

NEWS NOTES

March 1, 2020

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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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:

8:15am: Karen Bentley, Jo Dimond

11:00am Ron Nighbert, Dan Yeater

Chad Whyte

Contemporary: Brad & Theresa Wahl,

Kim Meadows

Greeters:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

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

11:00am: MD: Chuck & Ginny Bent

ND: Barbara Armentrout

Contemporary: Wahl Family

Readers:

4:00pm: John Boneske

8:15am: Tom Phillips

11:00am: Averil MacKenzie

Contemporary: Donna Westerfeld

Altar Guild:

Traditional: Steve & Brenda Dardinger.

Barb Grubb, Betty Lewis

Contemporary: Megan Grossman, Beth
Katterhenrich

Acolytes:

4:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:15am: Sarah Mitchell

11:00am: Tom & Sally Weisenberger



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: Beth Mitchell; Phyllis Sonnen, Fritz Buck, Mickey Krieger

BAPTISMS: Congratulations to the following families whose children will be baptized today at the 11:00am traditional service: Gabriella Ann Althoff, daughter of Tim and Jill Althoff; and Jackson Jump and Elaine Jump, son and daughter of Andrew and Abby Jump.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Kay Turner who died on February 22, 2020. *All who grieve are in our prayers.*

THANK YOU – “Thank you for the cards and words of consolation received at the passing of my brother, Richard Johnston.” *-Ralph Johnston*

“Thank you to my St. John's family for the beautiful cards, prayers and delicious food which I received while recovering from my recent reverse shoulder surgery.” *-Dellno Lewis*

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given by Dave Sweeley and Barb Grubb.

PULPIT FLOWERS: Given in honor of Paul Wittenberg's birthday.

✪ TODAY'S NEWS ✪

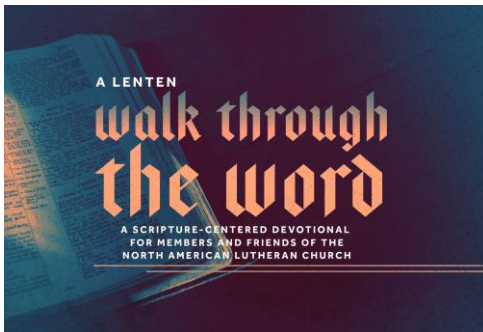
LENTEN BIBLE PROJECT:

Brayden Gottshall, 4th grade: “My favorite story of the Bible is the Devil in the Desert. This story is about how Jesus was fasting for 40 days and nights in the desert. The devil went to Jesus and tempted him. Jesus said, “Do not put the Lord to the

test.” The devil left and the angels came to him. I like this story because I think it’s cool that Jesus had to fight against temptation, but he won! I think everyone should read this story because if you trust the Word of God then nobody will be able to cause you to fail. Please give a donation to the Lenten Bible Project so when beds are delivered to families, the families also get a new Bible.”

Colton Thompson, 3rd grade: “My favorite story of the bible is David and Goliath. This story is about where Saul’s soldiers were scared of Goliath. David wasn’t afraid because God was with him. David picked up stones and fired at Goliath and the Philistines ran away. I like this story because David said God was with him. Please give to the Lenten Bible Project so people can learn about Jesus and read about different stories of the Bible.”

The Lenten Bible Project is a service project of the 3rd – 6th grade classes. Monies raised will purchase Bibles for the Bed Brigade. Please make checks out to St. John’s Lutheran and put your check in the designated envelopes at displays throughout the church. The last day to give is April 12th. Thank you.



NALC LENTEN DEVOTIONAL - We will all benefit from additional time, if brief, spent reading God’s Word, meditating on it and responding to it. This is the aim of this Lenten devotional booklet — to stimulate regular, personal, daily time in the Scriptures in an easy to use format that encourages faithfulness. We also hope that these brief readings and meditations will help those not used to daily Bible reading, to begin, at least

during Lent. May our love for and knowledge of Holy Scripture grow, in some small way, as we take a Lenten walk together, through the Word!

