

# St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church & School

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Christ the King + + + November 25 & 28, 2018

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**Prayer:** “Hail, hosanna, David’s Son! Help, Lord; hear our supplication! Let Your kingdom, scepter, crown, Bring us blessing and salvation, That forever we may sing, ‘Hail, Hosanna! To our King.’ ” Amen. (Hymn #8, v. 4)

**Morning Praise**  
(The Hymnal, page 45.)

**The Hymns:** 217 – 216 – 727 – 614, v. 3 – 370.  
Organist: Donna Schmitz.

**Wednesday Worship Notes:** We will follow Evening Prayer on page 52 in the front of the hymnal. We will sing hymn #727 in place of the “Song of Mary” (pages 57-58).

**Psalm 45**, page 83.

**The Epistle Reading:** Revelation 1:4-8 – What a blessing to have Christ as our King! Look who He is – the eternal Son of God, the mighty Ruler of all things. Look what He has done for us – freed us from our sins and made us children of God. Look what He has promised us – to come again and take us home to heaven.

**The Gospel Reading:** John 18:33-37 – Behold “Christ the King!” Jesus came to establish a spiritual and eternal kingdom, not some puny, temporal one. Because our King humbled Himself and died on the cross to take away our sins we can confidently look forward to living with Him forever in His heavenly kingdom.

**The Sermon:** Daniel 7:13, 14 –

**Look – The Sight is Glorious!**

- I. Look – our Savior King!
- II. Look – our almighty King!
- III. Look – our eternal King!

**For our prayer** after the offering we will use the responsive prayer printed on the insert.

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## **This Week at St. John's**

Monday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Information Class
Tuesday	6:00 p.m.	Waupun Christmas parade
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	Adult Information Class
	4:30 p.m.	Public School Confirmation
	7:00 p.m.	Worship

Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Choir practice
Friday	12:00 p.m.	Early release
	<b>5:30 p.m.</b>	<b>Decorate the church</b>
Sunday	8:00 & 10:30 a.m.	Worship
	9:15 a.m.	Sunday School/Bible class
	<b>2:00 p.m.</b>	<b>Advent by Candlelight service</b>

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**Our greeters** are Ed & Ellen Igl (late).

**Last Week:** 159 (119+40) gathered around God’s Word to grow in their faith and praise their Savior. 20 came to Sunday School. There was no Bible class due to fellowship time. Offerings received:

	<u>Last Week</u>	<u>Budget year to date</u>
Needed:	\$7,941	\$166,761
Received	\$8,368	\$154,921

This includes \$2,000 for school tuition. We also received \$25 for Madison Chaplains and \$1,000 for the new sound system.

**Please be sure** to pick up a Christian Worship – Supplement on your way into church. Hymn #727 is in the Supplement.

“**Meditations**” are available in the fellowship hall. The new issue starts next Sunday. The cost is \$4.00. Please remember to return your old ones so they can be used for prison ministries.

**After our services** today we will see the November WELS Connection DVD.

**Hospitalized:** The Lord blessed Matt and Krystal Edwards with a healthy baby girl, Mary Ann, last Monday.

**Can You Help? Everyone** is encourage to gather together to decorate the church for Christmas **this Friday** at **5:30** p.m. We will be ordering pizza and having other snacks and refreshments. No need to bring anything but yourself and your family to enjoy this time for fun and fellowship.

**Advent:** We will enter a new church year and the season of Advent next Sunday. Our special Advent Vesper service will be on December 5 at 3:15 & 7:00 p.m. Advent is a special time for us to prepare for Christ’s second coming at the end of the world. We do that preparing by preparing for a proper, God-pleasing celebration of Christmas – the birth of our Savior.

**Advent by Candlelight:** Please RSVP on the sign-up sheet in the Fellowship hall if you plan to attend this special service. It is **next Sunday** at **2:00** p.m.!

**All ladies of our congregation** are invited to the Ladies of St. John’s Christmas party next Thursday, December 6, at 2:00 p.m. A potluck supper will follow. Ladies of St. John’s members: Please remember to bring a guest and bring your secret pal gift (if you had one).

**Waupun Parade:** Our school will have a float in Tuesday's Christmas parade in Waupun. Line-up is at 5:45 p.m. (not 5:30) and the parade begins at 6:30 p.m. (not 6). Line-up is on Franklin St. in Waupun behind the Catholic Church.

**Concert:** Winnebago Lutheran Academy will have their Winter Band Concert this Saturday, December 1, at 4:00 p.m.

**Help Needed:** In order to direct the focus of the children of our congregation to the true meaning of Christmas, we will be hosting a "Breakfast with Jesus" on Saturday morning, December 8 from 8:30-11:00 a.m. We are looking for volunteers and for some donations for this event. We can use volunteers of all ages, beginning at 7<sup>th</sup> grade. We'll need some help preparing a pancake breakfast, assisting with crafts, greeting, helping with child-care, etc. Sign-up sheets are in the fellowship hall on the cabinet. If you sign up to help, you will also need to fill out a background check form. These forms and the child registration forms are located on the table across from the mailboxes. We appreciate your help and time. Thank you!

**Joyful Witness presents "Behold, a Savior!"** You are invited to a Christmas concert to celebrate the birth of our Savior. Joyful Witness is celebrating 40 years of singing praises and is a choir comprised of members of area WELS congregations. The concerts will be held on Friday, December 7, at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in North Fond du Lac at 7:00 p.m. and Saturday, December 8, at St. Luke's Lutheran Church in Oakfield at 2:00 p.m.

### **CHRIST THE KING—RESPONSIVE PRAYER**

M: To Him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!

**C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give Him glory.**

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for You created all things and by Your will they were created and have their being.

**C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!**

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because You were slain, and with Your blood You purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, You have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve You, our God and Father.

**C: Help us live as royal priests.**

M: We give thanks to You, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because You have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of Your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

**C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.**

M: We give thanks to You, Lord God Almighty, because You have taken Your great power and have begun to reign. Come with Your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use Your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that Your kingdom may spread and grow.

**C: Strengthen our confidence in knowing that Your kingdom will never be destroyed.**

M: O Christ our King, You have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve You more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of Your saving love.

**C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with His glory.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring You our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Look, He is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see Him, even those who pierced Him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and He will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.

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