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NEWS NOTES

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☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞

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

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

DRIVE-THRU COMMUNION will continue on Sundays from 10:30-11:30am as long as we are having online services.



CHILDREN AND YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATE: Virtual “go-to-meetings” are currently taking the place of our weekly Sunday School, Adventure Club, Faith Trek, Explorers, Energizers, and IQA bible study. Contact Laurie Pecuch at 614-620-2669 for your “go-to-meeting” id number. We are doing our best to contact parents and youth by either text messaging or email. Feel free to connect with us to give us your current email or cell number, if you are not hearing from us! For id numbers or to update your information, please text Laurie Pecuch at 614-620-2669. Thank you!

FOR UP-TO-DATE COMMUNICATIONS, please visit our church website at www.stjohnsgc.org or our St. John’s Lutheran, Grove City Facebook pages. Please note that we have both a **public** Facebook page and a **private** (member’s only) Facebook page. Worship services are posted on the public Facebook page and the church website.

LENTEN BIBLE PROJECT:

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. The last day to give is April 12th. Thank you.



MISSION TRIPS FUNDRAISER
Tuesday, April 14th 3pm-10pm
4155 Parkway Center Dr. G.C
614-539-1427



REQUEST FROM JACKSON TOWNSHIP - There is a growing need to provide face masks to hospitals. We are recruiting area churches to join the “Buckeye Bandits” (get it, they have masks).

DIRECTIONS FOR MAKING THE MASKS:

<https://www.deaconess.com/SpecialPages/How-to-make-a-Face-Mask?fbclid=IwAR1H25JhviFlqeBij-LEwCUCGNf-PbJcst4fHxcnXOThUqoTk6CVQ8cuyRM>



WHERE TO DROP COMPLETED MASKS

Masks can be dropped at the County Emergency Management Agency, 5300 Strawberry Farms Blvd, Columbus, OH 43230, (or you can collect them at your church and call Ron McClure (Jackson Township Trustee, ron.mcclure@jacksontwp.org or (614) 902-0985), and he will pick them up from your church and deliver them where they are needed.

Here is another resource for making masks as posted on Facebook by our member Kirsten Lovell. Kirsten will pick up and deliver to the hospital if you give her a call: 513-616-5642, or you can drop them off here at the church.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=S9RWII2-5_4&feature=youtu.be&fbclid=IwAR1ibnaSst2TCE8Uk5iRJRqZkyHn6Kmdq4dGus-AOpYIB1TcP7Nk_FNIQKw

YOUTH GROUPS are meeting weekly through a virtual meeting app call **GoToMeeting**. Text Laurie at 614-620-2669 to get your GoToMeeting id # for Children's Connection, Explorers, Energizers, Confirmation Sunday School, High School Sunday School, and High School IQA! *We hope you can join us! ☺ It's always great to see you! Diana, Laurie, and Gary*

THE GRAD SUNDAY CELEBRATION for upcoming high school seniors is going to be moved to a later date when we can all come to church and celebrate and pray over our high school seniors! We are so proud of the class of 2020! Looking forward to blessing them as soon as we can!

If you would like to recognize your *post-high* graduate, from a school of higher learning, in an upcoming news note (bulletin, Eagle), please send the following information to Diana Imbrock at dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org: student's name, name of school, degree and major.

PARENTS OF 6TH GRADERS: It's time to start thinking about confirmation for your son or daughter. Confirmation begins in August of a student's 7th grade year. If you plan on your son or daughter joining the catechism program, please get your email address to Gary Pecuch. He has some "save-the-date" information for you. His email is gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE LUTHERAN COLLEGE TUITION GRANT for fall semester should be filed by May 15th with the church office. If you're a member of St. John's and attending a Lutheran affiliated school then your school likely offers a matching grant up to \$500. Get your application from the church office.

EVERY APRIL, we are asked to **RECONNECT TO THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM**. You can also **join today!** Once connected, every time you shop at Krogers and show your Kroger Plus card for discounts, Krogers gives back to the community! It costs you nothing and your St. John's youth program benefits. You can reconnect your card to St. John's (or join the program) at <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>. **St. John's code number for the Kroger Rewards Program is EY530.**

SCRIP GIFT CARD UPDATE: During our at-home-stay, we will **not** be ordering physical cards from SCRIP. **But you can order SCRIP on-line!** *Talk to Pam Wittenberg or Gary Pecuch on how to order on-line and/or put more monies on an existing SCRIP card.* The first Tuesday of the month that we're not on a stay-at-home order, we will be back on for ordering physical SCRIP CARDS. In the meantime, consider ordering SCRIP on-line!

