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Welcomed in Christ. Called to community. Sent to serve.

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The Children's Choir of St. John presents...

“The Sailor’s Bible”

By Tom S. Long & Allen Pote

**Sunday, February 9 at 8:30am
and 10:45am**

Come hear the stories of Noah and the flood, Jonah and the fish, and Paul and the shipwreck. Together, these three stories show how God’s power always overcomes the chaos of the ocean—and of life!

Bring family, neighbors, school mates, and co-workers to support the children in the musical!



Annual Meeting

Sunday, January 26
at 12:00pm in the sanctuary.
Potluck lunch to follow in the
fellowship hall.



A Note from the Pastor...

Happy New Year!

I would imagine that at this point most of us have had ample time to recover from the holiday festivities. Perhaps for some, if not most of us, the tree has been returned to its box, the company has left, the new toys have been thoroughly played with, the leftovers eaten and the normal routine reestablished. Perhaps there is even a sense of relief having made it through another holiday in one piece. And as the house returns to a sense of normalcy once more, we are faced with the mountain of empty boxes and wrapping paper and all the new stuff that is supposed to make us all much happier.

As I’ve grown older, I’ve become more and more convinced that the accumulation of stuff ultimately brings little happiness. It almost seems that the contrary is true; that more stuff brings with it greater and greater unhappiness. Sure, temporarily we may receive that sense of heightened excitement as we receive that which we believe will make all our dreams come true, but within days to weeks that sense of joy fades and we are faced with an empty feeling once more. Therefore, in an attempt to find happiness, we identify that next best thing that will make us happy, and a vicious cycle is reinforced.

I think this basic truth gets communicated to us through many of those classic Christmas stories and movies, like *The Grinch* and *A Christmas Carol*. These stories are intended to remind us that our value and worth is not defined by the quantity of our stuff, but instead by the quality of our relationships.

Perhaps that is the reason the Christ child comes to us, to remind us that our worth and value is not defined by our stuff, but rather our relationships. There is a book that we read to our kids when they were younger called *The Quiltmaker’s Gift*. This book tells the story of a king who has everything that anyone could ever possibly want, yet he is not happy. In fact, he craves more and more stuff in the hopes that the next best thing will bring happiness. As the book progresses, he hears word of a quilt maker who makes quilts for the poor and needy to keep them warm at night. Immediately the king demands one of her beautiful quilts for himself. However, she refuses to give him one until he has given away all that he owns.

Initially, the king refuses to give away any of his most cherished possessions, believing that the loss of his treasures will only bring him unhappiness. However, he discovers that as he gives away his treasures, happiness and joy fill his heart. The story, of course, ends with the king returning to his kingdom having traveled far and wide distributing his possessions. He returns as a transformed ruler who is now happy and content having found true happiness and meaning in giving out of abundance to those in deepest need.

As I sit here today mindful of another Christmas passed, I am also mindful that perhaps true happiness and joy comes not from merely receiving, but instead in the simplest act of giving. So, as you enter 2020 having once again received the greatest gift of all, the gift of life through Christ, may you in turn consider what you are willing to give to help reflect the love that God has so abundantly showered down upon you.

A Blessed New Year to you all, Pastor Brian

WINTER SCHEDULE

Sundays:

- 8:30am Worship/Communion
- 9:30am Cross+Walk Sunday School
- 9:45am Middle School Youth Group
- 9:45am High School Youth Group
- 9:45am Adult Forum
- 10:45am Worship/Communion

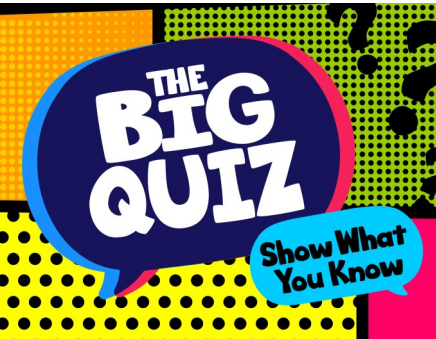
Wednesdays:

