



OUR FATHER'S BUSINESS



Today	Preacher, Pastor Thadeus Flitter
	Music — Kristen Hillmann
	Adult Bible Study & Teen Bible Study / Sunday School 9:05am
12/07	Christmas Drop & Shop 9am — Noon

150TH ANNIVERSARY NEWS—There are still a lot of Anniversary mementos available. They would make wonderful Christmas presents. They are a nice memory of our school's 150th Anniversary. Cost is \$10.00 ea. or 3/\$25.00. They're available in the west office and the school office. Make checks payable to St. John St. James. The quarter war is underway. The totals for the quarter war is, 0-33, \$21.29; 34-66, \$209.14; Over 67, \$381.91. Total so far; \$612.34. / Sunday December 8th is **MLHS Sunday** as part of our School Anniversary celebration. The Lancer Singers will be singing in both services. After both services MLHS will give a brief presentation. After the 8am presentation, all members are invited to the commons for snacks and fellowship with the Lancer Singers. / We will have a section in our Anniversary Booklet titled “**Memories**” If you or family members have memories of our school, we'd like to hear from you. You can send it to Amanda at aschrubbe@stjohnstjames.com or Dan at dduchow@stjohnstjames.com. You can bring in a paper copy if you wish. If you can't type, just bring in a written copy and we'll type it for you.

SCHOOL ROOF PROJECT—The school roof project has been completed in the amount of \$36,695.86. Total received to date is \$25,760; a balance of \$8,935.86 remains. Thank you for your support of this project.

POINSETTIAS—It's time to start thinking about Christmas again with Poinsettias! This year we are hoping to get at least 8 white and 8 blue Poinsettias for School. Red poinsettias for church are unlimited—we are hoping to have at least 35, so we can fill the tree and the Sanctuary. We will let you know in the bulletin announcements when we reach this amount. Please print clearly, put your order in an envelope provided for you, then place the envelope in the box on the table in the West Church Office. You are welcome to take your poinsettias with you after the Christmas Day service. This year red and white poinsettias are \$11.50 each and the blue poinsettias are \$18.50 each. Please have your order to us by Sunday, December 1st. Make checks payable to St. John-St. James.

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS & DROP AND SHOP FOR PARENTS!—Please join us on December 7th from 9 AM to Noon. All children from our congregation, school, and community, ages 3K through 8th grade are invited. We will provide a morning of Christ-centered Christmas fun and lunch for your children. Children in 6-8 grade will be utilized as helpers as they participate throughout the morning. Please register by going to our website, www.stjohnstjames.com and click the link for the form to register.

SHOP WITH SCRIP—The SJSJ Scrip Program would love to help you with your Christmas shopping! SCRIP gift cards make excellent gifts. If you are not familiar with our SCRIP Program, please contact the school office for more information or visit www.raiseright.com. The enrollment code for our organization is: A755918L7794. Please remember that if we do not have what you need in our inventory or you need a large amount, we can certainly order it and have it available for you within a week.

CHRISTMAS BEGINS WITH CHRIST—“Advent by Candlelight” Sunday December 8th, 4:00 PM at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Collins. Come and join us in celebrating the time before the Savior's birth. Fellowship to follow. Bring family and friends to this event. Please RSVP to Nancy at 920-901-4674 by Dec 1st for preparation of the food.

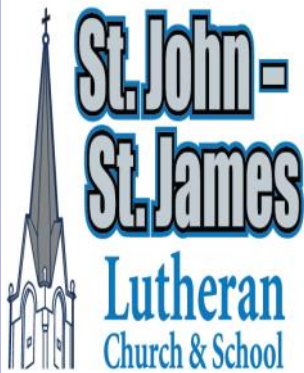
GERMAN SERVICE—Saturday December 14th, 2:00 PM at St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Collins. Come join us in a special Service in German. Fellowship to follow all are welcomed. Bring family and friends. Please RSVP to Nancy at 920-901-4674 by Dec 1st for preparation of the food.

REEDSVILLE AMVET POST 1032 — “Breakfast with Santa” TODAY! Sunday, December 1st at Reedsville Elementary School 8:30am — 1:00pm. Pancakes—Regular & Potato, plus porkies and scrambled eggs. Cost \$7—Adult, 6 - 12 years old \$5.00, 5 - Under Free. There will also be a craft raffle and cookie decorating.

LIVING NATIVITY—St. Paul's, 441 Millersville Ave, Howards Grove - 22nd Annual Living Nativity - The presentation is always the first weekend in December and is scheduled for **Friday, December 6th, Saturday, December 7th, Sunday, December 8th** and runs every 20 minutes. Times for **Friday and Saturday are 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm** and the time for **Sunday is 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm**. In addition, we will feature signed presentations for the hearing impaired on December 7th at 6:00 pm, 7:00 pm and 8:00 pm. Admission is free and so are parking and refreshments. All guests are invited to come into our gym, decorated as the town of Bethlehem at night, to warm up and enjoy hot chocolate, warm cider, cookies and listen to musical entertainment. We also feature a special display of interesting Nativity sets owned by members of St. Paul's. You will find the display in the commons. It still is an easy journey to the stable and Bethlehem (gym).

