

St. John Ev. Lutheran Church  
1764 Meyersville Road  
Meyersville, Texas 77974-4143  
Pr. John Boor  
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## *December 2020 Newsletter*

### **ST. JOHN EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH**

A North American Lutheran Church  
1764 Meyersville Road  
Meyersville, TX 77974-4143  
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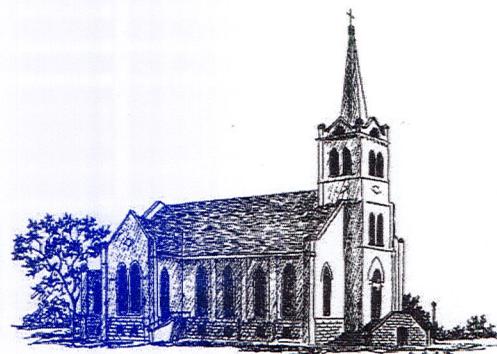
Ministers - The People of St. John

Pastor - The Rev. John Boor

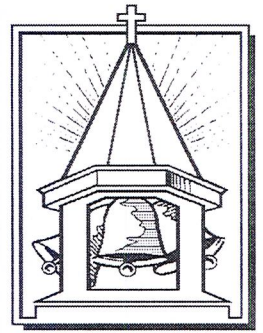
Organist - Bruce A. Weise

#### **WORSHIP**

Sunday School for All Ages      9:00 a.m.  
Worship      10:15 a.m.



**THE CHURCH BELL**  
**St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church**  
**Member of North American Lutheran Church (NALC)**  
1764 Meyersville Rd.  
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Greetings,

On Sunday, December 13, there is a called congregational meeting after the service. There will be two items on the agenda, the budget for 2021 and the ratification of amendments to the NALC Constitution. Copies of both will be in the Narthex prior to the meeting.

The NALC has recommended two amendments to the NALC Constitution. These amendments were approved at the convocation and have been forwarded to the congregations for ratification.

The first amendment is to adjust how the apportion additional Lay Delegates to the convocation. The current Constitution states that each congregation shall have one Lay Delegate per 750 baptized members. Since the NALC is congregationally focused the goal was to have an equal number of Lay and ordained voting representatives. With the growth of the NALC the formula originally stated is not keeping the balance of Lay versus clergy.

This amendment allows the Executive Council to adjust the number to maintain the balance of lay and clergy.

The second amendment would change the Convocation Meetings from annual to bi-annual.

The primary reason they are requesting this change is the expense for congregations as well as the NALC. The average cost to a congregation is \$1300 per delegate. This cost goes up if additional people attend the convocation. It also goes up if the delegate chooses to participate in the other events during Lutheran Week. In addition to the expense to the congregations the NALC incurs an expense of an additional \$110,000 which the NALC contributes in order to keep the cost manageable for the congregations.

If this amendment is approved it will require that elections for the Executive Council and the Court of adjudication to change in order to accommodate the biennial convocations. Also, the budget process will be changed from an annual budget to a budget for two years.

It has also been recommended that the Executive Council send out quarterly reports rather than just the annual report to the annual convocation.

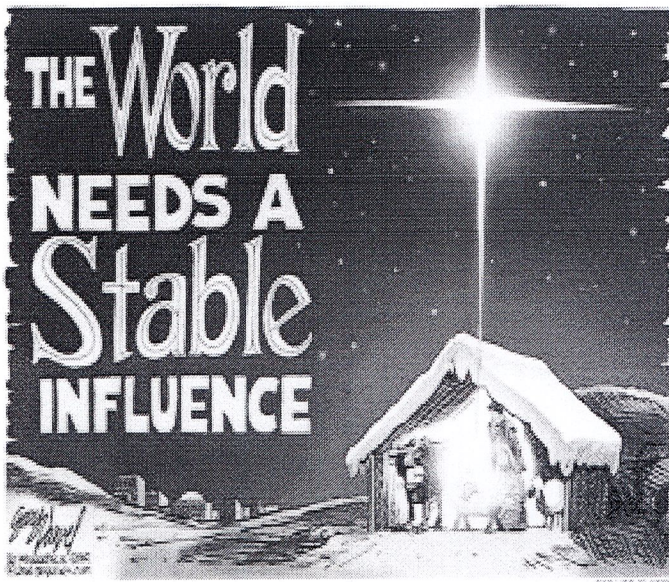
I support these amendments. As the NALC grows it is necessary to make adjustments to the constitution. Again, the NALC is congregationally focused and changes are necessary from time to time to meet new needs and to be fiscally responsible.

