News and Notes

- From the week of February 16 -

Annual Meeting Day - TODAY at 11:15am

Please join us for our The Annual Meeting will be held TODAY between worship services. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend! Agendas, previous meeting minutes, as well as the 2022 Annual Report are available in the back of the sanctuary. Be sure to stick around for a fellowship potluck following the meeting!

Membership information for the 2025 Directory:

The 2025 membership directory will be available soon! There are a few draft copies available in the fellowship hall for you to review. Please check your information and write in any necessary changes in (including any changes to 'list/unlist' email addresses). Please do not remove these copies from the fellowship hall.



You can also verify your information via our online directory! Look for the directory icon on our website or visit: www.servantkeeper.com/directory/stjohnslutheran (scan the QR Code for ease) Use password: Come.Grow.Live.



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- Look for the link in the weekly eMessenger
- **Email your photo to:** <u>admin@stjohnslutheran.com</u> (please be sure to include any updates to your contact information if needed)

Teen Event – Snow tubing Feb 23

This month the teens will be going Snow Tubing at the Badland Snowpark on Sunday, Feb 23 - 1:00-5pm (weather permitting). This will be a great experience to enjoy some time outside of church connecting with each other and having fun! The teens from Christ the Lord in Cottage Grove will be joining us as well. Tickets need to be purchased in advance so a sign up is required for this event. The total cost is \$15.00 per student (tickets are \$23, but the church will cover the \$8 difference). Please let Andy know if you plan to attend by Feb. 18^{th} .

Family Kick Ball

Join us on Saturday, February 22 for Family Kick Ball! Meet at the St. John's gym from 2-4 PM. We'll join together for games and later have a snack and devotion from God's Word. Bring your gym shoes. Friends are always welcome!

Mark your Calendars: Ash Wednesday & Lenten Services

March 5, 2025 is Ash Wednesday and the beginning of the Lenten Season! Worship we be held each Wednesday evening March 5 – April 9 at 6:30pm as we take a look at "Reflections on Repentance". This series of Lenten reflections explores the depths of our sinful depravity, the brokenness of our relationship with God, our dire need for rescue, and the good news of forgiveness, cleansing, and rejoicing in our restored relationship with God and the promise of eternal life through Jesus our Savior. "The Lord is not slow to do what he promised. . . . Instead, he is patient for your sakes, not wanting anyone to perish, but all to come to repentance" (2 Peter 3:9).

March 5: There will be a soup supper served on Ash Wednesday being served at 5:30pm by our Church Council.

Choir Opportunity

The choir will begin rehearsals on Sunday Feb 23 and March 2 at 9:40-10:10am in the sanctuary to prepare for Ash Wednesday service.

St John's Fellowship Hall theater is open again!

St John's Fellowship Hall theater is open again! Add Friday, March 7, at 6:30 PM to your calendar to join your church family in watching IF. What happens to Imaginary Friends when their kids outgrow them? Discover a world of imaginary friends, or IF's, as Bea embarks on a journey to reunite them with their original children. She learns the power of imagination, the importance of family, and the healing power of friendship. This movie is fun for all ages and it's FREE. Ruth Circle will be providing FREE popcorn and beverages! Kids- bring your blanket and pillow and claim a spot on the floor in the front. Adults- there will be plenty of seating for you too!

Meals on Wheels

St. John's provides hot meals to the homebound members of our congregation and to the residents of the Hastings community. We are scheduled to deliver the meals that are prepared in the hospital kitchen every other Wednesday. If you would like to volunteer for this very satisfying labor of love please call or text Karen Bremer at 651-319-6372 or email: karenbremer17@gmail.com.

This week at St. John's:

Today:	9:00 AM	Family Bible Hour (Sunday School & Bible Class)
	10:00 AM	Communion Service
	11:15 AM	Annual Meeting – Potluck to follow
Monday:	6:30 PM	God & Me
Tuesday:	12:00 PM	Leisure Club
Wednesday:	6:30 AM	Grow Group – Dunn Bros.
	1:00 PM	Grow Group – Carbones
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
	6:30 PM	Homebound Visit Meeting
Thursday:	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 PM	Ruth Circle
Saturday:	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study @ El Mexican
	2:00 PM	Family Kickball
Next Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Worship Service
	1:00 PM	Teen Snow Tubing

Upcoming Greeters -

Feb 16: Rich & Linda Myklebust & Carol Berneche & Marilyn Lee (10am) Feb 23: Henry & Jean Hoeft (8am); Rita Bremer & Shirley Munger (10:30am)

Mar 2: Deb Grenstein & Kristi Murtaugh (8am); Tony Johnson & OPEN (10:30am)



Upcoming Ushers -

Feb 16: Rich & Linda Myklebust & Tony Johnson & Jacob Johnson (10am)

Feb 23: Henry Hoeft & Dorothy Wiltermuth (8am); Jeanne Schumann & Charlotte Pierce (10:30am)

Mar 2: Deb Grenstein & Randy Wills (8am); Tony Johnson & Myron Milbrandt (10:30am)

Upcoming Junior Ushers -

Feb 16: Finn Larson & Lily Herrmann (10am)

Feb 23: Jason & Tyler Olson (8am); Clara Hochmuth (10:30am)

Mar 2: Riley Klebe & Oliver Wirth (8am); Mya Bauer (10:30am)

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