

# This Week

Campus Maps available at the Information Ctr.  
 WC: Worship Center BR: Bride's Room  
 KC: Kidz Connection OC: Off Campus  
 LCR: Large Conference Rm in Admin. Office  
 SCR: Small Conference Rm in Admin. Office  
 WCL: Worship Center Lobby  
 ECCR: Event Center Conference Room  
 EC: Event Center-North or South

## Sunday, January 11

5:00 a.m. Zoom Prayer Meeting—  
 (Details, contact Pastor Marvin, (661) 364-4960  
 9:00 a.m. Traditional Worship  
 (In-Person & Livestream)  
 Sanctuary  
 Children's Ministry Sunday School—KC  
 10:15 a.m. Adult Bible Study—ECCR  
 Bob Schneider  
 10:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship  
 (In-Person & Livestream)  
 WC  
 Children's Ministry Sunday School—KC  
 6:00 p.m. SJ Students High School Night—  
 The Garage

## Monday, January 12

3:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study—OC  
 Jan Lundy

## Tuesday, January 13

11:45 a.m. Widow to Widow Bible Study & Luncheon—LCR  
 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study—ECCR  
 Judie Fanucchi

## Wednesday, January 14

6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR  
 Nate Smidt  
 8:45 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study—WC Lobby  
 11:15 a.m. Level 1 Yoga—Music Room  
 6:00 p.m. AWANA Family Night—KC  
 First Communion—SJLS Room 104  
 Confirmation—LCR  
 SJ Students Jr. High Night—  
 The Garage  
 Large Group Adult Bible Study—EC  
 Celebration Choir Rehearsal—  
 Music Room

## Thursday, January 15

8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—SCR  
 Dean Nulton  
 9:00 a.m. SJLS Morning Chapel—WC  
 11:00 a.m. Golden Eagles—LCR  
 6:00 p.m. Bells of Praise Rehearsal—  
 Music Room

## Friday, January 16

8:30 a.m. SJLS Morning Chapel—WC  
 6:00 p.m. Kidz 56—KC

## Saturday, January 17

7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR  
 Lynn Wheeler

## Prayers

We invite you to submit your prayer petitions using a Prayer Request card or by contacting Hailey Smidt, 665-7815, or by going online through the website or the SJLC App

### PRAYER GUIDE

#### Health Concerns & Illnesses

\*Hospitalized or Skilled Nursing/Rehab  
 Nancy Green, Lance Hall, Sheila Long

#### Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith

John Andrew

#### Continued Concerns

Bob Brandt, Michelle Braughton, Frank Fanucchi, Judy Fritch, Annis Gerner, Jeff Goossen, Laura Hanssen, Steve & Cheryl McConaughey, Michael Pennington, Bob & Marcia Perry, JoAnn Pettijohn, Hardie Smith, Dorothy Sundberg, Lisa Vorhees

- Our Veterans & active serving military men & women, those with financial and employment needs, our community, A God fearing nation & world, our nation's leaders, local and all nations, our military and their families, Law Enforcement, Emergency Services and their families, LIFEGroups, persecuted Christians, St. John's church body, all staff, Children's Center, School, Angaza Schools, families, teachers, pastors, leaders, spiritual & kingdom growth

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year 2025-2026:  
 Budget—\$2,044,300  
 Last Week's Giving—\$13,577.10  
 Budget to Date—\$1,093,701  
 Year to Date—\$1,061,137.95  
 Year to Date Variance—(\$32,563)



**Prayer Requests**  
 In December, we received a total of 112 prayer requests. Thank you for allowing us to pray for you.



#### Prayer Requests

How can we pray for you? See the QR code to submit your prayer requests or you can text prayer requests to (833) 420-7948.

Stay in touch!

Text 'join' to (833) 420-7948  
 or scan here!

sjlchurch.org TALK TO YOU SOON!



## Baptism of Jesus

Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

January 11, 2026 – Pastor Ben Schrank

"There was a man sent from God, whose name was \_\_\_\_\_...He was not the light, but he came to bear witness about the \_\_\_\_\_."

John 1:6,8

"The voice of one crying in the wilderness: '\_\_\_\_\_ the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.' Luke 3:4

Christians can indeed sometimes go through periods of  
 "\_\_\_\_\_ and yet emerge stronger. – Tim Keller

Jesus of Nazareth was not yet understood to be the \_\_\_\_\_.