God's blessings

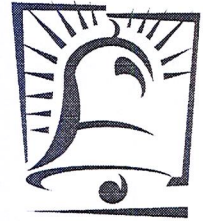
Pastor John

**If you or a family member is in the hospital and would like a pastoral visit, please contact the Church office (361/277-8653) or Pastor John Boor on his cell (361/243-0373).** Due to the privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify pastors when a member is admitted or treated. If you know of anyone being taken to the hospital (emergency or otherwise), or who is seriously ill please call.

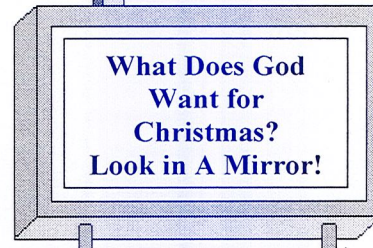




Ding-a-ling  
Corner



Church Sign Humor



**STATISTICAL REPORT FOR 2020**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	TOTAL
Infant/Child	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1			4
Adult	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0			2
<b>Total Baptisms</b>	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	2	1			6
Confirmations	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	1			9
Weddings													
Members	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Non-Members	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Funerals													
Members	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0			3
Non-Members	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Counseling Sessions	2	1	2	4	2	3	2	0	2	2			20
Transfer Out	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Transfer In	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Home Visits	5	4	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	1			15
Hospital Visits													
Members	0	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0			3
Non-Members	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0
Private Communion													
Members	3	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			7
Non-Members	25	12	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			49
<b>PLEASE NOTE: LAST MONTH'S STATISTICS ARE TO DATE AS OF PRINTING TIME</b>													
Release of Membership	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4		8
Restore to Membership	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			0



## ST. JOHN EV. LUTHERAN CHURCH CONTACT NUMBERS

### CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Pastor - John Boor (Cell) 243-0373  
 Council President -  
 Vice President - Mitchell Jank 649-8681  
 Secretary - Virginia Jank 575-6813  
 Treasurer - Archie Abrameit (512) 922-0975  
 Financial Secretary - M'Liss Moore 275-8069

Parish Education - Laurie Pokluda 275-4232  
 Mission/Evangelism - Linda Ruschhaupt 275-2059  
 Property Team - Marvin Sager 243-1166  
 Finance Team - Glenn Ruschhaupt 275-2059  
 Parish Life Team - Beverly Bodden 570-3393  
 Worship Team - Johnny Jank 575-6813



Office hours are Tuesday-Friday from 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Please see bulletins for any changes.

### **ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBER/NAME CHANGES**

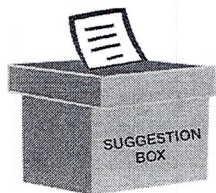
*Please* notify the Church Office as soon as possible of any change in mailing addresses, and/or phone numbers, and/or name changes. Thank you!

If any elderly person, or youth, needs a ride to Church or youth events, please notify the pastor so arrangements can be made to accommodate these needs.



### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

The deadline for the January 2021 Church Bell is Friday, December 18, 2020 by 9 a.m. You can drop off your articles at the church office, or e-mail them to [stjohnevlutheran@juno.com](mailto:stjohnevlutheran@juno.com). Thanks!



### **Do you have an idea?**

Is there something at the church that you think needs fixing or changing? The Church Council and Committee Members would like to have your input. Please

feel free to use the 'suggestion box' in the Narthex to pass on your ideas, suggestions, and concerns. Remember, this is your church and your opinion matters. We are eager to hear from you!

### **ATTENTION ACOLYTES**

Please see the acolyte sign-up sheet in the Narthex. Volunteers are needed.



### **BUSY BAGS IN CHURCH**

Busy Bags are available in the Narthex for all children to use. These bags have quiet activities for children to enjoy during Worship. The tote bags have items that younger children might be more interested in while the zipper bags have items for slightly bigger kids. Grab a bag on your way in to church, but please "bee" sweet and return it after the service.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**



If you have a prayer request please contact Evelyn Diebel (361-275-5979) Or Linda Ruschhaupt (361-275-4990) or the Pastor. We ask that you would update the prayer request regularly. If we do not have an update, in an effort to keep our list current and up to date, we will presume the situation has improved and remove the request after 30 days. We thank you for your cooperation in this matter. If you wish to receive the Prayer Chain requests, please contact Evelyn Diebel at (361)275-5979.

