

NEWS NOTES

May 30, 2021

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Senior Pastor Seth Jersild (217) 255-2118 ~ sjersild@stjohnsgc.org

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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

Readers:

6:00pm: Barb Hill

8:15am: Ann Jones

11:00am: Rick Butsko

Altar Guild

Bill & Linda Diehl

Barb Grubb

✪ PERSONAL NOTES ✪

HOSPITALIZED: Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: June Underwood; Ernest Schreiber; Larry Kreiger; Rita Lang; Helen Link; Paul Eyerman; Rianne Dotson; Elma Haubrich; Megan Walsh; John Shuder.

NOTES OF THANKS: To Our St. John's Family: Shirley Barnes and her children Leslie (Keith), and Jay (Dawn) would like to thank you for all your prayers, the cards of comfort, and the memories shared about Karen Leigh's life. She was a Child of God and praised him through her Ministry of Music. In Christian Love, Shirley Barnes

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family of Melody Kredel.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of our veterans on this Memorial Day, and in memory of Kenneth E. Breckenridge and Pete Breckenridge. Given by Marian Breckenridge and family.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In honor and memory of our veterans & active military members. Thank you for your service in preserving our American freedom. Given by Jane & Keith Stenerson.

BULLETIN: In honor of all the service men, women & veterans. Given by Vi Davis.

TODAY'S NEWS

ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING

AT ST. JOHN'S The St. John's Church Council announces that effective immediately (May 17th), our congregation will follow CDC and Ohio Guidelines for masks which state that vaccinated individuals do not need to wear masks or socially distance. In line with CDC guidelines, it is recommended that unvaccinated individuals continue to wear masks and socially distance at their own discretion.

GIFTS AND CARDS FOR OUR CUSTODIAN, DOUG JONES

Doug Jones, our church custodian, will be ending his service for St. John's after June 18th. We are so thankful for Doug's faithful fifteen years of work, his friendship, and his willingness to help with so many varied tasks around the church building on a weekly basis.

We encourage you to shower Doug generously with your expressions of appreciation with gifts and cards. If you send checks, it's best to make them out directly to Doug. You can place envelopes marked "Doug Jones" in the offering basket, or if you would like to mail your cards directly to Doug at church, please address your envelopes as follows:

Doug Jones
c/o St. John's Lutheran Church
3220 Columbus Street
Grove City, OH 43123

NEW "GOING DEEPER" SMALL GROUP PACKETS

A new discussion packet will be available to all *Going Deeper* small groups **today!** The topic is "Going Deeper in Praise and Worship with the Psalms." Please call Pastor Seth (217-255-2118) if you have any questions about our *Going Deeper* small group ministry.

SUNDAY NIGHT BIBLE STUDY BEGINS JUNE 6TH: 1 CORINTHIANS

Pastor Seth will begin an eight-week study of 1 Corinthians on June 6th. Class will meet in the Family Life Center from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Come and enjoy the good discussion and fellowship!

PLEASE JOIN US on Sunday June 6th for a special celebration to thank and honor Dr. John Schuder for his many years of service to St. John's. We will be combining the 11:00 am worship services in the sanctuary and then move to the Family Life Center. There we will enjoy a boxed lunch and a brief program.

Please be sure to mark the salmon insert to let us know you are coming so that we can be sure to have a lunch for you. We hope to see you there!

If you would like to send your cards to him at church, please address your envelopes as follows:

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REVELATION CLASS A study of the Book of Revelation is held on Sundays at 9:30am in the Chapel. We will continue to follow the church council's recommendations regarding masks.

WELCOME ALL LADIES TO SUMMER SISTERS!

"SUMMER SISTERS" is a once-a-week ladies Bible study that is held each Wednesday morning starting on Wednesday, June 2nd and ending on Aug. 25th. Come join me on Zoom using personal meeting number 430-805-6806 and for the password type in kind5. (all lower case).



This year we will be studying "The Promises of God". Zoom will be opened up at 9:50 a.m. and we will begin with prayer at 10:00 am. Call Sally Weisenberger at (614) 871-2463 so I can get your email address to send you our first lesson questions; or I can print off the lessons and mail them to you.

Each week is a different study, so you can join any session throughout the 3 months. This is a good introduction to Women's Bible Study Fellowship that will begin in September. Check with Sally for details on BSF.

