**St John Weekly Flyer- December 15, 2023**

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| 17  8:30am Trinity Divine Service  9am Adult Bible Class  ***9am Sunday School***  ***10am St. John Divine Service*** | 18  7pm Dartball  (Washington at Hayes) | 19  Deadline for Newsletter | 20  ***8:30am Chapel***  9:15am Bible Study  ***7pm St John Midweek***  ***Advent Service***  ***- Refreshments After***  ***Served by Youth Group*** | 21 | 22  ***School– Hot Lunch***  ***Group 3*** | 23 |
| 24 Christmas Eve  8:30am Trinity Divine Service  NO Adult Bible Class  NO Sunday School  ***10am St. John Divine Service***  4:30pm Trinity Hymn Sing  ***7pm St John Christmas Eve*** | 25 Christmas Day  ***10am St John Christmas Day Divine Service***  NO Dartball    ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | 26          ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | 27  NO Chapel  NO Bible Study      ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | 28          ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | 29          ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | 30 |
| 31 New Year’s Eve  8:30am Trinity Divine Service  9am Adult Bible Class  NO Sunday School  ***10am St. John Divine Service***  ***4:30pm St John New Year’s***  ***Eve Divine Service*** | Jan 1          ***Christmas Break***  ***NO SCHOOL*** | Jan 2 | Jan 3  8:30am Chapel  9:15am Bible Study  *4:15pm PTL Meeting* | Jan 4 | Jan 5 | Jan 6 |

**REMINDER:**

* **Christmas Eve Trinity Hymn Sing**- Dec 24 at 4:30pm
* **Christmas Eve St John Christmas Eve Program**- Dec 24 at 7pm
* **Christmas Day St John Divine Service**- Dec 25 at 10am
* **New Year’s Eve St John Divine Service**- Dec 31 at 4:30pm

**Office:** Open scheduled school days from 8am until noon or by appt.

**Chapel:** Wednesday Mornings @ 8:30am

**Adult Bible Study & Sunday School:** Sunday Mornings at 9am

**School Board Openings:**

Please consider volunteering your time on our School Board. School Board is comprised of three members and oversees all things related to the school. They typically meet monthly during the school year and twice in summer. We will have 2 openings giving an opportunity for 2 individuals to join the school board. The only requirement is that you need to be a St John’s member for at least one year. If you have an interest or would like additional information, please contact the office (920)842-4443, Kate Mikle (920)590-0005 or Kayla Hischke (608)669-3351.

**St John Church Christmas Eve Service/Program:**

The St John Church Christmas Eve Service/Program is Dec 24th at 7pm in the church! Pre-service music starts about 630pm.

**Advent Mid-Week Service:**

Please join us Wednesday at St John for our last Advent Mid-week Service at 7pm. Refreshments will be served after by the Youth Group.

**St John Council, Finance & Annual Meeting:**

The next Council & Finance Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 10th at 6pm. The Annual Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 28th following church.

**Winter is Here: (“Winter Clothing” excerpt from the St John Handbook)**

Students must bring and wear appropriate winter clothing while outside.

If there is snow on the ground, students must wear winter (not fashion or cowboy) boots and snow pants… If a student does not dress appropriately for the weather they will either miss recess or sit on the front step.

**St John School SAM25 Drive:**

The Christmas season is here, which means that the harsh Wisconsin winters are upon us. While many of us look forward to the snowy days and cold weather, there are people in our area that dread the winter due to homelessness and poverty. The Big and Middle Room students have a yearly tradition of putting together donations for those in need throughout the month of December.

If anyone would like to support their SAM25 Drive, please consider donating:

* Non-perishable food items
* “Quick” foods (granola bars, beef jerky, etc)
* Hats/gloves/scarves
* Blankets or 3 yards of fleece (to make tie blankets)
* Travel-sized personal hygiene items
* Monetary Donations (contact Mrs. Denkert)

Donations can be placed in the donation bin in the new narthex at church, brought to a Middle or Big Room student to turn in or given to Mr. or Mrs. Denkert until Dec 18th!

**Health & Illness: (Excerpt from the St John Handbook)**

In order to protect your child and all children in the program and because we are not staffed to care for sick children, parents need to make other arrangements for the care of their child when he/she has:

- A fever of 100 degrees or above or has had a fever within the past 24 hours.

-Any new unidentified rash that is open or oozing.

-Vomited within 24 hours.

-Diarrhea (watery stools) within the last 24 hours.

-Eye redness along with drainage.

-Requires one on one care.

-Head lice or nits present.

Please do not send your child to school in these instances.

**Aluminum Cans:**

Thank you for donating your aluminum cans to St John. A collection bin is between the School & the Teacherage. The Aluminum Can Recycling is sponsored by PTL.

**Chapel:**

Students and Staff attend Chapel every Wednesday mornings @ 8:30am! Parents are welcome to attend as well. We collect chapel offerings each week for a specific monthly cause. Please use the attached envelope for your child to bring in their chapel offering on Wednesdays.

September & October- We raised $403.25 for Operation Christmas Child!

November- We raised $99.08 for the Winnebago Mental Health Institute!

December: Offerings will go to SAM25 with our St John School SAM25 Drive!

**Lamers Bus Contact Information:**

Lamers provides all busing to and from St John except for the noon van for 4k. Lamers Contact Info: Peggy L. Gordon | Office: 920-842-2937 Ext. 10512

**School Office:**

The school office is located in the new narthex at the church. Standard office hours are Monday-Friday from 8am until noon on scheduled school days. Please ring the doorbell under the large canopy at church and the secretary will come to the door. The secretary is also available by email: stjohns@stjohnlutheranhayes.org or by phone (920)842-4443.

**Friendzy:**

**Catchphrase: “Teamwork Makes the Dreamwork”**

**Key Verses: “Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind and with all your strength.’ The second is this: ‘Love your neighbor as yourself.’ There is no commandment greater than these.” Mark 12:30-31**

**Hymn: “Gentle Mary Laid Her Child” LSB 374 Children v 1 Cong. v .2-3**

1.Gentle Mary laid her child Lowly in a manger;

There He lay, the Undefiled, To the world a stranger:

Such a babe in such a place, Can He be the Savior?

Ask the saved of all the race Who have found His favor.

2.Angels sang about His birth; Wise men sought and found Him;

Heaven's star shone brightly forth, Glory all around Him:

Shepherds saw the wondrous sight, Heard the angels singing;

All the plains were lit that night, All the hills were ringing.

3.Gentle Mary laid her child Lowly in a manger;

He is still the undefiled, But no more a stranger:

Son of God, of humble birth, Beautiful the story;

Praise His name in all the earth, Hail the King of glory!