

NOVEMBER CHURCHLETTER



"Giving Thanks!!"

"Now thank we all our God, with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices; who from our mothers' arms has

blessed us on our way

with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today. O may this bounteous God through all our life be near us,

with ever joyful hearts and blessed peace to cheer us:

and keep us still in grace, and guide us when perplexed;

and free us from all ills, in this world and the next. All praise and thanks to God the Father now be given;

the Son, and him who reigns with them in highest heaven:

the one eternal God, whom earth and heaven adore:

for thus it was, is now, and shall be evermore."
"Now Thank We All Our God" (words by Martin Rinkart, music by Johann Cruger).

Greetings! November is such a thankful month. Not only is the holiday of Thanksgiving

in November where we stuff ourselves with turkey, stuffing, yams, and pumpkin pie, but

we often look back at what we have been blessed with throughout the whole year.

There is obviously so much to be thankful for. It was evident to Martin Rinkart and Johann Cruger when the words and music were written for the song "Now Thank We All Our God". This song has been around a very long time. The music was written in 1647 and the words were written in 1663. These composers knew who they should be thankful to. They knew that their blessings came from God and so they gave God thanks in this well-known song.

In our society today, God doesn't always get thanked when something goes our way. We need to give credit where credit is due. When things are going well for us, whether it's good health, a nice home, a good job, or whatever the case may be, let us be thankful to the One who deserves to be thanked...the One who blesses us and is watching over us always. Thank You, precious Lord!

May you all have a very blessed month of November and a Happy Thanksgiving!!! Pastor Gary

The office phone number is 651-280-0150 You can also reach the churches by email at: st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com or NerstrandUMC@gmail.com

Please send bulletin (deadline-9am Thurs) and newsletter (deadline-20th of month) information to:.

st.johnsuccwheeling@gmail.com (Lynn Hirschey will be monitoring this email). Phone number 507-330-1831. Notes in the mail are also welcome if you prefer.

Wednesday Wear at Nerstrand UMC Hours: Wed. 1-5 pm Sat. 9-noon Remember that donations are welcome!



Prayer Chain

Please direct all prayer chain requests to **Becky Tatge (507) 210-1214** or **Mary Kindseth 507-**

789-6879. Messages can be left on either of the phones. If you want to make any changes on how you are contacted or add your name to the list, you can be on the email or phone list. Let's keep this available to our community.

Prayer chain and worship service link emails:

Becky Tatge has been regularly sending emails with the worship service link and/or prayer chain requests. If you have not been receiving them and would like to, please contact Becky at (507) 210-1214

Loving Thoughts and Prayers Surround:



New Perspective
Joan Schwake

Pleasant View Estates

Shirley Bauer Lois Bauer Judy Smith

Faribault Senior Living
Mildred Tatge

Mildred Tatge **Milestone**

Marjean Smith

Traditions I- Owatonna Jean Pederson

At Home

Doris Hildebrandt Arlene Shaske Arlene Bultman Kaye Spike Marion Bailey Dorothy Lang



Joys and Concerns

Halloween Treats at Methodist Church Oct. 31st! 5:30-7pm All Welcome!

Pastor Gary will be on vacation November 10th through November 18th. Sunday,

November 13th, Pastor Jef has agreed to provide pulpit supply. Thank you, Pastor Jef! While I'm gone for that week or so, Rev. Greg Ciesluk from the 4th Ave. UMC in Faribault has agreed to provide pastoral coverage in case of any emergencies. Thank you, Pastor Greg! His cell number is 218-310-8813 and his email is pastorgreg.fourthaveumc@gmail.com

Coffee and Conversation with Pastor Gary!

Join the pastor for a nice visit at Boots & Lu's on Nov. 9 and Nov. 30 at 10:00 am



Let us all be encouraged to start off our Thanksgiving Holiday by joining with our friends & neighbors in giving "Thanks" to God for another year of Blessings.



Thanksgiving Eve worship service will be held at St. John's U.C.C. on Wed. Nov. 23 at 7:00 pm. This is a community wide service with our friends from Nerstrand United Methodist and Grace Lutheran. St. John's Choir and instrumentalists will be

providing special music. Please invite your friends and neighbors.