- 4:45pm Kids’ Guitar Group
- 5:00pm NO Youth Handbells until February
- 5:30pm Adult Handbells
- 5:30pm Children’s Choir
- 5:30pm-6:30pm Dinner
- 6:30pm-7:30pm Kids’ Fellowship Time
- 6:30pm Confirmation (Grades 6-8)
- 6:30pm High School Youth Group
- 7:00pm St. John Choir

Cross+Walk Sunday School

(Age 3 – Grade 5)

Come check out our new theme in January, “The Big Quiz: Show what you know”! Now in the “information age” we’re all constantly bombarded with information, but the truth is, it’s not all equally valuable. This month, we’ll learn that knowing God is the most important thing. We’ll study Jesus’ examples of this by telling stories of Jesus’ youth and early ministry.



Cross+Walk Sunday School meets on **Sundays at 9:30am** downstairs in the fellowship hall.

Congratulations to everyone who was involved in the Christmas program on a wonderful performance! The kids did an excellent job singing and speaking their lines loudly and clearly. Thank you to the worship band, Trax of Faith, for your excellent music and for accompanying the kids this year! Thank you to Dawn Papenfuss for organizing and directing the program, to Marcia Bettenhausen for assisting with rehearsals and coordinating with the worship band, to Lois Nelson for accompanying rehearsals, to Cindy Bloom for coordinating the costumes, and to all of the Cross+Walk volunteers and parents who made the Christmas program possible! —Erin Bjerke

A Note from Jeremy...

Happy New Year! Time really does pass in weird ways! It felt like just yesterday that I was looking back on 2018, and at the same time it feels like so much happened in 2019. We took a high adventure trip to the mountains of Colorado; we welcomed a new group of 6th graders into our middle school program and 9th graders into high school; spiffed up the youth room, encouraging youth in taking care of their space and making it welcoming for others; grew our weekly attendance for youth groups on Sundays and Wednesdays, and on top of that, I had a baby! Needless to say, I'm looking forward to see what God will continue to do with our youth group in 2020!

Peace,

Jeremy

6th-8th Grade
CONFIRMATION Schedule

Wednesdays 6:30pm-7:30pm

- Jan 1: NO Class (Christmas Break)
- Jan 8: Learning Event #10
- Jan 15: Learning Event #11
- Jan 22: Learning Event #12
- Jan 29: Service Event #3
- Feb 5: Learning Event #13
- Feb 12: Learning Event #14
- Feb 19: Mentor Event
- Feb 26: Ash Wednesday: NO CONFIRMATION
- No Confirmation during Lent. We will start up again on April 15.

Upcoming Milestones

- Ten Commandments (3rd Grade):
 - Learning Sessions: January 12 & 19
 - Blessing: January 19
- Eucharist Education (5th Grade):
 - Learning Session: January 19
 - Blessing & Serve Communion: January 26
- Kids & Money (Kindergarten):
 - Learning Sessions: February 2 & 16
 - Blessing: February 16
- Please RSVP to Erin at 701-232-8521 or ebjerke@stjohnfargo.com

Children, Youth and Family

Upcoming Youth Events

Sundays: MS Youth Group 9:45am

HS Youth Group 9:45am

Wednesdays: Confirmation 6:30pm-7:30pm

HS Youth Group 6:30pm-7:30pm

hangout time 7:30pm-8:00pm

Jan 4: MS Monthly Event

Chat & Chew: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Fun Night: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Jan 12: HS HangOUT

Jan 15 & 19: Jan 15, 6:30pm and Jan 19, 10:00am - Youth and Parent Summer Trip Meeting

Come to either meeting to learn everything you need to know about Summer 2020 youth trip to New Orleans (July 26-August 4, 2020) and the Summer 2021 Youth Gathering in Minneapolis (late June-July 3, 2021). Sign ups will be available.

Jan 25: Family Skiing at Andes Tower Hills

Everyone is invited to this all-church and youth ski trip to Andes. Bring your family or just yourself! Kids younger than middle school must bring an adult.

