in the Narthex!

Good News Project of Wausau E-Cycling, 1106

North 5th St. Items can be dropped off Fridays 9:00 A.M.-4:00 P.M. This program remains an important part of our annual funding – by bringing your electronics to us, you're directly supporting those in need in our community! Please understand that if you show up with electronics outside of normally scheduled



hours, we will not be able to accept them. Did You Know? The law bans the landfilling and incineration of many electronics and they *must* be recycled? That's why the Good News Project's e-CYCLING program is here: To help our planet, to keep our environment clean, and to help you get rid of your electronic junk! What We Recycle at Good News Project Flat-Rate Items: Smoke Detectors that contain radioactive material (ionization is indicated on unit)– \$15 Each. Items we accept at a \$.49 per pound charge: Just about anything with a circuit board and/or electric cord that is smaller than a large appliance! Computer towers, laptops, printers, keyboards, fax machines, external hard drives, flash drives, everything that plugs into computers – mice, speakers, etc., and computer parts. Cords, Christmas lights, A/C adapters, surge protectors. Microwave and toaster ovens. Stereo equipment and speakers. GPS units, car stereos, e-readers. Video game systems, DVD players, VCRs, cable boxes. Landline telephones and answering machines. Outdated cell phones and chargers. Vacuum cleaners, fans, humidifiers, dehumidifiers, coffee makers. Fluorescent light ballasts (no bulbs). Blow dryers, toasters, and other small household appliances. All sizes and types of televisions and computer monitors. Air Conditioners, dorm size refrigerators. Our Mission: "Fulfilling needs at home and abroad through meaningful service opportunities." Our Vision: "Be the Good, for the environment and each other."

CALLING ALL CLEANERS: As many of you know, we have had teams for about the last 20 years working to keep the newest part of our church building clean and welcoming to all who enter. A huge THANK YOU to everyone who is or has served in this way. I don't know the exact amount, but over the years we have saved the church a tremendous amount of money by volunteering a little of our time. We currently have 8 teams who are scheduled to clean once a week for 2 consecutive weeks – 4 times a year, so basically it