Jesus was \_\_\_\_\_ to identify Himself with us...  
 We are baptized to find our \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.

"For our sake he made him to \_\_\_\_\_ who knew no sin, so that in him \_\_\_\_\_ might become the righteousness of God." 2 Corinthians 5:21

Sacrificial versus \_\_\_\_\_ view of baptism. Who is doing the \_\_\_\_\_?

- 1). Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ our work.
- 2). Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ us to Christ's work.
- 3). Baptism \_\_\_\_\_ us into Christ's body with work to do.

"Go therefore and make disciples of \_\_\_\_\_ nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit," Matt. 28:19

"For with you is the fountain of \_\_\_\_\_; in your light do we see \_\_\_\_\_." Psalm 36:9

For next week please read Luke 4:1-13

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Didn't get all the blanks filled? Sermon audio and notes online at St. John's website: [sjlchurch.org/sermons](http://sjlchurch.org/sermons). LIFEWork pages can be found at the Welcome Centers.

## Welcome!

THANK YOU FOR JOINING US, WE ARE SO HAPPY TO SEE YOU!

\*Reminder: Please silence devices during worship.



## Sunday School & Nursery

Nursery (0-35 months) and Sunday School (3 years old to 6th Grade) are available for both services.

\*Please check your child into Sunday School before the start of service at the kiosk in front of the Nursery.

PRAYERS FOR OUR TEAM IN TANZANIA

**ANGAZA** CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS OF TANZANIA

**DADDY DAUGHTER Sweetheart DANCE**

**SATURDAY FEB 7**

**TICKETS ONLINE ONLY**

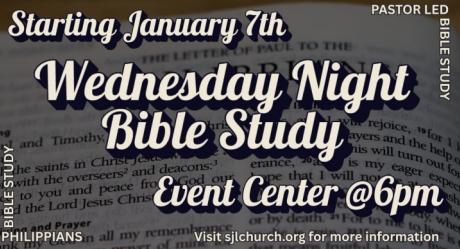
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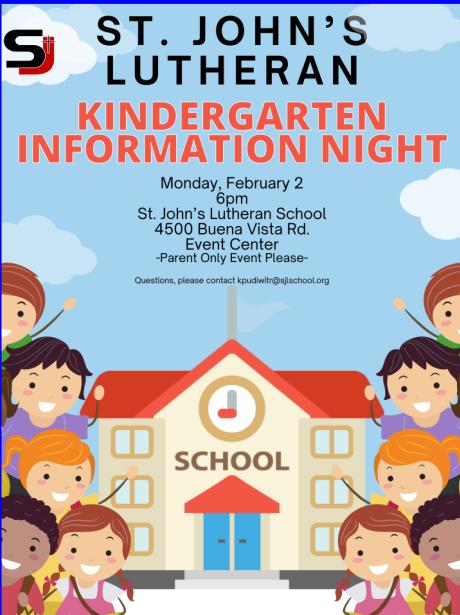
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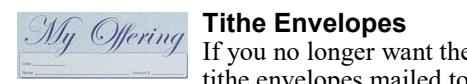
IF YOU CELEBRATED A MILESTONE ANNIVERSARY IN 2025  
CONTACT SPERSONS@SJLCHURCH.ORG  
DEADLINE TO BE ADDED TO THE CELEBRATION IS JAN. 19



**Staff Gift Thank You!**  
The St. John's Church Staff wishes to send a heartfelt "thank you" to our generous congregation for the staff gift this year. Thank you for your generosity and love shown to all of us. We all appreciate it very much.