Jan 26: HS Tri-Church Event

Feb 1: MS Monthly Event

Chat & Chew: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Fun Night: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Feb 8: HS HangOUT

Feb 23: HS Tri-Church Youth Event

Mar 7: MS Monthly Event

Chat & Chew: 5:00pm-6:00pm

Fun Night: 6:00pm-9:00pm

Mar 8: Youth Talent Show & Silent Auction

Mar 15: HS HangOUT

Mar 22: HS Tri-Church Event

Mar 29: Family Bowling

MS = Middle School (6th-8th Grade)

HS = High School (9th-12th Grade)

Preschool News

The sights and sounds of Christmas were everywhere at St. John Christian Preschool during the month of December. Children dressed up as Mary, Joseph, wise men, an angel, a star, and animals to act out the Christmas story. Families joined us to build gingerbread Nativity scenes with candy and frosting. Children held, smelled and explored the gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. In the drama room children decorated a Christmas tree, wrapped presents, wrote cards, and served pretend cookies and cocoa to their friends.

We were blessed to hear the musical talents of St. John parishioners Bruce & Lois Nelson and Suzanne Schultz, along with preschool grandparent Laura O'Rourke before our Christmas programs. The preschoolers brought so much joy to our audiences with their singing and we enjoyed fellowship following the programs.

St. John Christian Preschool wishes all of you a Merry Christmas!

—Jana Bruhschwein, Preschool Director

Preschool Schedule:

MWF & TTh sessions

AM Early Drop: 8:00am-9:00am

AM Preschool: 9:00am-11:30am

PM Preschool: 12:30pm-3:00pm

PM After Care: 3:00pm-4:00pm

Kids' Guitar Group

Meets **Wednesdays from 4:45pm-5:15pm.**

If you're 3rd grade or older and would like to learn the basics of playing guitar, contact Jeremy at 218-205-2698.

From the Care for Creation Committee:

By Hannah Papenfuss, St. John Member

When I first read *The Uninhabitable Earth*, I could only handle small chunks at any given time because it was so anxiety-provoking. It was hard to imagine humans had been driving the planet off a cliff for so long that the best-case scenario involved a world constantly dealing with more frequent and intense weather phenomena, declining air quality, and massive food instability. Indeed, climate change is deceptive in that it seems somewhat innocuous on the surface. The statistics are scary, but everything looks okay, so how bad can it really be? In reality, climate change acts more like a cancer; it may lie dormant for years, but once it becomes active, its destruction can wreak havoc for generations to come. We've spent decades ignoring the warning signs, but now we're increasingly confronted with a haunting question: what next? In reading this book and studying climate change as a student researcher this summer, I can tell you there's no easy answer. We need to be more invested as a nation in renewable energy and carbon capture technology. We need to support candidates who recognize climate change as an imminent threat and are willing to work across the aisle to make progress. We need to reflect on what little changes we can all make in support of a better future, whether that be eating less meat, purchasing energy efficient lightbulbs, composting, or boycotting companies with harmful environmental practices. Lastly, we must not lose hope, because it's never too late to start moving in the right direction.

Upcoming Adult

Forums:

Sundays at 9:45am in the Sanctuary

Jan 5 – Matuor Alier:

South Sudan Mission in Fargo

Jan 12 – RIC: Roy Hammerling

Jan 19 – RIC: Roy Hammerling

Jan 26 – Annual Meeting Sunday

Feb 2 – Jakelle Hoffman (EaND Synod Staff): Central African Republic

Feb 9 - Children's Musical

Feb 16 – Char Grant:

Lutheran World Relief

Feb 23 – Capital Campaign

Vaping Education for Parents

Save the date!

If you're a parent, especially of a middle or high schooler, you won't want to miss this. Come learn about the risks of vaping and how to talk to your teen about it.

Wednesday, January 22 from 6:00pm-7:00pm here at St. John.

Music Notes by Dawn Papenfuss

THANK YOU to everyone who helped decorate and prepare the sanctuary, hallways and entryway for the Advent and Christmas seasons.

