

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, March 17 Happy St. Patrick's Day!

First Communion Sunday

- 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, March 18

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

Tuesday, March 19

- 7:00 a.m. Special Election Voting Site—WC
- 1:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study—ECCR Judie Fanucchi
- 5:00 p.m. Executive Committee Meeting—SCR
- 6:00 p.m. Bells of Praise Rehearsal—Music Room
- 6:30 p.m. Board of Directors Meeting—LCR

Wednesday, March 20

- 6:15 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR Nate Smidt
- 8:45 a.m. Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study—EC
- 11:15 a.m. Level 1 Yoga—The Garage
- 5:00 p.m. Lenten Soup & Salad Supper—EC
- 6:00 p.m. AWANA—KC Confirmation—LCR SJ Students Jr. High Night—The Garage
- 6:15 p.m. Lenten Service—Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Celebration Choir Rehearsal—Music Room

Thursday, March 21

- 8:30 a.m. Men's Bible Study—SCR Dean Nulton
- 9:00 a.m. MOPS Hike—OC
- 11:00 a.m. Golden Eagles—LCR

Friday, March 22

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

Saturday, March 23

- 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study—LCR Lynn Wheeler
- 10:00 a.m. Eckman Memorial Service—Sanctuary Altar Guild Meeting—LCR
- 1:00 p.m. Ron Bennett Memorial Service—Sanctuary

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
Debbie Hunsaker, Marcia Perry, Sally Segesman

Guidance & Strength in Transitions, Travel & Faith

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, Tanzania school, families, teachers, pastors, leaders, spiritual & kingdom growth

Continued Concerns

John Andrew, Paul Bovard, Tom Clowers, Sue Dockweiler, Ron Duran, Nancy Keppen, Steve McConaughy, Tiffany Oesch, Mary Lou Parker, Carol Richardson, Annett Salinas, Dorothy Sundberg, Lisa Vorhees, Judie Walker, Kim Warren

Amount Needed to Meet Fiscal Year 2023-2024
Budget—\$1,902,100
Last Week's Giving—\$45,106.03
Budget to Date—\$1,328,997
Year to Date—\$1,304,599.18
Year to Date Variance—(24,398)



LOVE • LEARN • LEAD

The people of St. John's LOVE God and others, LEARN to be and make disciples of Jesus Christ, and LEAD others to discover and live out their calling as God's people.



WEAR HOPE ON YOUR HEAD

1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

March 17, 2024 – Pastor Ben Schrank

Check the _____.

“He put on righteousness as a breastplate, and a helmet of _____ on His head” (Isaiah 59:17)

We are simply borrowing the _____ from God's armory...it's _____ to begin with.

“He shall bruise your _____, and you shall bruise His heel.” (Gen 3:15)

“...and for a helmet the _____ of salvation.” 1 Thess. 5:8

Soteriology: doctrine of _____.

- Salvation _____ to the Lord. (Psalm 3:8)
- Salvation is exclusively found in _____ (Acts 4:12)
- Salvation is Christ's _____, not ours. (Titus 3:5)
- Salvation is Christ's _____ for your need. (Romans 5:15-17)
- Salvation is both a present reality and a future _____. (2 Cor. 6:1-2)

“And twisting together a crown of _____, they put it on His head.” (Matt. 27:28)

O sacred head now _____; With grief and shame weighed down. Now scornfully surrounded; With thorns thine only _____.



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

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Women's Gathering March 2024



Welcome!

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

*Reminder: Please silence devices during worship.

The restrooms are located in the lobby, across from the nursery.

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.



Baptisms

This week we celebrate the baptisms of Zoey Nichole Rayos, daughter of Michael & Amanda Rayos. She will be baptized today in a private ceremony. Nathan William Coffey and Ava Yi, will be baptized at the 10:30 a.m. service this morning. We give thanks as we welcome them into God's Kingdom.



News & Notes

Holy Week

Maundy Thursday
MARCH 28TH
6:15 PM - SANCTUARY

Good Friday
MARCH 29TH
5:30 PM - SANCTUARY
OR 7:00PM - WORSHIP CENTER

DETAILS AT SJLCHURCH.ORG/HOLYWEEK
OR SCAN THE QR

1st Communion Sunday

St. John's Lutheran

Come celebrate the next generation of disciples

TODAY!!

Celebrate the 1st communion class at the 9am or 10:30am service

Last Lenten Soup and Salad Supper

Please join us for our last Soup & Salad Supper, next Wednesday, March 20, 5:00-6:00 p.m., served in the Event Center. Lenten service begins at 6:15 p.m.

NEW MEMBER CLASS

3-week course: April 3rd, April 10th, and April 17th
6-7:30pm

For more information sjlchurch.org

Mark your calendars, tell a friend! We are having our Spring New Member Classes on three consecutive Wednesdays, on April 3, 10 and 17. A time to grow in faith, learn more about our church, and potentially take that next step of committing to be a member of this congregation. See the QR Code above for more information.

