

St. John's Lutheran School

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DECEMBER EVENTS

- ♦ **Monday
December 23rd
1:30 P.M.
Tuesday
December 24th,
6:30 P.M.
Children's
Christmas Eve
Service in Juneau**
- ♦ **December 24th to
January 5th
No School—
Christmas Break**

JANUARY EVENTS

- ♦ **Fri., Jan. 10th
End of the Second
Quarter**
- ♦ **Tues. & Thurs.,
Jan. 21st & 23rd
3:30-7:30 P.M.
Parent Teacher
Conferences**

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Weekly Schedule

Sat., Dec. 21	10:30-Noon 5:00 PM	Christmas for Kids CANDLELIGHT WORSHIP in Horicon
Sun., Dec. 22	8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM	DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau Bible Class & Sunday School in Lowell Bible Class & Sunday School in Juneau DIVINE WORSHIP in Lowell DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau (Sunday School Sings in Juneau) Faculty Mtg. Hot Lunch: St. John's
Mon., Dec. 23	7:00 AM 12:05 PM 1:30 PM	Children's Christmas Eve Service in Juneau Children's Christmas Eve Service in Juneau Sunday School Christmas Eve Service in Lowell NO SCHOOL—CHRISTMAS BREAK
Tues., Dec. 24	6:30 PM 6:30 PM	
Dec. 24-Jan 5		
Wed., Dec. 25	9:00 AM 9:30 AM	CHRISTMAS WORSHIP in Juneau CHRISTMAS WORSHIP in Lowell
Sun. Dec. 29	8:00 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM	DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau DIVINE WORSHIP in Lowell DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau
Thurs., Jan 2 Sun., Jan. 5	6:30 PM 8:00 AM 8:30 AM 9:15 AM 9:30 AM 10:30 AM 4-5:30 PM	DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau Bible Class & Sunday School in Lowell Bible Class & Sunday School in Juneau DIVINE WORSHIP in Lowell DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau Open Gym School Resumes Faculty Mtg. Hot Lunch: Wendy's A Girls BB Practice B Girls BB Practice Faculty Mtg. Piano Lessons A Boys BB Practice B Boys & Cheer Practices Faculty Mtg.
Mon., Jan. 6	7:00 AM 12:05 PM 3:30-5:15 PM 3-4:30 PM 3:15 PM	CHAPEL/MISSION OFFERING Hot Lunch: St. John's A Girls BB Practice B Girls BB Practice
Tues., Jan. 7	3:30-5:30 PM 3-4:30 PM	
Wed., Jan. 8	7:00 AM 8:00 AM 12:05 PM 3:30-5:15 PM 3-4:30 PM	
Thurs., Jan. 9	3:30-5:30 PM 3-4:30 PM 6:30 PM	A Boys BB Practice B Boys & Cheer Practices DIVINE WORSHIP in Juneau
Fri., Jan. 10	5:00 PM	CEF Stamps & Scrip Sold Band & Recorder Lessons End of the Second Quarter BB Here vs. Our Redeemer, Madison 5:00 PM—B Girls & 6:00 PM—B Boys 7:00 PM—A Boys B Boys Tournament @ St. John's, Pardeeville DIVINE WORSHIP in Horicon
Sat., Jan. 11	5:00 PM	

From the Principal's Desk

Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come!
Let earth receive her King;
Let every heart prepare Him room,
And heaven and nature sing.

Joy to the earth, the Savior reigns!
Let men their songs employ,
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains
Repeat the sounding joy.

No more let sins and sorrows grow
Nor thorns infest the ground;
He comes to make His blessings flow
Far as the curse is found.

He rules the world with truth and grace
And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness
And wonders of His love.

Real Joy

"Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music." Psalm 98:4



There was a young man who was very unhappy with the manner in which the Psalms were being sung in his church. One Sunday, after coming home from church, he complained to his father about the congregation's use of the Psalms and the congregational singing of hymns. His father turned to his son and challenged him: "Well then, young man, why don't you give us something better to sing?"

Isaac Watts was determined to do something about his father's challenge. That very week in 1719, he worked on his music and one of his first hymns was sung by the congregation in the following Sunday's service. The response of the people to the song was encouraging. It led Isaac to continue writing hymns and paraphrases of the Psalms. It was a joy for him to write hymns. During his lifetime, he wrote over 600 of them.

Is there joy in your heart and mind during the Christmas season? I'm sure there is, but on what is that joy based? True joy and jubilant song, as our text speaks of it, must spring from the real joy of Christmas. That joy is that the Lord is come. Jesus comes as a King to rule in your heart and mind. Does he rule in your heart, or is he shoved aside for Christmas gifts and parties? Is there still room in your heart for him after all the preparations, buying, and celebrating is completed? Does he rule your life after the Christmas season is over? If not, make room for him and experience the real joy of Christmas.

What is this joy at Christmas all about? There is joy because "the Lord is come." Jesus came as our Savior. He came to save sinners from the punishment they deserved. He came as our Savior to bring peace, that peace which worldly things cannot give. He brings peace to the troubled and the weary. The peace that Jesus brings is truly lasting and satisfying. This Christmas let us all remember to share that peace with someone we may know or meet.

Finally, Jesus comes to show us the glories of his righteousness. We cannot live the perfect righteous life. Jesus came to show us the perfect life and to live it in our stead. We can model our lives after him and with the aid of the Holy Spirit walk in his footsteps. Do you have trouble living your life for him? When you fail, don't give up, but be thankful that he has forgiven those failings and helps you to live anew for him.