### **Our Military and their families:**

Jeff Zengerle - U.S. Army NG, Kuwait  
 Russell Copeland - U.S. Army Reserves  
 Jonathon Albrecht - U.S. Army, Kentucky  
 Chase Schroeder - U.S. Navy  
 Austin Schroeder - U.S. Navy  
 Lee Magruder - U.S. Army, 2-4 CaB, Charlie Company, Black Hawk Medevac Pilot, Fort Carson, Colorado  
 Katrina Moritz - U.S. Air Force  
 Michael Petrash II - Iraq  
 Andrew Washington, L CPL - USMC, Pensacola, FL  
 Jacob Redmond - USMC, San Diego, CA  
 Koltyn Mayhall - USMC, North Carolina



### **Please Pray for:**

Adam Womble  
 Nate Boehl  
 Hunter Jacob  
 Kenny Jacob  
 Cole Ohrt  
 Carly Waters  
 Joy Hoy  
 Marie Liner  
 Bill Roeske  
 Janice Turner  
 Sarah Cooper  
 Jimmy Caskey  
 Britany Jank Tomas  
 Dugan Chandler

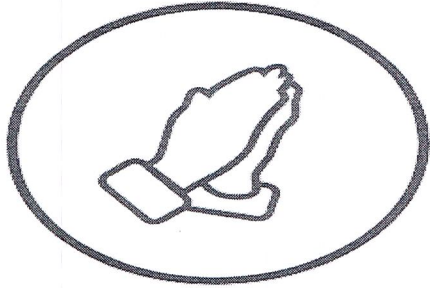
### **Nursing Home:** Elmcroft-Victoria ~ Bette Jo Haun

Stevens Healthcare of Yoakum ~ Marjorie Ideus  
 Cuero Nursing & Rehab. ~ Alfred Rangnow  
 Twin Pines Nursing Facility-Victoria ~ Meta Bennett

Prayer requests cards are available in the pews and can be filled out and handed to an usher during the first hymn for your request to be included in the day's prayer. If you have a private prayer request please fill out the appropriate side and give to the pastor.



## Mission of the Month of December

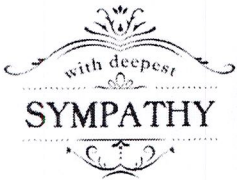


### Samaritan's Purse COVID-19 Response

#### Mission Statement

In response to the COVID-19 international emergency Samaritan's Purse has set up medical tents and brought assistance to most of the world. At this moment they are responding to the Bahamas and other countries around the world who continue to have the spread of COVID-19.

All of the monies collected during this month for mission will go specifically to the COVID-19 Response.

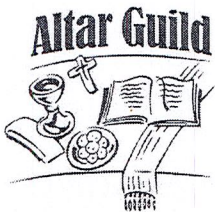


*We hold Marv & Norrean Sager in our thoughts & prayers over the loss of their son Jeff. May God comfort them & their family during this time of loss.*

#### HEARTFELT THANKS

*We wish to express our sincere appreciation to all for your thoughts, prayers, and expressions of sympathy regarding the recent loss of our son.*

*Marv and Norrean Sager*

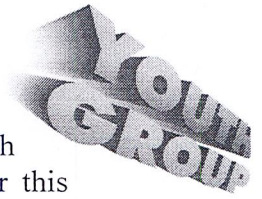


#### ALTAR GUILD OPPORTUNITY/PLEA

One of our faithful Altar Guild teams is no longer able to serve. Therefore, the Altar Guild is urgently asking for each of you to prayerfully and seriously consider being a part of a team to serve on the Altar Guild. You and your teammate (as do the 5 other teams) serve approximately 2 months per year setting up communion before and cleaning up afterward and filling candles. Please contact Carol Ann Sagebiel (361)243-0122 or any Altar Guild member for more information, etc. Thank You.

### Youth Group News

St. John's is looking for someone who enjoys working with young people to be our new youth leaders. Please prayerfully consider this and let Pastor John or Laurie Pokluda know if this is your calling.



