

St. John Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois
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FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

12/3/23

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: Mark 11:1-10 (Pastor John Lukomski)

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

P. 5 Hymns: 95; 57; 613; 73

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

LSB 184-202 Hymns: 332; 335; (621, 341, 673, 672); 348

ATTENDANCE: (M) 62 Saturday: 24 (C) 9 Sunday School: 13
Adult Bible Classes: Sunday: 2 Weekday: 10

REGULAR ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's this morning.

ENVELOPE COLLECTION at St. John's next Sunday, December 10th, is for the Building Fund.

WELCOME & GOD'S BLESSINGS to Cassandra Patricia Sachtleben who became a communicant member of St. John's by profession of faith last Sunday, November 26th. We welcome Cassie into God's family here at St. John's and pray God's richest blessings on her.

PLEASE JOIN the Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School choir as they present "Christmas Music from Around the World" on Sunday, December 10, 2023, at 2:00 p.m. at Trinity Lutheran Church in Hoyleton.

ARE YOU IN SEARCH of a Christmas gift for a loved one this Holiday season? We have just the thing for you. Christ Our Rock's Student Leadership Team is sponsoring a fall/winter spirit wear store. Now featuring limited edition baby and toddler clothing! Proceeds will go towards Prom and additional chromebooks for the school! See bulletin board for copies of the "spirit wear."

GERMAN CHRISTMAS SERVICE: St. John's Lutheran Church, New Minden, will host a German Christmas service *Der Weihnachtsgottesdienst* on Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 3:00 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 Fellowship Hall. The offering has been designated for Lutheran Braille Workers, Workcenter #315 at New Minden.

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.

Betty Sachtleben— Good Samaritan Hosp
Mt. Vernon

PRAYERS FOR THE WEEK OF Dec 3rd-9th, 2023

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS:

Ryan Spinner was at DePaul Hospital, St. Louis, but is now home

Barb Maschhoff recuperating at home after knee replacement surgery

Vickie Emery—wife of former teacher Glen Emery—diagnosed with breast cancer

Don Schuette recuperating at home after hip replacement surgery

Bob Mueller—Pastor's brother— home from hospital with six weeks of IV antibiotics at home

Sandy Martin diagnosed with breast cancer; doctors are optimistic as plans for treatment unfold.

Brendan Pfister—grandson of Bryan & Julie Wessel—Thanks be to God, he is doing great!

Larry Brinkmann home under the care at SLU for liver cancer

Lorna Kottmeyer (C) at home recuperating from neck surgery

Bob Jack diagnosed with prostate cancer

Amanda Garrison—daughter-in-law of Rosalie Rice—has health issues

Danny Brinkmann on kidney dialysis

Tom Anderson—friend of the Hausler's—health issues

Wayne & Lola Wessel—in need of prayers

Sara Leinberger—friend of Judy Vogt—ongoing health problems

THOSE RECEIVING TREATMENTS/OTHER SERIOUS AILMENTS: Stanley Renth undergoing chemotherapy

Rosemary Miller—sister of Howard Weihe—starting new experimental drug

Duane Miller—brother-in-law of Howard Weihe—diagnosed with pancreatic cancer—holding his own

Amie Evans--sister-in-law of Jesse Krawiecki--diagnosed with cancer. We give thanks that she received a good cat scan report.

Rev. G. Robert Heimgartner--retired in Texico, IL--chemotherapy

MISSION PRAYERS:

- LCMS World Missions
- Ministry to inactive members.
- Missionary Micah Wildauer & Family serving in Belize, our Sunday School Mission Project
- Centralia Correctional Center

We Remember:

-St. Salvator, Venedy, and Olive Branch as they prepare to call a pastor again

TSJ: Pray that God would guide the Board of Christian Education as we seek a permanent principal and also seek a replacement for Mrs. Janice Lange (kindergarten teacher)

We Remember:

The People of Ukraine and Israel

The people suffering from the earthquakes, tornadoes, floods, fires, etc.

Welcome & God's Blessings to:

Cassie Sachtleben, a new communicant member

BAPTISMAL BIRTHDAYS: Lorna Kottmeyer (C) 12-3; Jake Womble 12-5; Dean Boester & Jon Stevenson (C) 12-6; Gail Funke 12-9

NEW GriefShare BEGINS MONDAY, DECEMBER 4:

GriefShare provides help and encouragement after the death of a spouse, child, family member, or friend. It doesn't matter if the loss is recent or it has been several years. It is a video-based support group that meets weekly. Each of the thirteen sessions is "self-contained" so you don't have to attend every week in sequence. The sessions begin with a video seminar featuring interviews with others who have suffered loss and many top experts in the field of Christian grief counseling. Everyone's loss is different, but these videos cover just about every situation at some point. The videos help grieving people understand what has happened to them, and gently point us to Jesus and His healing love. You will also be provided a book that follows up with the sessions. After watching the videos together, there is opportunity for discussion, though no one has to talk. You can just sit and listen! If you have been through a GriefShare cycle before, please note that over 90 new interviews went into the making of this new series. We meet on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We plan to start with the three Mondays in December before Christmas (Dec 4, 11, and 18)—just in time for the holidays—and continue, Lord willing, on January 8 in the new year. If you are interested in GriefShare, please call or text Pastor Mueller at 618-314-3972 so that he can contact you if there are any schedule changes. There is no cost for GriefShare. Materials have been provided for participants in memory of Zach Brinkmann. You do not have to be a church member to attend! Please invite anyone you think may benefit.

