

NEWS NOTES

December 22, 2019

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
Karl Eiginger, Children's Choir Director

SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Sheila Boneske
8:15am: Teresa Orahood, John Will
11:00am Christine Hank, Bonnie Swanson, Neva Warren
Contemporary: Brad & Theresa Wahl, Amy O'Day

Readers:

4:00pm: Connie Schemrich
8:15am: Tom Phillips
11:00am: Christine Hank
Contemporary: Amy O'Day

Acolytes:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed
8:15am: Corban Allman
Hunter Thompson
11:00am Luci Evans
Mahala Wanner

Greeters:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed
8:15am: Teresa Orahood, Hunter & Colton Thompson
11:00am: MD: Jeff Shaw, Riley Millet, & Ron Warren
ND: Lynda Berry
Contemporary: Cress Family

Altar Guild:

Traditional: Jeff Dardinger, Nanciann Bowles, Lynda Berry, Averil MacKenzie, Gloria Biggs, Paul & Pam Wittenberg, Amy Wanner
Contemporary: Laurie Pecuch

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: Debbie Burger; Barb Rawson

THANK YOU: “Thank you to all at St. John’s for the beautiful cards and notes, prayer shawl, visits, and encouraging words, during my Mom’s, Roseanna Dell Scott Green’s, recent illness and passing. Thank you also to Pastor Seth for the beautiful service.” - *Sincerely, Bill and Chris Snashall*

“Thanks to the Chancel Choir members and Dr. John Schuder for the wonderful music on 12/15/19. It was such a joy to see the church all decorated for Christmas. My daughter, Lolly, and I enjoyed visiting with so many old friends and choir members and hearing Pastor Patti’s meaningful sermon. God bless you all.” -*Much love, Paula Ames.*

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor and appreciation of all of the office and Eagle volunteers. Thank you so much for the gift of your time! Given by Jan Miller.

BULLETINS: Given by Sheila Boneske.

☞ TODAY’S NEWS ☞

THANKS TO ALL WHO FILLED OUT A COMMITMENT CARD. Your commitments indicate an increase in giving of 6.7%. Those who indicated a dollar amount rather than a percentage amount reflect an increase of over \$5000.00 per year. If you didn’t have the time to fill out your commitment there

are cards available at the entrances and in the Link. Turn one in so that we can include your commitment also.

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THE WONDERFUL BAKERS AND BUYERS

of St. John's along with the community, who made the cookie sale a great success for another year! We were able to raise **\$1122.65** for our **Kitchen Fund!** A special "Thank You" to Keith Stenerson for putting the cookie sign outside for us and to Betty Lewis, Susan Koehler and Wilma Phillips who helped set up on Friday morning. Also a big "THANKS" to Wilma Phillips, Pam Castle, Sheila and John Boneske, Pam Brown, Larry Sutton, and Barb Hill who helped sell our goodies on Saturday! We would also like to thank those who donated money, needed items and/or baked goods for the sale. Together we had a wonderful time and thank our community & church members for supporting this ministry. Look for us again in 2020! Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



A YOUNG ADULT GROUP HAS STARTED AT ST. JOHN'S. If you're interested in this group, please connect with Chelsea Smith, Karl Eiginger, or Michaela Stenerson!

YOUTH GROUPS (ADVENTURE CLUB, FAITH TREK, EXPLORERS, AND ENERGIZERS) WILL RESUME on Wednesday, Jan. 8th, and Thursday, Jan. 9th. Connect with Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org for more information. January is a great time to join!

THE 2020 SUMMER CAMP BROCHURE is now available on the youth office door and in the link (on the north wall, to the left of counters). There are lots of great opportunities for summer faith adventures, for all ages. Questions? Connect with Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org or 614-620-2669. *Registration, for all camps, opens on Jan. 5th.*

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS are needed for the 11am service. If you would like to participate in this ministry, please sign up on the salmon sheet or contact the church office (614-875-2314).

READERS ARE NEEDED FOR JANUARY THROUGH JUNE OF 2020 for all services. Please sign-up on the sheets posted on the bulletin board in the North Entrance. Thank you!

NIGHTLY SECURITY CHECKS – one or two persons are needed during January and February to make sure the church is locked and secure each night between 9-10pm. The security team rotates every two weeks. Please contact Mike Esposito (614-875-2314) if you are interested in helping, or sign-up on the salmon sheet.



PRAYERS AND PINS bowling league starts January 3, on Friday nights at 6pm. Cost is \$14 per person, and 50% of this will support our Summer Short-Term Mission teams. Contact Jo Dimond to sign up at 614-270-3291 or jodimond@aol.com; or Dave & Karen Grossman at 614-579-8037.

COAT AND BLANKET DRIVE - Bruce and Karen Whyte have begun their annual coat & blanket collection. The items are taken to a church in Franklinton and given to those in need in that area. Please leave your donations in the box in the church library. Questions? Call Bruce & Karen Whyte at 614-878-9392.

CHURCH DIRECTORY Our church directory is now available online! Go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com and follow the prompts under “sign in” to “create a login now”. A limited number of printed directories will be available in the church office, and we are suggesting a donation of \$10 to help offset the cost of printing. Contact Elaine Bennett at elaine.bennett@stjohnsgc.org with any questions you may have.

2019 OFFERINGS must be received in the church office by Dec. 31, or if mailed, have a postmark no later than Dec. 31. Offerings received after that date will be counted as donations for 2020.

OFFERING ENVELOPES FOR 2020 are available now in the Overflow. Since the envelopes are dated, please wait until January to begin using them. If you do not see a box with your name, please sign on the sheet provided and a box will be prepared for you to pick up the following week.

Prefer to give electronically? You can do this through our website: www.stjohnsgc.org, or the GivePlus app on your mobile phone.



⌘ UPCOMING EVENTS ⌘



MORE THAN “PRAYER PARTNERS” FOR WOMEN – Join us in this “all new adventure!” In our 1-hour fellowship we will have 3 segments. First we will learn the importance of spending time in praise and in prayer. Secondly, we will have a time of group sharing, and sharing with our small group (3) prayer partners. Lastly, we will go to God with our praises and prayer requests.

Starting on Jan. 9th and going thru March 26th, we will meet on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month at 10am using rooms 103-4. There is really no better place to be than connected with our Lord in His presence. Lives will change! Questions: call Sally Weisenberger (614) 871-2463.

⌘ 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, DECEMBER 22

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)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 23

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (204)
7:00pm Nar-Anon (Fh)
7:00pm Puppets (Flc)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

5:00pm Christmas Eve Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm Christmas Eve Worship (Sanc)
9:00pm Christmas Eve Worship (Sanc)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25

10:00am Christmas Day Worship (Sanc)
12:00pm Private Event (Flc)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 26

Church offices closed today

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

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

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

11:00am Private Event (Flc)
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)\
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

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)
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