

# St. John's Lutheran Church

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**December 4, 2022**

**11:00 a.m. WORSHIP SERVICE**



2ND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

St. John's Lutheran Church is part of the North American Lutheran Church. We welcome you and are glad you are participating in the Service of the Word this morning as we celebrate the **Second Sunday of Advent**. Please register your attendance in the blue pad at the end of the pew. HOLY COMMUNION is celebrated the first and third Sundays of each month and on Festival Sundays. All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.

*Prayer upon entering God's House:*

*Gracious God, You give us so much. We thank You for those whom You have blessed with the good news of the gospel for proclamation. May they be faithful. Continue Your call to men and women for the full time ministry of Your church. Through Jesus Christ we pray. Amen.*

**PRELUDE**

“Wachef Auf”

Bach

**\*BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

**P** We worship this day in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**P** Let us confess our sin in the presence of God.

*Silence for self-examination.*

**P** Holy and gracious God,

**C I confess that I have sinned against You this day. Some of my sin I know—the thoughts and words and deeds of which I am ashamed—but some is known only to You. In the name of Jesus Christ, I ask forgiveness.**

**P** The Almighty and Merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen**

**\*OPENING HYMN**

“Prepare the Royal Highway”

LBW 26

**\*GREETING**

**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C And also with you.**

**\*KYRIE**

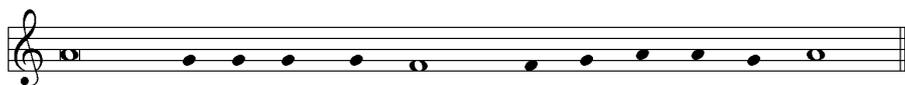
Ⓐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.      Ⓑ Lord, have mer - cy.

Ⓐ For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.

Ⓑ Lord, have mer - cy.



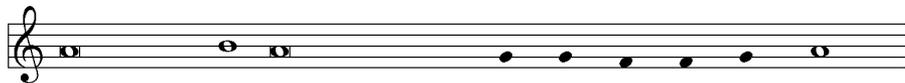
☩ For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the u - ni - ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



☩ For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. ☩ Lord, have mer - cy.



☩ Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord. ☩ A - men

## \*HYMN OF PRAISE



☩ This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



☩ Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia.



Sing with all the peo-ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre-a-tion: Bless-ing and hon-or and glo-ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for-ev-er. A-men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia. Al-le-lu-ia.

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**



☩ The Lord be with you. ☩ And al-so with you.

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty God, You once called John the Baptist to give witness to the coming of Your Son and to prepare His way. Grant us, Your people, the wisdom to see Your purpose today and the openness to hear Your will, that we may witness to Christ's coming and so prepare His way; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen**

**FIRST LESSON:**

**Isaiah 11:1-10**

**A** The First Lesson is from the eleventh chapter of Isaiah.

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,  
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

<sup>2</sup>The spirit of the LORD shall rest on 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>His delight shall be in the fear of the LORD.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see,  
or decide 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;  
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 around his waist,  
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

<sup>6</sup>The wolf shall live with the lamb,  
the leopard shall lie down with the kid,  
the calf and the lion and the fatling 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 asp,  
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

<sup>9</sup>They will not hurt or destroy  
on all my holy mountain;  
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the LORD  
as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup>On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples;  
the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

**A** Here ends the reading.

## **LIGHTING OF THE ADVENT CANDLE**

*LBW 34, v. 1-2*

## **ADVENT READING**



In his time the righ - teous shall flour - ish.

<sup>1</sup>Give the king your jus- | tice, O God,  
and your righteousness to | the king's son;

**<sup>2</sup>that he may rule your | people righteously  
and the | poor with justice;**

<sup>3</sup>that the mountains may bring prosperity | to the people,  
and the | hills, in righteousness.

**<sup>4</sup>Let him defend the needy a- | mong the people,  
rescue the poor, and crush | the oppressor. R**

<sup>5</sup>May he live as long as the sun and | moon endure,  
from one generation | to another.

