

NEWS NOTES

October 13, 2019

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Susan Abbott Locey, Director of Celebration Ringers
Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Jeff Dardinger

8:15am: John Will, Barb Hill

11:00am Dan Yeater, Dora Yates,
Denise Reynard

Contemporary: Justin & Beth Gottshall,
Brad Wahl

Greeters:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:15am: Sarah Schmitz, Armand Arabian

11:00am: MD: Ron Warren, Jeff Shaw,
& Riley Millet

ND: Lynda Berry
Contemporary: Gottshall family

Readers:

4:00pm: Sheila Boneske

8:15am: John Will

11:00am Christine Hank

Contemporary: Kelleye Schroeder

Altar Guild:

Traditional: John & Sheila Boneske,
Lynda Berry, Averil MacKenzie, Gloria

Biggs, Dee Harlor, Rhonda Maynard

Contemporary: Laurie Pecuch

Acolytes:

4:00pm: Rosalie Daniels

Sarah Mitchell

8:15am: Hunter Thompson

Merrick Wilson

11:00am Dylan Allman



**THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY.
WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!**

Please take a minute to complete the salmon colored insert in your bulletin and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher as you go up to receive communion. If you have any questions or wish to get involved in any of our many ministries, please note that on the insert and we will follow up with you in the coming week.

☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞

HOSPITALIZED: Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: Dan Witteman

CONGRATULATIONS to Christopher Albert and Evelyn Jenkins who were married at St. John's on Saturday, Oct. 12. May God bless your new life together.

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of our 30th wedding anniversary. Given by Frank and Jean Gusa.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of breast cancer awareness month. Given by Rhonda Maynard.

BULLETINS: In honor of the Altar Guild. Given by Vi Davis.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY Pastor Seth's study of the **Gospel of Matthew** will conclude on October 13th. We'll meet at 6:30 p.m. in room 103-4 in the Family Life Center. Light snacks will be provided. Come and enjoy the fellowship and discussion!

COOKIE DONATIONS NEEDED FOR MILITARY TROOPS - We are seeking donations of **homemade** cookies, brownies, or fudge to send to US military troops serving in different parts of the world for Christmas. Donations need to ship the first week of November in order to arrive in December. We will be adding homemade cards of thanks and encouragement made by our Sunday school students. The ultimate goal is 40 dozen homemade treats by the weekend of November 3rd. If you are willing to make and donate cookies to show

appreciation to the men and women who are currently fighting to keep us safe, please mark the salmon insert. Thank you so much!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - -St. John's has partnered with Samaritan's Purse to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ through gift-filled shoe boxes! Here's how you can participate:

1. **Pick up** a shoe box at the church entrance or Link.
2. **Fill** your shoe box with a **"Wow"** item (a toy such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, stuffed animal).
3. Other gifts: Hygiene items (no toothpaste or liquids), school supplies, other fun toys.
4. **Pray!** Most importantly, pray for the child who will receive your gift.
5. Include **\$9 donation** to cover the shipping costs.
6. **Drop off** your filled shoe box in the Link before **November 10**.



If you are unable to pack your own box, we will have a donation tub in the link starting on October 19. Monetary donations are also accepted! Please contact Annaleise or Jeremy Butsko with any questions 614.205.3239.

"Pack your shoe box with love, send it with prayer and share the Good News of Jesus Christ with a hurting child. That's the power of a simple gift." Franklin Graham, President, Samaritan's Purse

THE MAIN SANCTUARY DOORS need to be refinished and sealed before the start of cold weather. If you would like to help with this project, please contact Mike Esposito at 614-875-2314.

MOMS – LOOKING FOR A GROUP of other moms who you can relate to the joy, love, stress, and laughter kids bring to your life? We meet this Tuesday, Oct. 15, from 6:30-8:00pm. Childcare is provided. Come join us as we embrace the journey of motherhood together!!! Find more info on Facebook at MOPS St. John's Lutheran Church.

THE BEACONS WILL MEET Tuesday, Oct. 15, at 9am in Rooms 103-4. Bring a sack lunch and join us as we sort clothes, trim canceled postage stamps, cut fabric squares, assemble quilt tops, and knot & hem quilts. We are finished by early to mid-afternoon, so gather with us to serve and praise God.

