

#### March 29 & 30, 2025 Lent 4

#### Welcome to St. John!

We are so glad you've chosen to join us for worship today on this fourth weekend of Lent and trust this will be a great day of blessing for you and your loved ones. In this season



leading up to Easter, we are reminded once again of the importance of taking time to reflect on the goodness of God and His desire to dwell with us, and in us! We invite you to become a member of the St. John family. Any questions? Just ask!

There is an elevator to the left of the pulpit for those who would like to use it.

### THIS WEEK & GLANCE



#### This Week at St. John Mar 31st thru Apr 6th

Mon: St John Scholarship Applications due

Mon: Faith Practice Reading-Job 34

Tues: Blankets 9 AM

Tues: Cub Scouts Committee Mtg 6:30 (B) Weds: Easter Flower Order Deadline 9 AM Weds: Breakfast at Genoa Mc D's 7 AM

Weds: Mid Week Lenten Worship and Meal 11 AM

Weds: Boy Scout Committee Mtg (B) 6:30

Sat: Worship 5 PM

Sun: Confirmation 8:30 AM Sun: Worship 9:45 AM Sun: Choir Practice 11:00 Sun: Scouts 5 PM (B)

The Altar Flowers are given in honor and gratitude of those who volunteer to serve in worship.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Forrest Sabin on his heavenly birthday, April 1st by Arline and family.



# In Our Prayers

Carolyn Lasseter- medical concerns
Elaine Gruetter-medical concerns
Dennis Carstensen-medical concerns
Allen Yockey-medical concerns
Darryl Traver-medical concerns
Linda Schlievert-medical concerns
Paul Harvan-medical concerns
Peter Harvan-medical concerns
Sharon Witt-medical concerns
Dave (friend of Carole B)- medical concerns
Jolene (Jan Sheahan's niece)-medical concerns
Sparky Haeft-medical concerns
Emily Jo (friend of Sandy T.)-medical concerns
Jodi (Sievert) Main-medical concerns



The deadline to order Easter Lillies or Daffodils is this WEDNESDAY April 2nd. Please make sure your order form and payment is in the offering/church office. We will be placing the order on Weds. afternoon. Thanks!



## The Living Last Supper

We are looking for 4 or 5 more people to read and/or be a disciple for our Living Last Supper to be held on Maundy Thursday at 7 PM (April 17th). Tim, Dave, Rick, Roland, Dan, Jack, Ron and Jonah have already stepped up!

How about you?? Please let Kellie Ulrich or the church office know asap.

#### Assistants for this Week & Next!

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Saturdays 5:00pm	Sundays 9:45 am
Ushers	Ushers
29- Jack Mathews 5- Ron Gerkensmeyer 12-Donnelly Family	30-Jim Vogelbacher 6-The Totgemeyer's 13-Diana Lambert
Lectors	Lectors
29-Jonah D. 5-Nancy Strohscher 12- Sandy Toth	30- Melissa Lammers 6-Jill Kao 13-Cebie Titgemeyer
Acolytes	Acolytes
29- Jacob H. 5-Liam D. 12- Jonah D.	30-Rylie 6-Lauren H. 13-Mila M.
Communion	Communion
29-Al & Traci Brown 5-Ron Gerkensmeyer 12- Carol Vargo	30-Dave Neuman 6-Robin Perkins 13-Pam LaRue



# Our Community Lenten Worship and Lunch Schedule

Every Wednesday during Lent, we will meet for a time of worship in the sanctuary and then join for a time of food & fellowship in the basement.

Here are the groups responsible for lunch.

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April 9- Worship Life and Parish Education

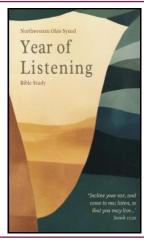
Out of town or not feeling well? Did you know our worship services are streamed live on Facebook? Thanks to our



wonderful Audio/Visual Team...both Saturday and
Sunday services can be seen on our Facebook page
at https://www.facebook.com/stjohnwilliston and
can be viewed on the St. John YOU TUBE ChannelSimply go to www.youtube.com and search
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#### **Lenten Prayer Practice: A Season of Listening**