**<sup>6</sup>Let him come down like rain upon | the mown field,  
like showers that wa- | ter the earth.**

<sup>7</sup>In his time may the | righteous flourish;  
and let there be an abundance of peace till the moon shall | be no more.

**<sup>18</sup>Blessed are you, LORD GOD, the | God of Israel;  
you alone do | wondrous deeds!**

<sup>19</sup>And blessed be your glorious | name forever,  
and may all the earth be filled with your glory. A- | men. R

**SECOND LESSON:**

**Romans 15:4-13**

**A** The Second Lesson is from the fifteenth chapter of Romans.

<sup>4</sup>For whatever was written in former days was written for our instruction,  
so that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures  
we might have hope. <sup>5</sup>May the God of steadfastness and  
encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, in  
accordance with Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup>so that together you may with one voice  
glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed  
you, for the glory of God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a  
servant of the circumcised, on behalf of the truth of God in order that he  
might 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 confess you among the Gentiles,  
and sing praises to your name";

<sup>10</sup>and again he says,

"Rejoice, O Gentiles, with his people";

<sup>11</sup>and again,

"Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles,  
and let all the peoples praise him";

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

"The root of Jesse shall come,  
the one who rises to rule the Gentiles;  
in him the Gentiles shall hope."

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

**A** Here ends the reading.

**\*VERSE**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\*GOSPEL:**

**Matthew 3:1-12**

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

Glo - ry to you, O Lord.

In those days John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness of Judea, proclaiming, <sup>2</sup>"Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near."

<sup>3</sup>This is the one of whom the prophet Isaiah spoke when he said,

"The voice of one crying out in the wilderness:

'Prepare the way of the Lord,  
make his paths straight.'"

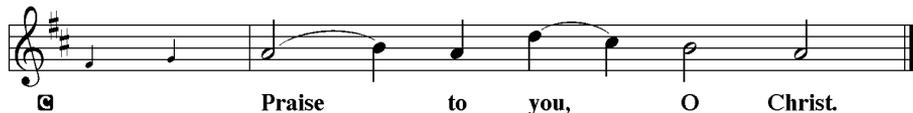
<sup>4</sup>Now John wore clothing of camel's hair with a leather belt around his waist, and his food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup>Then the people of Jerusalem and all Judea were going out to him, and all the region along the Jordan, <sup>6</sup>and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan,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

<sup>7</sup>But when he saw many 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 worthy of repentance. <sup>9</sup>Do not presume to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our ancestor'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.

<sup>10</sup>Even now the ax is lying at 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 one who is more powerful than I is coming after me; I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor and will gather his wheat into the granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

**L** The Gospel of the Lord.



## CHILDREN'S SERMON

**\*HYMN OF THE DAY**      *"On Jordan's Bank the Baptists Cry"*      *LBW 36*

## SERMON

### **\*NICENE CREED**

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven; by the power of the Holy Spirit, he became incarnate from the virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen**

### **\*THE PRAYERS**

As we await the coming of Christ in mercy and majesty, let us pray for the Church, the world, and for all people according to their need.

*A brief silence*

Come quickly Lord! Thank you for promising to deliver us from sin, evil and death – but even so, come quickly! Thank you for being our King,

Savior, Healer and Redeemer – but come quickly to establish your reign, perfectly and forever. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

*(Other intercessions are offered)*

**L** Into your hands, O LORD, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ our LORD.

**C Amen**

**\*PEACE**

**P** The peace of the LORD be with you always.

**C And also with you.**

**ANTHEM**

*“Emmanuel”*

*Allen*

**\*OFFERTORY**



**C** Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bles-sing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

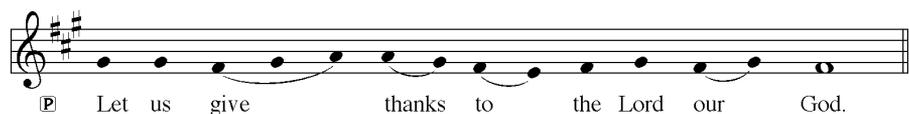
**\*OFFERTORY PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray.

