

News In Pews – March 10, 2019

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WELCOME TO ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

We're glad to have you worship with us.
Visitors, please take time to fill in the Welcome Pad
with your name, address, and phone number.
May this worship experience inspire and encourage you!

The Mission of St. John Lutheran Church

“We are disciples of Christ, gathered to celebrate and sent into the world to proclaim God’s Good News.”

Weekly Worship Services:

Thursday 5:00 p.m. Vespers Worship with Holy Communion
Saturday 5:00 p.m. Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday 8:00 a.m. Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
Sunday 10:30 a.m. Blended Worship with Holy Communion

Service is broadcast over KRFO AM 1390 KCS each Sunday at 10:30 a.m.

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1st Sunday in Lent

Texts for this week:

First Lesson: Deuteronomy 26:1-11

Psalm: Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16

Second Lesson: Romans 10:8b-13

Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

Texts for next week:

First Lesson: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18

Psalm: Psalm 27

Second Lesson: Philippians 3:17-4:1

Gospel: Luke 13:31-35

Ministering This Sunday, March 10, 2019

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Usher Captains:	Ed Dinse	Richard Dresser
Communion Captains:	Jerry Lewison	Gene Peterson
Radio Announcer:	Tim Nelson	
Greeters:	Ken and Vickie Gleason	Doug and Toni Kubista
Acolytes:	Matthew Tech	Gaven Harris, Nolan Cederstrom
Children's Message:	Jackie Getting	Jackie Getting
Lectors:	Gloria Zimmermann	George Hinnenkamp
Vault Duty:	Jessica Rau	Steve Arndt

Ministering Lenten Worship, March 13—6:30 pm Worship

Usher Captains:	Duane Kubat
Acolytes:	Tatum Rau, Nolan Cederstrom
Vault Duty:	Barb Stormo

Ministering Next Sunday, March 17, 2019

	<u>8:00 am</u>	<u>10:30 am</u>
Usher Captains:	Ted Mittelstadt	Gene Nelson
Communion Captains:	Sandy Janke	Les and Jackie Getting
Radio Announcer:	Gene Nelson	
Greeters:	Keiven and Jackie Reider	Reuben and LaDonna Ebeling
Acolytes:		Carter Ulland
Children's Message:		
Lectors:	Jessi Karlen	Coleen Harris
Vault Duty:	Mike Stormo	Kathy Gordon

St. John Worship Attendance—Week of February 25—March 3: 264

Radio Broadcast Sponsorship

The Sunday radio broadcast is sponsored by the members of St. John Lutheran Church.

Communion Servers, Ushers and Lectors Needed!

We are in need of more individuals to add to our communion server, usher and lector lists for the Traditional and Blended worship services. If you are interested, please contact the Church Office at 451-7293. Thank you!

Volunteer Needed

We are in need of a volunteer who would be able to give a ride to and from church each week to a resident over at Birchwood Cottages. Her preference would be to go to the Sunday morning 10:30 a.m. worship service. If you can help please call the church office or speak with Pastor Dave. Thanks!

Easter Flowers For Sale

Orders for Easter flowers will be received between services beginning Sunday, March 17 through Sunday, April 14. Flowers available to order include: Easter Lilies, Asiatic Lilies, Begonias, Mums, Azaleas, and Hydrangeas. The prices of the flowers will be on the order forms. If you are unable to place your order on Sunday, order forms will also be available at the table in the narthex or you may stop by the church office and place your order. Thank you for helping us beautify the Chancel on Easter Day. 2

Prayer Requests

Please keep the office and the pastor informed when you or a family member are hospitalized or in need of pastoral care. To have a name listed in *News In Pews*, or included in the prayers at all worship services, please call the church office, 451-7293.

Please pray for **Mary Kubicek, Fritz Bosacker, Mary Hitzeman, Michael Maas, Betty Schultz, Waylon Keck, Barb Anderson, Mike Mussman, Hudson Linse, Addie Rothgarn, Sue Buecksler, Luverne Tovson, Mike Oeltjenbruns, Harlan Redman, Nicole Head, John Slama, Vern Wilson, June Freiheit, Joan Byrne, Tom Russell, Roberta Eiseman, and Jeff Bergman.**

Please pray for our **Presiding Bishop Elizabeth Eaton** of our ELCA.