CHRISTMAS CANDY BAGS - We will once again be putting together Christmas candy bags for the children of our church & school to be handed out on Christmas Eve. If you would like to make a donation towards the candy, apples, oranges, etc. for the bags, please leave it in the jar in the West Office of Church.

DEEPEST SYMPATHIES—Michele Marie McClanahan, of Huntingdon, TN entered eternal life on Tuesday morning, November 19th, at the age of 53. Michele is a sister to Pat/Arlie Olp of our congregation. Our most sincere condolences to all other family members and close friends.



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Times of Worship: Sunday 8:00am & 10:15am ~ Adult Bible Study & Teen Bible Study /Sunday School 9:05am

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Wednesday Deadline

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Office Hours: 8:00am – 3:00pm M-F Scrip available for purchase during office hours.

Sunday, December 1, 2024

SERVING YOU THIS WEEK ■ **Sunday, December 1 8:00am Ushers** — Dan Duchow, Jeff Herzog, Brad Busse, Jade Busse, Marshall Kirkpatrick **10:15am Ushers** — Paul Kiekhaefer, John Brodtke, Jeremy Foytik, Delton Kasten, Nathan Kasten ■ **Flower Committee** — Pat Olp, Joan Sheahan ■ **Church Cleaners 11/25– 12/08** — Sarah/Rick Zimmermann, Carissa Hillmann, Vicki Rolf

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PRACTICE—Choir will begin practice on Wednesday, December 4, 11 and 18 and will have a practice on Monday December 23. Practices will begin at 6pm. Church members in 9th grade and older are welcome to join. No choir experience needed. Please contact Kristen Hillmann khillmann@stjohnstjames.com for more information.

ADVENT DEVOTION BOOKS - If you pre-ordered a 2024 MLC Advent Devotion Book, please stop in the West Office in Church to pick up the one with your name on it. If you missed ordering and would still like one, there are a few extra on the table in the West Office. Please help yourself!

DIVINE CALLS—At our recent call meeting, our voters extended a permanent call to Mrs. Kelly Loberger to continue serving as a teacher here at St. John—St. James. An additional call was also extended to Mr. Richard Owen, III to serve as our principal & teacher. Richard is currently serving at Trinity Lutheran School in Waco, NE. Please keep Mrs. Loberger & Mr. Owen in your prayers as they deliberate. Feel free to contact them with words of encouragement at kloberger@stjohnstjames.com (Kelly) and TrinityWacoPrincipal@gmail.com (Richard).

MLHS SUNDAY—On Sunday, December 8th, the Lancer Singers from Manitowoc Lutheran High School will help lead our worship services at both 8:00 & 10:15am. They have asked our students (gr. 3K-8) to join them in singing one song that morning. Students may attend whichever service they prefer that morning. There will be a short presentation by MLHS after both services in the sanctuary. Following the 8:00am presentation our members and visitors will go to the commons to join the MLHS students for food and fellowship.

ADVENT MEDITATION BRUNCH AT TRINITY, BRILLION — “Christmas Begins With Christ” This year’s event will take place on Saturday, December 7, starting at 9:00am with a light breakfast and fellowship. Program starts at 9:30 – 11:00 am. Men, women, and children are invited to attend. To help Trinity prepare for the event, please sign up at this one link or call the Trinity office at 920-756-3738. <https://trinitybrillion.flocknote.com/signup/188144>

MEMORIAL RECEIVED—Roger/Carol Bubolz have given a memorial to the “Roof Repairs” in memory of Lee Krueger. Thank you for your gift!

ADOPT A FAMILY - St. John-St. James is collecting donations to purchase Christmas gifts for a family in need who lives in Manitowoc County. We have been assigned a family with 4 children this year and need your help to make their Christmas a blessed one! If you would like to shop for & donate a specific gift, please pick up a tag from the board in the back of church or the school commons. Cash donations & gift cards (SCRIP) are also welcome. Please drop off your donations (**unwrapped**) in the collection boxes in the back of church or the school commons by **Sunday, December 15th**. (Gift receipts are appreciated!)

Church Attendance

Thursday, 11/21 6:30pm — 89 **Sunday, 11/24 8:00am** — 75 **10:15am** — 65 **TOTAL** — 229

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE				
11/21/24 & 11/24/24				
FUND	NEEDED WEEKLY	GIVEN THIS WEEK	WEEKLY Over/(Under)	FISCAL YTD Over/(Under)
General Fund	\$ 13,734.00	\$ 7,488.93	\$ (6,245.07)	\$ (93,849.12) *
Synod	\$ 597.00	\$ 157.00	\$ (440.00)	\$ (3,591.50)
MLHS	\$ 452.00	\$ 163.00	\$ (289.00)	\$ (2,149.50)
Building Fund	\$ 2,312.00	\$ 6,674.06	\$ 4,362.06	\$ 26,555.06
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				*Taken in \$32,420

Building Fund Memorials —\$25 / Roof Repairs — \$3,995 / Debt Retirement — \$500 / Door Offering Christian Aid Relief—\$364