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#### **Pastor's Page**

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I'm so thankful for you. I can't wait to use my Pastoral Appreciation gift from last month. Thanks to all of you. It means so much. And I'm thankful for all you do to support the ministry of Saint John's with your time, talent and treasure. We live in challenging times and our mission has never been more important.

This month, on Sunday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> (one service at 10am), we will bring our sealed pledges to worship. This financial commitment for 2025 is an act of trust that the Lord will provide. I'm so glad we get to share in Jesus' family business together. Don't forget to bring a dish for the potluck brunch after worship. It's a wonderful day to celebrate God's calling for us to Step out in Faith.

This month, I'm starting a new topic for the Tuesday Bible Study. We'll be studying the Letters of John (1 John, 2 John & 3 John). These short and sweet letters reveal so much about God's love for us and how we can love each other. The Chosen Discussion group continues on Sundays at 4pm this month (except for November 24th). You're welcome to jump in anytime.

We'll also be celebrating our Veterans this month. The students will again host our Veterans Appreciation Dinner on Sunday, November 10th at 6pm. We said goodbye to some of our Vets last year (Gene Stephens & Al Schirmer). Here's a list of our current Veterans.

Bob Carleson	Mark Haley
Jerry DeVos	David Immel
Frank Drake	Steve Kapka
George Erickson	Linda McNair

Sandy Varley Bob Weiger

Thank you for your service. We know freedom isn't free. Are we missing anyone? Please, let us know. God's Peace, Greg

PS Be sure to vote with your faith on Election Day!

### Life Together

#### Men's Breakfast – Saturday November 2<sup>nd</sup>, 8 am Room 7/8

Gentlemen, come join us for an awesome breakfast, praying together for each other and "to know the love of Christ that surpasses knowledge, so that you may be filled with all the fullness of God." *Ephesians 3:19* 



Stewardship Sunday & Potluck Brunch November 3<sup>rd</sup> One gathering at 10 am God is good and we want to celebrate his goodness together with one combined gathering and a potluck brunch together after worship. Bring your sealed pledge and a dish you'd like to share. If you need a pledge packet, we'll have some ready that morning. It's also All Saints Sunday, so we'll be remembering those who have gone on to their reward in Heaven.



**Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup> 9am** we will meet at Pismo Preserve. Many distance options, but the plan will be for the 1 mile Vamanos Trail so that the young, old and tentative walkers can all join in the fellowship. Wear layers, bring water and snacks. As always, invite your neighbors and friends! Due to the nature of the trail, RAIN CANCELS this event. Please contact Adrienne Rule with questions. stjohn.adrienne@gmail.com or 805-458-4626 (call or text)

**SLO County Band** will be entertaining us on Sunday November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 3 pm in the Sanctuary; come enjoy, relax and listen to some great music!

### Youth & Children's Ministry

Veteran Appreciation Dinner Sunday, November 10 at 6:00 pm

Saint John's youth would like to invite Veterans of Saint John's to a special dinner in honor of your service. Thanks to a generous donation, the youth will serve this catered meal for members & regular attendees of Saint John's who are Veterans. Spouses are encouraged to attend with your veteran. We are grateful for your service! Please RSVP to Lydia or Matthew. Your RSVP will help us to purchase and prepare the right amount of food.

#### Youth Group Bowling Sunday November 17

Meet at Saint John's at noon for a ride to Rancho Bowl in Santa Maria. The lane rental will be covered. Students need to bring money for lunch at the bowling alley and \$6 for shoe rental. Sign up with Matthew 805.554.1354!

Thanks to ALL who helped make Trunk or Treat a fun night for so many!

#### Youth Group

It is a great time to jump in and connect with other students! 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders are encouraged to join us for snacks, games, and meaningful discussions Sunday afternoons from noon-2 pm. Friends always welcome!