USE AMAZONSMILE and they will give back **.05% of your order to St. John's!** AmazonSmile is the same Amazon you know. Same products, same prices, same service. When you use AmazonSmile, the church will receive .05% of what you order on selected Amazon items. Start shopping at **smile.amazon.com** and link up to St. John's. On your first visit to AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), you will be prompted to select a charitable organization from a list of eligible organizations. We are listed as: **St Johns Evangelical Lutheran Church**. Contact Gary at gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org if you need assistance in linking your Amazon orders to St. John's. *Thank you!*

Mother's Day Bouquets!

Happy Mother's Day



Be sure to get the flowers you want for that special mom, aunt, grandma, or person in your faith web. There is a beautiful selection below that you can pre-order.

The sale will be on Mother's Day weekend, before and after all worship services, in the Link and North Entrance. If we are on a stay-at-home order, there will be no extra carnations and spring bouquets on sale during this time. Pre-ordered sales will be available for pick-up (likely a drive through in the church parking lot).

Place your pre-order below and drop it off in the church office or place in offering plate. **The deadline for pre-orders is Sunday, May 3rd.** You can also email your order to lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org by noon on Sunday, May 3rd.

You can pick up your pre-ordered flowers on Mother's day weekend, before and after all worship services. If we are on a stay-at-home order, we will contact you about a different form of pick-up. Likely a drive through in the church parking lot.

We will have single carnations Mother's Day weekend for \$1 each, as well as some wrapped spring bouquets (\$15 each). There will be a limited number of these flowers. It's best to pre-order to ensure you get flowers for that special lady.

Need your flowers *BEFORE* Mother's Day weekend *OR* would like to order something special? For specialty orders or delivery, call Rita Bausch at 614-701-8902 and mention "St. John's Missions" when you order. Rita is a member of St. John's and owner of Prairie Flowers and Gifts. She is partnering with us on this sale. *Thank you Rita!*

PRE-ORDER MOTHER'S DAY FLOWERS

Deadline: Sunday, May 3rd

Your Name:

Your phone number:

Please mark one:

I will pick up my flowers in the _____ **FLC Link area** or the _____ **North Entrance**

Please mark item(s) you would like to order.

_____ \$25 A colorful spring mix of fresh flowers, arranged in a basket.

_____ \$25 A colorful spring mix of fresh flowers, arranged in a vase.

_____ \$15 Wrapped assortment of colorful fresh flowers to put in your favorite vase.

_____ \$18 Blooming flowers (two) in a basket, with bow, to enjoy indoors or outdoors.

_____ \$40 Garden mixed pot, assorted blooming annuals come in a 10 inch pot, ready to set on your porch.

Checks made out to: "St. John's Lutheran"

For specialty orders and delivery within the Grove City area, call Rita Bausch at 614-701-8902 and be sure to mention "St. John's Missions". Thanks for supporting missions!

☞ SUNDAY SCHOOL ☞

Go to our website at www.stjohnsgc.org

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance: over 636 views on our Facebook feed for the service on Palm Sunday!
Drive-through communion on April 5th was 238 + children who received a blessing.

<u>March 2020</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$56,414	\$106,503	\$62,755	\$122,695
Benevolence	\$ 6,899	\$ 12,299	\$ 5,107	\$ 10,133
Debt Reduction	\$ 3,408	\$ 5,767	\$ 2,917	\$ 13,127
Loan Balance as of 3/31/2020		\$33,698.85		

How to give to St. John's:

1. Offering plate at worship services
2. Mail your offering to the church – 3220 Columbus St., Grove City, Ohio 43123
3. Through your financial institution – they will send a check directly to the church on your behalf.
4. St. John's website – www.stjohnsgc.org – online giving is available through Vanco Services, and we have partnered with them for more than 20 years. It is secure and safe.
5. Through the **GivePlus** app available from Apple or Google – again a partnership between the church and Vanco Services. Set up a profile one time, and set up a recurring gift, or give when you want to. Once your profile is set up, giving is a one-touch process.

We thank you for your faithful and generous giving to St. John's ministries!
Many thanks to all who have signed up for online giving or mailed in their offerings!