

"Saved by the Grace of God to Witness and to Serve Others"

WELCOME to St. John's Lutheran Church!

We are delighted to have you with us. If you are a guest, please stop by our Welcome Center for information about St. John's.

Please help us avoid stains on carpet and pews

by consuming your food and drink before entering the sanctuary. Exceptions are water and items for young children.

Monthly Volunteer Schedules ~ go to

www.stjohnsstonyridge.net or our Facebook page



Phone Prayer Chain ~ 25 volunteers are ready to pray for the needs of others.

Contact **Clyde** at **419-874-8175** or the **Church office** at **419-837-5115**

Social Ministries

We are collecting the following for December:

Food Pantry: boxed potatoes & candy canes

The Food Pantry is currently serving 112 families.

Shared Bounty: 4-roll toilet paper

Shared Bounty is currently serving 35-40 families.

Please place in containers in the Coat Room. Thank you!



Sign up for 2019 altar flowers!

New Disciples Class in Advent during

Sunday school

All are welcome!

Shared Bounty is preparing for the kids of our shoppers to Christmas shop for their families.

We are in need of Christmas gift bags, any size, new or gently used. Please place them in the Shared Bounty box in the coatroom. Thank you in advance for your help!

*The Sunday school
Christmas program is
TODAY at 9:45 a.m.
Please join us!*

Committee financial reports for the annual congregational meeting are due January 6th.

The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 27th



St. John's is now hiring for the **MAINTENANCE CUSTODIAN** position.

This is a part-time position of approximately 80 hours per month. This person is responsible for the maintenance of our facilities including minor repairs as well as grounds care. If you or someone that you know has the skills for this type of work, we are interested in hearing from you.

St. John's is hiring for the position of **CHURCH TREASURER**. This is a part-time position with flexible hours of approximately 16 hours per month. This person is responsible for maintaining a complete and accurate accounting of all financial records pertaining to the income and expenses of the congregation. Some experience in bookkeeping and financial record keeping along with a working knowledge of spreadsheets and computer software is needed. Additionally, the Church Treasurer must be a member of St. John's.

Resumes can be emailed to officeadmin@stjohnsstonyridge.net. A job description is available in the church office and on our website under the "What's Happening" tab. If you have questions or would like additional information please contact the church office or a member of the Personnel Committee.

There will NOT be a healing service on Sunday, December 30th

The cookbooks are here and they are AMAZING!!! If you have placed a preorder for them please stop by the table in the Narthex to pick them up. If you have not purchased yet you can buy them before and after services too. We will be in the Narthex the months of November and December before and after services. We are offering a special promotion to consider: If you purchase 10 cookbooks, you will receive the 11th one for free and also a red reusable St. John's shopping bag!!! The cost of the cookbook is \$20.00 and proceeds from the sales will be used to purchase a commercial freezer for the food pantry.



Christmas Eve Worship Services

6:40 p.m. Program of Christmas Music
7:00 p.m. Contemporary Christmas Eve
 Candlelight Service with Holy Communion
10:10 p.m. Program of Christmas Music
10:30 p.m. Traditional Christmas Eve
 Candlelight Service with Holy Communion

Fellowship following both services

Attention youth in grades 6th – 12th:

You're invited

to the Youth Christmas Party
Saturday, December 15, 2018

5pm-9pm

Progressive Dinner including a
Drive-through Nativity

Meet at St. John's Lutheran Church
at 5 pm

End at Max and Erma's Levis Commons
At 9 pm

Parents Welcome

Please RSVP

to Christi Kieper at 419-704-7728

By TODAY!

The Youth Christmas Party
needs volunteers!

Qualifications: Must be a kid at heart, must love being a part of the *Reason for the Season*, and must be looking for something to do on a Saturday night in December!

At two of our stops we will have activities; we are looking for a couple of people to run those activities. We are also looking for volunteers to drive the carpool around. Volunteers will be rewarded with a delicious dessert at Max and Erma's! The Christmas Party is December 15th from 5 p.m. – 9 p.m. Your help would not necessarily be needed the whole night.

If you would like to help, please see Pastor Cindy or Christi Kieper.

LAST WEEK at St. John's

Attendance Sunday Worship: 195

CHURCH INFO

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Website: www.StJohnsStonyRidge.net

THIS WEEK at St. John's

SUNDAY, December 9

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments
9:45 a.m. Sunday school Christmas program
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:45 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments
6:00 p.m. Dayschool Christmas Program

MONDAY, December 10

9:30 a.m. Crafters Group
10:00 a.m. Prayers (C)
7:30 p.m. Dartball @ Pemberville

TUESDAY, December 11

10:00 a.m. Library
6:30 p.m. Care Team (L)
7:00 p.m. Committee Meeting Night #2
 -Memorial & Outreach
 -Stewardship
 -NO Worship & Music

WEDNESDAY, December 12

1:30 p.m. Rebekah Circle
6:30 p.m. JJJAAM
7:30 p.m. Stones of Praise
7:30 p.m. Festival Choir

THURSDAY, December 13

9:30 a.m. Staff Meeting
6:30 p.m. Jubilation Choir
7:30 p.m. Early Worship Planning
8:00 p.m. AA (PH)

FRIDAY, December 14

9:00 a.m. Dayschool Parties (PH, GR)
12:00 p.m. Shared Bounty (PH, GR)

SATURDAY, December 15

7:30 a.m. - Food Pantry
9:45 a.m.
10:00 a.m. - Shared Bounty
 Noon
10:45 a.m. - Food Pantry
12:15 p.m.
1:00 p.m. Party (PH)
5:00 p.m. Youth Christmas Party

SUNDAY, December 16

8:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship
9:30 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments
9:45 a.m. Sunday school/Catechism/Adult Education
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship
11:45 a.m. Fellowship and Refreshments
Noon Party (PH)

ELECTRONIC GIVING



We encourage you to look into our electronic giving program. It takes just a few minutes to set up a giving plan. To set up a recurring or one-time giving schedule, visit us online at stjohnsstonyridge.net (or scan the square with your phone) and locate the **Give Generously** button.