**A** Blessed are You,

**C** O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to Your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that You have made, for the sake of Him who gave Himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



**P** It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to You, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever living God. You comforted Your people with the promise of the Redeemer, through whom You will also make all things new in the day when He comes again to judge the world in righteousness. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise Your name and join their unending hymn:



## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

**P** Blessed are You, LORD of heaven and earth. In mercy for our fallen world, You gave Your only Son, that all those who believe in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to You for the salvation You have prepared for us through Jesus Christ. Send now Your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as He comes to us in His holy supper.

**C** Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

**P** In the night in which He was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to His disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, He took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.

**\*THE 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**



**L**amb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

**COMMUNION HYMNS**

*LBW 198, 22, 25, 28, WOV 740*

**\*COMMUNION**

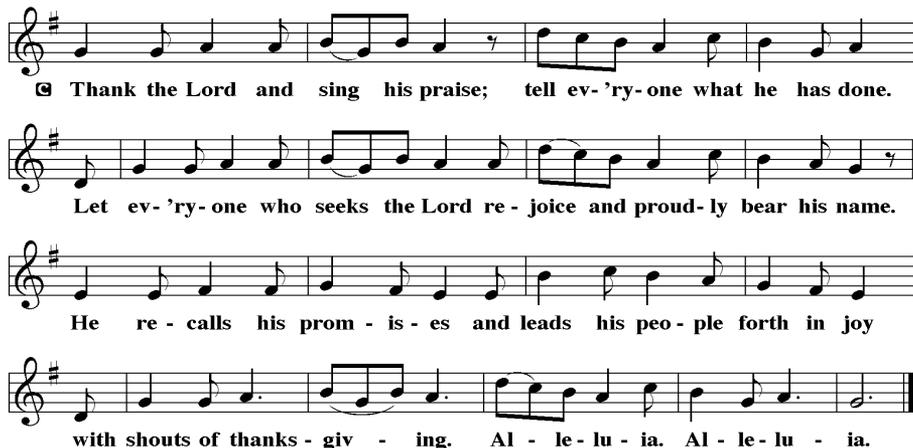
*All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present  
in the Lord's Supper are invited to receive this Sacrament with us.  
(Gluten-Free Communion Wafers are available, please inform the Pastor of your needs)*

The body of Christ, given for you.                      The blood of Christ, shed for you.  
**Amen.**

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C Amen**

## \*CANTICLE



**C** Thank the Lord and sing his praise; tell ev- 'ry- one what he has done.  
Let ev- 'ry- one who seeks the Lord re- joice and proud- ly bear his name.  
He re- calls his prom - is - es and leads his peo - ple forth in joy  
with shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## \*POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

**A** Let us pray.... Almighty God, You gave Your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive Him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to His; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** Amen

## \*BENEDICTION

**P** The LORD bless you and keep you. The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.



**C** A - men

## RECESSIONAL HYMN

*"Comfort, Comfort Now My People"*

*LBW 29*

## \*DISMISSAL

**A** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## POSTLUDE

*"Noel"*

*Guilmant*

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*A Nursery/Cry Room is available on the second floor of the Education Building for those who may need it.*



*Everyone is invited for a time of fellowship following worship in the Gathering space!*

## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

<b>Today</b>	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School/Pageant practice
	11:00 a.m.	Worship: Communion
	12:00 p.m.	Senior Choir
	5:00 p.m.	Senior Bells
	6:00 p.m.	New Bells
	6:15 p.m.	Junior Choir
	7:00 p.m.	<b>Christmas Concert</b>
<b>Monday 12/5</b>	7:00 p.m.	Property meeting
<b>Tuesday 12/6</b>	6:00 p.m.	Women's Bible study ( <i>Chapel</i> )
<b>Wednesday 12/7</b>	9:30 a.m.	Children's Hour
	7:00 p.m.	<b>Christmas in the Barn @ St. Mark's</b>
<b>Thursday 12/8</b>	9:30 a.m.	Children's Hour
	11:15 a.m.	Women's bible study ( <i>Chapel</i> )
	12:00 p.m.	Women's bible study @ <i>Kings</i>
	2:45 p.m.	Catechism
	7:00 p.m.	Catechism
<b>Sunday 12/11</b>	8:30 a.m.	Worship: Rock of Our Salvation
	9:45 a.m.	Sunday School/Pageant practice
	10:00 a.m.	Senior Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Worship
	12:00 p.m.	<b>Congregational meeting</b>
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Group



