



ST. JOHN'S MESSENGER

NOVEMBER

2014

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Worship Services

9:30 AM

Sunday School Grades K-6

9:30 AM

Sunday Nursery Program

9:30 AM

Calendar of Events for November 2014 ~

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| Sunday, Nov. 9 | Worship 9:30 AM Sunday Nursery Program 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM |
| Tuesday, Nov. 11 | Council Meeting 8:00 PM |
| Wednesday, Nov. 12 | NO Confirmation Class |
| Thursday, Nov. 13 | Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM |
| Friday, Nov. 14 | Michele Muck & John Hernandez wedding 3:30 PM Girl Scouts 6:30 – 8:00 PM |
| Sunday, Nov. 16 | Worship 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM |
| Wednesday, Nov. 19 | Confirmation Class 7:00 PM |
| Thursday, Nov. 20 | Choir Rehearsal 7:30 PM |
| Friday, Nov. 21 | Brownies 3:15 - 4:45 PM |
| Sunday, Nov 23 | Worship 9:30 AM - Christ the King Sunday Sunday School & Nursery Program 9:30 AM |
| Wednesday, Nov.26 | Annual Thanksgiving Eve Interfaith Service 7:30 PM NO Confirmation Class |
| Thursday, Nov. 27 | Thanksgiving Day |
| Sunday, Nov. 30 | Worship 9:30 AM - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Sunday Nursery Program 9:30 AM Sunday School 9:30 AM ADVENT WREATH WORKSHOP AND PIZZA LUNCH Sponsored by WELCA |



Looking forward to December.....

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| Wednesdays, Dec. 3, 10, 17 | Advent Services – 7:30 PM |
| Sunday, Dec. 14 | Decorating the Church for Christmas (after worship) |
| Thursday, Dec. 18 | WELCA Holiday Luncheon 12:00 PM |
| Sunday, Dec. 21 | Sunday School Christmas Pageant 9:30 Worship |

SERVERS FOR NOVEMBER 2014

| DATE | AM TIME | ACOLYTE | CRUCIFER | ASSISTING MINISTER | LECTOR | USHERS |
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| 11/2 | 9:30 | Parker Sloan | Ashley Gavin | Bill Lindman | Arlene Moglia | Heidi Scalza & Carol Clemente |
| 11/9 | 9:30 | Jason Pace | Jason Pace | Michael Fernež | Roger Vargas | Kevin Hanson & Kevin Hanson Jr. |
| 11/16 | 9:30 | Christopher Dunn | | Susan Masciello | Gerda Weber | Bill & Debby Lindman |
| 11/23 | 9:30 | Kaitlyn Gavin | Jesse Pace | Dorothy Richetti | Dorothy Richetti | Jill & Joe Pace |
| 11/30 | 9:30 | Victoria Ramirez | Not needed | Andrew Dunn | Anna Lenz | Bill Benson & Bill Davison |

If you cannot serve on a day you are scheduled, please find a replacement and notify the church office and the appropriate coordinator:

The Church Office: Assisting Ministers 599-0778;

Jill Pace: Acolytes, Crucifers, Torch bearers and Gospel bearers- 599-8896

Claire Lenz: Lectors - 872-2063;

Pauline Feltkamp: Ushers 599-227

If anyone is interested in becoming an Assisting Minister, a Lector or Usher for our worship services, Please speak with Pastor Alex. He will be happy to show you what the responsibilities are for each position.



OUR SUNDAY NURSERY PROGRAM IS IN NEED OF ADULT VOLUNTEERS TO HELP DURING THE PROGRAM.

NO SPECIAL TALENT IS NEEDED!

HOWEVER, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO A CRAFT, READ A STORY OR SING A SONG IT WILL BE A WONDERFUL ADDITION FOR OUR CHILDREN. PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE OR KATIE LENZ.



THANKSGIVING SERVICE



THE ANNUAL THANKSGIVING EVE INTERFAITH WORSHIP

Wednesday, Nov. 26 @ 7:30 PM
Hosted here at St. John's

Join with your neighbors from East Rockaway and Lynbrook as you sing, pray, & hear the word of God. A reception with light refreshments will follow worship. Come give thanks to God for the blessings of another year!

NOVEMBER FOOD COLLECTION

Fill the cornucopia to overflowing! In this season of giving thanks, St. John's offers you a chance to give back. Throughout November, we're accepting donations of non-perishable foods for the food pantry at the New LIFE Center of Lutheran Social Services in Uniondale. They also welcome grocery store gift cards or financial gifts. Hunger is on the rise here in Nassau County. Please give what you can to help those in need!