First Sunday in Advent + December 3, 2023 + 10:00 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church, New Minden, Illinois

Lutheran Service Book—Divine Service, Setting Three

THE LORD'S SUPPER IS CELEBRATED today at St. John's in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but also His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and with one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust in His words, repent of all sins, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us, that they may show forth His death until He comes.

*Because those who eat and drink our Lord's body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of St. John's and the Lutheran Church--Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive the sacrament here, **are asked first to speak with the Pastor.** (See Matthew 5:23ff; 10:32ff; 18:15-35; 26:26-29; 1 Corinthians 11:17-34.)*

For the proper accounting of souls, we ask all communicants to sign the Communion Register.

HYMN: "Savior of the Nations, Come" *LSB 332*

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION *LSB 184-185*

PSALM: Psalm 80 *spoken responsively* *LSB 80*

KYRIE *LSB 186*

GLORIA IN EXCELSIS *LSB 187-189*

SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you.

C: *(Sing:)* **And with thy spir – it.**

P: Let us pray. Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: *(Sing:)* **A - - - men.** [*LSB 189*]

OLD TESTAMENT

Isaiah 64:1-9

- P: ¹ Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down,
that the mountains might quake at your presence—
² as when fire kindles brushwood
and the fire causes water to boil—
to make your name known to your adversaries,
and that the nations might tremble at your presence!
³ When you did awesome things that we did not look for,
you came down, the mountains quaked at your
presence.
⁴ From of old no one has heard
or perceived by the ear,
no eye has seen a God besides you,
who acts for those who wait for him.
⁵ You meet him who joyfully works righteousness,
those who remember you in your ways.
Behold, you were angry, and we sinned;
in our sins we have been a long time,
and shall we be saved?
⁶ We have all become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment.
We all fade like a leaf,
and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.
⁷ There is no one who calls upon your name,
who rouses himself to take hold of you;
for you have hidden your face from us,
and have made us melt in the hand of our iniquities.
⁸ But now, O Lord, you are our Father;
we are the clay, and you are our potter;
we are all the work of your hand.
⁹ Be not so terribly angry, O Lord,
and remember not iniquity forever.
Behold, please look, we are all your people.

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

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EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 1:3-9

- P: ³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord
Jesus Christ.
⁴ I give thanks to my God always for you because of the
grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ that in every
way you were enriched in him in all speech and all
knowledge— ⁶ even as the testimony about Christ was
confirmed among you— ⁷ so that you are not lacking in any
spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus
Christ, ⁸ who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of
our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, by whom you were
called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

P: This is the word of the Lord

C: **Thanks be to God.**

TRIPLE ALLELUIA (*Sung by all:*)

Allelu - ia. Allelu - ia. Allelu - - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 11:1-10

- P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 11th chapter.
C: (*Sing:*) **Glory be to Thee, O Lord.**
P: ¹ Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage
and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his
disciples ² and said to them, "Go into the village in front of
you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt
tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³ If
anyone says to you, 'Why are you doing this?' say, 'The
Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.'
" ⁴ And they went away and found a colt tied at a door
outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵ And some of those
standing there said to them, "What are you doing, untying
the colt?" ⁶ And they told them what Jesus had said, and
they let them go. ⁷ And they brought the colt to Jesus and
threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸ And many spread
their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches
that they had cut from the fields. ⁹ And those who went
before and those who followed were shouting, "Hosanna!

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Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David!
Hosanna in the highest!"

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: *(Sing:)* **Praise be to Thee, O Christ.**

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HYMN: "O Bride of Christ, Rejoice"

LSB 335

SERMON

OFFERTORY *(All sing:)*

**Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right
spirit within me. Cast me not away from Thy presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me. Restore unto me
the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free
spirit. Amen.** *[LSB 192-193]*

OFFERING

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

LSB 194-202

During the Distribution, we will sing the following hymns, as time allows:

"Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence"	<i>LSB 621</i>
"Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates"	<i>LSB 341</i>
"Jerusalem, My Happy Home"	<i>LSB 673</i>
"Jerusalem the Golden"	<i>LSB 672</i>

CLOSING HYMN:

LSB 348

"The King shall Come When Morning Dawns"

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This Week : Dec 3rd-10th, 2023

Today 8:00 a.m. The Lutheran Hour on KSIV 91.5 FM
 12:30 & 5:00 p.m. KFUO

Monday 6:30 p.m. Grief Share

Tuesday 6:30 p.m. Bible Study

Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Weekday Religion
 6:30 p.m. Mid-Week Advent Service
 7:15 p.m. BOCE (after church at Trinity)

Thursday 8:30 a.m. Pastor at CCC
 1:30 p.m. Bible Study in FH

Saturday 9-1:00 Christ Our Song Piano Lessons in FH
 NO Worship Svc

Sunday 8:30 a.m. Worship at St. Luke's w/HC
 9:00 a.m. Sunday School w/Practice for Christmas
 Eve
 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
 10:30 a.m. "Worship Anew" on DIRECT TV 377
 and Channel 18 on Cable TV