

St. John's Lutheran Church, ELCA

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Call The Church Office

Please call if you are ill, in the hospital, or in need of spiritual help.

Serving Today

Sermon: Carol Polzin

Worship Leader: 10:30a.m.-Ray Mielke

Worship Reader: 8a.m.-Jan Mielke

Music: Karen Schultz

DATES COMMUNION IS OFFERED

11-13-24

SUNDAY 9:30A.M.

WEDNESDAY 6P.M.

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***Coffee Hour will begin at 9a.m. on Communion Sundays between 8a.m. and 10:30a.m. worship services.**

BAPTISM

Reagan Alicia Workman was baptized on Wednesday, November 13th. Reagan's guardians are Richard and Jolayne Workman. Her sponsors are Richard Workman Jr. and Tori Eggleston. Please welcome Reagan into the congregation.

FLOWER BEDS

The cement around the flower beds on Ramsdell Street has been fixed and new stone has been added. Please be sure to take a look at this building improvement from the 2023 Fall Dinner proceeds.

LUTHERAN SOCIAL SERVICES

On Sunday, December 1st we will have a guest speaker joining us. In between 8a.m. and 10:30a.m. worship services, Shemagne O'Keefe Mullins, the Faith Partnerships Associate will talk to the group about Lutheran Social Services.

QUAKE

Quake partners with youth leaders to encourage teens to become established in their faith, empowered for Christian living, and enabled to live a life of ministry and leadership. Quake in Wisconsin Dells will be on February 14th-16th. <https://quakeevent.com/events/wisdells-feb/> Here is the website regarding the event. This event is for the purpose of enhancing your faith. It is not about going to the Waterpark. If anyone is interested in attending, please let me know by November 7th. Fundraising will need to occur for students to go to this event. This will be the responsibility of the parents to organize. This is open to grades 6-12. Registration per kid is \$99 +20 for t-shirt. Hotel prices will depend on how many youth are going and gender of the youth. Parents and students will also be responsible for providing meals for the youth.

OFFERING ENVELOPES

Any offerings for 2024 must be received by December 31st, 2024.

PRAYERS

Please keep the following in your prayers: Brayden Mielke, Caleb LeNoble, Cindy Reider, Darla Dieck, Denise Pamperin, Diane Krueger, Doug & Sandy Nielson, Jerry & Pat Skogen, Karlie Faehling, Kristy Overman, Larry Schuster, Lee Much, Lori Tomsovic, Nancy Helms, Nathan Nick, Oliver Joren, Rachel Fischer, Tracy Narf, Scott Brandenburg, and Will Wege. The prayer board has been changed to those who are dealing with current medical issues only. Please only add names of individuals who have approved to be on the prayer list prior to writing on the board. Remember to let the church office

know when the medical issues are resolved, and you or the individual are ready to be taken off the prayer list. Thank you!

UPCOMING WORSHIP SERVICES

Thanksgiving worship will occur on Wednesday, November 27th at 6p.m. The Children's Christmas Program will occur on December 15th at the 10:30a.m. worship service. There will be two Christmas Eve services with communion at 3:30 and 5:30p.m.

YOUTH

There will be a few synod youth opportunities coming up. On January 11th, there will be sledding/snow tubing. The location and details are not yet available. On February 21-23, 2024, Journey with Jesus: Synod Youth Gathering for Junior High and High School Youth will be at Imago Dei Village in Clintonville. Watch for details in the future.

SOUL OPPORTUNITIES:

BEFRIENDER MINISTRY

BeFriender Ministry is a "pastoral care" ministry that trains members in many different areas. Here are just a few: how to visit shut-ins, assisting members who are getting married or divorced, grief counseling, hospitalizations, etc. St. John's Lutheran Church is interested in becoming a trained BeFriender, please contact the church office.

CHRISTMAS FLOWER

If you are interested in donating a Christmas Flower in memory or in honor of someone, please sign-up on the clipboard near the Sanctuary entry by Thursday, December 12th. Please drop flowers off no earlier than Monday, December 16th but no later than December 19th. Please pick up on December 24th. If you order through Larrabee Gardens, they will be dropped off at church for you. Thank you to all who help decorate our church to celebrate Christmas.

CHRISTMAS DONATIONS NEEDED

Please consider donating to one of the following organizations for this Christmas Season. Goodfellows Clintonville/Marion or The Giving Tree – Tigerton. These organizations are assisting the less fortunate in these areas. They are looking for gift cards for high school students. Please purchase a \$20.00 gift card from one of the following merchants: Subway, McDonalds, Culvers and Dollar General. All cards should be in the church office by December 2nd. Thank you and God's Blessing during this holiday season.

DECORATING THE CHURCH

On Wednesday, December 11th after the church service at 6p.m., the youth will decorate the Parish Hall and Great Room. Adults are needed to help with decorating in the Sanctuary. Dinner will be served after. If you are not able to help, but wish to provide treats, that is also greatly appreciated. This is always a night of fun and fellowship.

DECORATING A TREE AT THE MARION AREA HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Marion Area Historical Society will be hosting a "Christmas evening in the Museum" on Saturday December 7th in conjunction with "Marion's Tree-mendous Christmas" and on Dec. 14th. St. John's Lutheran Church is signed up to decorate a tree for the dates listed above. If anyone would like to organize decorating a tree at the Historical Society, please call 715-250-3204.

FOOD PANTRY

The food pantry needs for November are cereal bars and chicken noodle soup. The food pantry wants are dish soap and hand soap. Distribution is the first and third Thursday of every month from 2:30-4:00p.m.

SALVATION ARMY

Volunteer Bell Ringers are needed on Tuesday, December 10th at Tadych's MarketPlace Foods in Clintonville from 10a.m. to 6p.m. If you are interested in signing up, please sign up on the sheet in the back of the sanctuary or sign up online at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0848A5A82EA0FA7-20182#/>