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL SCOUTS: It's POPCORN time

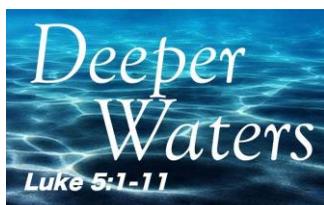
- support your local Scouts AND enjoy delicious popcorn too! Selections include microwave popcorn, flavored popcorn, chocolate covered pretzels and trail mix. This year's sale includes 3 different OSU tins! Don't want the food? Send it to the troops by sponsoring a Military Donation. **Scouts are taking orders now through November 3rd.** See any Scout in uniform Sundays through the month of October to place your order. Questions? Contact **Kristina Little** at **614-738-6979** (call or text) or email alfalfa103@hotmail.com. Thank you!



The annual popcorn sale is the largest fundraiser of the year for Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops and Venturing Crews and all proceeds help Scouts go to camp, earn merit badges and participate in Scouting activities. St. John's Lutheran Church is the chartering organization for BSA Troop 392 and Cub Scout Pack 392, Ohio Valley District of Simon Kenton Council (www.skscouts.org).

Members may pick up their altar flowers on the table outside the Sanctuary doors in the North Entrance unless other arrangements have been made with the Altar Guild.

☞ UPCOMING EVENTS ☞



HOW TO MINISTER FAITHFULLY TO OTHERS WHEN LIFE HURTS: Sunday October 20, 6:30 p.m.

For our October "Go Out from Shore" meeting, Karen Jersild, who serves as a chaplain at Mount Carmel Hospital in Grove City, will be sharing ways to engage in a faithful and meaningful way with people who are going through difficult times. We'll focus on some key listening skills, and on practical ways to increase our self-confidence in reaching others with the love of Christ. These skills can translate into all our relationships, at home, at work and at church. Come and join us! We'll meet at 6:30 p.m. in room 103-4.

OWLS EVENT – OCTOBER 18, 2019 - The OWLS invite you to join them and enjoy the fellowship of your friends. You are guaranteed to laugh a lot, make new friends and catch up with your wiser friends!! No age requirement! Bring a friend and come see what a bunch of OWLS look like in a friendly setting.

Our guest speaker will be Randy Mobley, a Grove City resident, and currently President of the International League of Professional Baseball Clubs, Inc. His background includes working with Columbus Clippers beginning in 1980 and continued in many different capacities until he was hired by Harold M. Cooper, Jr. in 1985 to fill the newly created position of Administrator of the International League located in Grove City and in 1987 assumed similar duties for the American Association.

Can you imagine the stories and memories he will share with us? We hope you are excited to meet Randy and enjoy his stories. If you have attended the OWLS before, we hope you plan to attend. If you haven't – we hope you consider signing up and joining your St. John's friends for a great meal and lots of fellowship.

Please arrive around 11:15 am so we can start our meeting promptly at 11:30 am. Bring a covered dish to share – fried chicken and meatloaf and drinks will be provided. Hope to see you there!!

Reservations are a must for this meeting. Please use the salmon insert to make your reservation or call the church office. If you make a reservation and your plans change (even the morning of the event) please call either Bonnie Swanson (614-562-8002) or the church office (614-875-2314).

OWLS - UPDATE FOR VISIT TO MILITARY MUSEUM - DATE CHANGE

The Older Wiser Lutheran SeniorS are organizing a visit to the Central Ohio Military Museum in Harrisburg on Friday, November 1st. "The Museum is a not-for-profit institution dedicated to preserving the honor and sacrifice of our armed forces veterans, through the preservation of their oral and written histories and their personal artifacts." If you'd like more information, check out their website - www.thecomm.org.

More information will be included in November's Eagle and the News Notes in October. Guests are welcome to join us.

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE LUNCHEON, OCTOBER 27 (Semi-Potluck)

We'll be holding a special luncheon for all who attend the Contemporary worship service on Sunday, October 27th at 12:15. A main dish and drinks will be provided; if you could please bring a side dish or a dessert to share - that would be great. We'll meet in the Family Life Center; bring the whole family! We'll talk a little bit about volunteer needs, but for the most part we'll just enjoy some fellowship and give thanks to God for all his gifts to us.

COMMUNION INSTRUCTION (WITH LUNCH): NOVEMBER 3

Pastor Seth will be leading a class on the meaning and practice of Holy Communion at 12:15 p.m. on Sunday, November 3rd in the confirmation classroom. We'll start with lunch together, and then move into an hour-long discussion of the Lord's Supper. All fifth-grade St. John's students are encouraged to attend (with at least one parent or guardian). If your child is older or younger than 5th grade but is ready for this instruction and ready to receive the Lord's Supper, please come and join us! Please sign up on the salmon sheet, or call the church office at 614.875.2314.