*We would like to thank Wendy and Doug Bishop for serving as our youth leaders. Our young people were very blessed by their service.*

### St. John Lutheran Christmas Program



ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH  
SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH GROUP  
INVITE YOU TO A STEP BACK IN TIME TO OUR  
**BETHLEHEM VILLAGE**  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20TH FROM 6 TO 7 PM  
IN FRONT OF ST. JOHN LUTHERAN  
CHURCH IN MEYERSVILLE

VISIT OUR DIFFERENT BOOTHS AND ENJOY  
HOT CHOCOLATE AND A LIVE NATIVITY  
DRIVE-BY OPTIONS ALSO AVAILABLE  
FOLLOW THE STAR TO BETHLEHEM!



#### Services:

Communion Service 3:00 pm  
Candlelight Service w/ Communion 10:00 pm



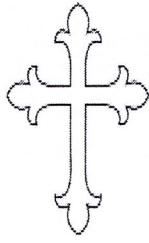
*Merry CHRISTmas & a  
Happy New Year!!!  
Prayers for many  
healthy blessings to all!*



## NALC Warehouse and Operation

### Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

We will be collecting for these charities all year. Each month we will feature items to be donated. We will start collecting again in January 2021. Thank you to all who donated in 2020.



St. John collected **86 shoe boxes** for Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child this year! How AWESOME!!! Thank you to everyone who participated in any way!



### Called Congregational Meeting

A called congregational meeting will be held immediately following the service on Sunday, December 13th. The sole agenda items will be consideration of the proposed St. John Budget for 2021, as approved by Council and the NALC Constitutional Amendments. There are copies of both of these items in the Narthex.



CALLED  
CONGREGATIONAL  
MEETING

### Worship Team Notes

We will be having church in the sanctuary at 10:15 a.m. from now on, unless something changes. Communion will be by stations on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday until further notice. Please note there are certain guidelines that have to be followed. These specific guidelines are posted on our website & FaceBook page. The service will still be broadcasted on the radio station FM 101.5 for those who wish to stay in their vehicles. The service will also be videoed & posted to the church website on Sundays, after noon sometime. Please continue to check the church website & FaceBook page for updates.

**Worship  
Team**

**GOD**  
*is Listening*

### Special Prayers for Cole

Cole is at home doing well surrounded by the love and support of all his family. He continues to have therapy on a daily basis at his home and will soon also be doing therapy in Victoria. God continues to be with Cole each and every day strengthening his faith, patience, and courage as he travels down this long and difficult journey. We thank each and every one again for all your prayers, concerns, and support for Cole and his family. We ask for you to continue praying for Cole's healing and for strength and patience for him and his family. Thank you and God Bless.

**+Please pray at 12:00 PM daily for Cole+**

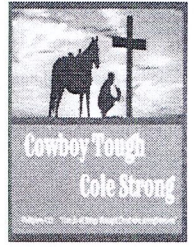
**At his request, these are the prayers he has on his list:**

*Healing- physical, emotional & spiritual  
To help family stay strong*

*Patience*

*Stay positive*

*The drive to keep trying (perseverance)*



### Church Renovation Update



Remaining items for the construction progress are to complete the canopy and final grade the site. After completion, a final walk through will be held to address any items that need to be touched-up. The estimated costs for construction, change orders, materials testing, architect, and incidentals is \$599,553. We are required to pay as construction progresses so the bills are coming in on a regular basis. This project received almost unanimous support so we ask that you prayerfully consider giving generously to this project.

GOAL: \$599,553

RECEIVED AS OF November 29, 2020:

\$559,458.30



## CHURCH COUNCIL MINUTES

October 27, 2020

By: Virginia Jank, Church Secretary

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Pastor John Boor, Mitchell Jank, Vice President, Virginia Jank (Secretary) Archie Abrameit (Treasurer) M'Liss Moore (Financial Secretary) Glenn Ruschhaupt (Finance) Linda Ruschhaupt (Mission and Evangelism) Beverly Bodden (Parish Life) Laurie Pokluda (Parish Ed) Marv Sager (Property) Johnny Jank (Worship)

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mitchell Jank called the meeting to order. Pastor John opened the meeting with a devotion on Seasonal Affective Disorder-emotional changes during different times and the need for hope and peace.

**MINUTES:** Reviewed, Motion to accept by Marv Sager, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Archie Abrameit, and approved.

**FINANCIAL REPORT:** Reviewed, Motion to accept by Johnny Jank, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Beverly Bodden and approved.

**OLD BUSINESS:** Doors on the premises have been reviewed for security. Two will need to be changed out because they are unable to be locked as they are now. The doors will be placed in groups and keys made for each group.

