

**Welcome!**

**St. John's  
Lutheran  
Church**

(LCMS)

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Sun. 9:15 am

**Services**

Sat. 5:30 pm  
Sun. 8:00 am  
Sun. 10:30 am

“A Fellowship of  
Hope, Teaching,  
Serving, and  
Proclaiming”

**Pastor**

Mike Burdick

**Dec.4, 2022**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
of Advent

# Welcome

We welcome you to God's Service in worship at St. John's, and extend a special welcome to all guests and visitors with us.

- Little Children's Worship bags are available in the Atrium.
- Restrooms are located on the 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> floors. Those on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> floors include diaper-changing stations.
- The Service video is broadcast in the Atrium and in the Library area on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor.
- Visitors are not expected to bring an offering. Our members do so in free response to the Gospel and to finance the extension of God's Kingdom.
- **All worshipers are requested to complete an attendance card. They will be collected by ushers after the sermon. Thank you!**
- Share prayer requests using the yellow cards in the pews.

## Those Who Serve Us

Each Member of St. John's .....	The Body of Christ
Rev. Mike Burdick.....	Pastor
Rev. Gary Fortkamp .....	Visitation Pastor
Mrs. Carrie Collier.....	Preschool Director
Mrs. Dana Keller .....	Organist
Mrs. Andrea Wendling.....	Song Leader
Mrs. Linda Marxmann.....	Bell Choir Director
St. John's Praise Band .....	10:30am Music
Kade Pennington, Charlie & Audrey Jansen, and Tenley Sams.....	Acolytes
Mr. Jeff Weis .....	5:30pm Elder on Duty
Mr. Todd Zeigler .....	8:00am Elder on Duty
Mr. Dave Worman .....	10:30am Elder on Duty
Mr. Jeff Weis 217-246-3963.....	Elder on Duty for Dec 5 – Dec 9
Chatelain School & Baja School .....	Our Schools for feeding in Haiti
Ms. Janet Martins & Mr. Kris Lipe.....	Stephen Ministry Leaders
Mrs. Julie Scott .....	(1-217-343-3047) Prayer Partner Coordinator
State, National & International Missions .....	through our District and Synod

**You will find the songs for our 10:30am Service in italics.**

***“Born That We May Have Life”***

**Preservice #1**

*No reputation, no stately bearing  
No palace bed for royalty  
But a star in the heavens  
A sign full of wonder  
Announcing the coming of the King of kings*

*Rejoice! O, world Your Savior has come  
Through the love of a virgin's womb  
Son of God, Son of Man  
Born that we may have life  
You were born that we may have life*

*Rejoice! O, world Your Savior has come  
Through the love of a virgin's womb  
Son of God, Son of Man  
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You were born that we may have life*

*Rejoice! O, world Your Savior has come  
Through the love of a virgin's womb  
Son of God, Son of Man  
Born that we may have life*

*A throne in a manger, the cross in a cradle  
The hidden revealing this glorious plan  
A child who would suffer  
A child who would conquer  
The sin of every woman, the sin of every man*

*Rejoice! O, world Your Savior has come  
Through the love of a virgin's womb  
Son of God, Son of Man  
Born that we may have life  
You were born that we may have life  
You were born that we may have life*

"Born That We May Have Life" written by Chris Tomlin, Ed Cash, Matt Maher 2009 worshiptogether.com songs Scripture Reference: John 3:16 CCLI Song: 5601839 CCLI License: 51072

***“Christmas Amazing Grace”***

**Preservice #2**

*This Holy Child is born to us  
For all the world to see  
Peace on the earth, good will to men  
To God all glory be.*

*The shepherds left to see this boy  
They wandered through the night.  
The Angels led the way to Him  
A Savior wrapped in light*

*This couple traveled from afar  
Arrived in Bethlehem.  
And in the inn they sought to stay  
There was no room for them*

*A star shone bright up in the east  
The wise men following.  
They brought Him gifts of gold and myrrh  
To honor Christ the King*

