Our mission is to glorify God as we seek to make disciples of all nations by bringing the gospel of Jesus Christ to all people within and outside of the one holy Christian Church.

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# ST. JOHNS EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH (Missouri Synod)

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## **Second Sunday in Advent**

December 5, 2021
8:00 a.m. - Blended Service

10:30 a.m. - Divine Service, Setting One, LSB Page 151

The Sermon: "Fuller's Soap"
The Text: Malachi 3:1-7b

**The Opening Hymn**: "Arise, O Christian People" LSB **354** 

**The Sermon Hymn:** "Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming" LSB **359** 

The Communion Hymns:

"On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry" LSB **344** "Sing Praise to the God of Israel" LSB **936** 

The Closing Hymn: "Hark the Glad Sound" LSB **349** 

**+Holy Communion** will be celebrated at the 10:30 a.m. service today. Guests, it is our desire for you to commune with us. In the Lord's Supper, in with and under the bread and the wine, we receive Christ's body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of faith. You should also know that when you commune with a group of Christians, you are saying you agree with the teachings of that church body. If you are a member of a different church body, please use this time for prayer and reflection upon God's Word. We then invite you to speak with one of the pastors about how you, too, can share in this wonderful gift. If you believe what Christ says about His supper and share the beliefs we have at St. Johns, an LCMS congregation, you are welcome to join us for communion. Gluten free wafers are available. If you prefer a gluten free wafer please let the pastors know.

#### This Week at St. Johns

Monday	Staff Meeting	8:45 AM
Monday	Evening Guild Caroling	2:00 PM
Tuesday	Bible Study	8:30 AM
Tuesday	TOPS	9:00 AM
Tuesday	Board Meetings	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Release Time	8:25 AM
Wednesday	Bible Study	10:30 AM
Wednesday	Advent Service/Meal	NOON
Wednesday	Sunday School Christmas Practice	3:15 PM
Wednesday	Confirmation	3:30 PM
Wednesday	Bell Choir	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Advent Meal	5:00 PM
Wednesday	Advent Service	6:00 PM
Wednesday	Christmas Choir Practice	7:00 PM
Thursday	Ladies Aid	1:00 PM
Thursday	Lutheran Laymen's League	7:00 PM

### **Next Sunday**

Worship (Comm.)	8:00 AM
Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible Class	9:30 AM
Worship	10:30 AM
Cub Scouts	4:00 PM

ON MAIN STREET LIVING NORTH: Rev. Matthew Meyer, Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church, Callaway, MN, presents the message "Jesus is Coming, Hurry Up and Look Busy," based on Luke 3:1-14. Lutheran Television episode: "Stable Boy" - A manger scene comes to life and tells the story of the first Christmas. Main Street Living is broadcast Sundays at 9:00 a.m. on KVRR Fargo-Moorhead or watch online at www.mainstreetliving.com, "North (Fargo)."

**LISTEN** to the Lutheran Hour Sundays on KPRM 870 AM at 9:30 a.m., or KTIG 102.7 and 95.9 FM at 5:00 p.m. You can also listen on Sirius XM Family Talk Channel 133 on Sunday at 9:00 a.m. or any time on lhm.org/sentradio. Today's sermon is "Because We Belong" with speaker, Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler.

<u>TODAY'S SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSON</u> for PK-7th grade is "The Resurrection Sign - *Jesus Raises Lazarus*."

ADVENT SERVICES continue this Wednesday with a service at noon followed by a meal served by the Ladies Aid. The Youth will be serving tacos at 5:00 p.m. with worship at 6:00 p.m. Our theme is "The Word Became Flesh." This week's sermon focus is "A Man Named John."

#### SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM PRACTICE

continues this Wednesday, December 8 for 1st-6th grade. Sarah Kaufenberg plans to pick up kids at the Century School. Please let Sarah know if your child will be attending. She can be reached at 651-260-3350.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who participated in decorating the church for the Christmas season. From the entry ways to the interior, the time and effort taken makes it looks wonderful! **IT'S TIME** for our annual basket fund raiser. Baskets may viewed and bid on in the social hall. The last day to bid will be December 19. Proceeds will go to the National Youth Gathering.

TOYS FOR GIRLS AND BOYS AND TINY TOTS: Thanks to everyone who picked up an ornament for this program. Please drop off your unwrapped gifts, with the ornament attached, to the box under the tree at church by December 12 and check off your name on the sign-up sheet. Thank you!

**BREAKFAST IN BETHLEHEM**: Do you have a costume at home that you planned on using for the Breakfast in Bethlehem event. If so, please pin your name to it, bring it back to church, and hang it on the round rack at the end of the hallway by the bell room. Thank you!

COOKIES AND CAROLS: On Sunday, December 19 we'll gather in the fellowship hall during coffee hour to sing our favorite carols and indulge in our favorite cookies, which will be furnished by members like you! We simply ask everyone to bring a dozen or two of their favorite cookies or candy and after singing, the Board of Fellowship will make up gift packages of goodies and deliver them to our shut-ins. Please plan on joining us in this yearly tradition here at St. Johns.

ARE YOU ABLE TO HELP with Sunday morning coffee time? We are in need of additional members to serve and/or bring treats for Sunday coffee time in 2022. The schedule is being made using the information from the surveys that were mailed out and returned about 8 months ago, but we do not have enough people to fill in all the Sundays. Many members are already on the schedule 3-4 times. Your assistance, even just 1-2 times per year, would help immensely. Please call Connie Fondow (732-9236) or the church office (732-9783) if you are willing to help out.

DECEMBER ASSISTING ELDERS: 8:00 a.m. - (12/12) Emil Burgau and Larry Hetrick, 10:30 a.m. - (12/5) Mike Poole.

DECEMBER ACOLYTES: 8:00 a.m. - (12/5) Aiden May and Max Harju, (12/12) Zachary Harju and Austin Lee, (12/19) Brooke Kimball and Austin Lee. 10:30 a.m. - (12/5) Kaitlyn Maves and Grace Etter, (12/12) Khloe Harrison and Brooke Kimball, (12/19) Brock Knutson and Grace Etter. Advent, 6:00 p.m. - (12/8) Sawyer Harvey and Kolie Safratowich, (12/15) Samantha Fiemeyer and Aiden May.

<u>DECEMBER ALTAR GUILD</u>: Laurie Kimball and Staci Lee. <u>SUNDAY SCHOOL</u>: Att. - 21. Offering - \$13.95. <u>THANKSGIVING ATT</u>: Wednesday, 5:30 p.m. - 66. Thursday, 9:00 a.m. - 25. Total - 91.

LAST SUNDAY: Att. 8:00 a.m. - 124. 10:30 a.m. - 59. Total - 183. Offering: Unified (Envelopes) - \$4,900.00. Unified (Electronic) - \$1,285.00. Plate - \$296.00. Kitchen - \$350.00 (\$250.00 given in memory of Bill Valtinson). Thanksgiving - \$1,350.00. Main Street Living - \$150.00.Total - \$8,331.00.