

St. John Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois
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St. Luke Lutheran Church, Covington, Illinois

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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

11/26/27/22

WELCOME in the name of our Risen Savior, Jesus Christ! We are happy to have you worship with us this morning. Visitors are invited to sign our guest book at the church entrance.

Sermon: "Put on the Lord Jesus Christ," Romans 13:8-14

Saturday, 6:30 p.m.

LSB 184-202 Hymns: 516; 357; 636; 348

St. Luke's, 8:30 a.m.

P. 5 Hymns: 609; 611; 68; 62

St. John's, 10:00 a.m.

LSB 184-193 Hymns: 516; 605; 508; 357; 348

MUSIC: Benjamin Schilbe, son of Pastor Schilbe, is playing the trumpet in the Saturday evening service.

At St. John's there will be a brief children's message Sunday morning..

ATTENDANCE: (M) 85 (C) 11/13: 24, 11/20 22 Sunday School: 10 Adult Bible Classes: Sunday: 3 Weekday: 10

REGULAR ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's next Sunday, December 4th.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's this evening/morning is for Christmas Treats.

ACOLYTES for December are Ryan Hanenberger and Spencer Dunn.

USHERS for December are Larry Sachtleben, Gary Maschhoff, Mike Witte and Josh Ibendahl.

BROUGHT TO THE ARMS OF JESUS through the washing of Holy Baptism this morning is Tessa Caroline Sprehe, infant daughter of Tyler and Courtney Sprehe. Tessa's sponsors are Erin Becker and Nick Zapp. We welcome Tessa into God's family here at St. John's and pray God's richest blessings on her and her family.

THANK YOU: "I wish to thank all those who remembered me on my birthday with cards. It made my day special" Dorothy Windler

THE CHRIST OUR ROCK Lutheran High School music program will be presenting a musical reflection and celebration of the coming of our Lord Jesus next Sunday, December 4, at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hoffman. We invite you to join us as we prepare our hearts and minds for this Advent and Christmas season with a participatory program of God's Word through music!

HELPING HANDS is a group of ladies who take meals to those who are ill, etc. Anyone who would like to join them, please sign up on the list on the table by the restrooms or call Nancy Sprehe, 618-218-0107. Also, if there is anyone in need of meals, please let Nancy Sprehe know.

Verdell Krueger St. Joseph's Parish
Rm 131

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF Nov 27TH-Dec 3rd, 2022

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Stanley Renth will undergo surgery Tuesday, November 29th, at Barnes to remove two cancerous tumors. We pray that the cancer is contained and that all will go well.

Paulette Leonberger—mother of Gina Foster (C)—hospitalized in Clarksville, IN

Virgil Benning—son of Pastor Benning—hospitalized in Springdale, AR, with RSV pneumonia

Barbara Burke—mother-in-law of Rosalie Rice—hospitalized in Clarksville, IN

Tom Anderson—friend of the Hausler's—awaiting a lung transplant

Ryann "Ry" Emery, 12 year-old daughter of Nathaniel and Kerry Emery, granddaughter of Glen & Vicky Emery, returned home to Alaska after 4 brain surgeries. Thankfully, tumors were benign, but she will need rehab.

Dorothy Lange—ongoing health concerns, surgery in December

Hannah Mueller—Pastor & Dawn's granddaughter—appointment December 8th at Mayo Clinic

Mike Renth—nephew of Stanley Renth—recovering at home

Holly Foster (C) recovering from surgery

Wayne & Lola Wessel—in need of your prayers

Scott Geppert—cousin of Barb Maschhoff—diagnosed with kidney disease

Sara Leinberger—friend of Judy Vogt—ongoing health problems

We Give Thanks That:

Curt Brinkmann has returned home

THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS/OTHER SERIOUS

AILMENTS

Bud Gill—friend and neighbor of Dave & Natalie Ibendahl—diagnosed with lung cancer.

