

NEWS NOTES

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Jo Dimond

Karen Bentley

11:00am Ron Nighbert, Dan Yeater,

Chad Whyte

Contemporary: Dwight & Cindy

Henricksen, Beth Katterhenrich

Readers:

4:00pm: John Boneske

8:15am: Judy Taylor

11:00am: Alice Sweeley

Contemporary: Donna Westerfeld

Acolytes:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:15am: Sarah Mitchell

11:00am Tom & Sally Weisenberger

Greeters:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:15am: Jo Dimond

11:00am: MD: Bill & Linda Diehl

ND: Lois Moore

Contemporary: Althoff family

Altar Guild:

Traditional: Jim & Connie Schemrich,

Barb Grubb, Carol Penrod, Sarah

Schmitz, Donna Linder

Contemporary: Beth Katterhenrich

Mike & Cheryl Grimm



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: Mickey Krieger, Bob Swanson

BAPTISM: Congratulations to Coley and Lynnsey Logan on the baptism of their twins, August Richard and Hattie Ann, today at the 8:15am service.

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of all veterans. Given by Warren Grody & Linda Vozel.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In celebration of Colton Thompson's 9th birthday. Given by grandparents, Terry & Teresa Orahood.

BULLETINS: Given by Ike and Shelah Stage.

✪ TODAY'S NEWS ✪



FAMILY CARE - Are you interested in some "little one" time? *Our children are in need of care during the services so moms can participate in worship.* The commitment would only be once every other month depending on the number of loving adults that sign up. Please consider faith-

webbing our families into the kingdom with your love and care! Mark the salmon insert if you are interested. Thank you!

FIRST COMMUNION INSTRUCTION for children in 5th grade (or older) and a parent or guardian will be held today at 12:15pm in rooms 103-4. Lunch is provided and Pastor Seth will instruct the class.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD There's only one week left to get your shoeboxes filled! We have an opportunity to share God's love with children all over the world and everyone can help!



1. You can fill a shoe box with toys, school supplies, and personal care items (see the posters hanging around the church for ideas). Don't forget the \$9 to help with shipping.
2. You can bring in one or two items to go toward filling a box. Just place these items in the donation tub out in the link.
3. You can pray for the children who will receive these gifts.

Deadline to bring in items is next Sunday, November 10th. Thank you!



NOW THAT IT IS AUTUMN, winter and cold weather aren't that far away. Bruce and Karen Whyte have begun their annual coat & blanket collection for those less fortunate. They have a great connection with a pastor in Franklinton, who will give our winter donations to those in that area. Those being helped are the homeless and any who need a little help in having warm outerwear and blankets. As Jesus instructed us, we are to provide for others. (Ties into our small group Bible study, too.) Each year our loving and generous members give so many items. We take them each Sunday night to the church before their evening service. They give the items away; there is not a cost for any recipient. Please leave your donations in the box in the church library. Any questions, please call Bruce & Karen Whyte at 614-878-9392. This is a wonderful way to share your blessings.

PLEASE DONATE YOUR LEFTOVER HALLOWEEN CANDY to the Beacons. The candy will be placed in the Christmas bags for the children whose families use the food pantries. Each small bag will contain a pencil, Ohio Wild Life magazine, crayons, toothbrush, toothpaste, comb, pen, small



soft toy, and candy. Please place you candy in the Beacons-Quilters' cabinet in the Link. Thanks for filling the bags with love and sweetening power.



ADOPT-A-FAMILY DRIVE - In the hopes of helping to make the holidays a little brighter for some of our fellow members who may be struggling financially, we will be accepting monetary donations during the month of December for our annual holiday Adopt-A-Family drive. Envelopes will be available throughout the

church and in the church office. If you or anyone you know of within the congregation would like to be considered for Adopt-A-Family funds, please note that on the salmon insert. The names are kept completely confidential.

CHRISTMAS DECORATORS NEEDED! This year we will be decorating the church for Christmas on Friday, November 29th (the day after Thanksgiving). We have artificial trees that need to be assembled and strung with lights, garland to put up, wreaths to hang, etc. We could use all of the help we can get! If you would be able to give even an hour of your time to help beautify our church and set the mood as we prepare for the birth of our Savior, we would greatly appreciate it. Please mark the salmon insert if you are able to help.



HOMEBOUND COMMUNION TEAM: On the first Sunday of each month this team comes to the altar after all have received the Lord's Supper to receive a Holy Communion kit. The distribution of home communion is an extension of the Lord's Supper and is for those who are unable to be present at the celebration of the congregation. We bring to them the same bread of life and the same cup of blessing that they may be strengthened through their participation in the body of Christ. Let us be mindful and grateful for this ministry.

