

News and Notes

- From the week of October 1 –

Church Directory Updates - Photo shoot

It's true! You do look even better than you did last year. So get that new photo into the church yearbook. We'll have a photographer on hand today October 1 and again on October 15 after both services. It just takes a minute! Or you can submit your own photo anytime by.....

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



Baptism

We give thanks to God along with David & Jenny Hoeft for the blessing of baptism! Their son, Kip Henry, was baptized into God's family today during the 10:30am worship service.

Ministry Fair

As we begin our new worship series, "A Time for Everything" and consider God's gift of time, we will also highlight a different area of ministry at St. John's and provide opportunities to learn more about serving. Could you help advance slides during worship? Join a ministry team? How about starring in the upcoming "Live Nativity." Visit shut-in members of the congregation? Provide refreshments? Browse through the fellowship hall and look at all the different ministry options that exist. We'll be on hand to answer questions. If you would like to learn more about a specific area of ministry- just sign your name. We'll connect with you on ways to use your gifts for God's Kingdom.

Community Outreach Opportunity – Candy Crawl! Sunday, October 29, 2:00-5:00pm

Each year the Downtown Business Association puts on a Halloween Candy Crawl in downtown Hastings. We are excited to set up a station to be part of this community activity again this year! We are looking for volunteers to help pass out candy and run a kids activity the day of the event! Unable to make it? You can still help! Candy donations can be brought to the church up until the day of the event. To volunteer or make a donation, please sign up on the bulletin board.

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed

St. Johns is looking for more drivers for Meals on Wheels. If you have not helped before, here is the important information. We volunteer with the hospital every other Wednesday. Your time commitment is less than an hour and we begin at 11:45 and when you are done with your deliveries you are free to enjoy the rest of your afternoon. If you are interested in helping out once and while, or have questions, please connect with Karen Bremer. You can call or text her at 651-319-6372. Or, if you'd prefer, her email is karenbremer17@gmail.com

Living Nativity: December 2, 2023

Planning is underway for our 2023 Living Nativity! The Live Nativity Event will be held on Saturday Dec. 2nd from 5pm – 7pm. Performances will be held on a continuous basis, every 20 minutes beginning at 5pm. The last performance will be at 6:40pm.

We have had such a wonderful support from the congregation in the past! Think about where you can help! A full list of opportunities are posted in the fellowship hall as well as available online – just scan the QR code or watch for the link in the upcoming eMessenger!



Quarterly Meeting – October 15th!

Our quarterly congregational meeting will be held on Sunday, Oct. 15th between services at @ 9:15am. Everyone is encouraged to come and hear an update on current ministries and upcoming plans!

LWMS Fall Rally – TODAY

The LWMS Fall Rally is being held today at St. Croix Lutheran Academy in West St. Paul at 1pm. Rev. Timothy and Jennifer Otto will speak on the topic of Hispanic ministry in St. Paul and working with the New Day Pregnancy & Family Resource Center in Little Canada.

Men of His Word Conference – October 28, 2023 at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester, MN.

Join hundreds of your brothers in Christ as we share in Word and song and fellowship. This year's theme: "Man Up! In a Man Down World". For more information and registration, visit: www.menofhisword.org

Welcome Video

Our worship services begin each week with a welcome video. It reminds us of God's grace and a few of the ministries which He allows us to conduct as we "Come.Grow.Live. in His grace. Thanks to the tech team for their efforts at updating the video.

Like to plan ahead? Invite your friends to these special Christmas Worship services:

Christmas Eve Worship – Sunday, December 24th: Children's Christmas Service 10 AM; Candlelight Worship 4PM
Christmas Day Festival Worship – Monday, December 25th at 10 AM

This week at St. John's:

Today:	8:00 AM	Communion Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Communion Service
	11:30 AM	Private Event – Church Fellowship Hall
Monday:	12:30 PM	BIC Class
	6:00 PM	GriefShare
	6:30 PM	God & Me
Tuesday:	7:00 PM	Facility Improvement Committee Meeting
Wednesday:	6:30 AM	Grow Group – Dunn Bros.
	1:00 PM	Grow Group – Bierstube
	6:30 PM	Confirmation Class
Thursday:	9:30 AM	Women's Bible Study
Saturday:	8:00 AM	Men's Bible Study @ El Mexican
Sunday:	8:00 AM	Worship Service
	9:15 AM	Family Bible Hour
	10:30 AM	Worship Service

Upcoming Greeters –

Oct 1: Larry & Julie Rosenow (8am); Tony Johnson (10:30am)
Oct 8: Rich & Linda Myklebust (8am); Jeanne Schumann & Shirley Munger (10:30am)
Oct 15: Henry & Jean Hoeft (8am); Carol Berneche & Marilyn Lee (10:30am)

Upcoming Ushers –

Oct 1: Larry Rosenow & OPEN (8am); Jeanne Schumann & Shirley Tammen (10:30am)
Oct 8: Rich & Linda Myklebust (8am); Myron Milbrandt & Carrol Tammen (10:30am)
Oct 15: Henry Hoeft & Dorothy Wiltermuth (8am); Tony Johnson & Dave Bauer (10:30am)



Upcoming Junior Ushers –

Oct 1: Brian Mann (8am); Riley Klebe (10:30am)
Oct 8: Lily Herrmann & Finn Larson (8am); OPEN (10:30am)
Oct 15: Jason Olson & Tyler Olson (8am); OPEN (10:30am)

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