

OUR ATTENDANCE LAST WEEK

Weekend Worship.....	298
Adult Bible Class	16
Sunday School Students.....	38
Teachers.....	8
Advent Service.....	56

FROM THE BOARD OF STEWARDSHIP:

Thank you for supporting God's work through St. John's. Our offering received last weekend:

General Fund: \$ 8188.13

Building Fund: \$ 72.60

THE EAGLE

St. John's Newsletter

December 16, 2018

Church Office Hours

Monday–Friday 8:00–11:30/12:30–4:00

✝ **Email: saintjohnslcms@gmail.com**

✝ **Website: stjohnslcms.net**

✝ **PASTOR GALL'S EMAIL ADDRESS:**

revtedgall@gmail.com



Wednesday, December 19

Advent Service at 6:30 p.m.

**Christmas Eve Worship
with Holy Communion
4:00 and 6:30 p.m.**

**Christmas Day Worship
With Holy Communion
9:00 a.m.**

**New Year's Eve
6:00 p.m.**

With Holy Communion

**New Year's Day
9:00 a.m.**

With Holy Communion

*Birthday: Friday, December 21.
Rev. Gary Fortkamp
401 S Cherry St.
Effingham, IL 62401*

COOKIE WALK TODAY

Be sure to browse our variety of baked goodies for your Christmas treats!

We are set up in the hallway on the main level. Brought to you by **ST. JOHN'S YOUTH!** Support our fundraising efforts to attend church events...especially the students attending the National Youth Gathering next year!



**"What Child is This?"
Children's Christmas Program
TODAY 10:30 a.m.**

LIFELIGHT

**New study will begin in January
1st 2nd 3rd John**

**Sign up on the main hall bulletin board.
Sunday and midweek classes available.**

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

SUNDAY, 9:15 A.M.

Bible study by Pastor Fortkamp
Trinity A/B

Sunday School classes meet in church
for Christmas Program Practice

WEDNESDAY, 3:30 P.M.

Confirmation with Pastor Fortkamp

*"The Root of Jesse will spring up,
one who will arise to rule over the
nations; the Gentiles will hope in
him."*

*May the God of hope fill you with
all joy and peace as you trust in
him, so that you may overflow with
hope by the power of the Holy
Spirit*

(Rom. 15:12-13).

DECEMBER 30 PRESENTATION

*Join us in the Trinity Rooms during
Sunday school hour, (9:15 – 10:15)
on **Sunday, December 30.** We will
hear an interesting presentation from
Hayden Rensner, daughter of Pastor
and Mrs. Jason Rensner. Hayden will
share information about her medical
mission work in Sierra Leone, Africa.*

*Come and hear how God's Word is
being spread through this work in
Africa.*

*(There will be a door offering that
Sunday to support Hayden's
missionary work.)*

***Boards of Evangelism
and Christian Education***

Our Adopted Seminary Student

Mr. Michael L. Stein

Lutheran Senior Services CPE

723 S. Laclede Station Rd

Webster Groves, MO 63119-4911



CHRISTMAS...

WHEN WE RECEIVED
GOD'S BEST GIFT OF ALL,
OUR SAVIOR!!!

This month I'm asking you to think of others from our church family who are shut-ins or in assisted living homes that would like the gift of our visits. Let the church office know their names & contact information so we can begin meeting them in January of 2019.

God has already blessed our visiting ministry team with EIGHT volunteers to have monthly fellowship with St. John's valued members!!! But don't let that number stop YOU from adding your name on the sign up sheet. With more volunteers, it's even easier to spread Christ's love with our special seniors!!



**NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING
JULY 2019
MINNEAPOLIS, MINNESOTA**

**Two of our high school students,
Coralin Ohnesorge
and Wes Radloff
as well as their chaperones are
registered for the 2019 Gathering.**

**Take STOCK in our Youth! Purchase
a certificate for \$20. You'll be invited
to hear a report on their trip over a
pasta dinner!**

**Eagle's Nest Preschool
Jesus' Birthday Party (All classes)
December 17 and 18
10:45 a.m. both days**

**Christmas Break
December 19 to January 3**

**OUR FOOD PANTRY HAS RESCHEDULED
THEIR LAST DECEMBER DISTRIBUTION!**

**Due to the fourth Tuesday falling on
Christmas, they will be open THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 27 from 3-4 p.m.**

**GOLDEN EAGLES
THURSDAY,
DECEMBER 27
NOON**

THANK YOU, THANK YOU!

**To those who donated buttons to
the Eagle's Nest for our students'
craft projects!**

IN SEARCH OF:

**LUTHERAN CARE REPRESENTATIVE FROM
ST. JOHN'S, EFFINGHAM**

The Board is seeking someone to fill a vacancy from our church. This position which would require attending quarterly meetings and reporting Care Center activities to the congregation.

Contact Fred Bray or Lutheran Care if you are interested or have further questions.

**SCRIP SALES ARE BOOMING FOR
THE HOLIDAYS!**

Please be courteous to all shoppers who use SCRIP for gift giving! If you need a large amount of cards, please place an order with us, so we don't run out before the weekend. Order forms are available at the sales table in the Atrium.

**ORDER TODAY for Christmas delivery!
GLScrip warehouse will be closing early
for the Holiday!!**

Thank you for using SCRIP!

**LUTHERAN HOUR
PROGRAMS:**

WCRA Effingham,
1090 AM
Sundays at 9:30 a.m.

WPMB Effingham, 104.7 FM
Sunday at 12:03 p.m.

WGEL Greenville, 101.7 FM
Sunday at 9:15 a.m.

KFUO St. Louis, 850 AM Sunday at
12:30/5:00 p.m.



CALENDAR OF EVENTS**December 16-23, 2018**

SUNDAY	16	8:00 A.M.	WORSHIP SERVICES
COOKIE WALK IN THE MAIN HALLWAY			
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
		10:30 A.M.	CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
MONDAY	17	5:30 P.M.	CROSSTONES
		6:00 P.M.	YOUTH MINISTRY BOARD
		6:00 P.M.	TRUSTEES
		6:30 P.M.	EARLY CHILDHOOD BOARD
PRESCHOOL CLASSES MONDAY AND TUESDAY CHRISTMAS BREAK STARTS DECEMBER 19!			
WEDNESDAY	19	3:30 P.M.	CONFIRMATION CLASS
		6:30 P.M.	ADVENT WORSHIP
		7:30 P.M.	CHOIR AND BELLS
SUNDAY	23	8:00 & 10:30 A.M.	WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION
		9:15 A.M.	CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

- 12/16 Cathy Mellendorf, Arnetia Osborn
 12/17 Jon Marxmann, Shirley Morse, Darell Reynolds, Brenda Wendling
 12/18 Debra McClure, Jake Wendling
 12/19 Shawn Bourland, Nic Koester
 12/20 Ryan Mayberry
 12/21 Joyce Marxman, John Mellendorf, Leo Wyckoff
 12/22 Wilma Krueger, Carol Lading

ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK

- 12/16/78 Rich & Sandra Devall
 12/16/66 Jerry & Mattie Niccum
 12/16/72 Neil & Phyllis Rohlfing
 12/18/60 Eldon & Judy Joergens
 12/21/13 Aaron & Blair Smith
 12/21/96 Philip & Shannon Stuemke

Belated birthday wishes go to:
Kim Niebrugge and Kellie Siebert!
 Their birthdays were December 13 and were overlooked when typing last week's list. Sincere apologies!

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