They are:

Marcia Bettenhausen, Kathy Botnen, James and Lindsey Botnen, Kim, Damon and Alex Janssen, Nancy Larson, Virlaine Pedersen, Julie and Wes Staigle, Steve Wennblom.

Epiphany Plants

Epiphany Plants are back this year! One Sunday in February, you will be invited to take home two of our Epiphany Plants: one to keep and one to give away. You can give the other plant away to a friend or a neighbor, or possibly even use the plant as an excuse to talk to someone who you haven't spoken to in a while. The choice is yours! We'll provide the plants, and then you are free to share your extra plant however you want to. The plants will continue to be available at church until we run out.

If you are interested in helping raise the plants through the month of January, either at home or here at the church, please contact Erin in the office at 701-232-8521 or office@stjohnfargo.com.

A Brief History of Faith Chest Ministry at St. John

Correction to last month’s article:

Clair Kroke’s contribution to our Faith Chest history was not included in last month’s article. For several years, Clair did the finishing after Roland and Wes did their parts. And his work was exceptional! My sincere apologies to Clair for this omission.

—Steve Trandem

By Steve Trandem, St. John Member

You have likely seen Erin Bjerke presenting a quilt and Faith Chest to newly baptized members. Ever wonder how the Faith Chest project became a much-appreciated ministry at St. John?

FaithChests (a trademark of Vibrant Faith Ministries) have been made by many congregations as part of Milestones Ministry. In 2013 Jessica Miller, Director of Youth and Family Ministries at St. John, asked for volunteers to make FaithChests for our baptized, in which they could keep items that are significant in their faith journey. Gaylon Anderson, Roland Enstad and I responded. We visited with other congregations, examined their FaithChests, made several prototypes, and the project was off and running. We have been using the un-trademarked title of *Faith Chest* instead of *FaithChest*.

Roland became the primary builder, assisted by Wes Myhre, Steve Wennblom and me. Clair Kroke did the finishing. Upon Roland’s untimely death and Wes’ failing health, the project floundered until Scott Gail took the reins, single-handedly making Chests for a year. When Scott needed a breather, Pastor Brian did some recruiting and Wes and Scott helped turn those reins over to Aanen Gjovik, Mike Lau, Dick Kruta, Tim Magnuson and me. Enough Chests were made in the fall of 2018 to meet our needs for a year, but an increase in summer baptisms forced us back into early summer production. Dick became the builder (also making inventive jigs to simplify

the process), Aanen the tray maker, Mike the finisher (doing an incredible job), Pastor Brian the cheerleader and on-going recruiter, while I have been coordinating our efforts. Steve Wennblom recently re-joined us and a new member, Mike Ellison, will be joining us. If I have forgotten the hands-on contribution of someone, I apologize in advance.

Throughout these six years our Council, congregation, staff and individuals have supported the process financially and by providing the old kitchen for a workshop. Last year our Foundation graciously gave a generous grant to the project. This has enabled us to buy tools and outfit the shop so Chests can be made on-site. This will allow members to assist in the project even if they do not have their own tools or space. Some of us hope the high-quality tools we have purchased will also enable us to make and repair some items around the building, working under the direction of the Property Committee and maintenance staff.

Safety is a primary concern. Protective equipment is available for our crew; the workshop is locked, and the two saws are padlocked for an extra measure to ensure the safety of our members and preschool children.

We “worker bees” thank all of you for your support in helping us to not only do this ministry but in providing the resources for it to continue far into the future. If you would like to help in some way, please contact me, Steve Trandem, at 701-306-8108.



Epiphany Plants

Are you into gardening? If you are interested in raising some houseplants from seed to give away at church during Epiphany, please contact Erin in the church office at 701-232-8521 or office@stjohnfargo.com.

Churches United & Salvation Army

On **Sunday, January 5**, a total of 10 to 12 volunteers are requested to prepare and serve dinner at Churches United for the Homeless in Moorhead and at the Salvation Army in downtown Fargo. The time commitment is from 3:30pm to 7:00pm at Churches United and from 4:00pm to 7:00pm at the Salvation Army. If you are interested in helping with this vital ministry of service, please sign up in the Narthex or contact Allan Peterson at 701-282-4644.

