

# NEWS NOTES

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## ✻ PERSONAL NOTES ✻

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: Connie Schemrich; Cheryl Mills

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to:

Ruth Ross whose sister, Beth Aemisegger died on April 24<sup>th</sup>.

Joe Abbruzzese and family on the recent deaths of Joe's brother, Robert on March 11, and his father, Ralph, on April 18.

*All who grieve are in our thoughts and prayers.*

**THANK YOU:** "Greetings to all the Resurrection people of St. John's. The photo of the church on Easter is just a joy! Thanks for (posting/printing) that and for Janet Wittenberg bringing communion to my home." -*Elaine Hamann*

## ☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☜



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



**FOR UP-TO-DATE COMMUNICATIONS**, please visit our church website at [www.stjohnsgc.org](http://www.stjohnsgc.org) or our St. John's Lutheran, Grove City Facebook pages. Worship service links are posted on the public Facebook page and the church website.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** devotional booklets are still available for April through June. You can find them in the Link. Access is available from 9am to noon, Monday-Friday.

**MOTHER'S DAY FLOWER SALE** is still on through Sunday, May 3, noon! Questions, contact Laurie Pecuch at 614-620-2669. At this point, we will be asking you to stop by the church on Sunday, May 10<sup>th</sup>, between 10:30am and noon, to pick up your order. All you need to do is drive up to the picnic shelter and pop your trunk. We'll safely load it for you. See the St. John's Lutheran website to get an order form: <https://www.stjohnsgc.org/mothers-day-flower-sale/>

Happy Mother's Day



**YOUTH GROUPS** are meeting weekly through a virtual meeting app called "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! *Join us when you can! Gary, Laurie, and Diana*

**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](mailto:dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org): student's name, name of school, degree and major. **We will be doing our high school senior blessing at a future date. We look forward to celebrating with them!**

**PARENTS OF 6<sup>TH</sup> 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](mailto: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.



**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](https://smile.amazon.com) and link up to St. John's. On your first visit to AmazonSmile ([smile.amazon.com](https://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](mailto:gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org) if you need assistance in linking your Amazon orders to St. John's. *Thank you!*



**GROCERY DELIVERY RESOURCE FOR THOSE OVER AGE 60** – this may be helpful to some of you during this time of limited travel and services - <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1b87ta2F-MwuL6xkgnY7SwPWtkEo8DP57Yj2exF91HMk/edit?fbclid=IwAR3UovF0xjV0ZuEpSysKGfRDWlh7UwBBm7P0fZbefCURg--CaQRGiFg8Dco>

## ☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

**Attendance:** Drive-through communion on April 26th was 238 + children who received a blessing.

<b><u>March 2020</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>	<b><u>Expense</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Operating	\$71,279	\$177,782	\$54,508	\$177,203
Benevolence	\$ 3,800	\$ 16,099	\$ 7,432	\$ 17,564
Debt Reduction	\$ 2,928	\$ 5,767	\$ 2,918	\$ 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](http://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!**

