St. John's Lutheran Church and School
Stuttgart, Arkansas

A Prayer before Worship:

Dear Father in heaven; grant me to be **silent** before You – that I may hear You; at **rest** in You – that You may work in me; **open** to You – that you may enter in; **empty** before You – that You may fill me. Let me be still and know You are my God. Amen

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November 29, 2026
First Sunday in Advent

Today's Order of Service:
Divine Service Setting One
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Hymns:

#338 – Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus
#343 – Prepare the Royal Highway
#633 – At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing
#631 – Here, O Lord, I See Thee Face to Face
#621 – Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence
#867 – Let Children Hear the Mighty Deeds

May the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be pleasing in Your sight, O Lord, my Rock and my Redeemer. ***Psalm 19:14***

Coming up this week:

Today:	Worship w/Communion	9:00 a.m.
	Church Christmas Decorating	10:15 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School	10:15 a.m.
	Rock Star Youth	12:30 p.m.
	Seekers Youth	2:00 p.m.
Tuesday:	Bible Class	5:00 p.m.
	Voters Meeting	6:00 p.m.
Wednesday:	Chapel	8:15 a.m.
	Ladies Bible Study	9:00 a.m.
	Mid-Week Advent Service	Noon
	Pizza Lunch (following the noon service)	
	Confirmation Parent Meeting	5:15 p.m.
	Kids' Connect	5:15 p.m.
	High School Youth	5:30 p.m.
	Fish Fry Dinner	6:00 p.m.
	Mid-Week Advent Service	7:00 p.m.
Thursday:	Men's Bible Study	6:00 a.m.
	7th Grade Girls Bible Study	7:00 a.m.
Next Sunday:	Adult Bible Study	7:30 a.m.
	Worship w/Communion	8:30 a.m.
	Adult Sunday School	9:45 a.m.
	Children's Christmas Program Practice	9:45 a.m.
	Prime Timers Christmas Gathering	11:30 a.m.

Serving This Month

Elders on Duty: Neal Galloway & Hotsey Lockhart

Altar Guild: Hailey Dickson & Stephanie Prislovsky

Date	Acolyte	Ushers
November 29	Alex Ochoa	Please Volunteer
December 6	Stella McEntire	Dale Newkirk & Richard Heien

Please be Praying for...

Missionaries: Aaron Reith

Health: Brooks Anderson, Katrina Anderson, Sherry Brantley, Jenna Bocook, Tammy Bridges, Mary Louise Bullock, Frank Bowers, Averie Brown, Walkie Carle, Amanda Christianson, Debbie Cook, Max Gray, Kathy Griffith, Kevin Gull, Elizabeth Hoskyn, Ron Hoyt, Karl Jacobs, Dalton Johnson, Ranae Johnson, Dan Loudermilk, Kim Maier, Pat Maree, Connley McPherson, Dianne Moritz, Bud Norris, Allie Oxner, Hank Pierce, Donna Prislovsky, Lyn Rhein, Ron Rhein, Jennifer Roberts, Brady Robnett, Britni Rutherford, Robert Seidenstricker, Carl Smith, Paula Smith, Shelby Gene Snowden, Maureen Sokora, Lynda Staton, Hallie Stovesand, Fredda Voumard, Karen Wilson

Those Unable to Worship with us: Donna Almond, Geneva Chlapecka, Wanda Phelps, Loretta Blackwell

Our Nation: Military Personnel, Elected Officials, Fire, Police, Sheriff, World Leaders



Birthdays and Anniversaries



11/30 Cindy DeVazier
12/3 Johnny & Cheri Lammers
12/4 Alberta Meins

Missionaries of the Week:

Aaron Reith serves the Lord in the Dominican Republic, where he is a technology administrator. In this role, Aaron uses his expertise to support Concordia the Reformer Seminary in Palmar Arriba, as well as the mission team throughout the Latin America and the Caribbean region. By supporting the technology needs of the team, Aaron helps keep things running smoothly so that the Gospel can be proclaimed across 14 countries.

TAKE NOTE!

TIME CHANGES

The Tuesday Night Bible Class will meet at 5:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 1, ahead of the 6:00 p.m. Voters meeting.

The Sunday, December 6, worship service will begin at 8:30 a.m., led by Pastor Holmes, to accommodate Pastor Frandle's military training commitments.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you would like to donate pizzas and/or dessert for the fellowship meal following the Wednesday Noon Advent services, please call or text Stephanie at (870) 830-6280. Volunteers are needed for the December 9th and December 16th services.

KIDS IN THE DIVINE SERVICE



What is Advent?

Advent marks the beginning of the Church Year. Advent is made up of the four Sundays that come right before Christmas. In other words, the deeper into Advent you go, the closer you get to Christmas Day. For Christians, the First Sunday in Advent is kind of like the "New Year's Day" of the Church Year calendar.

Why do we celebrate Advent?

The word Advent means "coming." During Advent, we prepare for the coming of the One who was born that first Christmas in a stable. We prepare for the One who saved us from sin, death and the power of the devil: our Lord Jesus Christ! What a wonderful and exciting time of preparation!

Parents:
At home, in order to help your children better prepare for the birth of Jesus, try using an Advent devotional booklet provided by the church for family devotions.

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Advent & Christmas Services

Wednesday, Dec. 2

Mid-Week Advent Services
Noon Service followed by pizza lunch
6:00 p.m. Fish Fry
7:00 p.m. Service

Wednesday, Dec. 9

Mid-Week Advent Services
Noon Service followed by pizza lunch
6:00 p.m. Barbecue Dinner
7:00 p.m. Service

Wednesday, Dec. 16

Mid-Week Advent Services
Noon Service followed by pizza lunch
6:00 p.m. Chili Supper
7:00 p.m. Service

Sunday, Dec. 20

Children's Christmas Program
9:00 a.m. Worship Service

Thursday, Dec. 24

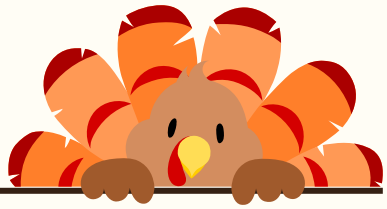
Christmas Eve Services
6:00 p.m. Worship
11:00 p.m. Worship with Communion

Friday, Dec. 25

Christmas Day Service
9:00 a.m. Worship with Communion



St. John's News & Notes



Confirmation Update

Pastor Frandle will meet with parents and students at 5:15 p.m. Wednesday, December 2, to discuss Confirmation and answer questions.

Voters Meeting

A Voters Assembly meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. Tuesday, December 1, at the Fellowship Hall. Committee reports and a LCMS Constitutional Amendment will be discussed.

Church Office Hours

The church office hours will change for the week of November 30-December 4.

The office will be open:
Monday, November 30
12:00-2:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 1
12:00-2:00 p.m.

To leave a message at the church office, please call or text (870) 830-6280 or email secretary@stjohnsluth.com.

Children's Christmas Program

Please see Katie if your child would like to participate in the Children's Christmas Program. This year's program will be held on Sunday, December 20.





SAVE THE DATE!

Prime Timers Christmas

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6
FOLLOWING SUNDAY SCHOOL
(AROUND 11:30 A.M.)
AT THE JOHNSON'S CABIN

Bring a dirty Santa gift!

RSVP to Mary Johnson at
(870) 830-2531