Wednesday Evening Meals

St. John provides a variety of programming on Wednesday evenings for children, youth, and adults, including choirs, Confirmation, and High School Youth Group. In order to make it easier for families to attend these activities, we provide a meal from **5:30pm to 6:30pm each Wednesday** that there is programming for children and youth. This is also a great fellowship opportunity. Please consider preparing and serving a meal one Wednesday evening. There are plenty of days available this winter and spring. Please contact the church office for more information.

Available dates include January 15, 22, 29.

Coffee & Fellowship Hour

This is a great way to meet and welcome all who come to worship at St. John! There are still slots available to sign up to bring treats or serve coffee and treats between Sunday services (**from 9:30am to 10:30am**) this winter and spring. Please sign up in the parlor or contact the church office at 701-232-8521 or office@stjohnfargo.com. **Available dates include January 12, 26; February 2, 9, 15.**

Cross+Walk Sunday School

We’re looking for volunteers to serve snacks or to greet families as they come into Cross+Walk. If you’re interested in volunteering to work with the children or youth of St. John this school year, please contact Erin or Jeremy at the church office: 701-232-8521 or email ebjerke@stjohnfargo.com; jeremy@stjohnfargo.com

Memorials, Honorariums & Special Gifts

Tuesday Morning Quilters:

In memory of Louise Grant:
Jeri Ekstrom
Jeannie Orke
Mary Ann Walen
Jane Nissen
In memory of JoAnn Flanagan:
Jane Nissen

General Memorials Fund:

In memory of Louise Grant:
Gini and Dave Duval
In memory of Gary Nelson (Lois and Bruce Nelson’s uncle)
Rosalie Fritz

Emergency Assistance Fund:

In memory of Darlene Johnson
Jeri Ekstrom

ELCA World Hunger Appeal:

In memory of Louise Grant:
Elwood & LaVon Rieke

Youth Fund:

In memory of Ben Merck:
Judy & Fred Haugo



St. John Foot Care Clinic

Upcoming dates are **Tuesday, January 21** and **Tuesday, February 18** in the parlor. Schedule an appointment by calling Cathy Chatelain at 701-261-2707 or 701-293-6772. Cost is \$18 paid to Sanford Home Health.

Attention Snowbirds

If you’d like church correspondence delivered to you without interruption, please call or email the church office at 701-232-8521; office@stjohnfargo.com. Please confirm to us your winter address and tell us which date to begin using it and which date to switch back to your local address. Thank you!

Get Involved!

