

**Announcements for the week of  
December 6, 2015  
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Election of Vestry - Today**

The election of the 2016 members of Vestry will be held *following each worship today*. Please plan to remain for a few minutes after worship for the election.

**Fellowship Breakfast – Today**

Please join us between worship services *today*, for our Fellowship Breakfast. If you haven't attended in the past, December is a great month to begin to do so in the spirit of Christmas.

**Christmas Poinsettias for the Church – Deadline Today**

There are still forms in the greeting area if you wish to purchase poinsettia plants to help decorate the church for the Christmas season. ***Deadline to order is TODAY! Cost is \$7.25 for each 6.5" plant*** and you may choose red, pink, white or marble plants. Please return your order form with payment.

**Save the Date – Annual Congregational Meeting – January 17, 2016**

There will be *one worship service on January 17, 2016 at 9:00 am*, with the annual meeting immediately following. There will be no Sunday School on that day.

**Angel Tree – Deadline Today**

If you took a tag to purchase a gift for a child/teen at Glade Run Lutheran Services in Zelenople the gifts must be ***turned in today***. Please check off your name on the list by the bulletin board if you have brought in your gift. All gifts should be in a gift bag with the tag attached to the outside. We are also collecting socks, underwear and toiletries for Glade Run Lutheran Services. If you purchase these, place them in the appropriate bins in the greeting area. Socks and underwear need to be adult sizes. The children prefer bikini or low-ride for girls and boxers or boxer briefs for boys. They prefer low-cut or no-show socks. Thank you to all who participated, the kids will really appreciate it. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Hager.

**Baking for Meals on Wheels**

Even though our group baking session took place yesterday, if you will be baking for the holidays please keep Meals on Wheels in mind. You can place your baked goods in the refrigerator in the fellowship hall and mark it as MOW. Many desserts are needed for the month of December and all donations will be greatly appreciated. If you have any questions, please contact Kim Richards at 724-316-2263 or [kimrich03@consolidated.net](mailto:kimrich03@consolidated.net). Delivery to Meals on Wheels will be weekly.

**Ladies Craft Night – December 9**

Ladies Craft Night is ***Wednesday, December 9 at 7pm*** for some ladies time out. We will be painting 2 wine glasses. These will be great to have on hand for the holidays! ***Cost is \$15 per person***. Call Denise Hager with any questions.

**Confirmation Class – December 13**

The Confirmation class will meet at 3:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

**Dawned Has the Day - Advent Lessons & Carols – December 13**

Join us on ***Sunday, December 13 at 4:30 pm*** for readings and music as we celebrate the season of Advent. The service will feature choral and instrumental music for organ and flute, and congregational song.

**Decorating Church for Christmas**

Mark your calendars for ***Sunday, December 20*** when we will be decorating the church for Christmas after the late service. If you are able to assist, your help will be greatly appreciated.

### **Worship Helpers Needed**

If you are able to assist in any capacity (acolyte, usher, communion assistant, etc.) with worship, please see the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the greeting area. It would be helpful if you sign up ahead of time so we know we will have people in place for those worship services.

### **Lutherlyn Winter Youth Retreat – January 29-31**

This retreat is for 4<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> graders and campers will be divided by age groups. GAGA ball in the snow, Bible study, bouldering room, songs, worship, friends, indoor and outdoor games and lots of fun in the winter weather!

**Cost is \$115 per person** (includes 2 nights, 5 meals and all program costs. Reservations are necessary and must be made by January 15. For additional information or to register call 724-865-2161 or online at [register@lutherlyn.com](mailto:register@lutherlyn.com).

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### **This Week at St. John**

<b>Sunday – December 6</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	<b>(Second Sunday of Advent)</b>	
	Fellowship Breakfast	9:00 am
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
	<b>(Second Sunday of Advent)</b>	
	<b>Vestry Election following each service</b>	
<b>Tuesday – December 8</b>	Council Reorganization Meeting	7:00 pm
<b>Wednesday – December 9</b>	Brown Bag Bible Study	Noon
	Evening Bible Study at parsonage	7:00 pm
	Ladies Craft Night	7:00 pm
<b>Sunday – December 13</b>	<b>Worship</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	<b>(Third Sunday of Advent)</b>	
	Sunday School & Adult Sunday School	9:00 am
	<b>Worship</b>	<b>10:30 am</b>
	<b>(Third Sunday of Advent)</b>	
	Confirmation Class	3:00 pm
	<b>Advent Lessons &amp; Carols</b>	<b>4:30 pm</b>