

NEWS NOTES

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Dr. John Schuder, Minister of Music; Dirk Ahlgrim, Saturday Organist
Susan Abbott Locey, Director of Celebration Ringers
Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Dellno & Betty Lewis

11:00am Wayne & Carla Beavers

Caroline Koethke

Contemporary: Dwight & Cindy

Henricksen, Theresa Wahl

Greeters:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:15am: Teresa Orahood, Hunter &
Colton Thompson

11:00am: MD: Shirley Blake

ND: Christine Hank

Contemporary: Cress family

Readers:

4:00pm: Gayle Woodgeard

8:15am: Teresa Orahood

11:00am: Lisa Stallard

Contemporary: Brooklyn Cress

Altar Guild:

Traditional: Steve & Brenda Dardinger,
Linda Vozel, Dee Harlor, Paul & Pam
Wittenberg, Amy Wanner

Contemporary: Megan Grossman

Acolytes:

4:00pm: Volunteer(s) needed

8:15am: Ellen Previts

Jaylynn Jermann

11:00am Abigail Brubaker



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.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to Mike Esposito on the death of his uncle, Wayne Sampson on Oct. 15th. All who mourn are in our prayers.

THANK YOU “I would like to thank my St. John’s family for all their prayers, cards, visits, and kind words while my Aunt Irene was hospitalized, and sympathy since her death on October 1st. She was 103 years old, a devoted Christian, and a servant to God every day of her life. It’s amazing to belong to a church with so much out-pouring of love. Thank you all very much.” -*Barb Hill*

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

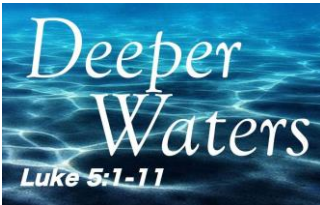
ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of our 30th wedding anniversary. Given by Frank and Jean Gusa.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of the birthday of Megin Cress. Given by her parents, Larry and Becky Link.

PULPIT FLOWERS: In loving memory of John MacKenzie on our 50th wedding anniversary. Given by Averil MacKenzie.

BULLETINS: In loving memory of John MacKenzie. Given by Averil MacKenzie.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞



HOW TO MINISTER FAITHFULLY TO OTHERS WHEN LIFE HURTS: Sunday October 20th, 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 the FLC.

NEW ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS starting Oct. 20th in rooms 103-4. Sherry Nighbert will be leading a study on Max Lucado's book "Finding Lasting Joy in a World of Comparison, Disappointment, and Unmet Expectations."

Join us at 9:30am.



QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS will be held next weekend, October 26th and 27th, following each worship service. Please plan to attend.

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!





DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS on Sunday, Nov. 3rd at 2am. Remember to “fall back” by setting your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday night!



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD This November, Operation Christmas Child shoebox gifts will be collected at thousands of locations across the USA and shipped to more than 100 countries around the world where church partners will hand them out to hurting children. Please consider packing a shoebox and praying for the child who will open it. Gift ideas include:

1. A “WOW” gift such as a doll, soccer ball with pump, backpack or stuffed animal.
2. Hygiene items: Soap, toothbrush and holder, washcloth, colorful band-aids, combs, stick deodorant.
3. Clothing: Shirt, pants, loose-fitting sundress, hair bows and ribbons, sunglasses, purses.
4. Crafts and Activities: pencils, sharpeners, crayons, coloring books, stickers, jump ropes, sewing kit.
5. Other toys: Marbles, balls, plastic dinosaurs, finger puppets, slinky

Find more ideas here: (<https://www.samaritanspurse.org/operation-christmas-child/pack-a-shoe-box/>)

Please no war-related items, gum, candy, liquids or lotions.

Include a \$9 donation to cover the shipping costs and drop off your filled shoe box in the Link before **November 10th**.

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

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 ❧

CONTEMPORARY SERVICE LUNCHEON, OCTOBER 27th (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 3rd - 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 17th

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 - Nov. 10th

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. You can sign up on the salmon sheet in the bulletin, call (614-875-2314) or e-mail (sj@stjohnsgc.org) the church office.



❧ FINANCIAL NEWS ❧

“But just as you excel in everything – in faith, in speech, in knowledge, in complete earnestness and in your love for us – see that you also excel in this grace of giving.”

2 Corinthians 8:7

	OFFERINGS <u>10/13/2019</u>	NEEDED <u>EACH WEEK</u>
Current Fund (Exp & Salaries)	\$10,500.48	\$11,380.90
Mission Support Fund	1,835.35	757.52
Building & Maintenance Fund	1,915.61	2,366.82
Renovations Debt Payment	702.50	700.00
Balance on debt is \$57,675.56		
Worship Attendance:	322	

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 / “Finding Lasting Joy in a World of Comparison, Disappointment, and Unmet Expectations” by Max Lucado - 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 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 (off-site)
- 6:30pm Shoreline mtg (103-4)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21

- 9:00am BSF Leaders (103-4)
- 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
- 7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (204)
- 7:00pm Nar-Anon (Fh)
- 7:00pm Puppets (Flc)
- 7:00pm Respect Life Team (101-2)
- 7:00pm Council (103-4)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22

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

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 23

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

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 24

- 7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
- 8:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 9:00am Eagle Mailing (103-4)
- 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 (Flc)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 7:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 9:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
- 8:30pm AA Mtg (Fh)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 8:00am Private Event (Flc, Kit)
- 10:00am Bed Brigade Prayer Group (Chp)
- 4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)\
Qrtly Congregational Meeting
- 7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27

- Quarterly Congregational Meetings after each service
- 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)
- 12:00pm Cont. Service luncheon (Flc)
- 12:30pm HS Bible Study (Lib)
- 5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)