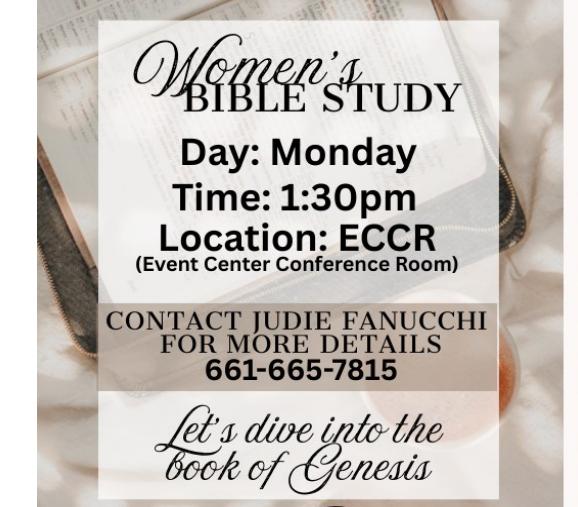
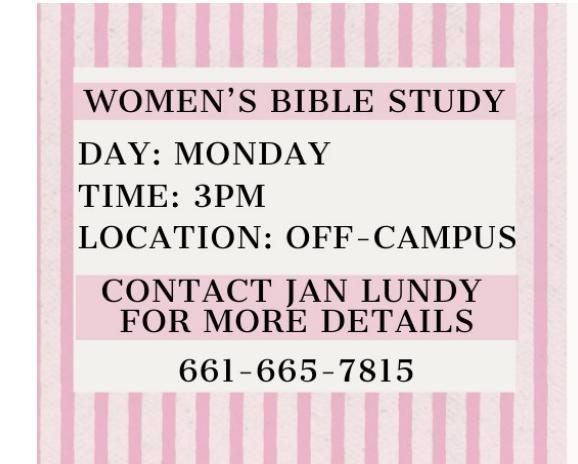
Thank you for worshiping with us! Come again soon!



**Tithe Envelopes**  
If you no longer want the tithe envelopes mailed to your home address, please let the church office know and we will cancel them for you. This process will take a couple of months from the time the company is notified to when they stop mailing the envelopes. Please be patient, thank you. Questions, contact St. John's Finance Assistant, Michelle Fox, 665-7815.

**St. John's SCRIP**  
Next Sunday, January 18, you can purchase SCRIP, between services, at the School Kiosk, only on Communion Sundays. You can also purchase SCRIP at the school office during the week during the school year. SCRIP is face value gift cards you can purchase from local and national retailers and restaurants. Why use SCRIP? It is easy and a percentage of every purchase of SCRIP comes back to support our School and Children's Center. Questions, contact the school office, 664-8090.

**Golden Eagles**  
Join us Thursdays, January 15 and January 29, 2026, at 11:00 a.m., in the Large Conference Room as we study God's Word and enjoy lunch together. Golden Eagles is a Bible Study for seniors. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, 665-7815 or [spersons@sjlchurch.org](mailto:spersons@sjlchurch.org).

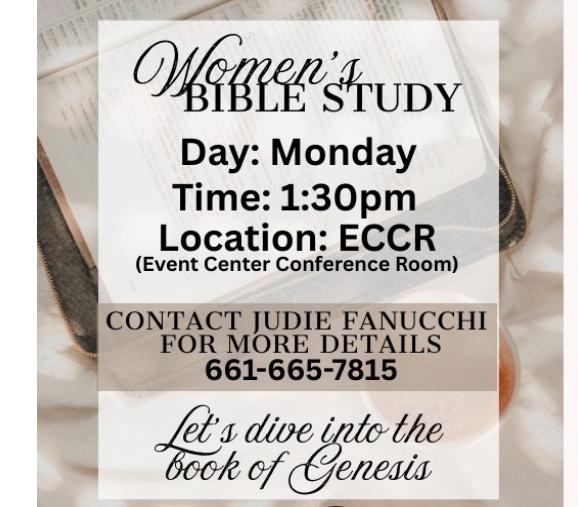


## Bible Studies



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(LARGE CONFERENCE ROOM)  
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CONTACT STACEY PERSONS  
[SPERSONS@SJLCHURCH.ORG](mailto:SPERSONS@SJLCHURCH.ORG)

**DAY: WEDNESDAY**  
**TIME: 8:45AM**  
**LOCATION: WORSHIP**  
CENTER LOBBY  
*Study of Joseph*  
CHILDCARE AVAILABLE  
CALL 665-7815



**DAY: SATURDAY**  
**TIME: 7AM**  
**LOCATION: LCR**  
CONTACT LYNN WHEELER  
661-665-7815

**DAY: WEDNESDAY**  
**TIME: 6:30PM**  
**LOCATION: ECCR**  
(EVENT CENTER CONFERENCE ROOM)  
CONTACT BECKY WILSON:  
665-7815 FOR MORE INFO

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