For the real joy of Christmas, let Jesus come into your home and life. Make room for him and you will be amazed at His love. The wonders of his love are truly transforming.



HAPPENINGS AT ST. JOHN'S

Church Singing

Sunday, January 12, Both Services in Juneau:
Jr. Choir

Sunday, January 19, 8:00 A.M. Service:
Gr. 7&8

Children's Christmas Eve Service

The children's Christmas Eve Service will be held on the following dates:



Monday, December 23, at 1:30 P.M.

(Children will start and finish at school for this service. Children can be picked up at school following the service.)

Tuesday, December 24 at 6:30 P.M.

Please have your children (Gr. K-8) come to school on December 24th before the worship service. School doors will open at 5:30 P.M. Teachers will bring the children up to church for the service. Children can be picked up in the church basement following the December 24th service.

Each child is expected to attend each service.

If your child/children will not be attending, please send a note informing your child's teacher. Thank You!

Special Christmas Eve Offering

The last couple of years, we have had a special Christmas Eve collection to support our worker training schools (Michigan Lutheran Seminary, Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary, Luther Preparatory School, & Martin Luther College). This year we would like to designate our offering for Martin Luther College. A special envelope was enclosed in your family envelope last week for this offering. Please use this envelope for your offering and return it to school via the family envelope on Monday, December 23rd or with the children on Christmas Eve.

Family Devotions

December 25—Doxology The video is available on the media tab of the St. John's App.

Mission Offerings

2nd Quarter—Home Missions—

Trinity Lutheran School, Kaukauna, WI

Total collected for the quarter: \$160.07

Please remember that our mission offerings for our Lord are collected on Wednesday.

Thank You



The faculty and staff would like to express our thanks to the families of St. John's for their assistance during the weeks of preparation for the Christmas Eve Service and for your help and support throughout the year. We are also grateful for the cards, gifts, and expressions of kindness expressed here in the holidays and throughout the school year. May we continue to help and encourage one another in letting our faith in the Newborn King be seen throughout the year!

Special Bus Route & Transportation Home Monday, December 23rd

As Dodge County does not have school on Monday, December 23rd, the special bus route will be run to pick up the students that ride the bus to school. This will apply to the morning only. If you have questions about your pick up time, please call Lamers Bus Company at 920-386-2200, ext. 11411.

If you need transportation home for your child, please fill out the form at the end of the Eagle Claw and return it via your family envelope to the school office by Monday, December 23rd. You may also email (school@stjohnsjuneau.org) or call Mrs. Leissring (920-386-4644) to let her know. Thank you!

Christmas Parties

Christmas parties will be held on Monday, December 23rd, in the individual classrooms. You may bring cookies to be enjoyed by the classes in their classrooms. The cookies that are leftover will be brought to church to be enjoyed after the church service on Monday afternoon.

End of the Second Quarter and Parent Teacher Conferences

Friday, January 10th, is the end of the second quarter. Conferences will be held on Tuesday, January 21st, and Thursday, January 23rd, 3:30-7:30 PM. Parent Teacher Conference forms are enclosed in your family envelope. Please read the letter indicating that conferences are optional this quarter. **Please return the form to school via your family envelope by Monday, January 6th.** Report cards will be sent home on Friday, January 17th. The report card envelopes are to be returned to your child's teacher at your appointed conference time. If you are not meeting with your child's teacher, please return your report card envelope to school via your family envelope by Monday, January 20th.

ATHLETICS

**Open Gym—Sundays, January 5, 12, 19, & 26
4-5:30 P.M.**
All students & parents are welcome to open gym!

Basketball & Cheerleading

Practices January 6-9:

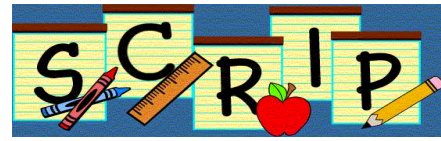
January 6 & 8—B Girls 3-4:30 P.M.
A Girls 3-5:15 P.M.
January 7 & 9—A Boys 3:30-5:30 P.M.,
B Boys 3-4:30 P.M.
Cheer 3-4:30 P.M.

Games:

**Friday, January 10,
Here vs. Our Redeemer, Madison:**
5:00 P.M.—B Girls, 6:00 P.M.—B Boys,
7:00 P.M.—A Boys

Parents' & Eighth Grade Night:
Friday, January 31st

The B teams and their parents will be recognized between the B games. The A teams, their parents, and the eighth graders will be recognized between the A games.



December Dates to Remember:

- ♦ On Hand Sales only:
Sundays, December 22nd, 29th & Thursday, January 2nd.
- ♦ Our next order date will be January 5th.

Reminder: Purchasing Scrip for your Christmas needs will add dollars to your student assistance account!

Questions about Scrip? Contact the Program Coordinator, Char Lober, at 920-386-4785.

Merry Christmas!

Thank You!

Thank you to all who made our first week of home games a success whether you baked, scored, manned concessions, cleaned, or cheered. Thank you!! ☺

Reminder: there are openings to help with concessions, scorebook, and clock in January. Please sign up on the sheets in the office as to where you can help!☺

Follow the Star

"We have seen His star in the East and have come to worship Him."
Matthew 2:2



Have a Blessed Christmas!



Bus Transportation—December 23, 2019

_____ Yes, I need bus transportation home for my child(ren) on Monday December 23rd, after the Christmas Eve Service.

_____ Child or Family Name

Return in your family envelope by Monday, December 23, 2019