Laurie Pokluda and Linda Ruschhaupt volunteered to use the Shephard's Staff List and contact congregational members concerning the status of their membership.

### PASTOR'S REPORT

I will be gone the rest of the week. I will be back Friday, and I will be here for Sunday service.

Dustin and Rachel Nessel have requested membership in our church. Dustin is a lifelong Lutheran and Rachel was confirmed in the Catholic Church but has attended the Lutheran church and has been a regular here at St John. I will meet with her to discuss the doctrine of the Lutheran church.

I will be baptizing William Dean Ohrt on Saturday October 31, 2020. His parents are Patrick and Ashley Ohrt.

**DISCUSSION:** Laurie Pokluda made a motion to accept Dustin and Rachel Nessel as members of St. John subject to Rachel attending classes on the Lutheran doctrine. M'liss seconded the motion and

the members present passed the motion. Pastor mentioned that there are several persons interested in attending classes and will try and get everyone together at the same time.

### FINANCE TEAM REPORT

There was no financial team meeting this month.

### MISSION EVANGELISM TEAM REPORT:

Mission Report on meeting held October 19, 2020  
Members: Mitchell Jank, Pastor John, Cheryl Bramlette, Pam Haun, Obert Sagebiel, Cathie Bettge, Linda Ruschhaupt, Team Leader and All the folks of St. John.

Mission of the Month for November- Christmas Family

We chose a Christmas family. It is an elderly grandfather and his teenage granddaughter. We know from the school community's director that they are in need. We may have another family also, but we do not have them as of now. I have a wish list for each of them. To keep them from getting duplicate gifts we would like for anyone who wants to purchase a gift to see Linda or a member of the team for guidance.

We finalized our plans for Rev. Eric Riesen's visit. Cheryl and Linda will supply Bar B Que brisket, beans, and potato salad. We will have our team members and council and ask those attending to bring a side. We did this because it was impossible to have Mission Feast because of the COVID.

At the time of the meeting we had almost 50 Operation Christmas Child boxes out to be filled.

The boxes need to be turned in by Nov. 15, 2020. Pastor will have a blessing of the boxes at that time.

We chose Samaritan's Purse COVID 19 response for our Mission of the Month for December because the virus has already hit many states hard the second time around and they are sitting up tents for hospitals again.

Our budget has been turned in to the finance team.

We closed with the Lord's prayer.

Linda Ruschhaupt, Team Leader

### PARISH LIFE TEAM REPORT:

Parish Life did not have a meeting this month, however we did help Mission Committee with the reception after church on 10-25-2020 for Pastor Eric Riesen. Sincerely, Beverly Bodden



## PARISH ED TEAM REPORT

PARISH ED REPORT October 27, 2020

Sunday School attendance continues to be good. We could still use another team teacher. We appreciate parents volunteering. The teachers and children are excited about the Bethlehem Village to take place on the evening of December 20th. Johnna's class continues to do service projects such as sending cards to our older members. This week they were given the challenge to call these members to check on them! St. John's Youth Group wrapped 71 decks of cards to be included in military care packages for soldiers deployed overseas. After the service project, ten youth and five adult chaperones traveled to the corn maze in Moulton, TX for an evening of fun.  
Laurie Pokluda

## PROPERTY TEAM REPORT

Meeting Date – October 11, 2020

### Team Members Present:

Glenn Ruschhaupt, Pastor John Boor, Richard Bettge, Vance Egg, Marv Sager

### Items Complete:

- Various diagnostics and repair attempts on sanctuary AC unit
- AC filters checked
- Driveway onto drop-off slab, turn around, and driveway around parish hall completed
- Potholes in parking lot on parsonage side of church repaired
- Plumbing repairs in restrooms and exterior
- Draft of 2021 budget line item amounts determined and submitted to Finance Team

### Ongoing Items:

Tom Lodeweges is available this week and will be working on the following ongoing issues:

- Cracks in plaster in sanctuary, beginning in wing adjacent to elevator
- Separation/crack in sacristy floor adjacent to exterior exit door
- Cracks in north exterior wall stone beneath two windows
- Replacement of missing siding pieces on parish hall exterior wall

General workday

Cemetery workday

Parsonage inspection and AC duct work:

- Pending removal of remaining items from parsonage and garage

### Renovation Progress:

Ray Reese has communicated Team consensus alternatives for moving toward resolution of construction issues to contractor's attorney. Discussions remain ongoing in efforts to resolve construction errors related to elevation/grade on the elevator landing, ponding on the elevator approach flatwork, along with remaining unaddressed Punch List items.

