



St. John's Lutheran CHURCH & SCHOOL

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St. John's Lutheran Church exists to BUILD UP THE BODY OF CHRIST so that we might know Christ and make Him known.

THE GUIDE

Weekly Announcements and News from St. John's for

JANUARY 5, 2025

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD

Call Returned:

Dear members of St. John's Lutheran, Burlington, WI,

For the past few weeks, I have been deliberating a divine call to serve at St. John's Lutheran, Lomira, WI, to serve as their principal and teacher.

It has been a privilege to consider both this new call to Lomira and the call here in Burlington, giving me an opportunity to reflect on what a blessing this congregation has been in my life and refocus on what part I have to play in the overall gospel ministry.

After seeking the guidance of the Holy Spirit and receiving helpful input from family, friends, colleagues, and congregation members both here and at the congregation that extended a call to me, I have decided to return the call from St. John's Lutheran in Lomira, WI and continue to serve the Lord here at St. John's Lutheran, Burlington, WI.

Please pray for their ministry, our unified efforts here at St. John's, and all who serve in God's kingdom, that Christ may be known, and His Word faithfully taught and preached for all to hear and believe.

With Christian love, Timothy P. Schubkegel

Sunday Morning Bible Study: Beginning January 5, we will resume our regular schedule of Bible studies on Sunday morning. Sunday School and New Life In Christ will continue. Pastor Lahmann will lead the Adult Bible Class on the Gospel of John for the month of January, with the intention of doing so again in future Januaries (thus the name, John-uary). We encourage you to make it your new year's goal to attend worship and Bible study with great regularity in 2025, and we promise that blessings from the Lord will abound when you do.

Men's Bible Study: Gentlemen, please come, grow in faith, and enjoy the fellowship of your church brothers. Classes are held Monday evenings from 5:30–6:25 pm in the church meeting room. **Classes will resume on Monday, January 6.**

Women's Bible Study: The Women's Bible Study meets on Wednesdays at 2:00 pm in the church meeting room. They will begin a new study the of Job from Max Lucado's book *Ten Men of the Bible*. **Classes resume on January 8.**

Christmas Decoration Clean-up: The indoor Christmas decoration clean-up will be Tuesday, January 7 at 6:00 pm. Please consider helping out to make quick work of this task.



Your Pastors and Principal, as well as the entire staff of St. John's Church & School and their families, wish to extend a thank you to each member of St. John's who has enriched our Christmas with good wishes, cards, gifts and prayers.

Wednesday Morning Bible Class: The Wednesday Morning Bible Class is studying the Gospel of Luke. Please come and study the words and works of Jesus as recorded by Luke with your fellow sisters and brothers in Christ. We meet Wednesdays, 9:45-11:00 am, in the church meeting room or in a school classroom.

Special Voters/Call Meeting: The Church Council has scheduled a special Voters' Meeting for Thursday, January 9 at 7:00 pm to extend a call for a 5th-6th grade teacher.

Jesus Cares: Thursday, January 9 will be the next meeting time for the Jesus Cares Ministry, our outreach ministry for members of our church & community with developmental disabilities. They meet on the second and/or fourth Thursdays of the month, from 6:00–7:00 pm in the meeting room.

Preschool Power Hour: The next session of Preschool Power Hour is Wednesday, January 8 at 9:30 am in the church's meeting room. This is a fun-packed program designed for parents and children ages 18 months–4 years old. You'll enjoy a Bible lesson, music time and gym fun with other parents and tots. The cost is \$15 per family for the semester. Register in person or online at stjohnsburlington.org.

Offering Envelopes: Offering envelopes for 2025 are available for pick up in your church mailbox.

Lawn Mower Update: Our current 1970 vintage lawn mower has given us good service, however service and replacement repair parts are getting difficult to find. The Property Board had received two bids for a replacement mower before the last budget cycle, however, due to financial limitations, this purchase was deleted from the current budget. Much like our new dishwasher in the kitchen, the Property Board would like to would like to ask for funding outside of the budget for a replacement mower. If you have heart to support this effort, please contact Property Board Chairman Bob Musgrave, Bob Edgington, or Larry Zirbel.

Calendar: The January birthday and anniversary calendar is available on the back table.

Children in Church: "Let the little children come to me," said Jesus. We love having children in church! Parents, please keep bringing you children to church! And when they become restless during worship, please know that there is a live feed of the service on the TV in the church meeting room. It's a great place for you to worship with your child until he/she is able to return to the sanctuary.

Veritas Lecture Series: St. John's, Mukwonago, will again offer a series of evening lectures with the next one being Wednesday, January 8 from 6:30-7:25 pm. The presenter will be Pastor Jon Bauer discussing "What is a Human?"

St. John's Meal Drive Team: Consider being a part of the meal drive team at St. John's Church & School! We provide meals to those recovering from illness or injury, families welcoming a new baby, or those who need some extra help during a difficult season of life. This team will receive email blasts with an online sign-up when someone is in need of a meal. Please contact Meal Coordinator, Amber Johnson at amberjohnson.marie@gmail.com or 260-414-5392 with any questions.

Maintenance Reporting: The St. John's Property Board will utilize this system for reporting property / maintenance needs: when a need arises, St. John's members are asked to please fill out a maintenance form found on the small clipboard on the narthex tables; then place the form in the Property Board mailbox, located above the member mailboxes. Thank you!

Registration for Shoreland Lutheran High School: Registration for the 2025-2026 school year is now open. If you are interested in your child attending Shoreland, please visit slhs.us (admissions tab) for an application.

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for Saturday, April 5, 2025 for Shoreland Lutheran High School's annual dinner auction, The Connections We Make. Help is needed for set-up & clean-up, kitchen help and donation pick-up, or maybe you are interested in donating an item or service for the auction. Contact Amber Wasurick (262-859-2595; wasuricka@slhs.us) if you can help.

Monday, January 6: Counting Team 1

Sunday, January 12: Usher Teams—C & G Stream Team—Chris & Robert

January Altar Guild: Paula Nolte (661-6128) & Rachel Peterson (492-3591)

Please call one of the women listed if you will be placing a plant in the church in memory of a loved one or to honor an event. Please contact the church office if you would like the event listed in the Guide. Due to floral allergies, we would ask that you either choose a plant or artificial flowers to put in church.

St. John's Sunday School & Bible Studies

	Sunday School (Starts in the gym then moves to the classrooms)	Adult Bible Class (Led by Pastor Lahmann in the Meeting Room)	Membership Class (Led by Pastor Rodrigue in the School STEM Room)
Jan. 5	Jesus' Transfiguration	John-uary: The Gospel of John	New Life in Christ
Jan. 12	Jesus Sends the Seventy-Two	John-uary: The Gospel of John	New Life in Christ

Budget Update For Week 26 December 31, 2024

	Weekly Actual	Weekly Budget	Surplus (Shortfall)	YTD Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Surplus (Shortfall)	Annual Budget
General Offerings	21,116	16,100	5,016	351,735	352,400	(665)	715,000
SLHS Expansion	6,200			10,920			
Capital Projects	1,680			52,363			
Unspent Funds for Capital Projects				64,309			

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How to Contact Your Staff

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Worship Schedule

Sundays at 8:00 & 10:30 am

Mondays at 6:30 pm

Summer: Sundays at 8:00 and 9:30 am

Mondays at 6:30 pm

Live Streaming on YouTube (SJB Videos) every Sunday at 8:00 am