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Sunday School Christmas Program

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December 15, 2024
Third Sunday of Advent

Secretary Hours: *M-F, 9am-1pm* Office Phone: 715-352-2524

Welcome to St. John ELCA



We're glad you chose to worship with us this morningl

As is written in the book of the words of Isaiah the prophet:

"A voice of one calling in the desert, 'Prepare the way for the Lord,
make straight paths for him...

And all mankind will see God's salvation."

Luke 3: 4,6

St. John/St. Stephen Lutheran Parish ELCA, Mission Statement:

"Saints united to be the body of Christ in the world, freed by grace to live faithfully, witness boldly, and serve joyfully."

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Keeping in Touch, December 15, 2024

A warm welcome to our annual Sunday School Christmas Program! Take these moments to relax and enjoy the presentation. May it help you to regain your focus in this busy season, and experience the peace and joy our Savior came to give us. Make sure to visit the "Cookies for a Cause" event downstairs before you leave. Take home a wonderful assortment of Christmas treats to enjoy! Proceeds will go to the Stratford Food Pantry.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday, Dec. 17—Poinsettia Memorials/Contributions due to Rose so they can be noted in the bulletin.

Wednesday, Dec. 18, from 1-3pm—Edgar Community Senior Event, BINGO. Prizes, Refreshments, Snacks at St. Stephen.

The 2 large Poinsettias at the altar are placed by the Women of St. John. *Thank you!* Much appreciation to those who helped get the outdoor nativity scene in place (*Herbie*), and to whoever decorated the planters at the main entrance. The Advent Windows are really joyful additions to our worship space too! Thanks everyone, "It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!"



For a VARIETY of ways to share your Christmas Joy by giving, check out the bulletin board and OPERATION CHRISTMAS. Pick an ornament off the tree in the Narthex!

Prayer Concerns

Naomi Sebold—Health concerns.

Cody Heidmann—Recovering from a hunting accident.

Elgart Mueller—At home, recovering from leg surgery, building strength.

Jay Zemke—has completed radiation therapy, and is doing well. Thanks for your prayers!

Winona—12-year-old granddaughter of Eugene & Millie Borchardt (St. Stephen) has

Christmas Eve Service: 7pm at St. Stephen (Musical prelude at 6:30) Christmas Day Service: 9am at St. John

(We need Volunteers to sign up for Usher, Announcements, Reader, and Acolyte Christmas Day!)



Last Week-Dec. 8, 2024

Attendance: 76

Offering: \$1410.00



Our Christmas Poinsettia Memorial program has two options of how to honor your loved ones. You can either place a (*living or artificial*) Poinsettia in the sanctuary, OR designate a contribution in their memory. Contributions will be going to **Stratford Food Pantry this year**. Slips are available on the table in the Narthex to show your preference and submit it to Rose by **Dec. 17th**. *Checks need to be made out to: Women of St. John and be given to Mary Jo Werner*