

**Announcements for the week of
January 1, 2017
St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**

**Pastor's Office Hours: Generally Tuesdays & Thursdays – 9:30-1:00 pm
Wednesdays – 9:30-11:00 am “Coffee Hours” at Mars Brew House
Available other times by appointment.**

Blessing of the Calendars – Today

Today, there will be a blessing of the calendars to offer prayers for the 2017 year. If you brought your calendar with you please be sure your name is on it so it can be easily identified. We will collect and bless them during worship.

2017 Communion Bread Schedule

There is a sign-up sheet on the table in the greeting area for anyone who would like to choose a month to provide the communion bread for worship services.

Music Together Program – Beginning January 4

Mary Lynne Bennett will again be offering the Music Together program at 10:00 am each Wednesday at St. John's through March 8. You may register online at <http://marylynnebennettpianostudio.weebly.com/music-together-registration.html>, email at mlobie1@gmail.com or 412-436-9579. This program is for early childhood through age 5 and their parents/caregivers.

Youth Group – January 7

The Youth Group of St. John will be going to the *St. John Specialty Care Center next Saturday, January 7 at 1:45 pm* to assist with activities at the Care Center.

Elders Meeting – January 8

The Elders for 2017 will now meet on the *second Sunday of each month at 9:00 am* beginning with the January meeting.

White Elephant Bingo – January 14

Beat the winter blues and join us for a potluck dinner and bingo! Bring a covered dish to share if you can (optional, there's usually plenty!) and a wrapped gift to trade. Suggested gift value is around \$5. Come for a fun time, good food and fellowship.

Annual Meeting – January 22

We will have one worship service *on Sunday, January 22, 2017 at 9:00 am*. Our annual meeting will take place immediately after worship.

Hand Sanitizers

We are still in need of the hand sanitizers provided in the pews. If anyone has an employer or other resource that would be willing to donate these items it would be greatly appreciated. Please notify the church office if you have a donation source.

This Week at St. John

Sunday – January 1	Worship (New Year’s Day)	10:00 am
Tuesday, January 3	Deacons Meeting Trustees Meeting	7:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wednesday, January 4	Music Together Program Bible Study	10:00 am Noon
Saturday – January 7	Youth Group at St. John Care Center	1:45 pm
Sunday – January 8	Worship (First Sunday after Epiphany) Sunday School Elders Meeting Worship (First Sunday after Epiphany)	8:00 am 9:00 am 9:00 am 10:30 am