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THE WEEK OF JANUARY 29, 2023 – FEBRUARY 5, 2023:

SUNDAY: **9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)**
 10:15 am Fellowship (Friendship Hall)
 10:30 am Annual Meeting of the Congregation (Friendship Hall)

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)
 5:00 pm 180 Group Rehearsal (Nave)
 6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)

THURSDAY: 1:00 pm CROP Walk Committee (Conference Room)
 6:00 pm ESL Classes (Room 303)
 6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)
 Venture Crew #2419 (Room 113)

NEXT SUNDAY: **9:00 am Worship Service (Sanctuary)**
 10:15 am Fellowship (Friendship Hall)
 10:30 am Book Study (Roehl Media Room)

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/
- Video recordings of worship services are available for viewing at the congregation's web-site, 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:

Benjamin M., Kali W., Brad, Addison, 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.

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 31, 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!



OFFERING ENVELOPES – Our new offering envelopes for 2023 still are not here yet. We spoke to the printers this week and our order is on the production floor but they are delayed by paper shortages. We expect them to be delivered in a few weeks and will publish a notice when they are available. In the meantime, please use a pew envelope or any plain envelope for your offering and

just write your name on the envelope. Thank you for your understanding. Once the envelopes do arrive the boxes will be on the table in the Narthex. When they arrive, if you do not see a set of envelopes with your name, please call the church office at 608-752-3159. We will have extra sets in the office and we will be happy to prepare a set of envelopes for you. We also want to correct the database if there are errors. Thank you for your help!

Congregational Meeting



ANNUAL MEETING OF THE CONGREGATION!

The Annual Meeting of the Congregation of St John Lutheran Church will be held TODAY, 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 for:

Session 3: For unto Us a Child Is Born – February 5, 2023

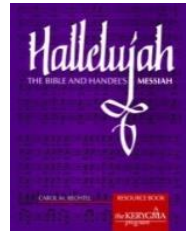
and Session 4: Glory to God in the Highest – February 12, 2023.

Classes are also scheduled for February 19 and 26, 2023 and into March.

See Pastor Bond for a detailed schedule.

New participants are welcome – talk to Pastor Bond to obtain a book.

We look forward to seeing you in class.



ECHO CURRENT NEEDS:

Peanut butter and jelly, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, diced tomatoes, tomato sauce, spaghetti sauce, pork and beans, tuna, deodorant, toothbrushes, laundry soap, feminine pads, conditioner, diapers (sizes 5-6) cash for bus passes and housing.

The next ECHO Community Meal will be held at St John Lutheran Church on Saturday, February 25, 2023 from

12:00 pm until 1:00 pm. Meals will be carry-out only at this time because of COVID protocols. Thank you for your continued support of this important ministry! Supplies can be dropped off at the ECHO office, Monday-Friday 9am – 12p.m. and Monday – Thursday 1pm – 4pm. More details at: www.echojanesville.org/



Readings for the Week of January 29 – February 5, 2023

Sunday, January 29 –Fourth Sunday after Epiphany

Readings: Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, 1 Corinthians 1:18-31, Matthew 5:1-12

Prayer of the Day: Holy God, you confound the world's wisdom in giving your kingdom to the lowly and the pure in heart. Give us such a hunger and thirst for justice, and perseverance in striving for peace, that in our words and deeds the world may see the life of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.



Mon Jan 30	Ruth 1:1-18	Philemon 1-25	Psalm 37:1-17
Tues Jan 31	Ruth 2:1-16	James 5:1-6	Psalm 37:1-17
Wed Feb 1	Ruth 3:1-13; 4:13-22	Luke 6:17-26	Psalm 37:1-17

Thursday, Feb 2 – Presentation of Our Lord

Readings: Malachi 3:1-4, Psalm 84, Hebrews 2:14-18, Luke 2:22-40

Prayer of the Day: Almighty and ever-living God, your only begotten Son was presented this day in the temple. May we be presented to you with clean and pure hearts by the same Jesus Christ, our great high priest, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Fri Feb 3	Isaiah 29:1-12	James 3:13-18	Psalm 112:1-9
Sat Feb 4	Isaiah 29:13-16	Mark 7:1-8	Psalm 112:1-9

Sunday, February 5 –Fifth Sunday after Epiphany

Readings: Isaiah 58:1-9a, Psalm 112:1-9, 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, Matthew 5:13-20

Prayer of the Day: Lord God, with endless mercy you receive the prayers of all who call upon you. By your Spirit show us the things we ought to do, and give us the grace and power to do them, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.