**Approximate Renovation Fund Donations To Date - \$570,000**

**Next regularly scheduled meeting is November 8th, 2020 at 8:00 AM**

**DISCUSSION:** Marv thanked Glenn for the work he did on the property. He also made some positive comments on the work that is being done on the cracks in the church walls. He pointed out that Tom is working on prioritizing the areas that need attention. Johnny Jank made a motion to authorize the property team to oversee and manage the priority list and continue the repairs as the team deems necessary. Laurie Pokluda seconded the motion, and it was passed by council.

## WORSHIP TEAM REPORT

October 2020

Worship Team members Beverly Bodden, Candace Cowley, Pastor John Boor, Johnny P Jank, Virginia Jank, Carol Ann Sagebiel, Marv Sager, Norrean Sager, and Bruce Weise met on the 6<sup>th</sup> of October at 7:00PM at the parish house.

Ongoing Business discussed included **Confirmation** service completed for all but one of the confirmands. JR Bishop will be confirmed on Saturday the 17<sup>th</sup> of October.

New Business included welcoming **new team member Candice Cowley.**



**Church in the Sanctuary** updates and concerns were also discussed, primarily focusing on communion services. The Team agreed to continue to hold communion services on Reformation Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> October, 1<sup>st</sup> of November, 6<sup>th</sup> of December and 24<sup>th</sup> of December, our Christmas Eve service. We will revisit 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday communion services after the new year.

Sara will keep the **lectionary readers** list at the church office and email when readers are needed.

Updates and concerns??? Continue recording for now.

The Worship **Budget** 2021 was reviewed by looking at current year budget and expenditures to date. Team agreed to keep all budget lines the same. The Team will defer to the Finance Team to set the organist salary to keep it in-line with other proposed salaries. The other item we are needing to get more information on is the possible repairs to the organ. We will call Shawn with Pipe Organ Technicians to get more information or schedule them to come and reevaluate the current state of the organ.

Johnny Jank's term as **Worship Team Leader** is expiring and since he has already served 2 terms a new Team Leader will need to be nominated.

We will use a different set of readings for **Advent Wreath** beginning 29<sup>th</sup> of November, the first Sunday of Advent.

There being no **Other New Business** the Team assigned songs for services for 11<sup>th</sup> August through 13<sup>th</sup> December.

Close with the Lord's Prayer

**Next meeting** – Schedule as necessary **Next scheduled meeting 1<sup>st</sup> December 2020 @ 7:00PM**

**DISCUSSION:** Concerning parking lot areas: there will be blocks put up by the drive thru that will not interfere with the flow of traffic through the driveway. There may be some "No Parking" signed put up where needed. A handicap parking spot has been suggested at the end of the slab. There was also some discussion of valet parking by volunteers so that the slab can be utilized for walking on a solid area.

A nominating committee was discussed for the Annual Congregational Meeting.

Linda Ruschhaupt volunteered to head the nominating committee. Pastor John will also be on the committee along with 2 other members of the congregation.

New team leaders to be elected at the congregational meeting are: **PRESIDENT, SECRETARY, WORKSHIP TEAM LEADER, FINANCE TEAM LEADER, and MISSION AND EVANGALISM LEADER.**

**TREASURER, PARISH EDUCATION TEAM LEADER, AND PROPERTY TEAM LEADER** were all appointed to fulfill positions until January 1, 2021. These positions will also be elected at the meeting to finish the current term that was vacated.

A called Congregational Meeting to approve the 2021 budget and vote on the Amendments to the NALC Constitution was set for **DECEMBER 13, 2020.**

There being no further business to discuss, the meeting closed with the Lord's Prayer.



Keep up with St. John online

St. John Meyersville

<https://www.facebook.com/Stjohnmeyersville>

Or visit our website at: [stjohnmeyersville.org](http://stjohnmeyersville.org)



## VOLUNTEERS THIS MONTH:

### December 6

Greeters - Dickie & Cathie Bettge  
Reader - Cathie Bettge  
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

### December 13

Greeters - Candy Cowley  
Reader - Wanda Hays  
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

### December 20

Greeters - Marvin & Norrean Sager  
Reader - Neal Moritz  
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

### December 27

Greeters - Glenn & Linda Ruschhaupt  
Reader - Kathy Dunn  
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

### December Communion Assistant

Glenn Ruschhaupt

### December Altar Guild

Betty Diebel & Virginia Jank

### December Nursing Home Visitor

Linda Ruschhaupt

## LOOKING AHEAD...

### January 3

Greeters - Candy Cowley  
Reader - Johnna Kethan  
Acolyte - Volunteer Needed

### January Communion Assistant

Obert Sagebiel

### January Altar Guild

Carol Ann Sagebiel & Cathie Bettge

### January Nursing Home Visitor

Norrean Sager

Volunteers: If you are down for a service, you are responsible for getting a substitute if you cannot make it. Please let the church office know if you have switched so the correct names can be in the bulletin.