#### **KidsChurch Overview**

Join us on Sunday mornings at 9:30 as we continue to discover the stories and life of Jesus through the Laugh and Grow Bible. We are learning a lot as we are working our way through the New Testament and having a blast making new friends! We'd love to see you!

### Dress A Girl

Dress a Girl will be meeting on November 9<sup>th</sup>. We will be continuing to make as many dresses as we can before the end of the year, keeping in mind that we need a total of at least 500 dresses to ship to Friends of Hope International. No matter what,all the dresses that we receive this month will find a home and bless one of God's little children!. I am so grateful that God has blessed Dress a Girl with such awesome seamstresses to carry out His plan! We will be taking a break in December but will startup again in the new year, January 11<sup>th</sup> – Mark your calendars! Be Blessed! Make a Dress!

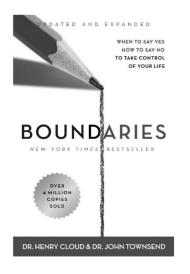
#### Scarves & Hat Knitting

Saint John's Scarf & Hat Knitters meet on the second Wednesday of each month. Come join us on November 13<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to noon in the Church Office. This will be our last meeting in 2024, as we will take a break in December. We will be tagging the scarves, hats & blankets we've made this year on December 15<sup>th</sup> when we decorate the Church. There will also be a potluck at noon in the Fellowship Hall – all knitters and crocheters are invited to come to the potluck and participate in activities, like tagging the scarves, etc. By then we should know when we will be distributing the scarves, usually the last Sunday of December or first Sunday of January – we'd love to have your participation! Talk to Pam for more info.

#### Saint John's Book Club

Saint John's Book Club #3,

**Sponsored by Stephen Ministry** 



Come join Saint John's Book Club discussion group on **Sunday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup>, 12:30 - 2:00 pm, Room 7/8** as we learn about <u>Boundaries</u>, authored by Drs. Henry Cloud & John Townsend. Books are available in the office, provided by Saint John's Stephen Ministry. (\$15 optional donation to cover cost)

### November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday
27 Reformation Sunday	28	29
9:30am Worship 11:00am Worship 5:00pm Trunk or Treat		10:00am Bible Study
3 Daylight-Saving Time Ends All Saints' Sunday 10:00am Stewardship Sunday - NO Kids Church, Worship & Communion 11:00am Stewardship Potluck 12:00pm Youth Group 3:00pm SLO County Band Concert 4:00pm The Chosen - Watch & Discuss 10:00am Buy Scrip in Commons!!	<b>4</b> 11:00am Bells Rehearsal	<b>5 Polling Place for SLO County</b> 10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm Al Anon Meeting
10	11 Veterans Day	12
9:30am Worship 11:00am Worship 4:00pm The Chosen - Watch & Discuss 6:00pm Annual Veteran's Dinner	11:00am Bells Rehearsal 1:00pm Global & Community Missions	10:00am Bible Study 11:30am People's Kitchen 12:00pm Al Anon Meeting
17	18	19
9:30am Worship-Holy Communion 11:00am Worship-Holy Communion 12:00pm Youth Group 4:00pm The Chosen - Watch & Discuss	6:00pm Council Mtg	10:00am Bible Study 12:00pm Al Anon Meeting
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Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 All Saints Day	2
	6:00pm Worship Team	OFFICE CLOSED	8:00am Men's Breakfast 9:00am Property Day 8:00pm A.A. Speakers
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	6:00pm Worship Team 6:30pm Choir Rehearsal		Workshop
13	14	15 OFFICE CLOSED	16
9:00am Knit a Scarf	6:00pm Worship Team 7:00pm Boy Scouts	3:00pm AAUW Set up	9:00am AAUW BINGO 9:00am Fun, Fitness, & Fellowship: Pismo Preserve 11:00am Scleroderma Group
20	21	22 OFFICE CLOSED	23
6:00pm Al-Anon Mtg	6:00pm Worship Team		
27	28 OFFICE CLOSED	29 OFFICE CLOSED	30
11:00am Staff Mtg	Thanksgiving Day		

