

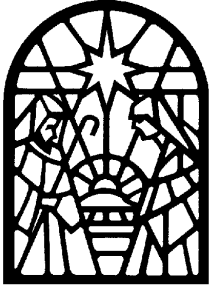


# St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

December 5, 2025

## Christ At The Center Truth In All Things

### School Christmas Program:



The blessed news of Jesus' birth will be retold through word and song. The Preschool-8<sup>th</sup> grade students will be sharing "God Loves Me Dearly" with our family and friends on Thursday December 18 at 6:30 p.m. in the church. There will be instrumental preservice music by some music students and by the Advanced Band.

We will also do a daytime presentation of the Christmas program on Friday, the 19<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. We hope you can join us to celebrate Christ's birth.

**150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** St. James Lutheran Church is celebrating this milestone on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> with a special service at 9:30 a.m. that day followed by a group picture and then a potluck meal in the gym. You can drop off your food for the meal in the gym kitchen any time after 9:00 a.m. Our students in grades K-8 are preparing special music to share during the worship service.

### December Worship Opportunities at St. James



Midweek Evening Prayer Dec. 10 and 17

8:20 a.m. Advent Chapel Services

7:00 p.m. Advent Worship Services

Sundays Dec. 7, and 21:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship Services

Sunday Dec. 14 at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate

St. James Lutheran Church's 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary (grades K-8 sing at this service)

Wednesday Dec. 24:

4:15 p.m. Christmas Eve Divine Service

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

Thursday Dec. 25:

9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Divine Service

Sunday Dec. 28:

8:00 and 10:30 a.m. Worship services

### Community Meal: Ham Dinner

Thursday, Dec. 11 at 5:30 p.m. if enough people sign up by Saturday morning Dec. 6. There are many options left for volunteering. Check the link sent to Fast Direct mailbox.

### Sunday December 7

8:00 and 10:30

Worship Services

**Choir:**

10:30 a.m.

Preschool Choir

### Wednesday, December 10

**Advent Chapel:** 8:20 a.m.

Pastor Loder

7:00 p.m.

Advent Worship

**In Our Prayers:** This upcoming week please add these prayer requests to your daily prayer time:

† For those dealing with health issues, especially for Mrs. Olsen's father-in-law and brother-in-law, Mrs. Kotila's niece, Ms. Brundin's friend Tim, Diane Odenbrett, and Pastor Loeslie.

† Thanks for warm clothes and warm houses.

† For firefighters, police, EMTs and all those who help us in times of danger or crisis.

† For those in the military.

† For those who are homeless, unemployed, or underemployed.

† For governments around the world to find diplomatic solutions to conflicts.

† Thanks for the assurance that God is in control no matter what happens in our daily lives.



**Please Pray for:**

**Delano Community Band Concert**...come listen to some great music as Pastor and Mrs. Loder and son, Matthias, play in this band! For anyone that brings a signed program to Pastor on Monday, he will erase the lowest grade they have in any subject. Concert starts at 5:30 PM this Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Delano Performing Arts Center (at the High School)

**Each family should have received their Gala invitation this week.** Tickets are only \$45.00 each if purchased before December 19.

**Looking for Christmas gift ideas?** Order your Spirit Wear! Check out all the available options: [appsigns.company.site/St-James-Saints-Gear-c61493008](https://appsigns.company.site/St-James-Saints-Gear-c61493008)

**Remember** to send winter gear to school for your children so they can enjoy the snow.

### Next Weeks at St. James:

<u>Sun., Dec. 7</u> 10:30 a.m.	Second Sunday in Advent Preschool Choir
<u>Mon., Dec. 8</u> 3:15-4:45 p.m.	BB practice
<u>Tues., Dec. 9</u> 3:15-4:45 p.m.	BB practice
<u>Wed., Dec. 10</u> 8:20 a.m. 3:15-4:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Advent Chapel BB practice Advent Worship
<u>Thurs., Dec. 11</u> Library 5:30 p.m.	Community Meal
<u>Sun., Dec. 14</u> 9:30 a.m. grades K-8Choir	Third Sunday in Advent Special Anniversary Service
<u>Mon., Dec. 15</u> 4:00 p.m.	Home BB game vs. Cologne Academy
<u>Tues., Dec. 16</u> 4:00 p.m.	Home BB game vs. Waconia
<u>Wed., Dec. 17</u> 8:20 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Advent Chapel Advent Worship
<u>Thurs., Dec. 18</u> Library 6:30 p.m.	P-8 Christmas program
<u>Fri., Dec. 19</u> 10:00 a.m.	P-8 Christmas program
<u>Dec. 20-Jan. 2</u>	Christmas Break
<u>Mon., Jan. 5</u>	Classes resume



**The St. James** students gathered in our school gym for a pep fest on Nov. 21 to send our 5-6 boys basketball team off to their tournament that weekend.

### Craft Night 2025



Olive and Loretta Davis creating decorations at craft night.

Calvin, Titus, and Leisha Diers enjoying the time of crafting.



The Gummerus family making Christmas cards.

**Fast Direct info:** To check on grades and assignments on Fast Direct, go to the bottom of your home page. You will find the name(s) of your student(s). There are several options for you to check out: grades for the current quarter, the previous quarter report card, assignments pending, missing assignments, and attendance report. There's lots of information at your fingertips.

