



St. James Lutheran School Newsletter

December 12, 2025

Christ at the Center

Truth in All Things

**Keep
in Christ
in Christmas**

Worship Opportunities at St. James
in December

December 14: 9:30 Special 150th Anniversary Worship
Service. Grades K-8 sing.

December 17: 8:20 a.m. Chapel

7:00 p.m. Advent Worship

December 21: 8 and 10:30 Worship services

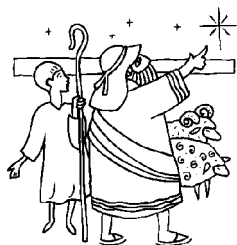
Sunday School Christmas Program at 10:30

December 24: 4:15 p.m. Christmas Eve Divine Service

7:00 p.m. Christmas Eve Candlelight Service

December 25: 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Divine Service

December 28: 8:00 & 10:30 Worship Services



God Loves Me Dearly

The students and staff will present
our Christmas program on
Thursday, December 18 at 6:30 p.m.
and again on Friday, December 19
at 10:00 a.m. We invite you all to
join us at whichever time works best
for you to celebrate our Savior's

birth knowing that it is only the beginning of his road to
Calvary, and his resurrection.

REMINDER: Special preservice music by students
studying an instrument begins at 6:00 p.m. on Thursday
evening.

Christmas Spirit Week December 15-19



Monday: *Sweater Day* – Your choice
of regular or ugly sweater

Tuesday: *Inside Out* Christmas Cheer

Wednesday: *Festive Colors*- red, green,
white

Thursday: *Maroon and Gold* – wear St.

James gear, or your Make A Joyful Noise shirt

Friday: *Dress Your Best* – School Christmas Program at
10:00 a.m.

Celebrate St. James: Our new total is \$ 5,973.00.
Praise God from whom all blessings flow!

Sun., December 14

9:30 a.m. Special 150th Anniversary Service

Choir:

Grades K-8

Wed., December 17

8:20 a.m.

Chapel

7:00 p.m.

Advent Worship

Sun., December 21

8:00 a.m.

Divine Services

10:30 a.m.

Sunday School Christmas Program

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



Say a
prayer
for...

† Thanks for living in a
country where we can
celebrate Christmas freely
and without fear of
punishment.

† Thanks for our everyday

blessings of food, clothes, home, family.

† For hearts that yearn for God's Word.

† For safety in traveling through winter conditions.

† For those who are ill, especially Mrs. Olsen's father-
in-law and brother-in-law, Mrs. Kotila's niece, Ms.
Brundin's friend, Tim, and Pastor Loeslie.

† Help us to keep Christ at the center of all our
Christmas celebrations.

† For the homeless to find warm shelter.

† For missionaries serving your church around the
world.

† For Christians living in places where it is dangerous to
profess Jesus as their Savior.

† For those serving in the military, especially those who
must be away from their families.

† For students and staff as we strive to be disciples sent
by Jesus to do His will wherever we are.

† For our leaders to govern with wisdom and integrity.

**Join us this Sunday at 9:30 a.m. to celebrate the 150th
anniversary of St. James Lutheran Church.** Grades K-8
have prepared special music to share at that service. Bring a
dish to share for the potluck in the gym following the
service. Food can be dropped off any time after 9:00 a.m.

Remember to send winter gear with your child/ren as the
weather gets colder.

Next Weeks at St. James:

Mon. Dec. 15

4:00 p.m. Home BB game vs. Cologne Academy

Tues., Dec. 16

4:00 p.m. BB game @ Waconia

Wed., Dec. 17

8:20 a.m. Chapel

7:00 p.m. Advent Worship

Thurs., Dec. 18

Library

6:30 p.m. P-8 Christmas Program

Fri., Dec. 19

10:00 a.m. P-8 Christmas Program

Sun., Dec. 21

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

10:30 a.m. Sunday School Christmas program

Dec. 22- Jan. 4

Christmas vacation

Our 1-4 grade students submitted Christmas drawings to the Herald Journal. Look for some of those to be appearing in upcoming editions of the local newspaper.



Fresh air: First and Second graders enjoy the time to climb and play outdoors.



The 2025 fifth and sixth grade boys basketball team

has had a busy season. They have 2 more games, a home game on Monday, Dec. 15 vs. Cologne Academy and a game at Trinity Waconia on Tuesday, Dec. 16. Their final practice will be Wednesday, the 16th. Pictured are the boys in action at the tournament held at Hamburg.



Heads up for January

Monday, January 19th: We DO have school and HLWW DOES NOT. There is no bussing on Jan. 19th.



New to St. James this

year: Kane Holmquist is in Kindergarten. He was born in Stillwater on November 22. His family includes, Mom, Mackenzie, and Dad, Jordan. His favorite person in the Bible is Jesus and recess is his favorite part of the school day. The best foods according to Kane are watermelons and pumpkin

pie. He enjoys watching Evan Storm on TV and his go to movie is Power Rangers. During his free time, Kane likes to play baseball, space bot, ride bike or play with dogs and cats. If he could change something in our world, he would bring dinosaurs back. When he grows up, Kane plans to be an astronaut in outer space.

January breakfast and lunch menus will be available next week at the front desk.



