News and Notes

- From the week of January 12 -

God & Me Class

We are looking towards a new "God and Me" class in January.

Do you know anyone interested in this course? We'll study the core teachings of God's Word, answer questions that you have about God, and grow in our faith. It is open to individuals who....

- Want to explore membership
- Are currently members looking for a "spiritual boost" in the new year.
- Anyone that just wants to learn about the Bible.

If you know someone or are someone who is interested please let us know! A sign up sheet is available today! Class begins on Monday, January 20 at 6:30pm.

Tie Blanket Making - Jan 18th

Can you tie a knot? Of course you can! Please join us on January 18 at 2:00 in the Fellowship Hall to make tie-blankets. Ruth Circle is organizing this project with the help of Thrivent funding, to make tie-blankets which will be distributed to our members that are shut-ins and those recovering from health issues. All are welcome to help, young and not-so-young, and no sewing skills are needed. Bring scissors suitable for cutting fabric, if you have one.

Pastor Crass Installation Service - St. Paul's Prescott TODAY

St. Paul's is planning an installation service for Pastor Samuel Crass on Sunday, January 12 at 4pm with a potluck meal to follow. Everyone is invited to attend and welcome Pastor Crass!

Church Directory Updates

Would you like to add or update your directory photo? Here are a few ways to do so:

- Scan the QR code on this page
- Text the word: photo to the number 651-401-1400
- Email your photo to: <u>admin@stjohnslutheran.com</u> (please be sure to include any updates to your contact information if needed)



Committee Reports Due January 31st: As we welcome the new calendar year, we ask all committees to provide a report of the past year. Please submit your reports to Michelle at the following email address: michelle.schulte@stjohnslutheran.com

2024 Giving Statements – 2024 Giving Summaries were sent out via email on Tuesday, January 7th – check your inbox! If you would like a hard copy of your giving statement, please reach out to Michelle. For those without an email address on file, hard copies were printed and put in your church mailbox.

Poinsettia Plants Thank you to everyone who purchased plants to adorn the chancel this Christmas season! There are still a few plants left in the kitchen – be sure to grab yours today!

Meals on wheels

St. John's provides drivers for delivery of hot meals to homebound residents of the Hastings community with the Meals on Wheels program. The meals are prepared in the hospital kitchen and our drivers pick them up there. Four drivers are needed on Wednesday every other week. Karen Bremer is the coordinator, If you would like to drive, please call Karen Bremer at 651-319-637.

Funeral Luncheon Volunteers

In 2022, we initiated a sign-up for church members to volunteer in various ways to help with funeral luncheons. The volunteer system has worked well. Without the help of volunteers, we would not be able to continue serving funeral luncheons. It is now time to update the lists. For the next couple of weeks, sign-up sheets are posted for members (men, women, teens) to volunteer to help. Your help is needed on weekdays, evenings, and/or Saturdays. If you are available only in the evening and/or Saturday, please check the appropriate box on the sign-up sheet. Table Preparation is the day or evening before the day of the funeral and is mainly placing items on tables (placemats/napkins/utensils/etc). Serving and Clean-Up the day of the funeral is preparing to serve catered food, general kitchen help, and help with clean-up. When we know the funeral luncheon details, we will contact you inquiring if you are available to help. We rotate volunteers as best we can so everyone has an opportunity to help. Your help is greatly appreciated. If you signed the Volunteer Sign-Up sheets in 2022, please sign the sheets again. If questions, contact Sandy Fiedler (715-262-5480).

This week at St. John's:

Today:	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
Tuesday:	12:00 PM	Leisure Club
	5:30 PM	Elders Meeting
	7:00 PM	Church Council
Wednesday:	6:30 AM	Grow Group – Dunn Bros.
	11:30 AM	Meals on Wheels (meet at the hospital)
	1:00 PM	Grow Group – Culvers
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
Thursday:	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	1:00 PM	Welcome Home
	6:30 PM	Ruth Circle
Saturday:	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study @ El Mexican
	2:00 PM	Tie Blanket Making
Next Sunday:	8:00 AM	Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Communion Service

Upcoming Greeters -

Jan 12: Larry & Julie Rosenow (8am); Jeanne Schumann & Charlotte Pierce (10:30am)

Jan 19: Rich & Linda Myklebust (8am); Carol Berneche & Marilyn Lee (10:30am)

Jan 26: Henry & Jean Hoeft (8am); Rita Bremer & Shirley Munger (10:30am)

Upcoming Ushers -

Jan 12: Larry & Isaiah Rosenow (8am); Jeanne Schumann & Charlotte Pierce (10:30am)

Jan 19: Rich & Linda Myklebust (8am); Tony Johnson & Jacob Johnson (10:30am)

Jan 26: Henry Hoeft & Dorothy Wiltermuth (8am); Charlotte Pierce & OPEN (10:30am)

Upcoming Junior Ushers -

Jan 12: Jason & Tyler Olson (8am) & Annika Hauck (10:30am)

Jan 19: Riley Klebe & Oliver Wirth (8am); Lena Bauer (10:30am)

Jan 26: Grady Schweich & Lakyn Hoeft (8am); Clara Hochmuth (10:30am)

Scan the QR code for the full schedule and to sign-up for other serving opportunities!