

The St. John's Epistle



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Your Council members would be happy to discuss concerns and answer questions about day-to-day church business matters. Contact the Church Office for all pastoral needs.

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Sunday Service: 9:00 AM

**Communion is offered
every Sunday.**

**Sunday School
September – May**



“It is you who light my lamp; the Lord, my God, lights up my darkness.”
– Psalm 18:28

Greetings,

It appears that “Old Man Winter” is not yet done with us. I hope you that you have been staying warm during all of this cold weather. But even so, we can enjoy the light. The sun shines and each day it shines a little longer. In our Christian tradition, this is the season of Epiphany. This is the time of year we embrace Jesus Christ as the light of God come into the world. Our Lord Jesus is the long-awaited Messiah come to shine light into the darkness.

Through faith in Jesus Christ, we can know that the kingdom of God is here, and breaking in all around us. And yet, we look around us at all of the fear, and suffering, and misery in this world and we wrestle with the fact that the kingdom of God is at hand, but not yet fully realized. This is why we pray “Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven,” each time we pray the Lord’s Prayer. This is why our hearts rightly ache for our neighbors.

Jesus is the One who shows us God’s new and better way to live. He gives our lives meaning and purpose. And so, we seek to answer the call of the Lord as we live out our lives of faith together. The mission and ministry of our church is growing and is reaching out into our community and into the world to share God’s love.

Let us always listen to the leading of the Holy Spirit so that we may love all of our neighbors. Especially in the cold, let us look after our elderly or less fortunate neighbors in need. For some, the cold of winter is truly a time of hardship. Let us keep our hearts open to those who are struggling. Let us be eager to share the love of the Lord with others.

Blessings and peace,

Pastor Dale



February 2nd – Spring? Winter?

Worship Assistants...

For your convenience, a two-month schedule is printed in every newsletter. >>>>>

Reminder...

It is the Worship Assistant's responsibility to...

- *check the schedule
- *secure a sub if needed
- *update the Church Office

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Worship Assistants...



Ushers...

- 1 Deb Werner
- 8 Ken Mehringer
- 15 Jared Price
- 22 John Swisher

Bell...

- 1 Cam Roberts
- 8 Justin Reichert
- 15 Hayden Walechka
- 22 Shawn Spack

Lay Reader...

- 1 Kelly Vlastnik
- 8 Sally Albertz
- 15 Alicia Price
- 22 Mary Beth Shuppe

Communion...

- 1 Sally Albertz & Cole Dettmann
- 8 C. Swisher & K. Vlastnik
- 15 Ken & Lynn Mehringer
- 22 Shari Spack & Mary Beth Shuppe

Greeters ...

- 1 Alex Dettmann
- 8 Norma Werner
- 15 Cole Dettmann & Cam Roberts
- 22 Mike Dettmann

Power Point...

- 1 Justin Krishka
- 8 Lynn Mehringer
- 15 Alex Dettmann
- 22 Cole Dettmann

Counters...

- 1 Mike Dettmann & John Swisher
- 8 Larry Beckard & Paul Trujillo
- 15 Ken Mehringer & Harold Mortier
- 22 Sandra Beckard & Gail Mortier

Ushers...

- 1 Cole Dettmann
- 8 Deb Werner
- 15 Alicia Price
- 22 Cam Roberts
- 29 John Swisher

Bell...

- 1 Mike Dettmann
- 8 Shawn Spack
- 15 Hayden Walechka
- 22 Justin Reichert
- 29 Shawn Spack

Lay Reader...

- 1 Cam Roberts
- 8 Cole Dettmann
- 15 Jared Price
- 22 Ruth Ehrigott
- 29 Mary Beth Shuppe

Communion...

- 1 John & Cheryel Swisher
- 8 Sally Albertz & Shari Spack
- 15 Ruth Ehrigott & Kelly Vlastnik
- 22 John & Cheryel Swisher
- 29 Mary Beth Shuppe & Shari Spack

Greeters...

- 1 Norma Werner
- 8 Alex Dettmann
- 15 Sally Albertz
- 22 Deb Werner
- 29 Cheryel Swisher

Power Point...

- 1 Alex Dettmann
- 8 Sue Dettmann
- 15 Justin Krishka
- 22 Mike Dettmann
- 29 Justin Krishka

Counters...

- 1: Mike Dettmann & John Swisher
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- 15: Ken Mehringer & Harold Mortier
- 22: Sandra Beckard & Gail Mortier
- 29: Mike Dettmann & Harold Mortier



Altar Guild...

Feb...Deb W. & Norma W.

March...Sally A.

Contact Deb Werner at 920-253-5172 for more info or to become a member of the team.



February 2026						
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★ Attendance ★

December 21: 100 Sunday School Christmas Program

Christmas Eve: 4 PM – 127 6 PM - 34

December 28: 27 January 4: 58 January 11: 90

Connect to St. John's

Church Office Hours

8:30 AM – 12:30 PM: M-F

Phone: (920) 699-2471

E-Mail stjohnsjc@gmail.com

Website:

www.stjohnsjc.church

Check Facebook!