<div>Bible Studies</div> <div><p><u>Ruth Circle</u>: This group of women meets the 3rd Monday of the month at 7:30pm. Location to be announced.</p><p><u>Rachel Circle</u>: This group of women meets the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 9:30am in the conference room.</p><p><u>Wednesday Morning Bible Study</u>: Meets Wednesdays at 11:00am in the parlor.</p><p><u>Men’s Thursday Morning Bible Study</u>: Meets Thursdays from 6:45am-7:30am, with coffee and breakfast treats available beforehand from 6:15am-6:45am. Questions? Contact Elwood Rieke at 701-293-0717.</p></div>	<div>RECONCILING IN CHRIST</div> <div><p>This is a group focusing on ways in which St. John may actively serve the LGBTQ community.</p><p>The next meeting will be Wednesday, January 8 at 6:00pm in the window lobby.</p><p>Contact: Luke Papenfuss 701-446-6678</p></div>
	<div>Monday Morning Yoga</div> <div><p>Mondays in January at 10:00am in the parlor.</p><p>Join us for yoga, a Bible verse and prayer. You may choose to stay for tea afterward.</p><p>Questions? Contact Gini Duval 701-306-3454 or yogagini38@gmail.com</p></div>
	<div>Quilting</div> <div><p><u>Tuesday Morning Quilters</u></p><p>Tuesdays 9:30am-2:00pm downstairs in room B11. Everyone is invited to join us! Quilting skills optional, fellowship guaranteed!</p><p>We meet to assemble mission quilts for Lutheran World Relief and for local needs.</p><p>Bring a bag lunch.</p><p>Questions? Contact Char Grant at 701-298-2928.</p></div>
<div>Book Club</div> <div><p>Monday, January 6 at 7:00pm in the conference room. We will discuss the book <i>Little Fires Everywhere</i> by Celeste Ng</p><p>February 3: <i>Mrs. Kennedy and Me: An Intimate Memoir</i> by Clint Hill; Lisa McCubbin</p><p>March 2: <i>The Warmth of Other Suns</i> by Isabel Wilkerson</p><p>Questions? Contact Jane Nissen at 701-235-0436.</p></div>	<div>MUGG (Men Under God’s Guidance)</div> <div><p>Meets the 2nd Monday of the month at 5:30pm at the Fargo Ale House.</p><p>4445 17th Ave S, Fargo</p><p>For all men. We will gather after work for food and fellowship. Questions? Call Joel Kangas at 701-235-5924.</p></div>
<div>AmazonSmile</div> <div><p>Did you know that you can donate to St. John by shopping on Amazon.com?</p><p>It’s easy! When you do your Amazon shopping, just go to smile.amazon.com, and Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of eligible AmazonSmile purchases to St. John!</p></div>	<div>Women & Wine</div> <div><p>Usually meets the 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:30pm.</p><p>All women are invited for an evening of food, drinks, and fun! Please contact Julie Staigle at 701-361-1824 with any ideas or questions!</p></div>
	<div>Men’s Spiritual Retreats</div> <div><p>If you have any interest in participating in a men’s spiritual retreat, please contact Pastor Erick or Pastor Brian.</p></div>



Poinsettia Fund 2019

Thank you to all who contributed to the poinsettia fund, which made possible the poinsettias, wreaths, garlands and other decorations placed throughout the church.

- ♦ Nancy Larson in honor of Cole & Alex, Nathan & Natalie, Chris & Jessica, Allison & Charlee Jo
- ♦ Wes and Julie Staigle in memory of Jo Larson
- ♦ Bonnie Gruhl in memory of Jack and Craig Gruhl
- ♦ Lynn Wolff and Gail Reiersen in memory of our parents
- ♦ Scott and Lisa Gail in memory of James and Mona Koob, and Alton Gail and in honor of Lorraine Gail
- ♦ Mike Johnson in memory of Mona Johnson and Darlene Johnson
- ♦ Kris and Cathy Knutson in honor of Claire Knutson Andrud and Baxter Freeman
- ♦ Walter and Ursula Vollmers in honor of The Season
- ♦ Darrell and Nancy Burkland in memory of Helen Burkland, Darrell’s mom
- ♦ Elwood and LaVon Rieke in memory of our parents
- ♦ Jeri Ekstrom in honor of my sister Arlene’s 92nd birthday
- ♦ Walter Vollmers
- ♦ Margrit Schwartz in memory of my parents, Elvin and Ruth Lee
- ♦ Wes Myhre given in honor of God
- ♦ Steve Wennblom and Carol Renner in memory of Cap and Caroline Renner & John and Lola Wennblom
- ♦ Donna Wallgren in memory of Clarence and Carol Impola (Dad and Step-mom)
- ♦ Marlene Ames in memory of Richard Ames
- ♦ Virlaine Pedersen in memory of Tom Pedersen from his family
- ♦ Ron and Toni Lee in memory of Jason Lee and Krystal Whitson
- ♦ Kris and Marcia Bettenhausen in memory of Crist and Ione Bettenhausen, Mikayla Peters
- ♦ Karen Kruse in honor of my husband, children, and grandsons
- ♦ Linda and Charlie Axness in memory of our parents
- ♦ Jim and Pam Lindner in honor of our family



