

## Upcoming Events & Announcements

**Sunday School 9:30 am      Adult Bible Study Sundays 9:45 am**

**Sunday, January 21 – Potluck lunch following the service.**

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

## Opportunities to Serve

Please consider helping out with counting the Sunday morning offering. Talk to Meridee if you would like to help.

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 Ed Peters, Breanne, Dustin Gasmó, 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, and Ruby Dyck. Give them Your strength and hope for every tomorrow.

# St. John's Lutheran Church



## The Baptism of Our Lord

**Sunday, January 7, 2024**

**Worship Service 11:00 AM**

**Sunday School 9:30 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.

## The Baptism of Our Lord

### First Reading

**Genesis 1:1-5**

In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

### Epistle

**Romans 6:1-11**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

### Holy Gospel

**Mark 1:4-11**

John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for forgiveness of sins. And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens opening up and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with whom I am well pleased."