Please pray for **Bishop Steve Delzer**, of our Southeastern Minnesota Synod.

Please pray for the process of electing a new bishop for our synod at our Synod Assembly in 2019.

Please pray for seminarians **Lexi Johnson** and **Josh Dub**.

Please pray for our public servants who God raises up to protect us:

Law Enforcement: **Lon Thiele, Keith Hiller, Christian Berg, Jason Matejcek, Eric Rethemeier, Gene Fisher, Jeff Mundale, Jeff Ratzloff, Shawn Jore, Josh Sorensen and Matt Ratzloff;**

Firefighters: **Mike Johnson, Dave Beaver, Kelly Hanson, Todd Ulrich, and First Responders.**

Please pray for **Pastor Wal Reat**, our South Sudanese brother in the faith who is over in South Sudan and Ethiopia establishing the new South Sudan Evangelical Lutheran Church (SSELG).

Please pray for **Iambi Lutheran Hospital in Tanzania**, our mission partner. Also pray for missionaries **Dr. Steve and Bethany Friberg**, ELCA medical missionaries also in that country.

Please pray for the **Evangelical Lutheran Church in Colombia, Bishop Atahualpa Hernandez and staff.** (IELCO, pronounced “ee-el-co”)

Please pray for the deployed: **Brandon Schmoll and Dillon Ost**



Lenten Worship Services

Join us on our Lenten journey as we remember our baptismal connection to the death and resurrection of Christ. Worship services are on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 pm with a Lenten supper being served prior to worship from 5:00 pm—6:15 pm.

Lenten Fish Fry

Grandparents for Education is partnering with Owatonna KC on Friday, March 29 from 5 pm—7 pm at the KC Hall and Lounge for a Lenten Fish Fry. Tickets in advance are \$10 or at the door are \$11. Age 6 and under are free. Contact Linda at 507-390-4468 and she will deliver tickets in town.



Red Cross Blood Drive



The Red Cross Blood Mobile will be at Lowe’s on Thursday, March 14, from 11:00 am to 5:00 pm. To make an appointment, you may call 1-800-733-2767 or go online at www.redcrossblood.org, sponsor code: Owatonna. Red Cross is in need of blood!



CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILY NEWS

DATES TO REMEMBER

"34-56" Event-Scatterball	Sunday, March 10	6:00 pm
RE (7th and 8th grades)	Tuesday, March 12	7:15 am
RE (7th and 8th grades)	Wednesday, March 13	5:30 pm
Confirmation (9th grade)	Wednesday, March 13	5:30 pm
Sunday School Children Sing	Palm Sunday, April 14	10:30 am

Adult Education

Our educational series through April is called **"Parenting with Grace and Mercy"**. This will be held during the Adult Forum, at 9:15 am, with Pastor Dave. The schedule is:

March 10: Independence/Collaboration

April 21: Easter Sunday—No class

March 17: Honesty/Integrity

April 28: Confirmation Sunday—No class

March 24: Sunday School/Movie: Joseph, "The King of Dreams"

March 31: Catechism—10 Commandments

April 7: Catechism-Creed

April 14: Palm Sunday Breakfast—No class



St. John Scrip Program

THANK YOU to everyone who used Scrip cards this past year and purchased them during the holiday season for gifts! Your support really does make a difference. Remember, SCRIP is great for your regular household purchases and for gifts throughout the year. Stop by the SCRIP table on Sundays between services or at the church office during the week to purchase SCRIP. For any questions, contact the church office at 451-7293 or Gloria Zimmermann at 455-2346.

We have numerous local retail SCRIP cards in stock and many, many others (local and non-local) are available to order in. A complete retailer list can be found at www.glscrip.com or inquire at the church office.

You can also order physical gift cards, eGift cards, e-load your physical gift cards and in many cases redeem digital scrip right from your cell phone with **MyScripWallet**. MyScripWallet is supported on Apple and Android mobile devices. Just type www.MyScripWallet.com into the browser, create a login, and you'll be ready to shop. You will need the organization enrollment code for St John which is: 7EA76F2617LL2. It's also easy to make MyScripWallet an app on your mobile device. For questions on this you can contact Kelli Sackett at 456-1928 or see her in the Sunday School office during Sunday School.

