Week of April 11, 2021



Join the St. John's Lutheran Ministries

Facebook group for news, updates and daily encouragement!

Welcome in the name of the Lord:

As God serves us today in Word and Sacrament, may we rejoice in His gifts of forgiveness, life and salvation.

- 1) To parents of small children, we love the sound of children in worship. Thank you for bringing your child to worship; they belong here! If your child is actively crying, we have a cry room with service audio and video near the restrooms.
- 2) Regarding the Lord's Supper today: If you are not a confirmed member of this congregation or a congregation of The Lutheran Church Missouri Synod, please speak to the pastor before communing. Pastor is readily available in the narthex before worship for this conversation. For those with medical need, the center section of the individual cup trays is filled with cups of grape juice (lighter color). For those that have a gluten intolerance, gluten-free wafers are available. Share your need as you come forward to the altar.

Please Pray

Thanksgiving (birth, baptisms, weddings, recovery):

Milestone (birthdays, anniversaries):

Medical:

Karen Herwig, Phil Nelson

Long-term Illness/Treatment

Don Witt, Betty Sekely, Lani Kohrt

(daughter-in-law of Don and Carol Kohrt)

Mourning:

Family of Pastor James Hendrickson

How Do I Get Someone on the Prayer List?

If you, or someone you know, would like to have a name added to the prayer list, please contact the church office. Prayer requests for Thanksgiving, Milestone, Medical, and Mourning will remain on the list for two weeks. Prayer requests for Long-term Illness/Treatment will remain for one month unless the church office is notified with an update on the individual. Please be sure that you have the permission of the individual before contacting the church office to add them to the public prayer list.

*Please notify the church office when one of our church family members is in the hospital, so that a pastoral visit may be made or arranged.

Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your request to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

-Philippians 4:6-7

Weekly Offerings

Last Week's In-person Attendance: 485

Unified Received: \$23,868.00 Other Contributions: \$1,511.50

TOTAL: \$25,379.50

Weekly Unified Needed: \$14,230.77

- 3) Children are invited to come forward to the altar while the Lord's Supper is distributed; encourage them to bow their heads and fold their hands. While there, they will receive a Baptismal blessing from the Pastor.
- **4)** We ask that if you have a mobile device, please silence it during the worship service.
- 5) Our elders, greeters, and ushers are here to help with any of your worship needs today.

Thanks for worshiping with us!

Worship Times

- + Wednesdays 5:30 p.m.
- + Saturdays 5:30 p.m.
- + Sundays 8:00 a.m.
- + Sundays 9:15 a.m. *with online reservations
- + Sundays 10:30 a.m.
- *The link for reservations is on the church website at stjohnsportage.com.

Individual/household communion at the front of the sanctuary will continue to be offered at this time: Wednesdays 3:15 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.

LCMS Memory Verse Challenge

This week's memory verse:

"Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him."

Romans 6:8–9

Daily Lectionary

This week's readings comes from the Daily Lectionary found in the Lutheran Service Book page 299.

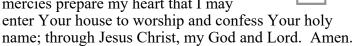
Sunday, Ex. 32:15–35 & Luke 6:39–49 Monday, Ex. 22:20—23:13 & Luke 4:16–30 Tuesday, Ex. 23:14–33 & Luke 4:31–44 Wednesday, Ex. 24:1–18 & Luke 5:1–16 Thursday, Ex. 25:1–22 & Luke 5:17–39 Friday, Ex. 31:1–18 & Luke 6:1–19 Saturday, Ex. 32:1–14 & Luke 6:20–38



Prayer

Prayer On Entering A Church

Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells. In the multitude of Your tender mercies prepare my heart that I may



Communion Prayer

Almighty and Everlasting God, I thank and praise You for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the holy sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

Crusaders News and Events

St. John's Lutheran School is currently enrolling students for the 2021-2022 school year. St. John's Lutheran School exists to prepare children for a life of faith and service to Jesus Christ.

Private tours available. Call to schedule appt.

For more information visit our website,

stjohnsportage.com/admissions, or call St. John's Lutheran School, 608-742-9000 x108.

Reminders

Join our email list.

To sign up for St. John's email list, go to our website, stjohnsportage.com, scroll to

the bottom of the home page, and click the Join Our Email List button.



Sunday Morning Radio Broadcast

Our Sunday morning broadcast of the previous Sunday service continues at 10:00 a.m. on WPDR 1350 AM. Broadcasts (\$50) as well as the order of service booklets (\$30) may be sponsored in honor, or in memory, of a special person or occasion.

South Wisconsin District News

SWD Student Financial Aid

Students attending a Concordia University or Seminary, preparing for full-time church work in the LCMS (pastor, teacher, DCE, DCO, DCM, deaconess, DFLM, DPM) and are a member of a congregation in the South Wisconsin District - LCMS are eligible to apply for financial assistance from SWD. For more information and the two applications required to be considered for Financial Aid, visit the SWD website – swd.lcms.org – under Resources. The deadline is May 15.

Ministries Calendar

Calendar events for the week of April 11, 2021:

Monday (12)

10:00 a.m. Tivoli Monthly Worship, Tivoli

Tuesday (13)

6:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study, Portage Airport office

9:15 a.m. Tuesday Morning Bible Study 12:00 p.m. Weekly Announcements Deadline,

Email: churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com

6:00 p.m. Executive Committee, CLC

Wednesday (14)

10:00 a.m. Chapel—Students only, Sanctuary 6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class, CLC and APR

7:00 p.m. Youth Group, School Gym

Thursday (15)

5:30 p.m. Thirsty Souls Bible Study, CLC

6:00 p.m. Board of Trustees, APR

Friday (16)

12:00 p.m. Cornerstone Deadline,

Email: churchoffice@stjohnsportage.com

Save the Date

St. John's Golf Outing 2021

Join us for fun, fresh air, and fellowship! St. John's is hosting a golf outing fundraiser. The proceeds for the golf outing will go to St. John's Lutheran School and Rockford Rescue Mission.

When: June 6, 2021

*Registration and entry fee are due on May 1, 2021.

Where: Saddle Ridge Golf Course,

Hwy 33 East, Portage, WI 53901

Time: Lunch is served at noon Tee-off is at 1:00 p.m.

4 Person Team Scramble, Best Ball Format

Visit St. John's website, **stjohnsportage.com**, for more information.

Community Events

Columbia County Right to Life gathers on the second Tuesday of every month in front of Planned Parenthood, 132 W. Cook St., in Portage from 5:00pm to 6:00pm. Please join to pray that abortion will no longer be a solution for unplanned pregnancies on Tuesday, April 13th, for all or part of the hour.

There is also a 365 Day Prayer vigil going on at the Madison abortion clinic. If you'd like to sign up to pray or learn more contact

Gwen at info@vigilforlife.org or at (608) 393-8545.