

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

(Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod)

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Christmas 1/New Year's Eve

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Prayer: "Before the cross subdued, we bow, To You our prayers addressing, Recounting all Your mercies now, And all our sins confessing. We ask You, Lord, this coming year, To keep us in Your faith and fear, And crown us with Your blessing." Amen. (Hymn #69, v. 3)

The Common Service
(The Hymnal, page 15.)

The Hymns: 441 – 42 – 366, v. 3 – 38/75 – 71.
Organist: Linda Nottling.

The Old Testament Reading: Numbers 6:22-27 (sermon text).

Psalms 90, page 99.

The Epistle Reading: Romans 8:28-39 – Paul reassures that no matter what the new year brings God in love is with us, working all things for our eternal good (page 1757 in the pew Bibles).

The Gospel Reading: Luke 13:6-9 – With a parable Jesus reminds us that time is a precious blessing not to be wasted, but for us to use to grow in grace and faith (page 1620 in the pew Bibles).

The Sermon: Numbers 6:22-27 –

Enter the New Year with the LORD's Blessing
I. Blessed with His continued care.
II. Blessed with His continued grace.
III. Blessed with His continued peace.

Holy Communion will be celebrated today. Since the Sacrament is also a public declaration of a unity of faith we practice Communion Fellowship. We ask that only members of our congregation or the Wisconsin Synod receive the Sacrament. Thank you.

This Week at St. John's

Wednesday
Thursday

NO Worship
Classes resume

Thursday	2:00 p.m.	Ladies of St. John's
Saturday	9:00 a.m.	Basketball Mini-Tourney - Home
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Worship – Holy Communion
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School & Bible Class
	3:00 p.m.	Sunday School Teachers meeting

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Our greeters are Bill & Nancy Phelps (late).

Last Sunday: 199 gathered around God's Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior. 283 came to the Children's Christmas Eve service and 102 came to the Candlelight service. 150 came to the Christmas Day service. Offerings received (does not include the Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services):

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget year to date</u>
Needed:	\$7,941	\$206,466
Received	\$7,226	\$195,456

This includes \$1,200 for school tuition. We also received \$100 for the Sunday School and \$25 for Hmong Outreach.

Hospitalized: Please remember in your daily prayers Cory Faymerville (UW-Madison). Jack Hollnagel is at Dycora Transitional Health in Beaver Dam and John Bubolz is at Columbus Health and Rehab (both for some rehab).

Ladies of St. John's: Please note that that we meet this Thursday at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday School Teachers: please remember that we will meet next Sunday at 3:00 p.m.

Church Council: Please note that our January meeting will be on Tuesday, January 8, at 6:30 p.m.

The Wednesday "repeat" services will resume on Wednesday, January 9.

The WLA Let's Celebrate Committee is seeking donations of services, hand crafted items and theme baskets for the silent and live auctions for Let's Celebrate on January 27th. Items for the auction can be dropped off in the WLA office during regular business hours. They are also in need of whole pies or tortes that will be sold by the slice that day. If you would like to donate one, please contact Jenny Nell at JennyNell13@yahoo.com or Jess Schwartz at Jessi@fondduclaw.com. Thanks in advance to getting involved to help make this a day truly to "celebrate" our Winnebago Lutheran Academy.

Dedecorating: We are planning to "dedecorate" the church on Sunday, January 13, after the second service. YOUR time and help will be greatly appreciated.

Greeters are needed for January! Please put your name down and take a turn – and thanks for YOUR help.

