

# NEWS NOTES

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Karl Eiginger, Children's Choir Director

## SERVING TODAY

### Readers:

6:00pm: Volunteer needed  
8:00am: Volunteer needed  
9:30am Volunteer needed  
11:00am: Dan Yeater

### Greeters:

6:00pm: Volunteer Needed  
8:00am: Barry & Nancy Fisher  
9:30am: ND-Kim Meadows  
MD-Mark Meadows  
11:00am: ND-Lori Wobig  
MD-Carol Rich

### Ushers:

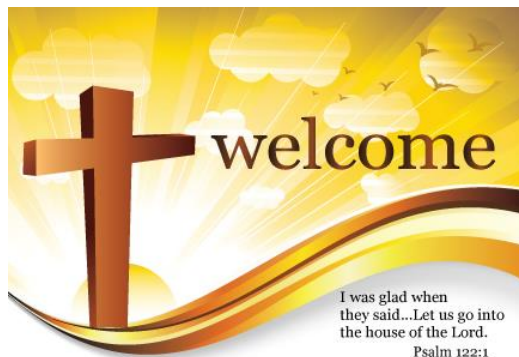
6:00pm: Michael Gibboney  
8:00am: Jim Braskett, Dave Sweeley  
9:30am: Dave Sweeley  
11:00am: Ike Stage, Bill Diehl

### Altar Guild:

Lynda Berry, Betty Lewis, Lynn Ehrlich,  
Rhonda Maynard

### Sanctuary Cleaning:

6:00pm: Holly Starr & volunteer please  
8:00am: Dave Sweeley, Barb Grubb  
9:30am: Debbie Abbitt & volunteer  
please



# THANK YOU FOR WORSHIPPING WITH US TODAY. WE ARE GLAD YOU ARE HERE!

*Please take a minute to complete the salmon colored insert (with your own pen or pencil) and place it in the basket 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 ✪

### DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** in memory of Jed and Jinny Koehler. Given by Jack and Sharon Koehler.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** in honor of Howard and Donna Linder's wedding anniversary. Given by Steve and Denise Linder.

**PULPIT FLOWERS:** In honor of Hunter's 12<sup>th</sup> birthday. Given by his grandparents, Terry and Teresa Orahood.

**BULLETINS:** Given by Rhonda Maynard.

## ✪ TODAY'S NEWS ✪

**HELLO! WE HAVE MISSED WORSHIPPING WITH YOU** and are looking forward to being together again. We realize that some of you might not be comfortable gathering for a while yet. That is completely understandable. Your safety is our top priority. That being said, we are in **need of a few volunteers each week to help with the services** until we are up and running at full capacity again. We are in need of greeters, ushers lay readers, and cleaners for the 6:00 PM Saturday service and the 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM and 11:00 AM traditional services. If you are able to help with any of these ministries for one week or for a few weeks, PLEASE email Elaine Bennett at [elaine.bennett@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:elaine.bennett@stjohnsgc.org) or sign up on the salmon sheet. We ask that people serving in these capacities wear a mask and gloves. We are happy to provide those if need be. Thanks so much!

**MEAL TRAIN** – Marilyn Peterson has recently had heart surgery and could use some help with meals for a little while. If you are able to help, you can view and sign up for the Meal Train at <https://mealtrain.com/nn1dv>. Thank you!

**CONNEX:** Gary, Diana, and Laurie would like to connex (check in and connect) with you! Text Gary for the CONNEX time and Zoom Id Number for middle school. His number is 614-620-2659. Text Laurie for the CONNEX time and Zoom Id Number for high school. It's informal and fun!

**SUMMER FAMILY FAITH BOX** –Your July box will be delivered between June 29 and July 3. The first family devotion in the box starts with Sunday, July 5. If you're not currently on our rsvp list to receive a box but would like to, feel free to contact Laurie at

[lpēcuch@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:lpēcuch@stjohnsgc.org) or Diana at [dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org) by Sunday, June 21, thank you!

### **SUMMER YOUTH MINISTRY PROJECT:**

Identifying the “Wall People”. Each year the group picture of the confirmation students is enlarged, laminated and placed on a wall in the confirmation room. We are looking for folks to help document who are in the pictures.