NEW MEMBERS' RECEPTION AND LUNCHEON, NOVEMBER 17

We will be receiving new members into St. John's at the 11:00 traditional worship service on Sunday, November 17th. If you have recently joined St. John's, we encourage you to come! Also, please come to the special luncheon after worship that day at 12:15 in room 103-4. It'll be a great chance to meet other church members and learn more about our congregation and its ministries. Are you looking for a church home, or do you have questions about our congregation? Call Pastor Seth (217.255.2118) any time.

VETERANS DINNER SAVE THE DATE

All veterans in our congregation and their spouse/guest are invited to join us for a very special luncheon on Sunday, November 10th at 12:15 pm in the Family Life Center. Please be sure to save this date so we can honor you and thank you for your service to our country. Additional information to follow in the coming weeks.



❧ FINANCIAL NEWS ❧

“Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.” 2 Corinthians 9:7

| | OFFERINGS | NEEDED |
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| | <u>10/6/2019</u> | <u>EACH WEEK</u> |
| Current Fund (Exp & Salaries) | \$11,212.95 | \$11,380.90 |
| Mission Support Fund | 898.35 | 757.52 |
| Building & Maintenance Fund | 2,075.25 | 2,366.82 |
| Renovations Debt Payment | 1,046.50 | 700.00 |
| Balance on debt is \$57,675.56 | | |
| Worship Attendance: | 441 | |

ONLINE GIVING to St. John’s is available through our website www.stjohnsgc.org and through the GivePlus+ app. Just download the app, select St. John’s Evangelical Lutheran Church, Grove City, Ohio, and complete your giving profile.



A SECURE DROP SLOT is located under the staff mailboxes in the hallway near the secretary’s office. If you are dropping off a monetary gift or papers with confidential information, please put it through the slot to help ensure security.

❧ SUNDAY SCHOOL ❧

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS: Small Group Study w/Pastor Seth-Rm 001 / Small Group Study w/Pastor Patti-Rm 211 / “Acts” w/Steve Johnston-Chapel / “12 Ordinary Men” w/Karl Moe-Rm 102 / “The Best Yes” by Lysa Terkeurst - Sherry Nighbert’s class- Rm 103-4 / Book of Jude w/Rick Butsko-Rm 303 / Community in the Word w/Nick Grossman and Dave Shrum in Flc.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN: Grades 1 through 12 are held on the 3rd Floor / Sunday School Office is in Room 205 / Nursery through Kindergarten are in the basement.

☞ CALENDAR ☞

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:45am Men's Chorale (Chr)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (Flc)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:15am Children's Church (103-4)
12:30pm Catechism Workshop
12:30pm HS Bible Study (Lib)
12:30pm GS Troop 1826 (Fh)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)
6:30pm Bible Study (103-4)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 14

9:00am BSF Leaders (103-4)
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
6:00pm Grt Expect.4H (103-4, Chp)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (204)
7:00pm Nar-Anon (Fh)
7:00pm Puppets (Flc)
7:00pm Prayer/Bible Study (Lib)
7:00pm Finance Team (102)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 15

9:00am Beacons/Quilters (103-4)
9:30am Refit Exercise (Flc)
2:00pm Small Group (102)
6:00pm Cub Scouts (102, 3rd)
6:00pm Daisy Troop (Bsmt)
6:30pm Mom2Mom (Fh, Nurs)
7:00pm BSA 392 (103-4)
7:30pm Al-Anon (Ovf, 204)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 16

9:30am BSF (entire facility)
6:00pm HDSA mtg (103-4)
6:15pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
6:30pm Small Group (101-2)
7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)
7:00pm Explorer/Energizers

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 17

7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
8:00am Small Group (Lib)
10:00am Homeschoolers (Fh)
12:30pm Homeschool Drama (Flc)
1:00pm Small Group (102)
5:00pm Children's Choir (Sanc)
5:45pm Adventure Club/Faith Trek
6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Chr)
7:00pm Cont. Worship Reh. (Flc)
7:30pm Dartball (away)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

7:00am Small Group (Lib)
9:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
11:30am OWLS (Flc)
4:00pm Private Event set-up
8:30pm AA Mtg (Fh)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

8:00am TOPS seminar (Flc)
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:45am Men's Chorale (Chr)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (Flc)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:15am Children's Church (103-4)
12:30pm GS Troop 1826 (Fh)
12:30pm HS Bible Study (Lib)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)
6:30pm Shoreline mtg (103-4)