THANK YOU....

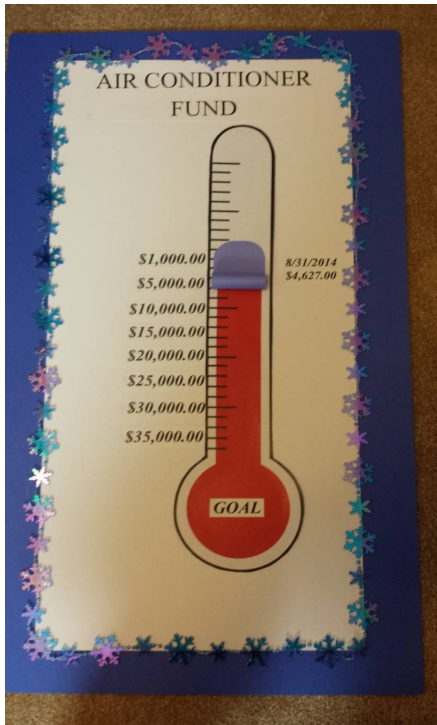
Dear Pastor Alex & St. John's Congregation,
Thank you so much for the care package.
It was so nice of you to think of me all the way up here in Plattsburgh. I deeply appreciate all the goodies inside, especially the Ramen!
Thanks again.

Kristin Lindman

Dear Pastor Alex and the Congregation of St. Johns,
Thank you very much for taking the time to send me a care package. I apologize for not getting back to you sooner, I have been incredibly overwhelmed with work. It's nice to know that there are people at home who are thinking about me and I really appreciate the package. I look forward to seeing everyone when I come home.

Thanks again.
Nils Destefano

*Congratulations to
Jonathan Hernandez
& Michelle Muck
on the celebration of their
Marriage
November 14th*



Please check the bulletin board in the narthex across from the coat rack to see our progress. It is our hope and prayer that you will consider making a donation to this fund. Below is a form that can be used for this purpose.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

Finance and Stewardship Committee

Help Us Reach Our Goal!
St. John's Lutheran Church
Air Conditioner Fund

Name _____

Amount _____

Envelope # _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Please mail your contribution to:

St. John's Lutheran Church Air Conditioner Fund

13 Blake Ave.

Lynbrook, NY 11563

Or, please drop it in the offering plate on Sunday. Thank you!

THE GIVING TREE

BRINGING THE JOY OF CHRISTMAS TO FAMILIES IN NEED

Thanks to the generosity of our congregation, St. John's Youth Group has delivered some wonderful Christmas gifts to families who may have had No gifts at all. We will soon be setting up our Giving Tree once again, and we are hoping to deliver more of God's love this Christmas season.

Can you please help us bring some Christmas spirit to some families in need? Beginning in mid-November, there will be a small table-top Christmas tree set up in the narthex with "gift tags" hung on its branches. These tags will list a name and one specific item requested by that individual. Most items requested are very basic things – a pair of pajamas, a sweatshirt, or a simple toy.

If you would like to donate one or more items, select a gift tag from the Giving Tree and follow the instructions given. All gift-wrapping and delivery will be done by the Youth Group.

Donations need to be brought in by Sunday, December 7th:
It is essential to begin and end this project early in order to get the gifts to their recipients in time for the holidays.

Your generosity will bring joy to someone in need this holiday season and will reinforce the true meaning of Christmas.

Thank you for your support!

Lori Fernez



Thank you to our Banner Makers....

When you are in church, have you looked up at the altar? When you do you will notice a beautiful new banner bearing these words:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

Carol Clemente, Charlene Comastri, Cora Sarver and Ruth Williamson created this new banner when they attended a banner making workshop on October 18th at the Parish Resource Center. We want like to thank Carol, Charlene, Cora and Ruth for giving their time and talents in designing, cutting, ironing and gluing the many pieces to create a beautiful banner that gives glory to God and beautifies our church.



If you would like to have a Poinsettia(s) on the altar during the Christmas season in memory or in honor of a loved one, please complete the Christmas Flower form at the bottom of this page. You can mail it or drop it in the offering basket with your free will donation.

To Beautify St. John's at Holiday Time

In Memory of _____

OR in Honor of _____

Donor _____

Envelope # _____

Please return this form with your Free Will Offering to the Church.

The Church will order the flowers

After the holiday season, the flowers will be given to the sick.