Deadlines:

Sunday Bulletin: Tuesday
Newsletter: 15th of the month

Is your current contact info
on file? If not, please
contact the office.

Worship... Sundays: 9:00 AM

February at a glance...

- 2: Ground Hog Day
- 3: Board of Christian Education: 6:30 PM
- 10: Quilters: 9:00 AM Men's Bible Study: 6:00 PM
- 11: Mary Martha Circle: 1:00 PM
- 12: Church Council: 6:30 PM
- 14: Valentine's Day
- 15: Epistle Deadline
- 16: Presidents' Day
- 18: Ash Wednesday – Supper: 5:30 PM - Worship: 7:00 PM
- 24: Quilters: 9:00 AM
- 25: Supper: 5:30 PM - Worship: 7:00 PM



Weekly...

Sundays:

Worship: 9:00 AM

Sunday School: 10:00 AM - September - May

Wednesdays: Free Community Breakfast: 8-10 AM

Confirmation Class: 6:30 PM except during Lent - Sept - May

Mondays, Wednesdays, & Fridays: Senior Lunch - See Page 4

Mondays & Thursdays – Food Pantry - Closed holidays

Hours: 10 AM - Noon **and** 4:00-5:00 PM on the 4th Thursday

Monthly/Bi-Monthly...

*Board of Education: 1st Tuesday at 6:30 PM

*Men's Bible Study: 2nd Tuesday: 6:00 PM

*Choir: Sunday Mornings – Check with Heidi

*Quilters: 2nd & 4th Tuesday at 9:00 AM

*Mary Martha Circle: 2nd Wednesday at 1:00 PM

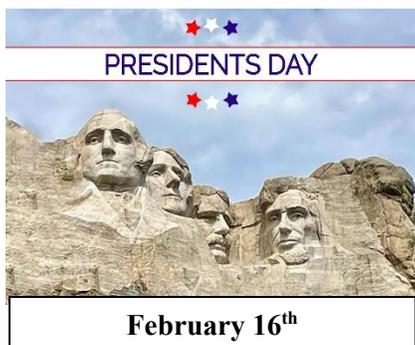
*Church Council: 2nd Thursday at 6:30 PM

Quarterly...

Women of the ELCA: 6:30 PM

2nd Tuesday of March, June, & September

Early December: Meeting & Christmas Party



February Text & Gospel

February 1st

Text: Micah 6:1-8

Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

February 8th

Text: Isaiah 58:1-9a

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

February 15th

Text: Exodus 24:12-18

Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

February 22nd

Text: Genesis 2:15-17; 3:1-7

Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Lent Begins... Ash Wednesday – February 18th

As we begin this journey of Lent, remind me of your
grace and renew a right spirit within me.

“Create a clean heart, O God.” (Psalm 51:10)

Senior Lunch...

Reservations are required!

For info and/or to sign up, call 920-728-0259. Home delivery is offered to Johnson Creek residents through Jefferson's site, with deliveries on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, except holidays.

A \$5.00 donation is welcome. The program is available to all age 60+.



The St. John's Prayer Team can help with your immediate prayer needs.

Contact Lynn Mehringer at 699-2174 or hvacres@tds.net



Birthdays & Anniversaries...Best Wishes from St. John's!

Happy Birthday!

- 2: Stephanie Nizzi
- 4: Austin Anton-Pernat
- 5: TJ Doherty, Kristopher Holmes
- 8: Sophie Pomante
- 11: Brande Keeser, Bonnie Pernat, Ashlyn Smith
- 12: Marlee Johnson
- 13: William Rollins
- 14: Mary Hartwig Watts
- 15: Alexis Collins
- 18: Alek Slager
- 19: Levi Soholt, Abel Wright
- 20: Anise Ready
- 23: Chris Nizzi
- 24: Virginia Schlieve
- 26: Kaytlin Collins, Paula Holmes, Emma Reichert
- 29: Jone Walechka

No Anniversaries are noted.

If your name is not listed and you would like to be included, contact the office: 920-699-2471 stjohnsjc@gmail.com

God's Love in Action...

"We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19, NIV). This month, let's share God's love in simple ways - a kind note, a prayer, a helping hand. Look for ways to bless someone around you!

Winter can be hard for many. Have you considered how you might help? Let's be the hands and feet of Jesus with compassion and generosity.

Celebrate! This month is a beautiful time to honor relationships. Pray for couples in our church and community, and thank God for relationships built on faith, love, and grace.

God's love never fails (Lamentations 3:22-23). Remember that our church family is here to support and pray with you. Reach out!

St. John's Online Church Directory...

View the directory online or via the free mobile app by visiting www.members.InstantChurchDirectory.com. Follow the prompts under "Sign In" to "Create a new login now." You must confirm your email address before signing in, so to access the first time, the email address you furnished for the directory must be used.

If you're not in the directory, or experience trouble logging in, contact Lynn Mehringer at 920-699-2174.

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