Merry Christmas

St. John/Norrona News

December 2026

Please have any reports or information to be included in the newsletter, submitted by the 24th of each month to stjohn.norrona@sasktel.net. Thank you.

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Scripture Lessons

December 6, 2026:

Isaiah 40:1-11	Psalm 85:1-2, 8-13
2 Peter 3:8-15a	Mark 1:1-8

December 13, 2026:

Isaiah 61:1-4, 8-11	Psalm 126
1 Thessalonians 5:16-24	John 1:6-8, 19-28

December 20, 2026:

2 Samuel 7:1-11, 16	Psalm 89:1-4, 19-26
Romans 16:25-27	Luke 1:26-38

December 24, 2026:

Isaiah 9:2-7	Psalm 96
Titus 2:11-14	Luke 2:1-20

December 25, 2026:

Isaiah 62:6-12	Psalm 97
Titus 3:4-7	Luke 2:1-20

December 27, 2026:

No worship service this Sunday.

January 3, 2027:

Jeremiah 31:7-14	Psalm 147:12-20
Ephesians 1:3-14	John 1:(1-9) 10-18

January 10, 2027:

Genesis 1:1-5	Psalm 29
Acts 19:1-7	Mark 1:4-11

January 17, 2027:

1 Samuel 3:1-20	Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
1 Corinthians 6:12-20	John 1:43-51

January 24, 2027:

Jonah 3:1-5, 10	Psalm 62:5-12
1 Corinthians 7:29-31	Mark 1:14-20

January 31, 2027:

Deuteronomy 18:15-20	Psalm 111
1 Corinthians 8:1-13	Mark 1:21-28

2026 Norrona Financial Statement			
October		**2026 Actual**	**2026 Budget**
General Account Opening Balance		**0.00**	
Offering Income			
Offering Envelops		8951.08	
Loose Offering		382.00	
Total Income		**9333.08**	
EXPENSES			
Congregational Expenses			
Paid to St. John (donation)		5811.06	5000.00
Insurance		1536.97	1800.00
Office/General Administrative		48.78	100.00
Repair and Maintenance		469.66	1500.00
SaskEnergy		475.00	650.00
Sask Power		835.00	850.00
Supplies - Groceries		156.61	150.00
Conventions			120.00
Total Congregations Expense		**9333.08**	**10170.00**
General Account Balance		**0.00**	
Memorial Account Balance		**3167.90**	
Cemetery Account Balance		**6228.10**	
Bank Balance		**9396.00**	
Missions	**January 1, 2026**		
Benevolence Received		990.00	1200.00
Strasbourg EMS (donation)		300.00	0.00
Strasbourg & District Fire Department (donation)		50.00	0.00
St. John's 120th Anniversary(donation)		100.00	0.00
Total Disbursed		**1440.00**	**1200.00**
Memorial	**January 1, 2026**	**3167.90**	
Donations			
Balance	**October 31, 2026**	**3167.90**	
Cemetery Fund - January 1, 2026		**5978.10**	
Donations		250.00	
Balance	**October 31, 2026**	**6228.10**	
Flex Term - January 1, 2026		**29572.50**	
Estate Donation		10000.00	
Balance	**October 31, 2026**	**39572.50**	

St. John Lutheran Church Monthly Financial Summary October 2026

Revenue

Total regular offering (includes for our church, CLWR, Benevolence, Kinasao and pre-authorized monthly giving)	7,413.20
Total other revenue (e.g. rental property, donations, interest, etc.)	7,928.34
Total revenue	**$15,341.54**

Expenses

Pastor Payroll (e.g. salary, benefits, EI, mileage, etc.)	6,308.41
Missions (e.g. Benevolence, Sask. Synod, etc.) Fundraising	2,085.00
Worship and services (e.g. Pulpit Supply, travel time, mileage, worship and office supplies, Organist, Secretary, Treasurer, Envelope Secretary, etc.)	2,340.98
Church properties (e.g. power, telephone, natural gas, bank service charges, line of credit, insurance, church maintenance, etc.)	2,152.59
Total expenses	**$12,886.98**
Net Loss	**$2,454.56**

NOTE: If you would like a full report, please request it through stjohntreasurer@sasktel.net

Family Christmas Service

December 20 - Family Christmas Service @ Norrona - 7 p.m.

There will be a box at the entrance of the church where you can put Christmas gifts/cards for Pastor Rick and Jan. This has been a tradition at Norrona for many, many years. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Worship Committee Report

Thank you to Jan Schulz for leading the worship service on November 8 and the Worship Team on November 22. Well done and greatly appreciated!

Worship Leaders for the next couple months:
Please note the services being held at Norrona

Nov 29 – Pastor Rick – First Sunday of Advent
Service of Healing at Norrona 9:30 am
Dec 6 – Pastor Rick – communion service
2nd Sunday of Advent
Dec 13 – Vicki Cornwell - lay service 3rd Sunday Advent hot dogs & caroling to follow LMPH & Manor
Dec 17 – Pastor Rick - Blue Christmas at 7:00 pm. at St. John
Dec 20 – Brenda Small - Family Christmas Service 4th Sunday of Advent at Norrona, 7:00 pm; no morning service
Dec 24 – Pastor Rick – Christmas Eve Candlelight Communion Service 7:00 pm
Dec 25 – Pastor Rick – Christmas Day Communion Service 10:00 am at Norrona
Dec 27 – No worship service this Sunday

Jan 3 - Pastor Rick - communion service
Jan 10 - TBD – lay service
Jan 17 - Pastor Rick - communion service
Jan 24 - Linda Lanigan – lay service
Jan 31 – TBD – lay service

If you are interested in leading a lay service, please contact Brenda Small, Carol Schultz, or Pastor Rick.

There will be an Advent Welcome Lunch, Saturday, November 28, 11:30-12:30 pm.

The altar guild is working on making a new advent wreath.

The next Worship Committee meeting is Wednesday, January 6, 2027, at 9:30 am at St. John. Anyone is welcome to attend any of the meetings.

Rhonda de Hoop
Worship Committee Secretary

CLWR Gifts From The Heart

Gifts from the Heart this Christmas! Canadian Lutheran World Relief's new catalogue has something to inspire and delight anyone on your list. It's full of meaningful, tangible gifts that will share God's love with the world. Copies are available through the church, by emailing clwr@clwr.org or you can shop online at clwr.org/GFTH.

Worship Services at the Last Mountain Pioneer Home

Pastor Rick will be leading worship at the Last Mountain Pioneer Home on the following Wednesday Morning from 10:30 – 11:00 a.m.

- December 16th

2027

- **January 13th**
- **February 10th**
- **March 10th**
- **April 14th**
- **May 12th**
- **June 9th**
- **July 14th**
- **August 11th**
- **September 8th**
- **October 13th**
- **November 10th**
- **December 8th**

Lamp

If anyone would like to donate to LAMP (LAMP is a cross-cultural ministry sharing Jesus Christ with God's people in remote areas of Canada), this can be done by mailing cheques payable to LAMP to 4966-92 Ave NW, Edmonton, AB T6B 2V4 or visit www.lampministry.org.

