

December
2021

St. John Lutheran Church



Mission Statement

St. John is a living witness to the love of God as shown in Jesus Christ.

*We gather faithfully in His name to **worship** and praise Him; and we go forth in peace to **share** the Good News and to **serve** the world around us.*

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We Celebrate Your Birth

Dear Lord, as we celebrate Your birth, let us remember that You are the true reason for Christmas. Let every sparkling light remind us how You illuminate our lives, a shining beacon to guide us in our thoughts and actions each day, and how You light us from within in the knowledge of Your love and truth.

Let the Christmas trees, standing straight, tall, unbowed, remind us of Your uprightness, Your goodness, Your perfection, and Your refusal to bow to worldly temptations, no matter how great the challenge or trouble.

Lord, as we feast on Christmas treats, let us remember that You are the sole provider of everything worth having, that all good things come from You.

And as we enjoy our gifts, let us never forget that You are the greatest gift of all--our wonderful Savior, Counselor, Giver of an eternal life whose wonders we cannot imagine. So as we delight in Christmas, the happiest and brightest of holidays, let us remember there would be no Christmas without You, Lord, and let us our hearts be filled with joy, and love and thankfulness, this Christmas and all the ones to come.

In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

By Joanna Fuchs

"And lo, the angel of the Lord came upon them. 'Fear not, for behold, I bring you tidings of great joy, which shall be to all people. For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, 'which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger. And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God, and saying, 'Glory to God in the highest, and on earth, peace, good will toward men.'"

~Luke 2: 9-14



Christmas



Worship 2021

Christmas Eve, Friday, December 24

7:00 PM -Service of Holy Communion for the Nativity of Our Lord

In person worship.

This service will also be available on Zoom(<https://zoom.us/j/5663185411>

Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 Password: Luther) and will be recorded and placed on

ourYouTube Channel:<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC35PpgMPeMgDRNmKsXvQ>.

Christmas Day – no service

The First Sunday in Christmas, Sunday, December 26

One Service at 10:00 AM

Service of Lessons and Carols – In person worship.

This service will also be available on Zoom

(<https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 Password: Luther)



Upcoming Zoom Meetings and Worship Services

Sunday Worship – December 5 – 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

In-person worship in sanctuary.

Join Zoom for 10:30 AM service: <https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 PW: Luther
Available on our **YouTube Channel:** <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC35PpgMPeMgDRNmkyKssxvQ>
and the church Facebook page: [St John Lutheran Church Mars PA](#) later in the day.
Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 PW: Luther

All Vestry Meeting – December 7 – 7:00 PM - In person and on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 PW: Luther

Sunday Worship – December 12 – Two Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM– In - person worship in sanctuary or

Join Zoom for 10:30 AM service: <https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 PW: Luther
Available on our **YouTube**

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Sunday Worship – December 19 – Two Services at 8:00 AM & 10:30 AM– In - person worship in sanctuary or

Join Zoom for 10:30 AM service: <https://zoom.us/j/5663185411> Meeting ID: 566 318 5411 PW: Luther
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Angel Tree

A big Thank You to everyone for the Angel Tree donations. For a small congregation, we were able to do 85 names. I am sure this will be a Blessing for these children who may not get other gifts.



12/01 Dominic Cardinal
12/07 Nathan Kramer
12/11 Serafina Julio
12/24 Christine Dishong
12/25 Jim Hager



December

Assisting Ministers
8:00 AM – Valerie Cardinal / Matt Claus
10:30 AM – Denise Hager

Ushers
8:00 AM –
10:30 AM –

Counters

December Newsletter

Address service requested

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