## Congregational Meeting:

**Next Sunday, December 11th** following 11:00 am worship for the purpose of electing new Congregational Council members, voting on designating the 2021 New Church Building Fund earnings for the building loan and to authorize Council to establish an outside columbarium (Memorial Garden) in the courtyard, against the wall of the Social Hall, and an inside columbarium in the back corner of the sanctuary. Each project will be done as funds allow.



*St. John's Lutheran Church  
Presents the  
Annual Christmas Concert  
Tonight!*

*Featuring:*

*The Vocal Choirs*

*The Bell Choirs*

*Under the direction of Rebecca Veith*

*Accompanist Elizabeth Cramer*

*Sunday, December 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.*

*218 North Jefferson Street, Kittanning*

*Admission is free.*

*No offering will be taken.*

*Light refreshments to follow the concert.*



## Christmas Poinsettias

If you would like to place a poinsettia(s) in our Church for the Christmas Eve service, please complete and return this form with your check made payable to:

**“St. John’s Lutheran Church”** marked  
**“Christmas Flowers”** in the memo line.

**Poinsettias are \$9.00 each and orders must be received by Sunday, December 4, 2022.**

Number of **RED:** \_\_\_\_\_

Number of **WHITE:** \_\_\_\_\_

I wish for the acknowledgment in the bulletin to read as follows:

**PLEASE PRINT, USING FIRST AND LAST NAMES**

**IN MEMORY OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**IN HONOR OF:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

**GIVEN BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

*Please check one:*      Check \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_

Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*Please check one:*

\_\_\_\_\_ I will take my poinsettia(s) with me after the Christmas Eve service.

\_\_\_\_\_ Please take my poinsettia to a shut-in.

**Please note address change for college student Elizabeth Shafer:  
Unit #4, 3508 Cable Place, Pittsburgh, PA 15213**



## Katie's Cupboard

More than 38 million people—including 12 million children—in the U.S. experience food insecurity, leaving families to make hard choices between paying bills or buying groceries. Together, let's help everyone get enough to eat!

### Suggested food pantry items:

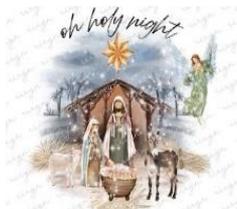
- Canned tuna, ham or chicken
- Macaroni and cheese
- Pasta sauce and spaghetti
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Beef stew, chili, hearty soups
- Canned fruit and vegetables
- Cereals
- Toiletries Cleaning & paper products

Donations to Katie's Cupboard can be left in the church parlor or in the outside cupboard at any time. Also, St. Johns accepts your donations of monetary gifts to buy items to stock the cupboard. For more information, please contact Tammy Fleegeer @ 724-664-1773.

## ADOPT A FAMILY

### CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

*Sponsored by the Social Ministry Committee*



*"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these...you did it to me."*

**Please place a check mark in the box next to each item you wish to purchase. (Families & tags are located in the narthex.)**

**Purchase and wrap the gifts. Request a gift receipt when purchasing the gift, and enclose it with the gift.**

**Fill out and place a gift tag on each gift with the child's number.**

**IMPORTANT! Indicate the contents of each package using a "Post-it" note on the outside of the package.**

*(This information to be used by committee only.)*

**Please bring gifts to the church by Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Any questions: Please contact Michelle Kozlowski @ 724-816-1680.**

# Presents for Parents



Saturday, December 10, 2022  
10:00 AM - 2:00 PM  
St. John's Social Hall

The Evangelism Committee will be hosting "Presents for Parents". Children can come to St. John's to hear the Christmas story, make a craft, play some games and watch a movie. Lunch will be provided. Parents can use the gift of some free time without their children to catch up on some holiday activities of their own like shopping, baking or decorating.

