



St. John's Lutheran School - December 18, 2019 www.stjohnsburlington.org

So Very Bold

With such joy and delight the children proclaimed the glorious miracle of love. Their bold witness to the truth of God's gift of Immanuel is a bold testament to the love of Jesus working within their hearts. We are grateful for your work in bringing over 400 to hear the beautiful Gospel message proclaimed in word and song.

Final Midweek Advent Service

You are invited to join us in worship at our last midweek Advent Service held at 3:30 and 6:30 on December 18. If your child will be attending the afternoon worship with you and you will be arriving after 3:15, please contact the homeroom teacher so that proper supervision can be arranged.

After School Care Alert

The After School Care will use the opportunity to join the 3:30 Advent worship in our church. The group will be seated in the back of the church if parents arrive after 3:30. Parents are welcome to join the worship with their child or pick up their child if necessary. The After School Care group will return to their usual location at the close of worship.

Holiday Office Hours

The church and school offices will be open limited hours during the Christmas break. In case of emergency, please contact Pastor Kirk Lahmann (262-210-2018) or Pastor Daniel Waldschmidt (414-336-9627).

Regular office hours begin Thursday, January 2, 2020.

Worship Opportunities at St. John's

Sunday, Dec. 22 Worship 8:00 and 10:30 am

Tuesday, Dec. 24 Christmas Eve Service 6:30 pm

Wednesday, Dec. 25 Christmas Day Service with Communion 9:30 am

Sunday, Dec. 29 Worship 8:00 and 10:30 am

Tuesday, Dec. 31 New Year's Eve Service 6:30 pm

Advent Singing and Ringing

During the Wednesday Advent worship services, we will have some of our choirs adding special music. December 18 at 3:30 - Chimers.

Spelling Bee

St. John's annual school spelling bee for grades 5-8 will take place on Friday, December 20 at 9:30. Parents are welcome to attend.

SJB Spelling Bee Qualifiers:

 5th Grade: Jaxson Hintz, Matthew Kaiser, Sammy Lahmann, Samuel Regnier, Lily Timm
 6th Grade: Kyle Bailey, Paula Barnard, Johannah Casten, GeorgeAnna Russell, Porter Tiedt

7th Grade: Grace Balke, James Bratz,
Danielle Gums, Aubrey Hart, Ella Malliet
8th Grade: Erin Borchardt, Madison Fisher,
Julayne Morby, Evelyn Russell, Faith Triplett

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Musical Practice Schedule

A schedule is being finalized for the January through March after school musical practices. A copy will be given to each actor as soon as they are available.

Coffee with the Principal

Come and join our principal and others for coffee and conversation (and maybe treats?!) on the first Tuesday of each month from 8:10-8:50. Talking topics about our school, wonderings of the moment, and even quirky questions are likely to take place. Not everybody will have these times available, but we are confident that our school ministry will be enriched through any time we can spend together.

| Calendar Events | |
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| December 18 | -3:30pm Chimers Play -3:30pm & 6:30pm Worship |
| December 19 | -8:10am School Chapel -6:30pm Boy Pioneers -6:30pm School Board |
| December 20 | -9:30am Spelling Bee |
| December 22 | -8:00am & 10:30am Worship |
| Decmeber 24 | -6:30pm Christmas Eve Worship |
| December 25 | -9:30am Christmas Day Worship |
| December 29 | -8:00am & 10:30am Worship |
| December 31 | -6:30pm New Year's Eve Worship |
| January 2 | -Classes Resume -8:10am School Chapel |
| January 5 | -8:00am & 10:30am Worship |
| January 6 | -6:30pm Worship |
| **January 8 Geography Bee** **January 8 9:30am Preschool Power Hour** **January 14 Eat Out Night @ Lucky Star** | |

Geography Bee

The St. John's National Geographic Bee will be held on Wednesday, January 8 at 1:45 pm. All are welcome to attend. The top qualifiers in grades 4 to 8 will be chosen to participate in these first school days of January. Watch for an update with the list of participants.

Preschool Power Hour

Preschool Power Hour 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 group will meet on Wednesdays @ 9:30 am on January 8, 22, February 5, 19, March 4, 18 and April 1. A flyer with more information is located on the school information table. Feel free to take copies to share with friends.

Vocal Choirs, Bells, and Chimers

Jr. Bells, Chimers, Jr. Choir and Youth Choir will start practicing again on January 13. Practice for Jr. Bells and Chimers begin at 3:10pm and vocal choirs begins at 3:50pm. Chimers and Youth Choir will meet in the meeting room, and Jr. Bells and Jr. Choir will meet in the church balcony.

Eat Out Night

"Eat Out Nights" are continuing. The next event is being held at Lucky Star in Burlington. They will donate back to St. John's a portion of your total bill. Anyone participating in "Eat Out Night" on January 14 will be supporting the continuing efforts to bring STEM education to our K-8 students.

Call Updates

Pastor Waldschmidt has received a divine call to the ministry at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Menomonie, WI. Please remember him and his family in your prayers. May the Holy Spirit guide his deliberations and bring about a decision which serves God's glory and his kingdom.

Miss Seelow has also received an additional call to consider. She is being called to serve St. John's in Waterloo, WI, as a K-2 teacher. Please keep her in your prayers as she considers the two ministry calls from us and St. John's, Waterloo.

Mr. Malliet has decided to return his divine call to Salem Lutheran School in Milwaukee, WI. May God continue to bless his ministry service among us.

Parent Crosslink

Today you will find an <u>article</u> from the winter edition of the WELS quarterly magazine for Christian parents. Through special arrangements we are able to share these articles with you that will be a blessing as you carry out the awesome responsibility of parenting. The articles deal with the challenges of parenting that are probably very relatable to us all.

Science Fair

Who's already thinking about a Science Fair topic? This year's Science Fair is scheduled for April 15. We expect to be able to share project guidelines and help pages to lessen any anxieties. A print copy will be given to the students this week. It will also be available through the school website.

Inclement Weather

When the weather may necessitate the closing of school, we suggest that you listen to or watch channels 4, 6, 12 or 58 from Milwaukee or check their websites for school closing information. You may also receive an email or text message from TADS if you registered for this alert service. St. John's will close if the Burlington School system closes. It is possible that, in extreme conditions, St. John's may close even if the Burlington District remains open.

SLHS STEM Academy Now Accepting Applications for 20-21

Shoreland Lutheran High School's STEM Academy is now accepting applications for the 2020-2021 school year. Families are welcome to apply to the foundation course in one of the three distinct pathways that SLHS offers: Biomedical Science, Computer Science, or Engineering. Applications will be accepted until Tuesday, March 31, 2020. To get more information or to download the application visit: <u>https://www.slhs.us/apps/pages/ stemapplication</u>. Please contact Mr. Tim Mielke (mielket@slhs.us, 262-895-2595 x 114) with further guestions.