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THE WEEK OF JANUARY 1, 2023 - JANUARY 8, 2023:

SUNDAY: 9:00am New Year's Day Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:00 am Introduction to Share and Prayer Triplets (Friendship Hall) New Year's Blessings to one and all! MONDAY: 10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line) 12:00 pm Bible Study (Conference Room) TUESDAY: 6:30 pm Executive Committee Meeting (Conference Room) 7:00 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall) 7:00 pm Scout Troop #7419 (Room 113) WEDNESDAY: 9:00 am Yin Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line) 11:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary) No ESL Classes today THURSDAY: 1:00 pm CROP Walk Meeting (Conference Room) No ESL Classes today 6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall) 7:00 pm Venture Crew #2419 (Room 113) NEXT SUNDAY: 9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:15 am Fellowship (Friendship Hall)

OPPORTUNITIES FOR VIEWING OUR WORSHIP SERVICE:

 A live-stream of our worship service can be viewed on Sundays at 9:00 am on the congregation's YouTube Channel, accessible from the congregation's web-site, <u>www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/</u>

10:30 am Book Study (Roehl Media Room)

 Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's web-site, <u>www.sjlc-elca.org</u> The Sunday worship service is broadcast one week delayed on JATV, cable channel 994, on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.



Our congregation extends their sympathy and prayers to the family of **Marion Matteson**, who died on December 23, 2022. Private services for Marion will be held later in 2023. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

WE ARE PRAYING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:

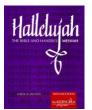
The Family of Marion Matteson, Janet J., Karliene T., Jean S., Connie O., Bonnie S., Kathy H., Pastor B., Pat M., Jean T., Terri S., Patty V., Les M., Fran B., Bob G., Dolores S., Nadine J., Dave H., Mary P., Connie O., Leonard, Dennis, Gloria W., Robert B., Gary H., Bill E., Alex, Chris, Norman D., Matt, John, Penny J., Ruth B., Indie R., Ryan, Dennis, Janet, Blaine, Jane, Kelly K., Shelly V., Jada U., Judi M.

Please call the congregation office if you or family members are hospitalized. The hospitals cannot be relied on to inform us.

JOIN US EACH WEEK FOR A NEW OPPORTUNITY FOR FELLOWSHIP!

It was so good to see everyone at our resumed gathering this fall that we decided to make it a habit! Every Sunday right after Worship, please join us for an informal gathering with snacks and beverages in Friendship Hall. On the first Sunday of the month we'll honor those with birthdays that month and on the third Sunday of the month, we'll honor those with wedding anniversaries that month. Happy news is good news! Hope to see you there!





NEW BOOK STUDY CONTINUES!

Join us in the Roehl Media Room (at the North end of Friendship Hall) for our book study. We are studying the book, *Hallelujah: The Bible and Handel's Messiah.* The first four sessions of this course deal with texts associated the Nativity, and the final six sessions look to Easter themes. We will return to the later sessions during Lent, but for now our plan is:

January 8, 2023 Session 3: For unto Us a Child Is Born Date to be announced Session 4: Glory to God in the Highest We look forward to seeing you in class.

100 DAYS OF SHARE AND PRAYER

Please join us after Fellowship this morning in Friendship Hall at 10:30 am to hear about our "100 Days of Share and Prayer Triplets". There is an insert in today's bulletin which gives a general outline of the program and Pastor Bond will give us detailed information and help us get started in the process. We hope that you will join us for this unique opportunity for forming relationships and for praying together.





BUDGET Q AND A FOR 2023

Please plan to join us in the Sanctuary on Sunday, January 15th at 10:30 am, for a review of the 2023 Congregational Budget. Copies of the proposed budget will be available and Congregational Council officers will be on hand to answer any questions you may have. The Annual Meeting will be held on January 29, 2023 at 10:30 am in Friendship Hall. Please plan to attend both of these meetings; we want to hear your input!

LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PROJECTS FOR 2022

This year the Mission OutReach team of St John Lutheran Church would invited you to participate as you are able in gathering materials for LWR kits. Our current project was to collect materials for Baby Care kits from until the end of December. <u>On January 22</u>, we will assemble the kits in Friendship Hall at 10:30 am . Please



<u>plan to help if you can!</u> Thank you to everyone who has responded so generously already! Your kindness makes a difference!



GIVING TREE 2022

Thank you to everyone who contributed so generously to our Giving Tree projects. Gifts were received for ECHO, ELCA World Hunger, Lutheran World Relief, ELCA Disaster Relief, the GIFTS Men's Shelter, the YWCA Women's Shelter and Immigrant Support, the 16:49 Project for homeless teens, the Salvation Army, Lutheran Social Services, and the Pastor's Discretionary Fund. Your kindness will be felt in our own community and in communities all around the world in this coming New Year! Additional gifts for the Giving Tree have been received. An updated copy of the Giving Tree gift list is included in today's bulletin.

The Pastor and Staff of St John Lutheran Church pray that every one of you will know the true peace and joy of this holy season and experience the fullness of God's blessings in the New Year.



Pastor Bond Haldeman Pastor Dave Nelsestuen Jennífer Hein Judí Magnus Les Meehan Pat Meehan Londa Rusch Melissa Van Tassell Ellen Westlund



Readings for the Week of January1 – January 8, 2023

Sun. January 1, 2023 — Name of Jesus

Readings: Numbers 6:22-27, Psalm 8, Galatians 4:4-7, Luke 2:15-21

<u>Prayer of the Day</u>: Eternal Father, you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Mon Jan 2	Genesis 12:1-7	Hebrews 11:1-12	Psalm 72
Tues Jan 3	Genesis 28:10-22	Hebrews 11:13-22	Psalm 72
Wed Jan 4	Exodus 3:1-5	Hebrews 11:23-31	Psalm 72
Thur Jan 5	Joshua 1:1-9	Hebrews 11:32-12:2	Psalm 72

Friday, January 6 – Epiphany of Our Lord

Readings: Isaiah 60:1-6, Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12

<u>Prayer of the Day:</u> O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Sat Jan 7	1 Kings 10:1-13	Ephesians 3:14-21	Psalm 72		
Sunday, January 8, 2023 – Baptism of Our Lord Readings: Isaiah 42:1-9, Psalm 29, Acts 10:34-43, Matthew 3:13-17					
Prayer of the Day: O God our Father, at the baptism of Jesus you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful to their calling to be your daughters and sons, and empower us all with your Spirit, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one god, now and forever.					