*They found a stable filled with hay  
A manger for a bed.  
God's Son was born this winter night  
Just as the Angels said*

*Jesus grew into a man  
He died for you and me  
But in three days He rose again  
With us He'll ever be  
With us He'll ever be*

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**ORDER: SERVICE THREE, WITHOUT COMMUNION**

**Call to Worship**

**Prelude (5:30 & 8:00)**

**Welcome**

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**Christ Is Our Cornerstone**

***“Holy Is The Lord”***

***(10:30) Opening Song***

*We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great, how awesome is He*

*And together we sing,  
Everyone sing*

*Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory*

*We stand and lift up our hands  
For the joy of the Lord is our strength  
We bow down and worship Him now  
How great, how awesome is He*

*And together we sing,  
Everyone sing*

*Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory*

*It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown  
It's rising up all around  
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown*

*And together we sing,  
everyone sing*

*Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
Holy is the Lord God Almighty  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory  
The earth is filled with His glory*

## Confession and Absolution

P In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

## Service of the Word

### Introit

*Psalm 105:4–8; antiphon: Isaiah 40:3b*

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Seek the LORD and his strength;  
seek his presence continually!

Remember the wondrous works that he has done,  
his miracles, and the judgments he uttered,

O offspring of Abraham, his servant,  
children of Jacob, his chosen ones!

He is the LORD our God;  
his judgments are in all the earth.

He remembers his covenant forever,  
the word that he commanded, for a thousand generations.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit;  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD;  
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Kyrie (5:30 & 8:00)

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Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C **And with thy spirit.**

P Let us pray. Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to make ready the way of Your only-begotten Son, that by His coming we may be enabled to serve You with pure minds; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 11:1–10*

<sup>1</sup>There shall come forth a shoot from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch from his roots shall bear fruit.

<sup>2</sup>And the Spirit of the LORD shall rest upon him,  
the Spirit of wisdom and understanding,  
the Spirit of counsel and might,  
the Spirit of knowledge and the fear of the LORD.

<sup>3</sup>And his delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide disputes by what his ears hear,

<sup>4</sup>but with righteousness he shall judge the poor,  
and decide with equity for the meek of the earth;  
and he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,

and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.  
<sup>5</sup>Righteousness shall be the belt of his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt of his loins.  
<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall dwell with the lamb,  
and the leopard shall lie down with the young goat,  
and the calf and the lion and the fattened calf together;  
and a little child shall lead them.  
<sup>7</sup>The cow and the bear shall graze;  
their young shall lie down together;  
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.  
<sup>8</sup>The nursing child shall play over the hole of the cobra,  
and the weaned child shall put his hand on the adder's den.  
<sup>9</sup>They shall not hurt or destroy  
in all my holy mountain;  
for the earth shall be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>In that day the root of Jesse, who shall stand as a signal for the peoples—of him shall the nations inquire, and his resting place shall be glorious.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

## Bell Choir

## “As Lately We Watched”

## Epistle

*Romans 15:4–13*

<sup>4</sup>Whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction, that through endurance and through the encouragement of the Scriptures we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>7</sup>Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

<sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ became a servant to the circumcised to show God's truthfulness, in order to confirm the promises given to the patriarchs, <sup>9</sup>and in order that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written,

“Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles,  
and sing to your name.”

<sup>10</sup>And again it is said,

“Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people.”

<sup>11</sup>And again,

“Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples extol him.”

<sup>12</sup>And again Isaiah says,

“The root of Jesse will come,  
even he who arises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him will the Gentiles hope.”

<sup>13</sup>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

## Children’s Sermon

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 3:1–12*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the third chapter.

**C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**

<sup>1</sup>In those days John the Baptist came preaching in the wilderness of Judea, <sup>2</sup>“Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” <sup>3</sup>For this is he who was spoken of by the prophet Isaiah when he said,

“The voice of one crying in the wilderness:  
‘Prepare the way of the Lord;  
make his paths straight.’”

<sup>4</sup>Now John wore a garment of camel’s hair and a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then Jerusalem and all Judea and all the region about the Jordan were going out to him, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins.

