SAINT JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 12 - NOVEMBER 19, 2023:

- SUNDAY: 9:00 am Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:15 am Fellowship – (Friendship Hall)
- MONDAY: 9:00 am Staff Meeting (Office) 10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall and on-line) 12:00 pm Bible Study (Conference Room)
- TUESDAY:2:30 pm Prayer Shawl Group (Conference Room)
6:30 pm Congregation Council 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) 11:45 am Fellowship (Narthex)
- **THURSDAY:**9:00 am Pastors Pericope Study (Conference Room)
6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)
7:00 pm Venture Crew (Room 113)
- **NEXT SUNDAY:** 9:00 am Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary) 10:15 am Fellowship – (Friendship Hall)

REGULAR WORSHIP SERVICE SCHEDULE

- Sundays, 9:00 a.m., Holy Communion, in the Sanctuary
- Wednesdays,11:00 a.m., Holy Communion (recited, no singing), in the Sanctuary

PRAYER SHAWL GROUP

The St John Lutheran Prayer Shawl Group is knitting and crocheting prayer shawls and lap robes for local use. Patterns, yarn, friendly helpers, and good conversation are all available! Come and join us in the Conference Room on the second Tuesday of each month at 2:30 pm. Our next meeting is <u>November 14 at 2:30 pm</u>. Everyone is welcome!



PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:

Patricia V., Shawn, Boyd C., Wanda Z., Annie E., Dave K., Jerry R., Buck W., Bob W., Billie B., Caryl P., Chris D., Sarah J., Susan H., Roy P., Jennifer H., Trudy, Carl L., Patty M., Terri S., Cindy G., Lori B., Fran B., Bill E., Penny J., Dennis, Blaine, Judi M. The following individuals have expressed that they are thankful for prayers and blessings: Susan H., Mel, Jennifer, Gracie.

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

POTLUCK BREAKFAST!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our potluck breakfast on All Saints' Day! It was a wonderful gathering and we hope to do this again soon! Watch the Yellow Page for the date for the next opportunity to share the talents of our wonderful cooks! We hope to continue to see your for our weekly Fellowship gatherings!



LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF PRESENTATION

The Rev. Tim Krick, Manager for Congregational Engagement for Lutheran World Relief, visited our congregation on Tuesday, November 7th. He did a presentation about his trip this past summer to Turkiye and Ukraine, so that we might understand what our giving is doing. In his eloquent presentation, he helped his listeners to feel that they were standing next to him with the people in the photos. That their words, "thank you, thank you for this quilt, thank you for this kit, thank you for a place to sleep, thank you for this food, thank you for medical care, thank you **most of all** for remembering us", was intended for our ears and hearts. One recipient of a quilt stated quite clearly, "They are on a different continent, but spiritually they are here with us." It was a blessing to hear that our handmade gifts and our monetary contributions are a tangible symbol of hope and love. Many times during the presentation, tears welled up in eyes all around the room. If you have a chance to hear his presentation next year, take the time to come. You won't regret it.

For more information on the on-going work of Lutheran World Relief, go to lwr.org.



Thanksgiving Basket Distribution

Saturday, November 18 8 AM to Noon - Distribution at ECHO

Cranberries Needed!

Please purchase one or more cans of cranberries when you are at the grocery store and drop off at the ECHO Office in the Cranberry Container for the Thanksgiving Basket Distribution.

A Donation of THANKSGIVING

ECHO expects to assist <u>600 families</u> who are low-income. You can sponsor a family's Thanksgiving Meal for \$30 per family. Make your check out to "St John Lutheran Church" and write "ECHO Thanksgiving" in the memo line or just write "ECHO Thanksgiving" on the envelope. **We will make sure that your gift is delivered in time on November 13th!** Thank you for your kindness!



Skaalen Nursing and Rehab Center is again asking for our help to provide Christmas gifts for their residents. Gifts should be in the \$6 - \$10 range and they ask that we do not wrap them (but in a gift bag is acceptable). This helps them to know what gift is enclosed so that they can give it to a resident that it would be beneficial for. <u>They are hoping that</u> <u>our congregation can provide gifts for 2 men and 3 women.</u> Cash, for the center's staff to use for shopping for residents, is also appreciated. A generous member of our congregation has volunteered to deliver our gifts to Skaalen on December 1, 2023. **GIFT SUGGESTIONS**

Men

Colored pocket t-shirts Baseball caps Watches Cologne

Women

New jewelry (necklaces, pins, earring) Hair clips/ponytail holders Body spray Fuzzy socks with grippers

Both Men and Women

Professional/collegiate items (posters, pens, etc.) Window décor Wall décor Dresser décor (no candles) Coloring pages with crayons, markers, colored pencils Music CD's Soft chocolates (regular and sugar free) T-shirts of sports teams Lightweight blankets (fleece, quilt, etc) Brush, comb, Picks Dove Body Wash Clothing items should be Large to 2XL

Sunday Nov 12 – Twenty Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings

Amos 5:18-24, Psalm 70, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18, Matthew 25:1-13

Prayer of the Day

O God of justice and love, you illumine our way through life with the words of your Son. Give us the light we need, and awaken us to the needs of others, through Jesus Christ, our savior and Lord.



Mon – Nov 13	Amos 8:7-14	1 Corinthians 14:20-25	Psalm 63
Tue – Nov 14	Joel 1:1-14	1 Thessalonians 3:6-13	Psalm 63
Wed – Nov 15	Joel 3:9-21	Matthew 24:29-35	Psalm 63
Thu – Nov 16	Ezekiel 6:1-14	Revelation 16:1-7	Psalm 90:1-8, 12
Fri – Nov 17	Ezekiel 7:1-9	Revelation 16:8-21	Psalm 90:1-8, 12
Sat – Nov 18	Ezekiel 7:10-27	Matthew 12:43-45	Psalm 90:1-8, 12

Sunday Nov 19 – Twenty Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Readings:

Zephaniah 1:7, 12-18, Psalm 90:1-8, 12, 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11, Matthew 25:14-30

Prayer of the Day

Righteous God, our merciful master, you own the earth and all its peoples, and you give us all that we have. Inspire us to serve you with justice and wisdom, and prepare us for the joy of the day of your coming, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.