TODAY

Advent Lessons & Carols, with a Dessert Reception

7 PM | CHURCH

This annual holiday service heightens the expectancy of the Advent season! Let's celebrate together with the reading of scripture and the singing of Advent carols, hymns, and anthems. All are invited to enjoy a dessert reception after the service in Alfriend Hall.

Christmas Poinsettia & Music Dedications

Honor your loved ones in our Christmas Eve bulletins with a Poinsettia or Music Dedication. Use the envelopes in the pews or place your dedications online.

Deadline: TODAY!

SCAN OR VISIT FOR MORE INFO:

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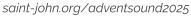
Service of Comfort & Healing

WEDNESDAY | DEC. 17 | 12:10 PM | CHAPEL We celebrate the upcoming holiday by acknowledging that there may also be sadness during joyful times. Our annual Service of Comfort and Healing is held in place of our Wednesday healing service. Come enjoy Eucharist, special prayers, and music at this poignant service. After the service, all are invited to join the St. John's clergy for a special lunch. RSVP to Deborah Dugger in the church office at (850) 222-2636.

Advent Sound Bath

SATURDAY | DEC. 20 | 5:30 PM | ALFRIEND HALL Come enjoy a relaxing sound bath as we wait for the coming light in a state of deep rest and relaxation. Dress comfortably and bring a yoga mat, pillow, and blanket. Refreshments will be served after the sound bath concludes. Fee: \$15; scholarships available. Register your space today!

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SAVE THE DATE

12/24 WED	Christmas Eve Services 1 PM, 4 PM, 8 PM & 11 PM saint-john.org/christmas2025
12/25	Christmas Day Service
THURS	10 AM



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Catering Order Deadline: Friday, 12/19

Order Pickup: Tuesday, 12/23, 11 AM - 2 PM

The Café is closed 12/23 thru 1/2 reopening 1/6.

Sunday School Schedule

9 AM

- · Sermon & Lectionary Group, Rutledge Room
- St. Augustine, Killeen Hall

11:30 AM

- Learning to Speak God from Scratch, Killeen Hall/Zoom
- NEW* Advent with Sister Wendy, Rutledge
- Sermon & Lectionary Group, **Upstairs Meeting Room**

Children & Youth Sunday School:

· Meet in Alfriend Hall after the 10 AM service!



Highlights

YOUTH

Second Sunday Youth Group: Christmas Party

TODAY | 5 PM | YOUTH ROOM Come all ye faithful and bring all yer friends for a "White Elephant" gift exchange party! Find, make, thrift, regift, or otherwise appropriately acquire something you would love to receive so you can give it away. (Don't worry, someone else will be doing the same thing for you.) Please keep the value of your offering to around \$12 and get creative. NO GAG GIFTS.

FAITH IN ACTION

Grace Mission Angel Tree

Visit our Angel Tree, located in the Calhoun St. entrance, where you'll find specific gift requests for boots, blankets, backpacks, and other in demand items.

Sock Drive

Give the gift of warm socks this Christmas! The Daughters of the King are accepting NEW full-sized adult and children's socks. Drop donations off in the basket in the front office by Tuesday, Dec. 16.

COMING SOON

Christmas Dinner Celebration

SUNDAY | DEC. 21 | 5 - 7 PM | THE GARRETSONS You're invited to a joyful Christmas Dinner celebrating love, community, and belonging! Join us as we gather with our LGBTQA+ parishioners, friends, and allies for a festive evening filled with good food, warm conversation, and holiday cheer. Dinner will be at the Garretsons' Home. Contact Jen Garretson (jenlgarretson@gmail.com) or Alison Dillehay (alisondillehay@gmail.com) for details.

Meals on Wheels

WEDNESDAY | DEC. 24 | 10:15 AM | ELDER CARE **SERVICES**

Calling all Christmas Elves! Assist Elder Care Services (ECS) with their Christmas meal delivery. Help is only needed with delivering meals (no food prep). Arrive at the ECS office (2518 W. Tennessee Street) at 10:15 AM for directions and the loading of your meals. Head to our website to learn more and sign up!

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Pastoral Care Person of the Day

10 AM: Gloria Crittenden, North Transcept Contact us: <u>pastoralcare@saint-john.org</u> or call (850) 222-2636 ext. 33

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TODAY	MON.	TUES.	WED.	THURS.	FRI.	SAT.
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
11:30 AM Sunday School		11:30 AM The Knitters		7 AM Men's Bible Study		
5 PM Second Sunday Youth Group		11:30 AM Women's Bible Study	12:10 PM Service of Comfort & Healing	11:45 AM Contemplative Lunch & Study	12 PM Friday Book Study	5:30 PM Advent Sound
7 PM Advent Lessons & Carols	7 PM Centering Prayer		« пеанія	The Good Book		Bath