

# SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH (ELCA)

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## THE WEEK OF JANUARY 15, 2023 – JANUARY 22, 2023:

- SUNDAY:** 9:00 am **Worship Service (Sanctuary)**  
10:15 am **Fellowship (Friendship Hall)**  
10:30 am **Budget Q and A (Sanctuary)**
- MONDAY:** 10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line)  
12:00 pm **Bible Study (Conference Room)**
- TUESDAY:** 12:30 pm Quilters' Meeting (Friendship Hall)  
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)**  
6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)
- THURSDAY:** 6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)  
6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)  
Venture Crew #2419 (Room 113)
- SATURDAY:** 1:00 pm **ARRL Testing (Friendship Hall)**
- NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am **Worship Service (Sanctuary)**  
10:15 am **Fellowship (Friendship Hall)**  
10:30 am **LWR Kit Assembly (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, [www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/](http://www.sjlc-elca.org/worship-online/)
- Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's web-site, [www.sjlc-elca.org](http://www.sjlc-elca.org) The Sunday worship service is broadcast one week delayed on JATV, cable channel 994, on Sunday at 9:00 a.m.

**WE ARE PRAYING FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:**

The Family of Karlene Thom, Sue C., Wanda Z., Les M., Janet J., Jean S., Connie O., Bonnie S., Kathy H., Pastor B., Pat M., Jean T., Terri S., Patty V., 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.***

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**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!



**100 DAYS OF SHARE AND PRAYER**

Our "Share and Prayer Triplet" groups have been formed and are beginning their journey through the 100 days of this new venture. Watch for upcoming reports during Worship. Please pray for your prayer teams! We hope that everyone will benefit from this unique opportunity for forming relationships and for praying together.

**QUILTERS GROUP**

The Quilters Group will meet in Friendship Hall on January 17, 2023 at 12:30 pm. They continue to work on quilts for Lutheran World Relief. You don't need to be an accomplished seamstress to help! There are many steps involved in making a LWR quilt and skills of all levels, from layering and pinning, to piecing and binding, are needed. We have the materials, the machines, the tools and the skilled quilters, who are ready to teach you a step at a time! Come and see what we are doing!



QUILTING GROUP



**Our congregation extends their sympathy and prayers to the family of Karlene Thom, who died on January 5, 2023. Services for Karlene were held at Apfel-Wolfe Funeral Home in Janesville, Wisconsin on January 13, 2023.**

May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



## **A LOOK at the BUDGET**

### **BUDGET Q AND A FOR 2023**

Please plan to join us in the Sanctuary, **THIS MORNING, January 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 am, for a review of the proposed 2023 Congregational Budget.** Printed copies of the proposed budget will be available at the start of the meeting. Congregational Council members and 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. Copies of the Annual Report will be available at the start of the meeting. 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 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 until the end of December. Next Sunday, on January 22, we will assemble the Baby Care kits and the Personal Care kits in Friendship Hall at 10:30 am . Please plan to help if you can! Thank you to everyone who has responded so generously already! Your kindness makes a difference!



## **Congregational Meeting**

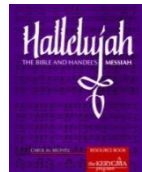


### **ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION!**

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of St John Lutheran Church will be held on Sunday, January 29, 2023 at 10:30 am in Friendship Hall. All members of the congregation are invited to attend. Confirmed and/or adult members of the congregation who have communed and contributed in the previous two years are entitled to vote on the budget and new representatives to the Council. **We need your presence and your input at this meeting! Please join us as we chart our future!**

### **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:



**Dates in February to be announced for Session 3: For unto Us a Child Is Born and Session 4: Glory to God in the Highest**

We look forward to seeing you in class.

**Readings for the Week of January 15 – January 22, 2023**

**Sunday, January 15 – Second Sunday after Epiphany**

Readings: Isaiah 49:1-7, Psalm 40:1-11, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9, John 1:29-42

Prayer of the Day: Holy God, our strength and our redeemer, by your Spirit hold us forever, that through your grace we may worship you and faithfully serve you, follow you and joyfully find you, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

<b>Mon Jan 16</b>	Exodus 12:1-13, 21-28	Acts 8:26-40	Psalm 40:6-17
<b>Tues Jan 17</b>	Isaiah 53:1-12	Hebrews 10:1-4	Psalm 40:6-17

**Wed Jan 18 – Confession of Peter**

Readings: Acts 4:8-13, Psalm 18:1-6, 16-19, 1 Corinthians 10:1-5, Matthew 16:13-19

Prayer of the Day: Almighty God, you inspired Simon Peter to confess Jesus as the Messiah and Son of the living God. Keep your church firm on the rock of this faith, so that in unity and peace it may proclaim one truth and follow one Lord, your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

<b>Thur Jan 19</b>	1 Samuel 1:1-20	Galatians 1:11-24	Psalm 27:1-6
<b>Fri Jan 20</b>	1 Samuel 9:27-10:8	Galatians 2:1-20	Psalm 27:1-6
<b>Sat Jan 21</b>	1 Samuel 15:34- 16:13	Luke 5:27-32	Psalm 27:1-6

**Sunday, January 22 – Third Sunday after Epiphany**

Readings: Isaiah 9:1-4, Psalm 27:1, 4-9, 1 Corinthians 1:10-18, Matthew 4:12-23

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, your loving kindness always goes before us and follows after us. Summon us into your light, and direct our steps in the ways of goodness that come through the cross of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.