

St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

(Wisconsin Ev. Lutheran Synod)

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Epiphany 3 + + + January 21 & 24, 2018

Prayer: “Savior, shine in all Your glory, On the nations near and far; From the highways and the byways, Call them forth, O Morning Star, Guide them whom Your grace has chosen, Out of Satan’s dreadful thrall, To the mansions of Your Father – There is room for sinners all.” Amen. (Hymn #577, v. 4)

The Service of Word and Sacrament

(The Hymnal, page 26.)

The Hymns: 82 – 560 – 87, v. 3 – 79/94 – 566.

Organist: Donna Schmitz.

The Old Testament Reading: I Kings 19:19-21 – Following God’s command we see Elijah call Elisha to be a prophet (and eventually Elijah’s successor). Without any hesitation Elisha accepts the call.

Psalm 62, page 88.

The Second Reading: Acts 13:1-5 (sermon text).

The Gospel Reading: Mark 1:14-20 – “The time has come,” Jesus proclaimed. Our life on earth is a time of grace – the time to receive God’s grace in Christ, to grow in that grace, to share that grace with others.

The Sermon: Acts 13:1-5 –

“The Time Has Come”

- I. God wants His people growing in His Word.
- II. God wants His people going with His Word.

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

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Ladies’ Choir practice
Tuesday	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation Class
	4:15 p.m.	Basketball: away vs. CWC

Wednesday

7:00 p.m.

Worship (Holy Communion)

Friday

6:00 p.m.

Family Fun Night

Saturday

10:00 a.m.

Basketball: home vs. Brownsville/Montello

Sunday

8:00 & 10:30 a.m.

Worship

9:15 a.m.

Sunday School/Bible Class

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Our greeter is Rodney Binder (late).

Last Week: 196 (135+61) gathered around God’s Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior (no Wednesday “repeat” service due to the guest preacher). 21 came to Sunday School and 25 came to Bible Class. Offerings received:

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget year to date</u>
Needed:	\$7,802	\$226,258
Received:	\$5,925	\$226,081

We also received \$156 for Winnebago Lutheran Academy, \$120 for Madison chaplains, \$25 for the Chair Fund and \$254 from the door collection for the guest preacher.

The Ladies’ Choir will resume practicing tomorrow (Monday) night at 6:30 p.m.

February calendars are in your mailboxes. Please note that 1) a regular voters meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 6, at 7:00 p.m. and that 2) Ash Wednesday is February 14. A new 2018 Staff and Officer’s Directory is also in your mailbox. Altar Guild and counters: 2018 schedules are in your mailbox as well.

Family Fun Night: This Friday St. John’s will be hosting a free Family Fun night with a Sloppy Joe dinner (6:00 p.m.) followed by presenter David Stokes (7:00 p.m.). He will use live creatures, animal fossils, songs and short stories to entertain and educate. Come for a fun-filled evening filled with live animals, artifacts and hands-on experiences and laughs. This night will also kick-off our “Share What You Can” food drive for the Fox Lake food pantry. Feel free to bring non-perishable food items along

Sign-up sheet: On the counter in the fellowship hall is a sign-up sheet for the Ash Wednesday chili supper. Ash Wednesday is early this year – February 14.

Easter Breakfast: Sisters in Faith will be coordinating the Easter (April 1) breakfast this year. We would like to form a committee of volunteers from the congregation (*not just* Sisters in Faith members) to help plan the breakfast. Right now on the counter in the fellowship hall is a sign-up sheet for volunteers who would like to help organize. Later we’ll be looking for volunteers to help with donations or preparations. We look forward to working with you!

Greeters are needed for the rest of the services in January. A new sign-up sheet is on the table for February and March. Please write your name in where you can help on the sign-up sheet on the table in the fellowship hall. Thank you for your help!

“Let’s Celebrate” is next Sunday at WLA from 11:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m., with lunch served until 2:30 p.m.! Pie and ice cream will be served all afternoon. Join them for an afternoon of fun and fellowship in celebration of the blessings our gracious God has bestowed on our beloved Academy. There will be performances by the WLA band and choirs, as well as Association grade school choirs, the ever popular silent auction, and new this year - a fashion show featuring items from Second Impressions Thrift Store! If you'd like to donate a theme basket for the silent auction, please drop it off at WLA by Friday. If you're a baker and are would like to donate a pie or torte, feel free to drop it off Saturday or Sunday morning. Questions? Contact Aaron Bilitz at abilitz@wlavikings.org.

Chair Fund: The new tables and chairs are all now here and set up in the fellowship hall. The total cost of the new tables and chairs is \$13,100. We currently have \$12,636 in our chair fund. If you would like to make a special gift/memorial to help cover the remaining balance, please mark an envelope “chairs” and include your name or envelope number.

SonBEAMS will be starting up again on Wednesday, January 31, and will run for 6 weeks. Parents and caregivers are invited to bring their child(ren) ages 2 – 4 to these classes. Class runs from 8:30 - 9:45 a.m., is free to attend and siblings are welcome. If you would like more information, please call (920) 928-3296 and ask for Donna Schmitz. You may also get more information from Stacey Christian or Rachel Hesprich.

A 4K-Kindergarten Fun Night will be held on Monday, February 6, at 6:30 p.m. This will include a brief program by this year’s class and an open house and round-up. All children who will be 4 by September 1st are invited to attend with their parents. For more information please call 928-3296 and ask for Mr. Schlavensky or Mrs. Schmitz. Everyone is welcome to come!

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