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THE WEEK OF MARCH 10 - MARCH 17, 2024:

THIS SUNDAY: Fourth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary)

Baptism of Yonas and Blessynn 10:15 am Fellowship (Friendship Hall)

No Lenten Study today

NEXT MONDAY: 10:00 am Chair Yoga (Friendship Hall)

12:00 pm Bible Study (Conference Room)

TUESDAY: 2:30 pm Prayer Shawl Group (Conference Room)

6:30 pm 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 Lenten Service with Holy Communion (Sanctuary)

11:45 am Fellowship (Narthex)

5:30 pm Ministry Out-Reach (Conference Room) 6:30 pm Lenten Evening Prayer (Sanctuary) 6:30 pm Al-Anon District Meeting (Friendship Hall)

THURSDAY: 9:00 am Pastors Pericope Study (Conference Room)

6:30 pm Al-Anon Meeting (Friendship Hall)

SATURDAY: 12:00 pm ARRL Testing (Friendship Hall)

NEXT SUNDAY: Fifth Sunday of Lent

9:00 am Sunday Worship Service (Sanctuary)

10:15 am Fellowship (Friendship Hall)

10:40 am Civic Life and Faith (Roehl Media Room)

Happy St Patrick's Day!

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.

PRAY FOR MEMBERS AND FRIENDS OF THE CONGREGATION:

Gloria W., Norman D., Judy, Chris R., Kate, Aimee, Fran, Gus, Mavis, Bud, Sue M., Dale S., Patty M., Joan W., Shelly V., Alex L., Melissa, Mary S., Eugene E., John A., Skip, Carl L., Rachel D., Terrin, Kealy, Tom W., Jim L., Olaf H., Patricia V., Shawn, Boyd C., Dave K., Buck W., Bob W., Billie B., Chris D., Susan H., Roy P., Jennifer H., Trudy, Carl L., Lori B., Bill E., Penny J., Blaine, Judi M., and all of our brothers and sisters in need of prayer.

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



NEW STUDY FOR LENT!

The ELCA is developing a social statement on civic life and faith, the relationship of church and state, and related matters, as called for by the 2019 ELCA Churchwide Assembly.

Social statements are the ELCA's primary documents to address significant social issues. They are intended to aid reflection, shape conscience and set forth the ELCA's teaching and policy on the major social issues and questions of contemporary life. Social statements are developed by task forces, using an established process of study and widespread participation across the church to guide theological and moral deliberation. At this time, the task force encourages you to study and give feedback on a draft version of the social statement. The feedback period will be open until Sept. 30, 2024.

We will read and discuss the draft statement in six sessions of the Sunday Adult Forum. We will be reading approximately nine single-spaced pages each week. Its not too late to join us! Please call the office to receive a set of documents for the class (608-752-3159) A schedule will be included with documents for those who sign up. We will not meet this weekend because of the baptisms; our next meeting

	March 10, 2024	No meeting today
Session 2	March 17, 2024, 10:40-11:30	pp. 12-19
Session 3	March 24, 2024 10:40-11:30	pp. 19-26
	March 31, 2024	No meeting today
Session 4	April 7, 2024 10:40-11:30	pp. 27-36
Session 5	April 14, 2024, 10:40-11:30	pp.36-43
Session 6	April 21, 2024 10:40-11:30	pp. 43-50

It's not too late to sign up. Come and join us! All are welcome!

will be Sunday, March 17, at 10:40 in the Roehl Room.

ECHO EASTER BASKETS

ECHO will be packing and distributing Easter baskets to children in need. Items needed for the baskets are: Children's Easter baskets, Individually wrapped candies, and plastic basket wrap. Items can be dropped off at ECHO or here at St John BEFORE March 21st. Monetary gifts can be given and will be forwarded to ECHO. Please make your check out to "St John Lutheran Church" and write "ECHO Easter" in the memo line of your check.





BAPTISMS TODAY!

This morning, our congregation welcomes with great joy through Baptism, Yonas Amari Mitchell and Blessynn Jaquetta Mitchell, children of Kidist Haldeman and Orion Mitchell. Blessings to the children and their family on this special day!



LENTEN SCHEDULE



Lent this year began on Ash Wednesday, February 14th. Weekly Lenten Services with Communion will be held every Wednesday during Lent at 11:00 am and a second Evening Prayer Service (not a Communion Service) will be held at 6:30 pm. There is a long tradition among Lutherans of dedicating more time for worship during Lent, usually by attendance at a mid-week worship service. The 11:00 am. service will be our usual spoken Holy Communion. The 6:30 p.m. service will be based on Evening Prayer from the Lutheran Book of Worship. We hope that you will join us in this special time of preparation for Easter.

FIRESIDE TRIP COMING IN AUGUST!

We're going to the Fireside again! This year's trip will be held on Wednesday, August 7, 2024. The performance is scheduled for noon and features the Grammy nominated band, High Road. Tickets are \$43.00 each and include the performance, a fish and chicken buffet, and the gratuity. Reservations and payment need to be made to Diana Winger (608-756-3748) by July 1, 2024. Make your



reservations soon so that the tickets don't all sell out!



Sunday Mar 10 - Fourth Sunday in Lent

Readings:

Numbers 21:4-9, Psalm 107:1-3, 17-22, Ephesians 2:1-10, John 3:14-21

Prayer of the Day:

O God, rich in mercy, by the humiliation of your Son you lifted up this fallen world and rescued us from the hopelessness of death. Lead us into your light, that all our deeds may reflect your love, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Mon – Mar 11	Exodus 15:22-27	Hebrews 3:1-6	Psalm 107:1-16
Tues - Mar 12	Numbers 20:1-13	1 Corinthians 10:6-	Psalm 107:1-16
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Wed - Mar 13	Isaiah 60:15-22	John 8:12-20	Psalm 107:1-16
Thu – Mar 14	Isaiah 30:15-18	Hebrews 4:1-13	Psalm 51:1-12
Fri – Mar 15	Exodus 30:1-10	Hebrews 4:14-5:4	Psalm 51:1-12
Sat – Mar 16	Habakkuk 3:2-13	John 12:1-11	Psalm 51:1-12

Sunday Mar 17 –Fifth Sunday in Lent

Readings:

Jeremiah 31:31-34, Psalm 51:1-12, Hebrews 5:5-10, John 12:20-33

Prayer of the Day:

O God, with steadfast love you draw us to yourself, and in mercy you receive our prayers. Strengthen us to bring forth the fruits of the Spirit, that through life and death we may live in your son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.