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
<div>January 2020</div> <div>St. John Lutheran Church</div>			1 NEW YEAR'S DAY No Preschool (Christmas Vacation) OFFICE CLOSED	2 No Preschool (Teacher Professional Development) 6:15 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study (P) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM St. John Players Rehearsal (S)	3 No Preschool (Teacher Professional Development)	4 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM NA (P) 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Middle School Monthly Event
5 8:30 AM Worship/Communion 9:30 AM Cross+Walk Sunday School (FH) 9:45 AM Adult Forum (S) 9:45 AM High School Youth Group (sunshine room) 9:45 AM Middle School Youth Group (YR) 10:45 AM Worship/Communion 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 30133 (FH) 7:00 PM AA (FH)	6 Preschool Resumes 10:00 AM Yoga (P) 10:30 AM Staff Mtg (CR) 7:00 PM Book Club (CR)	7 9:30 AM Quilting (B11) 6:30 PM Committee Night	8 11:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (P) 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline 5:30 PM Youth Education Comm Mtg (CR) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Reconciling In Christ Ad Hoc Comm Mtg (WL) 6:00 PM Stephen Ministry Mtg (SR) [Wednesday evening activities listed on page 2]	9 6:15 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study (P) 4:00 PM - 5:00 PM Preschool Giving Hearts Day Meeting (P) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM St. John Players Rehearsal (S)	10	11 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM NA (P)
12 Worship Band 8:30 AM Worship/Communion 9:30 AM Cross+Walk Sunday School (FH) 9:45 AM 3rd Grade Ten Commandments Learning Session 9:45 AM Adult Forum (S) 9:45 AM High School Youth Group (sunshine room) 9:45 AM Middle School Youth Group (YR) 10:45 AM Worship/Communion 7:00 PM AA (FH) High School HangOUT	13 10:00 AM Yoga (P) 10:30 AM Staff Mtg (CR) 5:30 PM MUGG Night	14 9:30 AM Quilting (B11)	15 9:30 AM Rachel Circle (Conference Room) 11:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (P) 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline [Wednesday evening activities listed on page 2]	16 6:15 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study (P) 6:00 PM Women & Wine 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM St. John Players Rehearsal (S)	17	18 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM NA (P)
19 3rd Grade Ten Commandments Milestone 8:30 AM Worship/Communion 9:30 AM Cross+Walk Sunday School (FH) 9:45 AM 3rd Grade Ten Commandments Learning Session 9:45 AM 5th Grade Eucharist Education Learning Session 9:45 AM Adult Forum (S) 9:45 AM High School Youth Group (sunshine room) 9:45 AM Middle School Youth Group (YR) 10:45 AM Worship/Communion--baptism 12:00 PM Stephen Ministry Mtg (CR) 7:00 PM AA (FH)	20 No Preschool (Martin Luther King Jr. Day) 10:00 AM Yoga (P) 10:30 AM Staff Mtg (CR) 5:00 PM Newsletter Deadline 7:30 PM Ruth Circle	21 8:00 AM Foot Care Clinic (P) 9:30 AM Quilting (B11) 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM Church Council	22 11:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (P) 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline 6:00 PM Care for Creation Committee Mtg (WL) 6:00 PM - 7:00 PM Vaping Education for Parents [Wednesday evening activities listed on page 2]	23 6:15 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study (P) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM St. John Players Rehearsal (S)	24	25 Family Skiing at Andes 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM NA (P)
26 ANNUAL MEETING 5th Grade Eucharist Education Milestone 8:30 AM Worship/Communion 9:30 AM Cross+Walk Sunday School (FH) 9:45 AM High School Youth Group (sunshine room) 9:45 AM Middle School Youth Group (YR) 10:45 AM Worship/Communion 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Girl Scout Troop 30133 (FH) 7:00 PM AA (FH) 7:00 PM - 8:00 PM Tri-church HS Youth Event	27 10:00 AM Yoga (P) 10:30 AM Staff Mtg (CR)	28 9:30 AM Quilting (B11)	29 11:00 AM Wednesday Morning Bible Study (P) 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline [Wednesday evening activities listed on page 2]	30 6:15 AM - 7:30 AM Men's Bible Study (P) 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM St. John Players Rehearsal (S)	31	February 1 12:00 PM - 1:30 PM NA (P) 5:00 PM - 9:00 PM Middle School Monthly Event