This year’s Lenten devotional, *A Lenten Walk Through the Word*, was prepared by the Rev. Dr. David Wendel, NALC assistant to the bishop for ministry & ecumenism.

Download the devotional to your e-Reader: [Apple](#), Google (coming soon)

Receive a daily message to your personal **Facebook Messenger**:

1. Visit: m.me/thenalc
2. Text the word: Lent
3. Click the “Subscribe” button

Listen to this year’s devotional on the North American Lutheran Church podcast: [Apple](#), [Google Play](#), [Spotify](#) or thenalc.org/media

Watch a video recording of the devotional daily: facebook.com/thenalc

PLEASE NOTE: Pastor Seth's Sunday School class will meet today in the Overflow.

PARENTS OF 1st - 4th GRADERS will meet today in the Fellowship Hall. We'll share practical suggestions and guidance on how to incorporate the basics of the Christian faith into your family's life on an everyday basis, along with information about the unique needs and characteristics of children in this age group. A light breakfast will be served at the class. We will be covering other age groups month-by-month in the coming year. It'll be fun and very helpful. We hope you will be able to attend!



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME begins at 2am on Sunday, March 8th. Be sure to set your clocks ahead before you go to bed on Saturday evening!

THE ENNEAGRAM JOURNEY with Jesse & Kellye Schroeder continues on Sunday evenings, 6:00-7:30pm. Class will meet on Feb. 23 in rooms 103-4. Child care provided.

We have a family in our church who is looking to pay a mature teen or adult to babysit for two elementary-aged children, on a weekly basis, on Fridays, 4:30 – 7:30pm. If you would be interested, please contact Chris Snashall at 614-218-6668 or Laurie Pecuch at 614-620-2669.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!! We are having our final Mom 2 Mom children's clothing resale this coming Saturday, **March 7th, 2020 from 8 AM to Noon.** Lovingly & gently worn clothes, shoes, coats, toys, games, books, nursery items, maternity clothes and MUCH, MUCH more! Come see for yourself! If you have any questions or donations, please contact Christina Allman at 614-801-2568.



FLOWER CHART FOR 2020 IN THE NORTH ENTRANCE - Altar flowers beautify our worship service each week and are a wonderful way to remember or honor a loved one(s). We presently have openings in the months of March and April. It is very easy to share your love through the sponsoring of Altar flowers. At the North Entrance of the Sanctuary is a "Sign Up" sheet for the Altar flowers. Should you have any questions,

feel free to contact myself "Lesia Corbin" (614) 530-4984, and I will be more than happy to assist you in placing your request.



WITH WARM WEATHER JUST AROUND THE CORNER, and daffodils already peeking through the soil, you might be thinking about gardening. St. John's has members who volunteer to take care of the gardens around our church. Each has a small area to maintain. It is up to the member to decide what to plant, from ferns to flowers, and perennials and annuals. Mulch is provided. What a beautiful sight it is to see the variety of flowers around our church in the summer time. We have a few open spaces, and if this sounds like something you would like to do, please contact Elaine Bennett (614-446-0148) or Karen Whyte (614-878-9392); or sign up on the salmon sheet. No experience is necessary. There are many members, who are very knowledgeable about flowers and are ready to answer any questions you may have. What a wonderful opportunity to make memories with your children or grandchildren spending time beautifying God's house.

ARE YOU FREE THIS SATURDAY? Looking for a judgment-free workout that's actually fun? You found it! 🎯 Join me in the FLC on Saturdays from 9-10am for REV+FLOW! This total body workout is low impact and truly designed for all fitness levels! It's easy on our joints, while challenging our muscles, balance & flexibility 😊



Please bring a mat if you have one. For more info call Theresa Wahl #614-353-8009 or check out "REFIT with Theresa" on Facebook.

Members may pick up their Altar Flowers in the North Entrance unless other arrangements have been made with the Altar Guild.