### Women's Ministry

Women's Ministry would like to thank the many people who worked so harc 7 make the White Elephant Sale a big success. Monies totaled \$6,500 with \$589 coming from the bake sale. The two co-leaders, Janice Goodwin and Ruth Kapka did a tremendous job of organizing the work schedule and managing the workers. (Not to mention the many hours contributed over the course of the week along with a team of many.) David Goodwin and Steve Kapka, were also immensely helpful. The Bake Sale team had a great deal of fun, and were amazed that everything sold. There had never been such an output of wonderful baked goods. A very large portion was donated by Kerry Wood who had boxed up everything so beautifully. Thank you everyone - you were all great.

A big thank you also to the gals who were able to help assemble the LWR boxes to be sent to Camarillo. Sandy Brantingham graciously offered to deliver them for the October deadline and also shared some historical information. Thank you, Sandy.

Annual Christmas Luncheon Wed. December 11<sup>th</sup> 12 noon Commons December is around the corner! Our annual Christmas luncheon is on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Our co-decorators Ruth Kapka and Joyce McGhie with help from the board. Shari Bowman has graciously offered to present an entertaining program, and to also cater the luncheon, which will cost \$15.00 per person. The cut-off date for sign-ups will be Sunday, December 8. Menu choices include a selection of gourmet sandwiches which include ham and turkey. Salads include a Chinese salad, and Sylvia Gold's famous broccoli salad. Kathy Lindstaedt will be baking a lovely seasonal dessert. Gluten free sandwiches will also be available and both salads are GF. Circle your calendars, invite a friend or two, and start out the Christmas Season in a spirit of celebration and gratefulness. For questions and sign-ups contact Louise Frye (805 481 7561) or Ruth Kapka (805 441 1398).

Thank You from the Board of Directors:

Louise Frye & Rena Weiger, co-chairs; Ruth Kapka, Treasurer, Joyce McGhie, and Dianna Muraski

#### **November Memory Verse**

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November Workday Saturday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> 9 am Come help beautify our campus! Many Hands Make Light Work! You can help any day you are available. Check with Lois Franks for list of tasks to complete.



December Newsletter Deadline for submission of an article is November 26<sup>th</sup>

November Food of the Month Thanksgiving sides (Stuffing, Canned or Instant Potatoes or Sweet Potatoes/Yams, Veggies, Cranberry Sauce, Canned Pumpkin or Pumpkin Pie Mix, Pumpkin Bread Mix Your donation will benefit Five Cities Food Bank

### **Council Highlights**

The Council is in the process of reviewing last year's budget and preparing the proposed 2025 budget for approval at our Annual Congregational Meeting Part 1 in December. The Council requests that all ministries with budget line items submit their 2025 budget requests no later than Friday, November 8.

The termite mitigation is complete and painting of the entire exterior of the building is scheduled to begin in the last week of October. The council approved the funding of these joined projects from the Property Refurbishment Fund (a dedicated fund, not part of our operating budget) in order to protect the building from the elements and further pest damage. The paint scheme is intended to match our Saint John's logo colors.

We are continuing the research and negotiation process for a possible cell tower rental on the Saint John's property. This would mean a source of external income with minimal impact on the goings-on around church. We will keep you posted!

And finally, Stewardship, Stewardship, Stewardship! Please prayerfully consider not only your financial contributions, but what you can do with a small amount of your time and talents to further the mission of Saint John's - to introduce people to Jesus!

### November Birthdays & Anniversaries



Jeannie Ormonde	11/2
Theresa Schultz	11/5
Susan Rodriguez	11/6
Denise Mc Coid	11/14
Bob Mc Ghie	11/14
Shar Terborch	11/15
Penny Kruse	11/16
Kathy Lindstaedt	11/24



David & Janis Immel	11/6
Steve & Ruth Kapka	11/14

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