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES New lighting has been installed on the second floor of the Education Building. It is so much lighter and brighter! And the new lights are very economical to operate. We are still accepting donations to cover the cost of this project.

Thanks to all who have donated funds to purchase new chairs for the Family Life Center. The cost of each chair is approximately \$52.00. We have received donations to cover the purchase of **134** chairs. Only 66 more chairs needed to reach our goal!

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE – JUNE 15, 2021



With vacations, outdoor activities and school breaks, summer is a challenging time to collect enough blood donations to meet the needs of patients. Before you dive into your summer plans, will you give blood to help ensure the supply doesn't take a dip?

St. John's will be hosting the Red Cross Blood Drive on Tuesday, June 15, 2021 from 12:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. in the Family Life Center. To schedule an appointment call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org, sponsor code: StJohnsGC.

Save time with Rapid Pass. Complete your pre-donation reading and health history at RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass or with the Blood Donor App before your appointment. Come to give blood between June 14th and 30th to get a \$5 Amazon.com Gift Card by email, thanks to Amazon. Restrictions apply. See additional information and details at RedCrossBlood.org/Together.

BOTTLES FOR LIFE

We invite St. John's Lutheran Church of Grove City to join PDHC's Family Empowerment for our Mother's Day through Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign. In commemoration of PDHC's 40th Anniversary and the thousands of lives the Lord has saved through us, we have renamed this event "Bottles for Life."

Donations help provide much needed individual and family support, providing gifts to those in need including ultrasounds, bottles, diapers, car seats, and more. Brochures regarding this program are available in the Link, and donation envelopes are located at all main entrances.



☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

YOUNGER SUNDAY SCHOOL

- **Ages 3 – Grade 4** your lesson today from your take-home packet is "Isaiah's Call", Isaiah 6:1-8
- **Grades 5 – 6** have The Sacraments, part 5.

- Questions? Connect with Tim Allman at tim.allman110@gmail.com.

OLDER SUNDAY SCHOOL: Confirmation and High School Sunday School are on break.

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.

⌘ STEWARDSHIP ⌘

Attendance: May 23 – 273

<u>April 2021</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$64,473	\$246,152	\$62,192	\$236,864
Benevolence	\$ 5,558	\$ 20,898	\$ 1,583	\$ 11,508

Total Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund during pandemic as of 4/30/2021:
\$18,590. **Thank you!**

**WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS GIVING
TO ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES!**

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. 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.
4. 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.

A SECURE DROP SLOT is located under the staff mailboxes in the hallway near the secretary's office. If you are dropping off a monetary gift or papers with confidential information, please put it through the slot to help ensure security.

☞ CALENDAR ☞

SUNDAY, MAY 30

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Adult Sunday School (FH)
9:30am Revelation Class (Chapel)
10:00am Choir Rehearsal (Sanc)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
12:00pm Drive-thru communion

MONDAY, MAY 31

OFFICE CLOSED – MEMORIAL DAY

9:00am BSF Leaders (103-4)
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, JUNE 1

SCRIP DEADLINE

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
2:00pm Small Group (102)
6:00pm Cub Scouts (SH)
7:00pm BSA 392 (SH)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2

1:00pm Small Group (103-4)

THURSDAY, JUNE 3

7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
1:00pm Small Group (101)
4:00pm Boy Scout Leaders (SH)
7:00pm Cont. Worship Reh. (FLC)

FRIDAY, JUNE 4

9:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
5:00pm Scout Troop Camp Out
Begins (Grounds)
8:30pm AA Meeting (FH)

SATURDAY, JUNE 5

Scout Troop Camp Out – All Day

11:00am Private Event (SH)
1:00pm Memorial Service (Sanc)
6:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (FH)

SUNDAY, JUNE 6

Scout Troop Camp Out – All Day

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Adult Sunday School (FH)
9:30am Revelation Class (Chapel)
10:00am Choir Rehearsal (Sanc)
10:00am Graduate Reception (SH)
11:00am Combined Worship (Sanc)
12:00pm Drive-thru communion
12:00pm Farewell Luncheon
6:30pm 1 Corinth. Bible Study (FLC)

DAILY AND WEEKLY UPDATES ARE POSTED ON OUR WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK PAGES. BE SURE TO CHECK THEM OUT!