Find out what's happening and what's happened. Go to:

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COMMUNION SUNDAY

Honor Flight

A Big Thank You

To all the students at St. John's Lutheran School for their fundraising efforts and generous donation of \$6,025.00 to the Honor Flight of Kern County. The Veteran's from St. John's Lutheran Church, Jim Hudgins, Charlie Vorhees and Jim Francis, were on the Honor Flight in October, and they wish to thank the students and staff for such a wonderful gift, they had an amazing trip.

STUDENTS & ALTAR GUILD

EASTER LILIES \$20 PRE-ORDER

PROCEEDS GO TO SUPPORT SJ STUDENTS' TRIPS & EVENTS
PRE-ORDER ENVELOPES IN COURTYARD OR SCAN THE QR CODE!

Next Sunday, March 24, is the last day to order Easter Lilies. Orders received after that date will not have their dedications included in the Easter Sunday News & Notes. There will be a limited number of lilies sold on Easter Sunday if you are interested. Remember if you ordered a lily, please take it home after Easter services. Questions, contact Courteney Jimerson, 665-7815.

Easter SUNDAY services

Sanctuary 7am, 9am
Worship center 10:30am

MORE INFO: SJLCHURCH.ORG/HOLYWEEK

Women's Ministry
ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

ST. JOHN'S WOMEN'S GATHERING NIGHTS

APRIL 4, 6 PM
EVENT CENTER

This fun and simple rope wreath is sure to brighten up your front door..

\$5 SPACE IS LIMITED

Women's Monday Afternoon Bible Study

will not meet during Holy Week, Monday, March 25. Study resumes Monday, April 4, 3:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., off campus, at a member's home each week. Questions, contact Jan Lundy, 665-7815.

Women's Tuesday Afternoon Bible Study

will meet during Holy Week, Tuesday, March 26, at 1:30 p.m., in the ECCR. Everyone is welcome! Questions, contact Judie Fanucchi, 665-7815.

Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study

will not meet during Holy Week, Wednesday, March 27. Study resumes Wednesday, April 3, at 8:45 a.m., in the Event Center. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@sjlchurch.org or 665-7815.

BIBLE Study

Sunday Morning Adult Bible Study will not meet Easter Sunday, March 31. Study resumes on Sunday, April 7, at 10:15 a.m. in the ECCR. Bring your Bibles and your curiosity as we hear God's Word preached and study His Word together. Questions, contact Stacey Persons, 665-7815 or spersons@sjlchurch.org.

A great day at the Knowledge Bowl

MEN'S MINISTRY

Wednesday Morning Men's Bible Study will meet during Holy Week, Wednesday, March 27, 6:15 a.m., in the LCR, to begin your day in God's Word led by Pastor Ben. Everyone is welcome! Questions, contact Stacey Persons, spersons@sjlchurch.org or 665-7815.

Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study will meet during Holy Week, Thursday, March 28, 8:30 a.m., in the SCR. Questions, contact Dean Nulton, 665-7815.

Golden Eagles

Join us on Thursday, March 21, 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.

REGISTER NOW!

Sponsorships Available

ST. JOHN'S CLASSIC

REGISTER ONLINE AT SJLSCHOOL.ORG/GOLF

29TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

Raising the Students of St. John's

MONDAY, JUNE 3 | 8:30 AM STOCKDALE COUNTRY CLUB

The Portals of Prayer Devotional

for the months of April, May & June are available. Please stop by the Information Centers and pick up a free copy.

HAPPY ST. PATRICK'S DAY!

STUDENTS JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

WEEKLY STUDENT MEETINGS

JUNIOR HIGH NIGHT
WED • 6-7:30PM
MEETS IN THE GARAGE

HIGH SCHOOL NIGHT
SUN • 6-7:45PM
MEETS IN THE GARAGE

DOORS & SNACK BAR OPEN AT 5:30!

UPCOMING EVENTS

JUNIOR HIGH NIGHT EPIC EGG HUNT
MARCH 20 • 6-7:30PM
GIFT CARDS, CANDY, PRIZES, & FREE PIZZA!

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WANT MORE INFO? CONTACT COURTENEY: CJIMERSON@SJLCHURCH.ORG
FACEBOOK: "ST. JOHN'S STUDENTS" GROUP
INSTAGRAM / TIK TOK: @SJSTUDENTS_BAKERSFIELD
REMI: TEXT @SJZJH OR @SJZHS TO 81010

coffee with college students

We meet on Fridays at different coffee shops around town!
Contact Courteney for dates & locations!

Thank you for worshipping with us! Come again soon.

KIDZ MINISTRY

We want to be part of an ongoing conversation with you and your children, talking about the LOVE of God, how to LEARN about God, and how to LEAD friends to know God.

SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:00 & 10:30 AM.

Every Sunday, Prek-6th grade.

WEDNESDAYS 6:00 to 7:30 P.M.

Confirmation, First Communion, AWANA.

1ST COMMUNION MARCH 17 TODAY

1st Communion Celebration at both the 9:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. service.

KIDZ 56 MARCH 22 6:00 to 8:00 P.M.

Fridays, 5th and 6th grade.

MORE INFO: WWW.SJLCHURCH.ORG

CONTACT LORRAINE DAVIS
LDAVIS@SJLCHURCH.ORG

St. John's SCRIP

TODAY, 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.

SJLS Edible Schoolyard

Student Gardeners