WRAPPED IN PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will hold its next meeting on Sat., Nov. 9th at 9am in Rooms 103-4. Everyone is welcome. Bring your knitting/crochet materials and any completed shawls to be blessed with prayer. We will teach anyone to knit or crochet. For more info call Glenda at 614-352-



5955 or Diana at 614-271-5775. If you know of someone who might appreciate a shawl, call Nancy at 614-875-8155.

PRAYER REQUESTS should be turned in by Monday morning. Fill out the prayer request section on the salmon insert, or contact Marge at 614-307-7391. You may also email your prayer request to sj@stjohnsgc.org. Requests will only remain on the prayer chain for one month unless we are otherwise notified.

USED EYE GLASSES ARE being collected for donation to Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers located throughout the world. The used glasses are repaired and distributed to those in need in developing countries. You can drop your used eyeglasses in the boxes in the North Entrance and in the hallway just outside of the Library.

CONCERNED BY SOMEONE ELSE'S DRINKING? Try Al-Anon, a fellowship of family and friends of alcoholics who share their experience, strength and hope in order to solve their common problems. Al-Anon meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Overflow. In Al-Anon we learn that we have choices that help us put some sanity back into our lives again.

THE EAGLE monthly church newsletter is available on our website! Go to www.stjohnsgc.org. On the homepage, choose the "Resources" tab, and click on "The Eagle".

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 ☯

GRIEF: "LIVING IN THE DIFFERENT" Seminar at St. John's, Saturday November 16, 1:00 p.m.

Elaine J. Clinger Sturtz is an Elder in the United Methodist Church in the West Ohio Conference. She is also a Licensed Professional Clinical Counselor (LPCC) in private practice. Through her counseling, pastoral care and hospice experience, Elaine has walked the journey of dying and grief with many

families. Her own journey through the death of her beloved grandmother, her parents, dear friends, a grandson and her husband has given her a deeper understanding of the journey of grief both personally and professionally. Elaine is the author of 3 devotional books, and her book Living In The Different explores the experience of grief and loss from a Christ-centered perspective. We are blessed to have Rev. Sturtz with us at **St. John's on Saturday, November 16, at 1:00 p.m.** If you or someone you love is dealing with loss right now, or if you would like to go deeper in sharing the love and healing power of Christ with loved ones who are experiencing grief, we hope you can come and benefit from this seminar!

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.

A SPECIAL SERVICE OF COMFORT AND REMEMBRANCE *will be held on Sunday, December 1st at 2pm. This is a special worship service set aside for family or friends who have had loved ones pass away this past year. Watch the News Notes for more information in the coming weeks.*

MAX AND ERMA'S – Join us at the Max and Erma's in Hilliard for our next fundraiser to support our Mission Trip teams to Mexico and Alaska. This event will be held on Monday, Nov. 18th. Flyers will be available in the coming weeks.

✪ FINANCIAL NEWS ✪

“Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful.” Colossians 3:15

	OFFERINGS <u>10/27/2019</u>	NEEDED <u>EACH WEEK</u>
Current Fund (Exp & Salaries)	\$8,000.71	\$11,380.90
Mission Support Fund	590.94	757.52
Building & Maintenance Fund	1,541.00	2,366.82
Renovations Debt Payment	342.50	700.00
Balance on debt is \$54,945.62		
Worship Attendance:	374	

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.



✪ SUNDAY SCHOOL ✪

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS: **Small Group Study** w/Pastor Seth-Rm 001 / **Small Group Study** w/Pastor Patti-Library / **“Acts”** w/Steve Johnston-Chapel / **“Wrecked and Redeemed”** by Benji Kelly 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, NOVEMBER 3

- 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)
- 12:15pm 1st Communion Class (103-4)
- 12:30pm HS Bible Study (Lib)
- 12:30pm GS Troop 1826 (Fh)
- 5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)
- 5:00pm BSA 392 Leaders (101)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4

- 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 Elizabeth Circle (101-2)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5

- Election Day – Flc
- Scrip Order Deadline
- 9:00am Quilters (103-4)
- 9:30am Refit Exercise (Flc)
- 2:00pm Small Group (102)
- 6:00pm Cub Scouts (102, 3rd)
- 6:00pm GS Daisy Troop (Fh SS)
- 7:00pm SW Historical Soc. (103-4)
- 7:00pm BSA 392 (Flc)
- 7:30pm Al-Anon (Ovf, 204)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

- 9:30am BSF (entire facility)
- 12:30pm OWLS Plng (Lib)
- 6:15pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
- 6:30pm Small Group (101-2)

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 6, cont.

- 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)
- 7:00pm Explorer/Energizers

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 7

- 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 Dartball (Flc)
- 7:00pm Cont. Worship Reh.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 8

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9

- 9:00am Prayer Shawl Min. (103-4)
- 9:30am Private Event (101-2)
- 4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)\
- 7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

- Eagle Newsletter Deadline
- 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)
- 12:15pm Veterans Luncheon (flc)
- 12:30pm HS Bible Study (Lib)
- 5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)