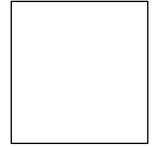


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# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## January 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 8:30 SJL Worship with Communion SJL Coffee Fellowship 9:30 CLC Bible Study With Glen 10:30 CLC Worship with Communion	<b>2</b> 9:00 CLC Quilting	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> CLC Calvary Kids 5:30 No confirmation classes	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
Vicar Jennifer on Vacation						
<b>8</b> 8:30 SJL Worship 10:30 CLC Worship Donut Sunday	<b>9</b> 9:00 CLC Quilting	<b>10</b> 6:00 CLC Council Mtg Stock Box delivery (time to be announced)	<b>11</b> SJL Confirmation Class 4:00 – 5:30 CLC Calvary Kids 5:30	<b>12</b> SJL – WELCA Meeting 2:00 6:30 SJL Council Mtg	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> 8:30 SJL Worship with Communion 9:30 SJL Sunday School 12:00 SJL Youth Gathering w/Vicar 9:30 CLC Bible Study With Glen 10:30 CLC Worship with Communion	<b>16</b> 9:00 CLC Quilting	<b>17</b> 6:00 CLC Friendship Circle	<b>18</b> CLC Confirmation Class 5:30 – 7:00 CLC Calvary Kids 5:30	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 9:00 CLC Senior Support Group Gathering	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> 8:30 SJL Worship 10:30 CLC Worship Annual Meeting following Worship Service	<b>23</b> 9:00 CLC Quilting	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> CLC 4:30 – 6:00 Food with Friends CLC Calvary Kids 5:30	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 8:30 SJL Worship with Communion SJL Annual Meeting following Worship Service 10:30 CLC Worship with Communion	<b>30</b> 9:00 CLC Quilting	<b>31</b>	<b>REMEMBER TIME CHANGE FOR THE KINDRED PARISH: ST. JOHN 8:30 A.M. CALVARY 10:30 A.M.</b> <b>AT CLC BIBLE STUDY REMAINS AT 9:30 THE 1<sup>ST</sup> AND 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF THE MONTH.</b>			

**COMING to the Birnamwood Community in 2023:** Vicars Community involvement in the School Reading Program, Bingo at the Senior Housing Complex and Church Service at the Care Center. She will be looking for people to help with these new Community Outreach Programs, so please be ready to get involved.

Vicar Jennifer and Lynda wish to thank everyone for their thoughtfulness at Christmas this year. Your gifts, treats and cards were really appreciated. THANK YOU!!



## ST. JOHN LUTHERAN NEWS AND INFORMATION

# CHILDREN'S Sunday School

**Sunday School dates: 9:30 start (except where noted)**

January 15 & 29

February 12 & 26

March 2 & 26

April 2 & 16

May 7 & 21 (last Sunday school class)

**Sunday School is Cool**



### SJL ANNUAL MEETING

January 29  
Following the 8:30  
Worship service.

### SHELL GAS CARDS

are still available  
from any SJL  
council member.

Remember this is  
a fundraiser for  
the parking lot.

St. John Council  
Meeting 6:30  
January 12



Reminder – On the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month at SJL we will be having fellowship after service. If you would like to volunteer to host for a Sunday Coffee Fellowship it would be appreciated. Just bring a small snack (your choice) and the ladies will provide the coffee. A sign-up sheet is in the back of the church. Please stop, have fellowship and a snack with your church family on these Sundays.

### Boards and Blades

#### St. John Youth

Will be joining Vicar Jennifer for an  
outing on Jan. 15 at 12:00 at SJL.

We will go to Boards and Blades  
and also enjoy a Pizza Lunch.

No money needed!

Join the Fun!



Thank you to Cindy  
and Doug Breyer  
for donating our  
Christmas Tree this  
year in memory of  
Glenn Breyer.



Many ladies helped prepare Christmas stockings with personal care items, candy & goodies for Vicar Jennifer to take to Homme Home Youth on Christmas Eve Morning when she held the service.

SJL - Watch for sign-up sheet to volunteer for the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Fireman/EMT soup supper coming soon.

### CLC JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

06 – Loren Lucia, Daniel Stockhaus  
10 – Barry Stockhaus  
11 – Jodi Gass  
12 – Sally Zwicky  
14 – Karen Traut  
17 – Jamie Gildemeister, Lisa Houdek  
Todd Langseth, Earl Opheim  
19 – Jason Hilger  
22 – Don Dolezal  
25 – Scott Bolson, Justin Ferg  
28 – Stacy Kautza, Ariane Zimmerman  
29 – Bette Hansen-Clay  
30 – Emberli Depies, Erik Nelson

Your birthday always comes  
as we start another year.  
January is your month  
your special day is here.  
It's the middle of the winter  
most days are cold and dreary.  
so here's a birthday wish for you  
that your day is bright and cheery!

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### SJL JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

01 – Jon Fischer  
06 – Eric Resch  
09 – Brady Kluck, Jessica Wanta  
12 – Barbara Berger  
18 – Kimberly Schmidt  
22 – Tori Schmidt

CLC & SJL Members

Happy January Birthday – if you are not listed please contact Lynda at CLC and we will happily add you to the list.