This Lent, our midweek worship will center around the theme of <code>listening</code>—listening to God, to his word, and to the ways God speaks into our lives. Jesus says in John 10:27, "My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me." In the noise of daily life, however, it can be easy to miss the shepherd's voice. But Lent is a time to slow down, to be still, and to listen with open hearts. Even if you're unable to join us for worship on Wednesdays, I invite you to join us in a time of daily prayer. Set aside time each day for listening to God. Set an alarm on your watch or cell phone or whatever will help you remember for 10:27 (Get it?) For remembering John 10:27. I can be am or pm depending on your schedule). That way you will be praying with your St. John friends wherever you happen to be. Start by reading John 10:27, then pray Samuel's simple words: "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Samuel 3:7-11) After that, sit quietly for five minutes - set an alarm. 5 minutes of silence will seem like a lot at first, but you can do it. Sit with no distractions, no agenda, just listening for what God may be saying to you. Lent is a journey, and listening is a practice. Let's walk this season together, ears and hearts open to the voice of our Shepherd.





March 31 – Job 34 April 7 – Job 35 April 14 – Job 36 April 21 – Job 37 April 28 – Job 38 May 12 – Job 40 May 19 – Job 41 May 26- Job 42



Will you STEP UP and Head "True North" with us??

Volunteers & Leader needed for VBS

St. John Vacation Bible School will be held in June.

We need a leader to head up VBS

and we need adults and kids 6th grade and older to lead groups, run crafts, music, snacks, and games, & help with opening and closing.

or Deanna Neuman at <a href="mailto:dneuman2@stjohnwilliston.org">dneuman2@stjohnwilliston.org</a>
or Carol Jensen at <a href="mailto:cjensen@amplex.net">cjensen@amplex.net</a> to help.

Service hours can be earned!





Maundy Thursday Service April 17th 7 PM



Good Friday Service April 18th 7 PM

#### Saturday April 19th



Easter Egg Hunt
Saturday April 19th at 10:30 AM (note the new time!)
(we are taking donations of candy to fill the Easter Eggs!
Please drop your in the box near the office.)
Catechism students please arrive by 9:30 AM to help!



Holy Saturday Worship with Holy Communion 5 PM

#### Easter Sunday April 20th



Easter Breakfast 8:30–9:30 AM Scrambled eggs, sausage, fruit, assorted sweet rolls, coffee, tea, milk or juice.



Easter Sunday with Holy Communion Worship at 9:45 Our
Blessing Box
can
always use
your help in
helping our
neighbors!
Did you
know our
Blessing Box
is used by



the community several times every day?

Needed:

Spaghetti Sauce (cans) Peanut Butter, Hamburger Helper, Canned Meat, Rice A Roni/side dishes, Applesauce— cups, Cereal (small) Fruit cups, soup, snacks, Packaged/shelf stable lunches and snacks. (no glass, medicine or expired food).

Thank you!!

# St John WELCA is hosting the Spring Assembly of North Central on May 3 at St. John

Registration will begin at 8:30 a.m. with the program starting at 9 a.m.

Cost of registration is \$10 which covers the continental breakfast, speakers and lunch. It will be over about noon. Lisa Eisenbach, founder of Nightingale's Harvest will speak. Nightingales Harvest is a food pantry and resource center for families experiencing cancer.

Also speaking will be Kelly Morse, who is a certified genetic counselor with ProMedica Cancer Institute.

You do not need to attend circle meetings to attend this enlightening program. Please bring a non perishable food item, personal hygiene item or paper product to share with Nightingale's Harvest. Come and bring a friend! Registration forms are available in the sanctuary and by the church office. Deadline is 4/26. Checks payable to St. John WELCA. Questions? Margaret Berger 419-340-2150



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We welcome you to St. John Lutheran Church.
We are..."creating and nurturing life changing relationships based on the love
of God in Jesus Christ, so that we may grow in faith, serve God,
and serve our neighbor."

LisaAnne Gregg-Office Administrator
Email: office@stjohnwilliston.org
Office Hours: M-T-W 9 am to 3 PM Thurs hours may vary
Office closed Friday

Join us for worship every weekend!
Saturday Worship 5 PM
Confirmation Class Sunday 8:30 AM
Sunday Worship 9:45 AM

Sunday School meets on the 1st Sunday of the month (October-May) 8:30 AM Fun in faith for the whole family! (Yes! Parents, too!!)



Did you know St. John offers online giving?

We process giving through VANCO, a nationally recognized leader in church giving. It's easy, it's secure and you can get started today! Just fill out an authorization form (available near the church office or on our website) or see LisaAnne in the office or simply visit our website at **ww.stjohnwilliston.org** and click on the **online giving** link.