## Happy Birthday to:

- 1 - Gracie Giles
- 2 - Virginia Abrameit  
Jayce Garcia
- 3 - Jeffery Giles
- 4 - Ronnie Moeller
- 5 - Donald Hoy
- 6 - Kristina Brewer
- 13 - Carlie Parsons
- 14 - Carol Ann Sagebiel  
Vance Egg
- 20 - John Brewer
- 21 - John Otto
- 24 - Nicole Leist
- 27 - Nicole McCay  
Randy Wendel  
Richard Bettge
- 28 - Cathie Bettge  
Joseph Varela  
Randall Fuchs
- 30 - Shelly Garcia  
Tara Egg



## Anniversary Greetings to:

- 3 - Gregory & Tiffany Seiler
- 22 - Charles & Susan Egg
- 30 - John & Margie Swannack



*Our apologies if we have missed your special date. Please contact the church office to help with corrections. Thank you.*



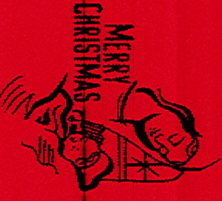




# December 2020

## St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church Meyersville, TX

Church Office: (361)277-8653, Pastor John's Cell: (361)243-0373

Mission of the Month:  
Samaritan's Purse  
COVID-19 Response

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>*Please note: All events subject to change due to COVID-19. Please look on our website: <a href="http://stjohnmeyersville.org/">http://stjohnmeyersville.org/</a> or our Facebook page: <a href="#">St. John Meyersville</a> for changes &amp; updates.</i></p>		<p>9 AM-12 PM Pastor's office hours</p>		<p>1 PM-4 PM Pastor's office hours</p>		
<p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 6</p> <p>9:00 AM Confirmation Class 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship</p> <p><i>*Christmas Program Practice During Sunday School</i></p>		<p>9 AM-12 PM Pastor's office hours</p>	<p>7 PM Women's Bible Study</p>	<p>1 PM-4 PM Pastor's office hours</p>		
<p> <b>Holy Communion</b></p> <p><b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 13</p> <p>8:00 AM Property Team Meeting 9:00 AM Confirmation Class 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship</p> <p><i>(Called Congregation Meeting Following Worship) *Christmas Program Practice During Sunday School</i></p>			<p>6 PM Mission Team Meeting 7 PM Men's Bible Study</p>	<p>1 PM-4 PM Pastor's office hours</p>		
<p><b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent</b> 20</p> <p>9:00 AM Confirmation Class 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship</p> <p><i>*Christmas Program Practice During Sunday School</i></p> <p>~ 6:00 - 7:00 PM Christmas Program ~</p> <p></p>	<p><i>*Winter Begins*</i></p>	<p>9 AM-12 PM Pastor's office hours</p> <p>7 PM Council Meeting</p>		<p>3:00pm Christmas Communion Service 10:00pm Candlelight Service with Communion</p>	<p> <b>MERRY CHRISTMAS</b></p>	
<p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Christmas</b> 27</p> <p>9:00 AM Confirmation Class 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:15 AM Worship ~ Lessons &amp; Carols</p>		<p>9 AM-12 PM Pastor's office hours</p>		<p>1 PM-4 PM Pastor's office hours ~ <i>New Year's Eve!</i> ~</p>	<p><i>New Year's Day</i>  <b>Begin Year with</b></p>	<p>Office Hours: *Please see the Bulletins</p> <p> <b>CHURCH OFFICE HOURS</b></p>



# MERRY CHRISTMAS

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BOW

CANDY CANE

CAROLS

CHRISTMAS

ELF

FAMILY

GIVING

JINGLE

JOY

LIGHTS

NORTH POLE

PRESENTS

REINDEER

SANTA

SLEIGH

SNOW

STAR

STOCKINGS

TREES