## CALVARY LUTHERAN NEWS AND INFORMATION



- Jan 04 A Light to the Nations  
Jan 11 Lamb of God  
Jan 18 United in Christ  
Jan 25 Service Project/Community "Food with Friends" at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00  
Feb 01 No Class  
Feb 08 Life with God  
Feb 15 Glory on the Mountain  
Feb 22 Community "Food with Friends" at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00  
Mar 01 Jesus and Nicodemus  
Mar 08 Woman at the Well  
Mar 15 Samuel Anoints David  
Mar 22 No Class – Spring Break  
Mar 29 Community "Food with Friends" at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00  
Apr 05 Jesus is Born  
Apr 12 Thomas Answers Jesus  
Apr 19 Road to Emmaus  
Apr 26 End of Year / Community Supper "Food with Friends" at Calvary 4:30 – 6:00



*Thank you to those who helped with the Tie Blankets in partnership with Head Start. These will be given to seniors in our area. Your help is greatly appreciated.*

Calvary's Kids is held on Wednesday from 5:30 – 6:30 p.m. If Antigo schools cancel or dismiss weather conditions Calvary's Kids will also be cancelled.

A Very Special thank you to our Calvary Kids Leaders: Jan Young, Michelle Hulman and Ashley Donovan.



to . . . Craig Nelson and family upon the death of Craig's mother Joann Nelson, long time member of Calvary.  
to . . . the family of Darlene Bennett, long time member of Calvary



*Calling All Seniors!*

Senior Support Group meets  
at January 20  
9:00 – 10:00  
Come enjoy getting together  
All Seniors are Welcome!



**Richard** would like to thank the council for the new vacuum cleaner. It is much appreciated and works very well. If you use it please handle with care.



We again thank everyone that helped with the Bazaar this year. Information on totals for each department is posted on the bulletin board in the Narthex. Our grand total reached \$5,104.00 when we added in the after-sales. Great Job by our Bazaar Chairperson: **Janice Jorgensen** and all our committee chairs. All areas did well but the Bucket Raffle and the Kitchen raised the most money.

### Secret Santa Raffle Winners:

- #1 Peggy Prince
- #2 Tammy Wilhelm
- #3 Flora Forster
- #5 Bev Guithues
- #6 Vicar Jennifer

### Main Raffle Ticket Winners:

1. Leopold Bench – Karen Cromwell
2. Christmas Basket – Chelsea Kubiacyk
3. Shark Ninja Air Fryer – Michelle Messer
4. Wooden BBQ Table – Jan Young
5. Pots and Pans & More – Ferg Family
6. Wind Chimes – Peg Thomae
7. Queen Size Quilt – Jenny Weyker

Donated by: Dale Peterson

Donated by: Pam Bahr

Donated by: Bill Eschmann

Donated by: Dale Peterson

Donated by: Janice Jorgensen

Donated by: Scott & Penny Schumitsch

Donated by: Calvary Quilters



Calvary's Youth Presented "Trimming the Christmas Tree" as their program this year. A special thank you to Jan Young, Ashley Donovan, Michelle Hulman, Karen Williams, and Robin Gardner, for leading our children in this special Christmas presentation, adapted by Jodi Hilger.



St. John's youth did a delightful presentation of "Twas the Night Before Christmas." Thank you to Trish Schmidt, Rhonda Nousen and all parents & grandparents that helped. Both churches did an excellent job getting us into the Christmas Spirit!

Calvary's Annual Meeting  
January 22, 2023  
Following the 10:30  
service.

**January 10**  
Calvary Church Council  
Will be meeting on the  
2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of January,  
for this month at 6:00.

**NOTICE**  
All Annual Reports should  
be turned into the church  
office. Please do so as soon  
as possible.

# *A Message from Vicar Jennifer*

Isaiah 43:18-19 - ""Do not remember the former things, or ponder the things of the past.

Listen carefully, I am about to do a new thing, now it will spring forth;

Will you not be aware of it? I will even put a road in the wilderness, rivers in the desert."

Happy NEW Year beloved of God!

I have heard more than a few people remark that they are ready to say good-bye to 2022, for various reasons. My thoughts went to this passage in Isaiah. God extends an invitation to welcome new things coming your way. Things wrapped in the faithfulness of God, for whom nothing is impossible! A promise of a thirst-quenching river appearing in an impossibly dry desert. Safe passage being given in the uncertain wilderness because God is not limited and is able to deliver us! Everything God does is wrapped in love. God knows that disappointments and hurts of the past can become a roadBLOCK in being able to believe God's goodness can always find you. God warns against pondering on the wrong things. "Listen CAREFULLY" God says, "I am about to do a NEW thing for you."

Within our own Kindred Parish: new members are being added monthly to both congregations, both services have had over 100 attendees, youths are forming friendships and growing in their confirmation classes, community meals have fed almost 200 people in the first two months, seniors are being cared for as they care for their grandchildren full time, community connections are growing, lives are being touched with the Good News of Jesus in so MANY ways because God is doing new things in our midst. It's so encouraging!

I look at the new things God is doing in my transition out of seminary learning (17 classes in two years) and completion of my yearlong internship. I'm getting to the finish line through mountains of meetings and paperwork to finally become a fully ordained full time PASTOR of the Kindred Lutheran Parish! I can see it from here and have finally written a date on the calendar to meet with the approval panel in Marinette on March 17th! (Ya-hoo!)

In this bright and shiny new year, I encourage you to take the words of the prophet Isaiah to heart. Instead of reaching for a ponder of a past hurt, hold tight to the wonder of God's great love for you. Love that reaches you and through you to others. A love that can change circumstances of impossibility into a newness you have never known! 2023 here we come.

With a heart overflowing with joy,

Vicar Jennifer

In Christ's Great Love,

*Vicar Jennifer*

## *Thank you to Leon Buck*



Thank you to **Leon Buck** for coming to our aid at Calvary and repairing the toilet in the Men's Room and replacing the Kitchen Faucet that was leaking. We received a call for the Water Department, right before Christmas, stating that something was wrong because of our high amount of water usage, So hard to get a plumber on short notice and holiday time! Leon to the rescue. Not only did Leon come right way and repair the leaking toilet and faucet in the kitchen, but his wife Linda sent Christmas cookies. THANK YOU!!!