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, “You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the wrath to come? <sup>8</sup>Bear fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup>And do not presume to say to yourselves, ‘We have Abraham as our father,’ for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup>Even now the axe is laid to the root of the trees. Every tree therefore that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup>“I baptize you with water for repentance, but he who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into the barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**



## Apostles' Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

**And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

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Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord

***"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus"***

*(10:30) Sermon Song*

*Come, thou long expected Jesus  
born to set thy people free  
from our fears and sins release us  
let us find our rest in thee  
Israel's strength and consolation  
hope of all the earth thou art  
dear desire of every nation  
joy of every longing heart*

*Born thy people to deliver  
born a child and yet a King  
born to reign in us forever  
now thy gracious kingdom bring  
By thine own eternal spirit  
rule in all our hearts alone  
by thine all sufficient merit  
raise us to thy glorious throne*

*You draw the hearts of shepherds  
You draw the hearts of kings  
Even as a baby*

*You were changing everything  
You called me to Your Kingdom  
Before Your lips could speak  
And even as a baby  
You were reaching out for me*

*And now we are awaiting  
The day of Your return  
When every eye will see You  
As heaven comes to earth  
Until the sky is opened  
Until the trumpet sounds  
The bride is getting ready  
The church is singing out*

*Come, thou long expected Jesus  
born to set thy people free  
from our fears and sins release us  
let us find our rest in thee  
Come Thou long expected King*

"Come Thou Long Expected Jesus" written by Charles Wesley, Jacob Sooter, Meredith Andrews, Rowland Hugh Prichard 2017 Jacob Sooter MusicScripture Reference: Luke 2:38, Hebrews 2:14-15, Galations 4:4-5CCLI Song: 7096082CCLI License: 51072

**Text: Psalm 107:23–32**

<sup>23</sup>Some went down to the sea in ships, doing business on the great waters;

<sup>24</sup>**they saw the deeds of the LORD, his wondrous works in the deep.**

<sup>25</sup>For he commanded and raised the stormy wind, which lifted up the waves of the sea.

<sup>26</sup>**They mounted up to heaven; they went down to the depths; their courage melted away in their evil plight;**

<sup>27</sup>they reeled and staggered like drunken men and were at their wits’ end.

<sup>28</sup>**Then they cried to the LORD in their trouble, and he delivered them from their distress.**

<sup>29</sup>He made the storm be still, and the waves of the sea were hushed.

<sup>30</sup>**Then they were glad that the waters were quiet, and he brought them to their desired haven.**

<sup>31</sup>Let them thank the LORD for his steadfast love, for his wondrous works to the children of men!

<sup>32</sup>**Let them extol him in the congregation of the people, and praise him in the assembly of the elders.**

**Offertory**

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**■** Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
 new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
 way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
 from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
 tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

**Offering**

**Prayer of the Church**

## Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

## Benediction

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What Hope! An Eden Prophesied

### *"Sing Sing Sing"*

*(10:30) Closing Song*

*Sing, sing, sing  
And make music with the heavens  
We will sing, sing, sing  
Grateful that You hear us  
When we shout Your praise  
Lift high the name of Jesus*

*What's not to love about You  
Heaven and earth adore You  
Kings and kingdoms bow down  
Son of God  
You are the One  
You are the One*

*You are the love that frees us  
You are the light that leads us  
Like a fire burning  
Son of God  
You are the One  
You are the One  
We're living for*

*Sing, sing, sing  
And make music with the heavens  
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We shout Your praise  
Lift high the name*

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## **Special Services**

### **Midweek Advent Services**

Wednesdays, December 7<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup>  
12:15pm and 6:30pm

### **Children's Christmas Program**

December 18  
10:30am

### **Christmas Eve**

with Holy Communion  
4:00pm, 6:30pm, and 9:00pm

### **Christmas Day**

with Holy Communion  
9:00am  
No Sunday School

### **New Year's Eve**

with Holy Communion  
5:30pm

### **New Year's Day**

with Holy Communion  
9:00am  
No Sunday School

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