Choir Practice continues at St. John's at 9: 50am

Sunday School at St. John's

St. John's Sunday School will resume for the 2022-23 school year on Sunday, September 25, for any students Pre-K through 8th grade. We will meet each Sunday from 9:30-10:20 am, and we invite parents/families to stay and join us the first week. Please contact Carrie Hess with any questions, or if you know of a student or teacher who would like to be part of our Sunday School this year; 651-775-5594 or littlehesshouse@gmail.com. We look forward to a fun year, learning about God's love for us and about how we can share that love with others!



Bible Study

A Bible Study 7:00pm at St John's. The 11 session study will be held weekly on Tuesday evenings. "Moses-Calling and Character" by Stephen D. Eyre will be our study guide. Other manuals from the

LifeGuide Bible Studies series have been used in several of our past Bible studies. Please see Doug Spike (952-239-8671 call or text) to sign-up and receive your manual.



St John's UCC council

October 11 2022

The October meeting of St. John's council was called to order at 7:30 by Moderator Gloria Karl.

Pastor Gary reminded the council of the importance of prayer in all our lives. We need to remember to pray when things are good not just when we facing tough times. Pastor Gary then led the council in prayer.

Kim Keller reported for the SPRC committee. She reported that the SPRC has agreed on the Yoking agreement for next year recommended the council accept it. After reviewing it the yoking agreement was signed. Motion was made and passed to accept the pastor's salary package for 2023.

Secretary and treasure's reports were read and approved. Trustees reported that the carpet will be cleaned in November. They also reported that a new washing machine was purchased for the parsonage. Bug spray has been applied around the parsonage and some cracks have been caulked in the parsonage foundation.

There will be two students in confirmation this year which will be starting soon.

The church sign was discussed and the council will be looking for upgrades for the sign since it is in need of repair or replacement.

Mission or outreach projects are being looked at, the council feels it is very important that the church has a project or mission to work on. Several ideas were discussed but no decision was made.

The next meeting will be held November 8th at 7:30 There being no further business the council adjourned at 8:45 Council closed will the Lord's Prayer.

Keith Keller Secretary

Elders: Gloria Karl, Todd Lien, Barb Kleve Deacons: Gordie Wiegrefe, Brian Homier, Keith Keller Trustees: Matt Schwake, Paul Meyer, Dennis Tatge Cemetery Board: Brian Bauer, Al Meyer, Kyle Keller

St. John's UCC Cleaning Committee

The St. John's UCC cleaning committee for the months of Nov./Dec.is: Jim & Deb Purfeerst and Denny & Bernadette Tatge



Nerstrand UMC council

Chairman-Duane Bailey Secretary -Debbie Kerr

Nerstrand Church will be having its annual Church Charge Conference meeting on Sunday, November 20th at 11:30a

Second Saturday Quilters

Quilters will be meeting at St.John's on Saturday November 12th, from 9:00 -



noon. Barb will be teaching a snowman wall hanging. We will need our sewing machine, iron, general sewing supplies. For a supply list contact Deb Wille & it will be emailed to you.

We will have show -n- tell. History Bits. Tool of the month and Rose will bring snack.

SSQ is open to people from all churches and their friends. For more info, contact Deb Wille at 507-323-4813 or 83159deb@gmail.com

UPCOMING EVENTS

Tues. in Nov. Bible Study 7:00pm-SJ except Nov. 8

Nov. 8 Council-SJ 7:30pm

Nov. 9 Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Gary-10:00 am Boots & Lu's

November 11 thru 18 Pastor Gary will be on vacation

Nov. 23 Thanksgiving Service will be held at St John's 7:00pm

Nov. 30 Coffee & Conversation with Pastor Gary-10:00 am Boots & Lu's

Service Schedule for 2022: Sundays (Communion on first Sunday of month) 9:00 AM WORSHIP AT NERSTRAND UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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Phone:507.332.4089



10:30 AM WORSHIP AT ST JOHN'S UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

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Pastor- Gary Liker



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