Our February 2019 YTD profit earned was \$ 222.34. Thank you to all who support our SCRIP program through your purchases. It is greatly appreciated!

Missional Ministries Corner

Caring Cupboard: March is Minnesota FoodShare Month. During this March campaign, participating food shelves report to Minnesota FoodShare each and every dollar received and pound of food donated during the month. Minnesota FoodShare, in turn, awards a check to each participating food shelf based on the percentage of food and funds their organization received.

To help the Steele County Food Shelf with the March Campaign, we will gather boxed cereal and canned goods (or any other non-perishable food item) to donate to the Steele County Food Shelf. We will also gladly accept and remit any monetary contributions you may have for the Food Shelf. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Hospitality House: St. John is providing meals on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of the month for the men at the Hospitality House. A sign up sheet is at the “Welcome Center” along with an information sheet. Thank you in advance for your help.

Weekend Pantry: We are continuing to work with other churches and schools in the community to help alleviate hunger through the Weekend Pantry. The intention of the Weekend Pantry is to help families who do not qualify for food assistance through government programs, but need a little extra help to make ends meet and provide meals for their families. Please consider **“Sponsoring a Weekend”** to help support this program. To sponsor your weekend, call the church office at 451-7293.

Quilting Ministry

The quilting group meets every Tuesday at 9:00 am. Anyone who is interested in sewing and socialized is welcome. A mid-morning coffee break is included. Try it out!



Coming Soon! A New Website!

St. John Lutheran is working with a new web designer to give our current website a makeover. Our new site will be easier to use and will allow us to do more things electronically. We will inform you when a date is determined for the launch of the new site. The web address will remain the same: www.stjohnnowatonna.org. You can also find us at these other social media sites:

Facebook: St. John Lutheran Church Owatonna

Instagram: [st.john.lutheran](https://www.instagram.com/st.john.lutheran)

Twitter: [@stjohnnowatonna](https://twitter.com/stjohnnowatonna)

Snapchat: [stjohnnowatonna](https://www.snapchat.com/add/stjohnnowatonna)

“Over and Above” Gift Opportunities

God has blessed St. John with a wonderful community of members and many ministries which provide benefits not only within the walls of St. John but outside our walls as well. If you would like to contribute financially to help maintain these ministries, you may make your check payable to **St. John Lutheran Church** and designate one of the funds listed below in the memo line. If you have automatic payments sent to the church, please make certain the appropriate fund is designated. We are required to put the funds as specified by the contributor. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Weekend Pantry Fund

Radio Fund

Repave/Retile Fund

Gardens and Landscaping Fund

Building Fund

Youth Fund

Education/Library Fund

Seminarian Fund

St. John Foundation

Worship and Music Fund

Undesignated Gift & Memorials

Parsonages Upkeep Fund

A LOOK AT THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday, March 11

6:00 pm G. S. Service Unit
6:00 pm Council Meeting

Tuesday, March 12

7:15 am RE— 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation
9:00 am Quilting
5:00 pm TOPS (Rm #39)
7:00 pm Cub Scouts

Wednesday, March 13

8:30 am Staff Meeting
9:30 am Women's Bible Study
10:30 am Church Anniversary Committee Meeting
11:45 am Men's Bible Study
5:00 pm Lenten Supper
5:00 pm Handbell Choir
5:30 pm RE— 7th and 8th Grade Confirmation
5:30 pm 9th Grade Confirmation
5:30 pm Choir Practice
6:30 pm Lenten Worship Service

Thursday, March 14

Newsletter Info is Due

5:00 pm Vespers Worship Service with Holy Communion

Friday, March 15

Saturday, March 16

5:00 pm Contemporary Worship with Holy Communion

Sunday, March 17

8:00 am Traditional Worship with Holy Communion
9:15 am Sunday School / Adult Forum
10:30 am Blended Worship Service with Holy Communion
11:30 am Blended Practice

Pastor Dave Klawiter
Organist/Pianist: Shirley Erickson
Mary Hitzeman
Choir Director: Jim Hoffman

Pastor Jacie Richmond
Pianist: Joan Hoffman
Clarice Richardson
Handbell Choir Director: Marilyn Pedersen