🌀 UPCOMING EVENTS 🌀

MISSION TRIPS FUNDRAISER – our next fundraiser will be on March 10, 2020 at the City BBQ on Stringtown Road. Flyers are in the bulletin. Please dine out to support our mission teams to Mexico and Alaska!

BIRTHDAY PARTY - Join Ginny and Chuck Bent in celebrating Chuck's 80th birthday. You're invited to a party on March 14 from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Family Life Center. No gifts, please.

NEW SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY BEGINS, MARCH 22ND

Mark your calendars: Pastor Jersild will begin a new five-session Sunday night Bible study on the books of **1 and 2 Peter** on March 22nd. Class begins at 6:30 and meets in rooms 103-4. Light snacks will be provided. Class will not meet on Easter Sunday (April 12th), so we'll finish on April 26th. Come join the class and enjoy the fellowship and good discussion!

FAITH MISSION APRIL 9 - Would you be willing to help serve a meal to the homeless at Faith Mission? Our next date is Thursday, April 9, and we leave the church at 5pm. Adult volunteers are needed for this important ministry. Please contact Mike Esposito at 614-875-2314 or mesposito@stjohnsgc.org.

☞ 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 / **1 Peter** 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.

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance: Feb. 2 - 376 Feb. 9 - 350 Feb. 16 - 328 Feb. 23 - 380

January 2020

Income

Expense

Operating

\$50,089

\$59,940

Benevolence

\$ 5,399

\$ 5,025

Debt Reduction

\$ 2,359

\$10,210

Loan Balance as of 1/31/2020 \$39,288

☧ LENT AND EASTER ☧



**Mar. 4-April 1 Wednesday Lenten Services
at 12 noon and 6:15pm
“A New and Right Spirit”**

- April 2 Easter Family Fun Night at 5:45pm
April 5 Palm Sunday *“The Cry of the Whole Congregation”*
6pm Saturday, and 8:15 and 11am on Sunday
April 8 Holy Week Breakfast 7am
Maundy Thursday Service at 7pm
April 9 Holy Week Breakfast 7am
Good Friday Service at 12 noon and 7pm
April 11 Sit-down Communion Service at 1pm
Easter Service at 6pm
April 12 Easter Services - Traditional at 8:15 and 11am
Contemporary at 11am
Easter Breakfast – 7am-10am

☯ CALENDAR ☯

SUNDAY, MARCH 1

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 9:30am Sunday School
 9:30am Confirmation Class (Sanc)
 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 Private Event (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)
 6:00pm "Enneagram" Adult Study (103-4)

MONDAY, MARCH 2

9:00am BSF Leaders (103-4)
 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
 6:30pm Elizabeth Circle (101-2)
 7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (204)
 7:00pm Nar-Anon (Fh)
 7:00pm Puppets (Flc)

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

Scrip order deadline

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
 9:30am Refit Exercise (Flc)
 10:00am Small Group (204)
 12:30pm OWLS Plng (Lib)
 2:00pm Small Group (102)
 6:00pm Cub Scouts (101-2, 3rd)
 7:00pm Boy Scouts (Flc)
 7:00pm Quilting Group (Fh)
 7:00pm SW Historical Soc. (103-4)
 7:30pm Healing Words Al-Anon (Ovf, 204)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4

8:30am Small Group (Lib)
 9:00am BSF (entire facility)
 12:00pm Lenten Service (Sanc)
 5:45pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4 cont.

6:15pm Lenten Service (Sanc)
 7:00pm Small Group (101-2)
 7:00pm Explorers/Energizers
 7:00pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
 9:30am Homeschool Enrichmt (Fh)
 1:00pm 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)
 6:45pm Small Group (Lib)
 7:00pm Contem. Worship Reh.

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

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

SATURDAY, MARCH 7

2nd Year Catechism Advance (off-site)
 8:00am Mom 2 Mom Resale Event (Flc)
 4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, MARCH 8

2nd Year Catechism Advance (off-site)
 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 HS Bible Study (Lib)
 5:00pm Adult Basketball (Flc)
 6:00pm "Enneagram" Adult Study (103-4)