

NEWS NOTES

September 13, 2020

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

Karl Eiginger, Children's Choir Director

SERVING TODAY

Greeters:

8:00am: Sarah Schmitz

11:00am: ND-Lori Wobig

MD-Jeff Shaw

Altar Guild:

Dave & Karen Grossman, Linda Wagner,

Dee Harlor, Rhonda Maynard

Readers:

6:00pm: Holly Starr

8:00am: Teresa Orahood

9:30am: Neva Warren

11:00am: Joan Werner

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 ✪

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to John Boneske on the recent passing of his mother; and to Pam Castle and Marilyn Weisenberger on the passing of their sister, Pat Niple.

THANK YOU –

DEDICATIONS TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: in memory of Denver and Helen Corkwell. Given by daughter, Denise.

PULPIT FLOWERS: in memory of my daughter, Rosemary Anderson. Given by Suzie Long.

BULLETINS: Given by Rhonda Maynard; and Mel and Carol Penrod.

✪ TODAY'S NEWS ✪



DRIVE THROUGH COMMUNION WILL NOW BE HELD FROM 12:15 TO 12:45PM ON SUNDAY MORNINGS. This is a change of times, and please note that the Eagle has the old times listed.

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



OCT/NOV YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL, Youth Groups, and Family Faith Boxes will be available Sunday, September 20 and Sunday, September 27. Confirmation Materials have already been delivered. When you requested materials, if you choose drive-through pick-up then your materials will be available noon to 1pm by the picnic shelter. If you choose pick-up at church then your materials will be available in room 101-102 between 8:30am and noon. If you choose delivery, your materials will be delivered to your porch step during the last two weeks in September. *Note: Virtual meeting id numbers and passwords for Adventure Club, Faith Trek, Explorers, and Energizers will be enclosed in the cinch bags given to each student, along with any materials needed for each virtual meeting.* For more information, feel free to connect with any of the youth staff: Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsg.org, Gary at gpecuch@stjohnsgc.org, or Diana at dimbrock@stjohnsgc.org.

Confirming their faith at the 9:30am worship on Sunday, September 27th: Ally Blankenship, Tyler Dent, Alli Ferguson, Jaylynn Jermann, Blake Lang, Ellen Previts, Ethan Weaver *Thanks be to God!*

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 HEALTH CARE ITEMS AND COMPLETED KITS THROUGH THE END OF SEPTEMBER.



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

If you would like to be a **reader** at the 8am, 9:30am, or 11am traditional service, please call Jo Dimond at 614-270-3291, or email at jodimond@aol.com; for the 6pm service contact Sheila Boneske at 614-542-7246.

PLEASE BE AWARE - the building is locked 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.

PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS – the food pantries are no longer accepting used bags, and therefore we will no longer be collecting them. Target, Kohl's, and Giant Eagle will accept them for recycling.

SPOTLIGHT ON SCOUTING - **Scouts BSA 392 Popcorn in the Alley:** Popcorn, get your popcorn here! It is that annual time of year for our biggest FUNdraiser. While the Grove City Arts in the Alley is not happening



in person this year, you will still be able to get delicious popcorn treats right here at church in at "Popcorn in the Alley" from **Scouts BSA Troop 392** on **Saturday, Sep 19 from 9 AM - 2 PM**. Scouts will be onsite with a selection of your favorite popcorn flavors in a variety of collectable tins available for purchase. Our troop accepts cash, check and credit cards. Look for the large banners and traffic cones to direct to either the side parking lot or the back of the church. Scouts will wear masks and adhere to sanitization and cleanliness guidelines. Order forms have been laminated and will be sanitized after each car to keep the risk as low as possible. Keep your peepers popped open as we're hopeful to have several more "Popcorn in the Alley" events through the end of October. Questions? Contact **Andy Smith** troop.392.scoutmaster@gmail.com.

OWLS MEETING SEPTEMBER 18 – 1:00PM - Has cabin fever hit you? Looking for a safe outing with others feeling the same way? The OWLS (Older, Wiser, Lutheran Seniors) are trying to get together in a safe environment and enjoy seeing one another – at a safe distance, of course. Masks are required and will be available if you don't have one. We will have hand sanitizer available, too.

Grove City anxiously awaited the opening of our new Mount Carmel Hospital. And it was well worth the wait. Today it is a very busy hospital with people buzzing around constantly. If you have visited the hospital either as a patient or a visitor, you have seen men and women wearing red smocks volunteering their time and wonder what they do and who they are. More than 1,000 individuals provide service annually to the patient families and staff to create an environment of care and support by greeting and escorting patients and visitors, delivering meals to patients, supporting families in waiting areas and performing hours of comfort rounds to patients.

What tasks could a volunteer perform? How many hours do they ask you to work? Do I have the qualifications? Want to know more? Come to our March meeting and you can ask Libby Ballentine, Operations Manager, Mount Carmel Volunteer Services, your questions.

We will not be sharing lunch at our meetings until further notice. The program begins at 1pm. Please make a reservation to attend using the salmon sheet, or calling the church office at 614-875-2314. Hope to see you there!

☞ SUNDAY SCHOOL ☛

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR ADULTS: The Book of Revelation w/Pastor Don Allman in rooms 103-4. All other adult classes have been suspended for the time-being.

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☛

Attendance September 5/6 - 205

<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 8/17/2020 \$19,612.00

Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund as of 8/31/2020: \$14,054! 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.