# **Upcoming Events & Announcements**

Sunday School resumes Sunday, January 8 at 9:30 am

**Adult Bible study –** Sunday mornings at 9:45 am, resumes Sunday, January 8 when we begin a study of Isaiah.

**Catechism / Church Practices and Traditions Study –** resumes Thursday, January 5 at 7:30 pm.

Sunday, January 1 will be a lay lead service at 11:00 am

A reminder that we have an auto-debit option for giving offerings. Please speak to Pastor for more information.

### **Opportunities to Serve**

If you are interested in helping with the sound system and Power Point, please speak to Jason.

We are looking for someone more permanent to help with counting offering on a regular basis. Please speak to Meridee if you are interested.

A signup sheet for church cleaning is posted on the bulletin board near the washrooms.

## **Prayer Thoughts for the Week**

We remember those needing Your hand of healing, especially for Easton, Pastor Ron Mohr, Pastor Rob Grout, Doreen Heide, Judy Haichert, Vicky Vardi, Regina Marcoux, Larry Neufeld, Adin Dereniwski, Joan Spaerman, Linda Peterson, Bill Hayes, Irene Besser, Linda Doell, Jim Patrick, Charmaine Peters, Olinda Fehr, John Hebert, Terry Tamke, Hailey Christensen, Mike Stringer, Alex Gudmundson, Ann Klassen, Dale Besser, Albert Kramer, Nora Spaerman, Michelle Wenc, Karen Decorby, Ruby Dyck, and Bey Wohlford. Give them Your strength and hope for every tomorrow.



## The Nativity of Our Lord

Sunday, December 25, 2022

Worship Service 10:00 AM

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#### Welcome to Our Visitors

Welcome to St. John's Lutheran Church!

We believe that it is our mission to *bring the Word* of God to those who do not know Jesus as their Saviour, to *build the faith* of those who do, and to *share the love* of God with our community and the world. If you have any concerns or suggestions, please speak with the Pastor or Elder on duty. You are welcome to join us as often as you would like in lifting our hearts and voices to the Lord in praise, prayer, and song.

God's blessings to you in Christ!



#### Communion at St. John's

Everyone is invited to come forward for a blessing.
As a confirmed member in good standing of a Lutheran
Church -- Canada congregation you are welcome to
receive the Body and Blood of Christ from this altar.
If you are a visitor from another church body, we ask that
you meet with our Pastor or one of our Elders before
receiving the Sacrament here at St. John's.

Any special prayer requests can be directed to the Usher before service begins so Pastor can include them in the Prayer of the Church.

# Scripture for the Nativity of Our Lord

First Reading Isaiah 52:7-10

How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him who brings good news, who publishes peace, who brings good news of happiness, who publishes salvation, who says to Zion, "Your God reigns." The voice of your watchmen—they lift up their voice; together they sing for joy; for eye to eye they see the return of the Lord to Zion. Break forth together into singing, you waste places of Jerusalem, for the Lord has comforted his people; he has redeemed Jerusalem. The Lord has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations, and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Epistle Hebrews 1:1-6 (7-12)

Long ago, at many times and in many ways, God spoke to our fathers by the prophets, but in these last days he has spoken to us by his Son, whom he appointed the heir of all things, through whom also he created the world. He is the radiance of the glory of God and the exact imprint of his nature, and he upholds the universe by the word of his power. After making purification for sins, he sat down at the right hand of the Majesty on high, having become as much superior to angels as the name he has inherited is more excellent than theirs. For to which of the angels did God ever say, "You are my Son, today I have begotten you"? Or again, "I will be to him a father, and he shall be to me a son"? And again, when he brings the firstborn into the world, he says, "Let all God's angels worship him." Of the angels he says, "He makes his angels winds, and his ministers a flame of fire." But of the Son he says, "Your throne, O God, is forever and ever, the sceptre of uprightness is the sceptre of your kingdom. You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness; therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions." And, "You, Lord, laid the foundation of the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like a garment, like a robe you will roll them up, like a garment they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will have no end."

Holy Gospel John 1:1-14 (15-18)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. In him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came as a witness, to bear witness about the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness about the light. The true light, which enlightens everyone, was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world did not know him. He came to his own, and his own people did not receive him. But to all who did receive him, who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God, who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth. (John bore witness about him, and cried out, "This was he of whom I said, 'He who comes after me ranks before me, because he was before me.'") And from his fullness we have all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ. No one has ever seen God; the only God, who is at the Father's side, he has made him known.