

Date: December 30, 2021 at 4:30 PM

---



***EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD***

***January 2, 2022***

***Weekly Announcements***

---

***IN OUR THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS***

- \* The Family of Pat Wiczorek, passed away Tuesday, December 28
- \* The Family of Wendall Christensen, passed away Saturday, December 25
- \* Jennifer (friend of Laura Nott) passed away. Please keep Jennifer's daughters (Savannah, Ashley, Vivian, & Madalynne) in your prayers
- \* Nancy Fuhremann (cousin of Barb Daane) hospitalized
- \* Please keep the Dreher Family (John, Ruth, Paul, and Sarah) in your prayers

***News This Week:***

- \* Interim Pastoral Change
- \* Call Committee Update
- \* St. John's Blood Drive
- \* 9th Grade Confirmation

- \* Fall Harvest Dinner Distribution
  - \* St. John's Annual Meeting
  - \* St. John's Quick Links
- 

### **INTERIM PASTORAL CHANGE**

Pastor Naomi's time as our intentional interim will come to an end, the weekend of January 8/9. Pastor Naomi has completed her work with us, and will be preparing to start her next interim call in February. Come celebrate the work our congregation has done during the last 15 months, as we continue through the transition process. Our sincerest thanks to Pastor Naomi for her time here!

Pastor Roger Black will lead us in worship beginning January 15/16, and serve until we complete the call of our new pastor.

There will be a recognition time in honor of Pastor Naomi, after each service next weekend. If you would like to add a card or remembrance for Pastor Naomi, you may drop it off in the office, or bring it with you to church on Sunday.

---

### **CALL COMMITTEE UPDATE:**

Our call process continues on track. The committee met to craft questions for our first and second round interviews. We have a mock interview scheduled next month, with a volunteer synod pastor, to receive feedback on our questions and practice the panel interview process. We expect to begin receiving slate of candidates from the synod in the new year.

---



**St. John's Blood Drive**  
Saturday, January 8, 2022  
7:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Visit [redcrossblood.org](https://redcrossblood.org) or call 1-800-RED CROSS

**Dangerously Low Blood Supply!** This is serious. The Red Cross is

experiencing the worst blood shortage in over a decade. The dangerously low blood supply levels have forced some hospitals to defer patients from major surgery, including organ transplants. Your donation is desperately needed this holiday season. Please schedule an appointment to give now.

---

**CONFIRMATION OF OUR 9<sup>th</sup> GRADERS** will take place  
Sunday, January 9, at our 10:30 a.m. worship service.

---

### **FALL HARVEST DINNER DISTRIBUTION**

Thank you to all who so generously supported the Fall Harvest Dinner in October. The profits go to support those less fortunate that we are.

This year's distributions are as follows:

Lori Lehnherr, One Collective - \$1,500.00

Ed Swanson, Wycliffe - \$1,000.00

After that we provided seven \$500.00 checks to the following:

Domestic Abuse Intervention Services, St. John's Helping Hands, NINA, Oregon Youth Center, Healing House, Habitat for Humanity (Oregon Built), Oregon School District (for needs of underprivileged children such as coats, gloves, and boots).

We then provided two \$250.00 checks to Friends of the Oregon School District (for their lunch backpack program) and the Salvation Army.

May God richly bless each of these organizations.

Bonnie Gilbertson, Dinner Chair

---

### **ST. JOHN'S ANNUAL MEETING**

The Annual Meeting for 2021 is scheduled for Sunday, January 30, 2022. ***The deadline to submit reports*** to be printed in the Annual Report is **Wednesday, January 5.**

---

### **St. John's Prayer Chain**

Did you know that when you have a prayer request you can call or email the prayer chain? Then the prayers will be sent on their way with many praying for you! Prayers are not made public in the newsletter or during Worship unless permission is received.

To let the prayer chain know of your prayer, contact:

· Rose Lehnherr at 835-5300, [rlehnherr6@gmail.com](mailto:rlehnherr6@gmail.com)

· Fern Binger at 455-8021, [lfbinger@frontier.com](mailto:lfbinger@frontier.com)

· Laura McGoveran (Church Office) at 291-4311 or [lauraM@sjlserve.net](mailto:lauraM@sjlserve.net)

## IN PRAYER, PLEASE REMEMBER:

### Active Duty Military Personnel

Army Captain Eric Christensen (grandson of Roger and Barb Christensen)

CM2 Jacob Gothard (grandson of Sandra Linstroth)

Staff Sergeant Curtis Hanna (grandson of Carol Hanna)

Airman Kean Paltz (son of Ron and Teri Paltz)

Private Paul Dreher (son of John and Ruth Dreher, and brother to Sarah)

### Homebound Members:

Myrtle Lundey, Beverly Reindahl, Ruth Yaun, Sheila Andersen, Audrey Appel.

