

**Announcements for the week of
November 22, 2015
At St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

Brown Bag Bible Study

Bible Study for this Wednesday, November 25, has been cancelled. The noon Bible Study will resume next week.

Announcement of Election of Vestry

The election of the 2016 members of Vestry will be held *following each worship on Sunday, December 6, 2015*. Please plan to remain for a few minutes after worship on that day.

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.

Family Christmas Crafting Activity – TODAY!

After the late service today, all families are invited to participate in crafting Christmas ornaments for the members of St. John who are homebound. Lunch will be provided. Please join us if you can to participate in this fun and worthwhile activity.

Thanksgiving Holiday - Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on *Thursday and Friday, November 26 and 27* for the Thanksgiving holiday.

Christmas Poinsettias for the Church

A form is attached to the back of this week's bulletin if you wish to purchase poinsettia plants to help decorate the church for the Christmas season. *Deadline to order is Sunday, December 6th. 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. Order early so you don't forget!

Angel Tree

During this holiday season, we will be sponsoring an Angel Tree for the residents at Glade Run Lutheran Services in Zelienople. If you take a tag with a child's name on it, please sign the sheet on the bulletin board next to the tree and check your name off when you bring in the gift. Do not wrap the gifts. Please put them in a gift bag with the tag attached to the outside. There is a list of gift guidelines. *Please return your gift by Sunday, December 6.*

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.

Hopefully you can find it in your heart this holiday season to help those who are less fortunate. Thank you for your participation, the kids will really appreciate it. If you have any questions, please contact Denise Hager.

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is looking for few desserts to brighten the day and meals of recipients. As you begin your Thanksgiving and Christmas baking, please make a few extra items to donate to the East Butler Meals on Wheels. A group baking session is planned at St. John's for *Saturday, December 5 at 10 am* for all who wish to help.

Ladies Craft Night – December 9

Come join us on *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 and reservations are due by November 29.* Call Denise Hager with any questions or to make your reservation.

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 4th through 12th 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.

Employment Opportunity

The Sisters of Divine Providence, located in the North Hills, is seeking full-time and part-time Nurse Aides for all shifts. Competitive pay and benefits. Please email resume to erica.burkarth@laroche.edu or fax to 412-318-3323.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – November 22	Worship (Christ the King)	8:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship (Christ the King)	10:30 am
Thursday – November 26	Thanksgiving Day – Church Office Closed	
Friday – November 27	Church Office Closed	
Sunday – November 29	Worship (First Sunday of Advent)	8:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Sunday School	9:00 am
	Worship (First Sunday of Advent)	10:30 am