The task would be to look at a picture and/or meet with Gary (online or in-person at a distance) and write down the names of the students and then type them into a word document in order (1<sup>st</sup> row left to right...2<sup>nd</sup> row left to right, etc...). We have pictures from 1981 through 2019.

If you are willing to take on the task for a picture or two contact Gary or Laurie. Thanks!



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!** Virtual BOLT VBS is coming to St. John’s families in your home on **July 7<sup>th</sup>-9<sup>th</sup>**. All children ages 3 through 6<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome. **Online registration is now OPEN!** Please register online, if you can, or you can register at material pick up with minimal contact. An email will be sent out July 6<sup>th</sup> to all registered emails with needed information and links to participate for our three days together, apart!! Be sure to capture pictures to share with your church family to see the fun!

Once registered, we will have your VBS box of materials ready for pick up at the shelter house. Pick up dates are Sunday, June 28<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, July 5<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 to 9:15am and 11:45 to 1:15pm. Feel free to drive your car out to the shelter house after service or pick up during drive through communion and we will bring to your car while masked and maintaining social distance. We will also offer an evening pick up on Monday, June 29<sup>th</sup> and Monday, July 6<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 to 7:00pm in the shelter house. Please contact Christina Allman at 614-801-2568 or at [christina.allman04@gmail.com](mailto:christina.allman04@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

**PAPER RECYCLING** – we have removed the bin for paper recycling from the back parking lot, but we encourage you to continue to recycle through your curbside trash collection or SWACO.

**GOTTA TRACTOR?** We are in need of a volunteer to brush hog down the tall grass and weeds along the North side of our property. Just one cutting for the summer will be enough. Contact Mike Esposito (614-875-2314) if you are willing to take on this task at the church.

**CHURCH HISTORY TEAM STARTING** – Well! Haven’t we just experienced some events that should be recorded for history?! Did you know we have a whole room of pictures and documents that tell the story of St. John’s all the way back to 1849? We would like to get these items organized so that they are cataloged and stored appropriately and are available for viewing and sharing. **We need a team** of church members to become

“experts” on the history of St. John’s! Please contact the church office (614-875-2314) or mark the salmon sheet to indicate your interest in this project.

**SANITIZING SUPPLY DONATIONS WOULD BE APPRECIATED.** *We could use Lysol Aerosol Spray, Lysol Wipes, Clorox Disinfecting Wipes, hand sanitizer (8oz. or larger), paper towels, and nitrile gloves in size large. Thank you!*

**OWLS EVENT – JULY 17, 2020** - St. John’s Older Wiser Lutherans (OWLS) are looking forward to coming back together at their July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting. It has been a long time and we hope to see our friends there. However, as Pastor Seth said in his letter to the congregation “We trust that you will exercise good judgment as to whether you personally should be coming back to corporate worship right away. If you have health conditions which render you vulnerable to illness, you should stay safe at home and not expose yourself or anyone else to the risks involved with large public gatherings at this time.” Everyone is welcome but we know there are some people who are not comfortable in joining us now but certainly hope they will later. We will miss them.

**WE WILL NOT BE SHARING A MEAL.** We will host Mayor Ike Stage as our speaker at 1:00 PM. Please note time change. He will give us an update on the latest news for Grove City.

We will be following the safety precautions as outlined in Pastor Seth’s letter including everyone must wear a mask. We will maintain the 6’ social distancing with chairs – no tables. **Reservations are a must for this meeting.** Please use the salmon insert to make your reservation or call the church office. If you make a reservation and your plans change (even the morning of the event) please call either Bonnie Swanson (614-562-8002) or the church office (614-875-2314

## ☞ SUNDAY SCHOOL ☞

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS:** “Acts” will resume on July 5 w/Steve Johnston in the Chapel. All other adult classes have been suspended for the time-being.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN:** not meeting in the building at this time.

## ☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance: 238

<u>May 2020</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$72,652	\$318,823	\$55,954	\$288,059
Benevolence	\$36,171	\$ 65,102	\$ 4,596	\$ 26,838
Debt Reduction	\$ 3,344	\$ 14,508	\$ 2,918	\$ 22,089

**Loan Balance as of 5/22/2020** \$28,101

**Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund as of 5/31/2020: \$11,654! Thank you!**

**How to give to St. John's:**

1. During worship services or drive-thru communion.
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!*