**Other Facilities:** Shirley Miller (Kettle Park) Fred & Gladys Sage (Skaalen Heights Senior Home), Darlene Dorn (Skaalen Home), Beatrice Larsen (Oakwood Village, Madison), Alice Nason (Elmcroft, Madison), Hazel Gaard (Bee Hive, Oregon), Virginia Riese (Main Street Quarters), Norma Winch (Kettle Park)



Your continued financial giving is important to the health of our congregation, our synod, and the church at large, especially as we navigate through the pandemic. Your generosity is appreciated as we work together to continue our mission. Here are several easy ways for you to get offerings to St. John's:

- 1) **Mail** your offerings to the church office.
- 2) **Automatic Giving** - call the church office and leave a message for Shirley Schiffner. She will return your call and assist you in signing up for auto giving.
- 3) **Venmo** - [www.venmo.com/StJohnsOregonWI](http://www.venmo.com/StJohnsOregonWI)
- 4) It's also easy to [GIVE ONLINE HERE.](#)

---

### St. John's Quick Links ...

[Click to view St. John's Calendar](#)

[CLICK TO SIGN UP FOR COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOSTING DATES](#)

## January Birthdays & Baptism Anniversaries

[Click Here for 2022 Estimate of Giving Pledge Card](#)

[Children's Bulletin for Pre-Readers](#)

[Children's Bulletin for Readers](#)

---

### ST. JOHN'S WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

#### ***IN-PERSON - Facemasks are required***

**Saturday 5:00pm; Sundays 8:30am & 10:30am:**

Worship with us in the renovated Sanctuary. As you arrive for worship, you'll pick up communion elements before entering the sanctuary. Attendance will be taken for contact tracing, if needed. Thank you for your patience as we re-gather (safely) for worship!

#### ***ONLINE***

**Premieres 9:00 a.m. Sunday:** We offer our online worship service when you cannot attend, or are not comfortable attending, in person. This service premieres at 9:00 a.m. Sunday via our [YouTube channel](#), and can be viewed any time following the premiere. Check your email for a link for this option.

#### ***T.V.***

St. John's worship service can be viewed on Oregon Public Access channel 983, or TDS channel 1019.

#### **READINGS THIS WEEK**

**First Reading:** Isaiah 60:1-6

**Psalm:** Psalm 72:1-7, 10-14

**Second Reading:** Ephesians 3:1-12

**Gospel:** Matthew 2:1-12

**Altar Flowers** are given by Bonnie Haugen in memory of Don Haugen

**Welcome Lamp for January:** The Women of St. John's in memory of deceased members Norma Jenkins and Carol Bakken

**Altar Care for January:** Bonnie Gilbertson, Brenda Cuta, Nell Mittelsteadt, Brenda Outhouse

**Pew Straightener for January:** Barb Hanna

**SERVING This Week, January 1 & 2, 2022**

**SERVING THIS WEEK, January 1 & 2, 2022**

**Readers:** Dennis Josi (5:00pm); Sarah Johnson (8:30am); Bob Lindmeier (10:30am)

**Ushers:** Brenda Outhouse (5pm); Roger Pribbenow, Ken Mittelsteadt, Larry Ladell (8:30am); Michael Nott, Madeline and Liam (10:30am)

**Music**

Dennis Josi, Pastor Naomi, Ondra Williams (Saturday)

Choir (8:30am)

Band (10:30am)

**SERVING Next Week, January 8 & 9, 2022**

**Readers:** Dennis Josi (5:00pm); Theo Kooistra (8:30am); Hadley Stang (Online); Joanne Gladden (10:30am)

**Ushers:** Brenda Outhouse (5pm); Cal Gilbertson, Gary Hermanson, Roger Christensen (8:30am); Rob Schmidt, Noah Lisowski, Xander Lisowski (10:30am)

**Music**

Dennis Josi, Pastor Naomi, Ondra Williams (Saturday)

Choir (8:30am)

Band (10:30am)

**Congregational Leadership & Staff**

**Interim Pastor:** *Rev. Naomi Garber*, [PastorNaomi@sjlserve.net](mailto:PastorNaomi@sjlserve.net)

**Director of Worship & Music:**

Ondra Williams, [OndraW@sjlserve.net](mailto:OndraW@sjlserve.net)

**Coordinator for Congregational Life:**

Laura McGoveran, [LauraM@sjlserve.net](mailto:LauraM@sjlserve.net)

**Financial Director:**

Shirley Schiffner, [ShirleyS@sjlserve.net](mailto:ShirleyS@sjlserve.net)

**Sunday School Coordinator:** Grace Hammermeister

**Office Assistant:**

Barb Daane, [BarbD@sjlserve.net](mailto:BarbD@sjlserve.net)

**Audio Visual Operator:** David Klarich

**Building Maintenance:** Chris Staveness, [cstaveness@gmail.com](mailto:cstaveness@gmail.com)

**Custodial:** Gage Klarich

**St. John's Church Council Officers**

**President:** Kevin Oppermann, 414.659.2676

**Vice-President:** Bob Lindmeier, 608.469.6055

**Secretary:** Catherine Stang, 608.501.8000

**Treasurer:** Mark W. Peterson, 608.455.5011

**Church Office Information**

**Hours: 8AM – 4PM, Monday-Thursday**

**Office Phone:** 608.291.4311- please leave a message

**Emergency Phone:** The office voice mail recording provides emergency contact information.

**E-mail:** [Info@sjlserve.net](mailto:Info@sjlserve.net)

**Church Website:** [stjohnsoregonwi.org](http://stjohnsoregonwi.org)



---

*Copyright © 2021 St. John's Lutheran Church, Oregon, WI, All rights reserved.*  
You are receiving this email because you provided your email to St. John's Lutheran Church.

**Our mailing address is:**

St. John's Lutheran Church, Oregon, WI  
625 E. Netherwood Street  
Oregon, WI 53575