Matthew Morkachis—Great Nephew of Eunice Witte—undergoing cancer treatment

Amie Evans—sister-in-law of Jesse Krawiecki—diagnosed with cancer

Jami Martin taking chemo

Bill Patton—brother-in-law of Betty Sachtleben—dealing with lung cancer

MISSION PRAYERS:

- LCMS World Missions
- Ministry to inactive members.
- Unity Lutheran Christian Elementary School, East St. Louis, our Sunday School Mission Project
- Centralia Correctional Center

We Remember:

Trinity-St. John as they begin the process of calling a principal.
St. Salvator, Venedy, and Olive Branch as they prepare to call another pastor

We Remember:

The People of Ukraine

Congratulations & God's Blessings to:

Wayne & Lola Wessel who celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on Thanksgiving

Tessa Caroline Sprehe baptized this morning

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Chuck & Bill Funke & Hudson Whitener 11-27; Trent Twenhafel & Dorothy Windler 11-28; Craig Finke 11-29; Tina Smith 11-30; Diana Brinkmann & Eric Hemminghaus 12-1; Dakota Hanenberger & Natalie Ibendahl 12-2; and Lorna Kottmeyer (C) 12-3

NOW HIRING PART-TIME THIRD-GRADE TEACHER: T-SJ is currently seeking to hire a third grade teacher to teach Science and Math in the afternoons. This is a part time contracted position for the 22-23 school year. Pay is based upon experience and an Illinois teaching license is required. Mrs. Katherine Lange is the morning teacher and currently Mrs. Kurtz has been teaching third grade in the afternoon. If you know of a qualified, Jesus-following, creative, and kind teacher that would want to join our T-SJ team, please have them send their resume and a cover letter to Mrs. Kurtz at principal@tsjlutheran.org.

CALL PROCESS FOR TSJ PRINCIPAL: We give thanks to God for seven faithful years of service by Mrs. Amy Kurtz. Now the Board of Christian Education, which serves as the Call Committee, asks your prayers as we begin the search for a new principal. According to Article VI.B of the *Solemn Agreement*, any voting member of either congregation may propose to the Board of Christian Education names of individuals to be included on the Call list. If you would like to submit the name of an LCMS rostered teacher to the Board for consideration, please contact Board Chairman Brett Schuessler (618-830-5945) as soon as possible. After screening by the Board, the Call will be issued by Trinity Congregation. "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest," Luke 10:2.

CALLING ALL BRASS PLAYERS - We are now learning about the brass family in our music education classes here at TSJ. If you have a brass instrument (even if it is high on a shelf or stuffed in a closet) we would love to have some show and tell in our music ed classes. Have no fear you do not need to give a concert but feel free to play us a tune if you so desire. Otherwise we would just welcome you as our guest to show and tell us about the instrument. If interested please contact Diane Backs (call or text 618-972-1525) so we can set up a time for you to share your instrument with us.

T-SJ PRAYER WARRIORS: We value the support we receive from Trinity and St. John's congregations, our community, and our families. We are asking that our prayer warriors unite and pray for our school daily. Please take a prayer bookmark from an usher or at the back of the church and pray for those children and staff by name. Each bookmark includes a class list, teacher, and/or staff member, and a prayer. We have an amazing God who hears our prayers and will work through them.

Heavenly Father, Thank you for blessing us with Trinity-St. John Lutheran School. We pray that you would continue to strengthen us as partners in Christ. Help us instruct students to be successful community members. Equip them to be brave followers of Jesus. Protect our school families. Help them to learn and grow closer to you. Amen.

THE WASHINGTON COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION is sponsoring a holiday drive thru dinner next Sunday, December 4th, from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 810 E Holzhauer Drive, Nashville. Menu: Smoked pork chop, baked potato, corn, slaw, roll and dessert. Tickets are \$13.00. For advance tickets call 618-314-2996. Proceeds will go to the livestock barn wiring project.

CUSTODIAL OPENING: Christ Our Rock has an immediate opening for a part-time custodian. This position could be for a short term (extra money before Christmas) and/or on a permanent basis. Interested parties should send resumes to Mr. Don Duensing, Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, 9545 Shattuc Road, Centralia, IL 62801, 226-3315, dduensing@corlhs.org.

GERMAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE: St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Covington, will host a German Christmas service *Der Weihnachtsgottesdienst* on Sunday, December 18, 2022, at 2:00 p.m. Rev. Dr. Darwin P. Schrader will preach the Christmas message, and Rev. Dr. Arthur D. Eichhorn will play the organ. Many beloved German Christmas carols will be sung. A German-English printed order of service will be furnished. *Gemütlichkeit* (refreshments with visiting) will follow in the Covington Township Hall (the former St. Luke's School). The offering has been designated for Lutheran Braille Workers, Workcenter #315 at New Minden.

CUSTODIAN NEEDED: St. Luke's, Covington, is looking for a custodian for the church. If you would like more information, please contact a trustee (Sandy Middendorf, Connie Harre-Blair, Jake Martin) or Pastor Mueller.

SACRED MUSIC FOR THE ADVENT SEASON... "Savior of the Nations, Come," "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry," "Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending," "Hark! A Thrilling Voice Is Sounding," "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." You can listen to sacred music for the Advent season 24/7 at lutheranpublicradio.org, TuneIn, Amazon Echo, Google Home, Apple HomePod and the Lutheran Public Radio mobile app.

SUNDAY SCHOOL is in need of an extra helper and an extra teacher. The helper would come as able and help with the PreK-K class (handing out materials, bathroom trips, etc.). The teacher would teach the PreK-K class every other month. If you are able to help, please contact Jessica Spenner at 618-214-8295.

"BE BORN IN US TODAY" is the theme for our Wednesday evening Advent services, beginning this Wednesday, November 30th, at 6:30 p.m. The theme is taken from stanza four of "O Little Town of Bethlehem" where we sing: "O holy Child of Bethlehem, / Descend to us, we pray;/ Cast out our sin and enter in; / Be Born in us today...O come to us, / Abide with us, / Our Lord Immanuel!" This week: **"Be Born in Us Today Bringing Blessing"** (Genesis 12:2): God promises Abraham that an offspring from his line would bring blessing to all. When Jesus was born, that promise came true with an abundance.

Brrrrrr.. it's cold outside! How about some Hot Chili and Homemade Christmas Cookies! Saturday, December 3, 2022 Hoffman Pride and Heritage Partners will be selling chili w/crackers and homemade cookies at ***Farmers State Bank, Hoffman Supermarket and The Hoffman Community Building*** from 9:00 a.m. until sold out. For only \$10.00 you will receive a quart of chili, crackers, and a half dozen homemade Christmas Cookies. Proceeds will go toward the construction of the Veterans' Memorial in Hoffman. You ***may*** pre-order (***but not required***) by calling Sheila Holston 322-5776. Please pick up pre-orders by 10:00 on Saturday, December 3rd at the Hoffman Community Building. This is the same day as the Hoffman Fire Department annual toy drive at Farmers State Bank so bring some toys and pick up your lunch. Thank you!

This Week: Nov 27-Dec 4th, 2022

Today	8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM 12:30 & 5:00 p.m. KFUE
Monday	6:30 p.m. GriefShare 7:30 p.m. Historical Society
Tuesday	6:30 p.m. Bible Study
Wednesday	6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Advent Service
Thursday	8:30 a.m. Pastor at CCC 6:15 p.m. Weekday Religion 7:00 p.m. "David's Harp" Mtg in FH
Saturday	Pastor Conducts Danielle Meadows/Max Fecske Wedding at Trinity, Centralia NO Worship
Sunday	8:30 a.m. Worship at Covington 9:00 a.m. Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Class 9:00 a.m. St. John's Bible Study on WNSV 104.7 10:00 a.m. Worship at NM w/HC 10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377 and Channel 18 on Cable TV 1:30 p.m. Pastor Has Worship at WCH Skilled Care 2:00 p.m. CORLHS Music Reflection & Celebration at Trinity, Hoffman 2:30 p.m. Pastor Has Worship at FMNH