We ask that parents register their children in advance (potty trained through Grade 6) and they complete a brief permission slip before leaving their child. Sign up below to pre-register your child and place it in the offering plate.

Registration will also be taken by calling the church office. Please contact Tammy Fleeger 724 664-1773 with any questions. This event is open to anyone in the community who could benefit from it, so please share with those who may be interested.

Registration may be limited, so sign up early!

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Yes, I would like to register my child.

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, please contact me about donating a lunch item.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

# REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR

EACH DAY ADD AN ITEM TO A BOX.  
ON CHRISTMAS EVE DONATE THE CONTENTS TO A  
FOOD BANK.

- December 1 - box of cereal
- December 2 - peanut butter
- December 3 - stuffing mix
- December 4 - boxed potatoes
- December 5 - macaroni and cheese
- December 6 - canned fruit
- December 7 - canned tomatoes
- December 8 - canned tuna
- December 9 - dessert mix
- December 10 - jar of applesauce
- December 11 - canned sweet potatoes
- December 12 - cranberry sauce
- December 13 - canned beans
- December 14 - box of crackers
- December 15 - package of rice
- December 16 - package of oatmeal
- December 17 - package pasta
- December 18 - spaghetti sauce
- December 19 - chicken noodle soup
- December 20 - tomato soup
- December 21 - can corn
- December 22 - can mixed vegetables
- December 23 - can carrots
- December 24 - can green beans

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## Advent in the Barn

On **Wednesday, December 7th at 7:00 p.m.**, St. Mark's Church at 256 Adrian-Sherrett Road is hosting a Christmas carol service for all area NALC congregations. The service will feature carol singing and a special Christmas sermon by Pastor Matthew. Come experience Christmas in the Barn amidst the cattle, sheep, oxen, and donkeys and get a feel for the way the holy birth took place!

## ***Empower the Mission and Ministry of St. John's!***

*Amounts needed in offerings during November and December to meet our budget in the following accounts:*

Current Account:   \$100,000.00  
Benevolence:       \$21,000.00

**Every November and December we count on your generosity to make up the difference in these accounts so that we finish the year in the black.** This year presents a very great challenge for each and every one of us! Please consider increasing your giving and/or making a significant one time gift over and above your normal offerings. Thank you for your continued commitment to making the mission and ministry of Jesus Christ happen at St. John's.

### **Creative ways of year end giving to St. John's:**

- It is possible, if you are over 70 1/2, to make a direct payment from your IRA to St. John's. This saves the taxes and the gift is still eligible for a charitable gift deduction.
- Giving stock saves capital gains taxes and the gift is still eligible for a charitable gift deduction.



## **Vanco Electronic Giving APP**

**You can make a contribution to St. John's through a mobile app!**

To get started, download "Vanco Mobile" for free from the App Store or Google Play. Simply search for "Vanco Mobile" to quickly find and download the app today. Then, you can easily make donations directly from your smartphone using your debit/credit card or checking/savings account. You can also choose to donate as a guest or set up an account that allows you to securely and conveniently schedule recurring donations and manage and review your giving history.

We hope you enjoy this new way to contribute to our ministry and thank you for your support!

1. Download the FREE app on your Apple or Android phone.
2. Search for St Johns Lutheran Church.
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**The flowers on the altar** this morning are presented to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Val Lager's mother Beverley Sarver, by Den, Val, Stevie, Bev, Jack and the Wyatt family.

## OUR MISSION

St. John's Lutheran Church is a group of people who believe that we are saved by God's grace and who respond to God's love by joyfully serving God, each other, our community and our world. We will humbly and lovingly serve by proclaiming the Gospel, teaching the Word, offering Sacraments, leading others to fellowship, supporting those in need, giving generously of our talents as well as our resources and by thanking and praising God.

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