ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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### December 2024

Mondays 1pm Adult Bible Study (except 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup>) Tuesdays 6pm Trail Life Wednesdays 5-6pm Weeknight Meal, 6pm Church Service, 6:30-7:30 Weekday School Saturdays at 4pm Communion Church Service Sundays 9:30am Communion Service, 10:45 Bible Study Tuesday December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1pm Knit and Craft Group Thursday December 3<sup>rd</sup> 1pm Knit and Craft Group Thursday December 5<sup>th</sup> 6pm Organ Committee Meeting Wednesday December 11<sup>th</sup> After Service; A Walk Through Bethlehem. \*No Weekday School\* Thursday December 12<sup>th</sup> 9am Cookie Bake Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> 9am Cookie Bake Saturday December 14<sup>th</sup> 9am Cookie Walk Tuesday December 17<sup>th</sup> 9am-noon Compassionate Friends, Christmas Social; 5pm Social, 6pm Dinner Wednesday December 18<sup>th</sup> \*No Weekday School\* Thursday December 19<sup>th</sup> 9am Coffee with Friends Tuesday December 24<sup>th</sup> Christmas Eve Services: 2pm and 6 pm Wednesday December 25<sup>th</sup> Christmas Day Service at 9:30am \*No Weekday School\*

# A Walk Through Bethlehem St. John Children's Christmas Experience 2024



Walk Through Bethlehem is a FREE live, interactive event set in the village of Bethlehem at the time of Jesus' birth. Please plan to join us and invite your friends and family to experience A Walk Through Bethlehem with the St. John Youth on **December 11<sup>th</sup> after the evening service.** 



You'll be immersed in an ancient city's sights, sounds, and smells, eventually making your way to the same discovery that the shepherds made that first Christmas night—Jesus, the Savior, lying in a manger. Costumed characters and interactive sets help the youth to recreate Bethlehem at the time of Jesus' birth. Visit the merchants and shopkeepers, sample the

food, pass through the crowded inn, and find Mary and Joseph with baby Jesus in the manger. Activities are provided in the village shops for children to have hands-on experiences.

# Cookie 1.01 Walk Saturday, December 14th St. John St. John Cutheran Church



8020 South Park Road-Kellner (Stone Church on the corner by the Park)

# Open at 9 a.m.

Homemade Cookies and Candy Sold by the Pound

# St. John Lutheran Church

30th Annual Cookie and Candy Walk Saturday, December 14, 2024 Doors open at 9 a.m.

## Can you believe it is December already?

It's time to look over your favorite HOLIDAY COOKIE & CANDY recipes.

Over the past 29 years the **Cookie and Candy Walk** has been a huge success! Everyone who visited the "Sweet Treat Event" in previous years is eager to purchase homemade cookies and candies again.

St. John family has the best bakers and candy makers and chefs in the community! Share your special treat recipes by making a few dozen extra cookies or making an extra batch of candy to help make this the "Sweetest" event of the year!

All families of St. John Lutheran Church are asked to bring 2 to 4 dozen (or more if you would like), of your favorite **HOLIDAY COOKIES OR CANDY** to the church by Friday, December 13th.

Share your baking and candy making talents!

On Saturday morning the Holiday Cookies & Candy will be sold "By-the-pound". in attractive packaged Plates, Holiday Gift Boxes and Trays-- ideal for your Holiday Parties and Gifts!

St. John Lutheran Women In Mission coordinates the Cookie and Candy Walk, but the event is a <u>"church-wide"</u> project with the proceeds to be donated to a variety of church needs.

The sale is open to the Congregation as well as to the surrounding community. Come early..... the goodies sell out quickly!

Have your HOLIDAY COKIES & CANDIES to the Church by Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup> The SALE will be on Saturday, December 14<sup>th</sup>, doors opening at 9 a.m.

lee with Friends

# You are invited to gather on the: **3rd Thursday of each month 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.**

Mark your calendar! **Thursday, December 19, 2024** *2025 Coffee Schedule* 

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Take time off from your busy activities... Come meet a new friend...renew an old friendship... bring a friend with you!

Enjoy a "get acquainted" time along with an inspiring devotion.

Enjoy a cup of Coffee (or Tea) and Sweet Treats! This casual gathering is an opportunity to share a time of fellowship with friends you have known for years, re-connect with old friends, or create new friendships.

> Come for a short stay or enjoy the company of friends, old and new, for the entire time.

