

NEWS NOTES

August 16, 2020

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

Greeters:

6:00pm: Volunteer needed

8:00am: Volunteer needed

9:30am: ND-Mel Penrod

MD-Karl Eiginger

11:00am: ND-Lynda Berry

MD-Jeff Shaw

Readers:

6:00pm: John Boneske

8:00am: Gary Smith

9:30am Volunteer needed

11:00am: Christine Hank

Altar Guild:

Lynda Berry, Betty Lewis, Sheila Boneske,
Paul & Pam Wittenberg

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 ✪

HOSPITALIZED: Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: Laura Rush, Marian Breckenridge.

THANK YOU “thank you all for the help and prayers during the Covid-19. I really don’t know how people survive without church friends and God.” - *a Good Samaritan fund recipient.*

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In loving memory of our parents, Roy and Barbara Grossman. Given by the family.

BULLETINS: Given by Ike and Shelah Stage.

✪ TODAY’S NEWS ✪

Help to slow the spread of the coronavirus.

Please wear a face covering at all times while in the church building.

If you are unable to tolerate a facial covering, we ask that you sit in the Overflow and maintain social distancing to protect others.

Thank you for respecting these requests.

Thank you for helping slow the spread



**PLEASE WEAR
YOUR MASK**

PLEASE BE AWARE - the building is locked and the alarm is set after office hours (8am-4pm, M-F), unless a meeting is on the church schedule. If you need access to the building, please make arrangements ahead of time.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE: Thanks to all who have come forward to help with the worship services. If you would like to usher, greet, be a reader, or help clean/sanitize please contact Elaine Bennett at elaine.bennett@stjohnsgc.org.

SUMMER FAMILY FAITH BOX – you’re on the third week of your box or maybe you did your family faith activities all in one night! 😊 Regardless of how you’re doing it, there is one constant – when you get together, Jesus shows up! We are praying for your family and your time together! We are emailing a survey monkey this week to get your feedback on the box. On the survey is an opportunity to sign-up for more family faith boxes, starting in October. If you’re not currently on our rsvp list to receive a box but would like to, feel free to contact Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org or Diana at dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org.

THE FALL YOUTH MINISTRY MAILING was mailed last week to families. If you did not receive the mailing, please contact us. We’d love to get the fall information to you. **Included in the mailing is an RSVP for the FALL activities you’re interested in receiving.** For

example: Family Faith Box, Sunday School, Adventure Club, Faith Trek, Explorers, and Energizers! **Please return the RSVP to us by Sunday, August 30th.** There is a lot of prep work that needs to go into making the Fall a great experience. Receiving those RSVPs would be so helpful. Thank you! Questions or need the Fall Youth Ministry Mailing? Contact Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org, or Gary at gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org, or Diana at dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org.

A STUDY OF THE BOOK OF REVELATION lead by Pastor Don Allman began on August 2 and will be held in rooms 103-4 at 9:30am. Face coverings and social distancing will be practiced during these times. Please join us for this exciting study.

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER: ROMANS

Pastor Jersild will lead a seven week study on the book of Romans from **September 13—October 25**. We will meet in the Family Life Center on Sunday nights from 6:30-8:00. Beverages will be provided (but no snacks this time). There will be plenty of space in the Family Life Center to observe social distancing. We hope you can come and join the discussion and enjoy the fellowship!

NALC DISASTER RESPONSE NEEDS

WE WILL BE COLLECTING SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND COMPLETED KITS THROUGH THE END OF AUGUST.

- ONE** cloth bag or backpack
- FOUR** notebooks of wide or college-ruled paper, no loose-leaf paper
- ONE** blunt scissors
- ONE** ruler
- ONE** pencil sharpener
- SIX** new pencils
- ONE** eraser,
- PLUS:** -----
- TWELVE** sheets assorted construction paper &
- ONE** box of 16 or 24 crayons for elementary
- OR ONE** Calculator for high school (**LABEL Handle**)



SCHOOL KIT

OWLS EVENT – AUGUST 21, 2020—You have an open invitation to join a group of Older Wiser Lutherans (OWLS) on the third Friday of each month to share fellowship and an interesting program. . You are guaranteed to laugh a lot, make new friends and catch up with your wiser friends!! No age requirement! Bring a friend and come see what a bunch of OWLS look like in a friendly setting.

CARES is a word that we often use to show we are concerned or solicitous or have thought or regard. But do you know how the Jackson Township Fire Department uses CARES? They use it when referring to the newly named Community Paramedic, Greg Tussing. The Community Assistance Referrals and Education Services began in December 2018. Greg, a firefighter-paramedic, was assigned to serve as the Community Paramedic.

What can the Community Paramedic do for you? Through their collaboration with many community resources, they can help connect you with a variety of services. A few of the most common services they can help with are: basic medical evaluations and collaboration with your

physician, fall prevention, nutrition services and cleaning and home repair. Referrals to CARES come from a variety of places: recently released from hospital or a rehab facility or even a friend or neighbor concerned about an individual. Come and hear more. It's a fabulous program!

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). Invite a friend! Hope to see you there!

BLOOD DRIVE – AUGUST 18, 2020 - Imagine if someone you love needed a blood type that was missing from hospital shelves. Without more blood donors now, hospitals may not have the blood needed to save lives. There aren't enough people donating blood to help people in need. Do you know someone who has never donated before? Please encourage them to make an appointment

St. John's will be hosting the Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, August 18th from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM in the Family Life Center. You can register online at www.redcrossblood.org, using sponsor code StJohnsGC or call 1-800-RedCross (733-2767). Call Bonnie Swanson at 614-562-8002 if you have any questions.

Save time with RapidPass. Complete your pre-donation reading and health history at RedCross.org/RapidPass.

☞ SUNDAY SCHOOL ☞

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS: Intro to the Book of Revelation w/Pastor Don Allman in rooms 103-4. 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 August 8/9 - 194

<u>July 2020</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$46,486	\$420,565	\$61,308	\$398,107
Benevolence	\$ 3,246	\$ 44,361	\$ 6,131	\$ 37,294
Debt Reduction	\$ 2,252	\$ 19,510	\$ 2,918	\$ 27,926

Loan Balance as of 7/21/2020 \$22,459

Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund as of 7/31/2020: \$13,704! Thank you!

**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!

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 – 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.

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Thank You