

NEWS NOTES

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St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Karl Eiginger, Children's Choir Director

SERVING TODAY

Readers:

6:00pm: *Chris Jenkins*

8:15am: *Sky Singleton*

11:00am: *Karen Jersild*

Acolytes:

8:15am: *Corban Allman*

Brooklyn Cress

11:00am: *Dylan Allman*

Greeters:

11:00am N/D: *Chuck and Ginny Bent*

Altar Guild

David and Karen Grossman

Linda Wagner, Dee Harlor, Rhonda Maynard

Lessons Today: *Amos 7:7-15; Ephesians 1:3-14; Mark 6:14-29.*

☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO Dan Yeater and family on the passing of Dan's mother, Janice, June 18th; the family of Robert "Bob" Henry Monaghan who passed away on July 4th; and the family of Ann Reynolds who passed away on July 5th. All who mourn are in our prayers.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of my husband, Jerry. Given by Wilma Phillips.

PULPIT FLOWERS and BULLETIN: In loving memory of John MacKenzie's birthday, July 14th. Given by Averil MacKenzie, Cynthia and MacKenzie Hutson.

NOTES OF THANKS:

"To those at St. John's, I wanted to express my gratitude for the service and outdoor event after our graduation. Also, a huge thanks to those who made prayer shawls and blankets, and the leaders of the Youth Group. St. John's has greatly allowed me to grow as a person and I appreciate it beyond words. Sincerely," ~Charles Sexton.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

WELCOME INTERIM ORGANIST Kathleen Houchens! Kathie will brighten our service with her talents on the organ while we await the new Minister of Music. Please welcome Kathie as we thank her for joining us this Sunday.

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION TEAM Each month this team comes to the altar after all have received the Lord's Supper to receive a Holy Communion kit. The distribution of home communion is an extension of the Lord's Supper and is for those who are unable to be present at the celebration of the congregation. We bring to them the same bread of life and the same cup of blessing so that they may be strengthened through their participation in the body of Christ. Let us be mindful and grateful for this ministry.

GREETERS NEEDED for Saturday evening and both Sunday morning traditional services. All volunteers are encouraged to sign up on the chart posted on the North Entrance bulletin board. We kindly request the 11:00am volunteers to also contact Bonnie Swanson at (614)562-8002.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to clean up the area behind the garage, to deal with the weeds and trash. Everything can go directly into the large dumpster. Please contact Mike Esposito at (614)875-2314 or sign up on the salmon sheet.

QUARTERLY CONGREGATION MEETINGS will be held after each service on July 24/25. Information packets will be available July 17/18 in person and online.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL classes are available in the Chapel and rooms 103-4 every Sunday at 9:30am.

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL IS UNDERWAY! We are welcoming children from toddlers to 6th graders to join in a combined Sunday School class. We are meeting in the Nursery, in the basement under the chapel, from 9:30am-10:30am each Sunday. Please drop off and pick up your child in person.

1 CORINTHIANS BIBLE STUDY Due to the Fourth of July holiday, the next 1 Corinthians Bible Study class will take place on Saturday, July 10th at 7:00pm in rooms 103-4. Upcoming class meetings will be at 6:30pm in rooms 103-4 on both Sunday, July 18th, and Sunday, July 25th.

FLOWER DEDICATIONS CHART: Would you like to share your love for Christ by honoring or remembering a loved one with flowers? Altar flowers are a wonderful way to honor loved ones, and they beautify our worship service each week. We presently have flower dedication openings in the month of July. Sign up on the flower chart in the North Entrance, outside the Sanctuary. Questions? Feel free to contact Lesa Corbin at (614)530-4984 for assistance placing your dedications.

SUMMER SISTERS is a weekly ladies Bible study held virtually each Wednesday now through August 25th. This is a great introduction to Women's Bible Study Fellowship that will begin in September. Call Sally Weisenberger at (614)871-2463 to join the group! Join on Zoom using personal meeting number (430)805-6806 and password: kind5. (all lower case). The Zoom meeting opens at 9:50 am and we begin with prayer at 10:00 am.



OWLS EVENT - JULY 16TH, 2021: When the speaker for the OWLS (Older Wiser LutheranS) is Mayor Ike Stage, the name says it all. Grove City is growing and growing and growing. We're watching Beulah Park developing and all the many exciting projects in town. So, if you want to hear more details please join us on the 16th!



The OWLS welcome the regular attendees and would like to extend a special invitation to anyone interested but hasn't attended before (or not for a while). Our meetings are geared to the interests of those of a mature age and we offer friendship, companionship and support for each other as an added benefit. Come and be a part of this amazing group! Invite a friend or bring a friend.

The OWLS will meet at 1:00 pm for this program and future programs until further notice. Unfortunately, we will not be sharing lunch. If you plan to attend, please sign up on the salmon insert or call Bonnie Swanson (614-562-8002). Hope to see you there!

THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU! We had a great week at Mystery Island Vacation Bible School! At Mystery Island we discovered the truth about God our Creator. Each day our kids learned more about one of God's amazing attributes (great, almighty, ruler, Emmanuel, trustworthy) and how that applies to their lives. The younger children learned some very cool things at the Discovery Station. They did sinking and floating experiments, made homemade lava lamps, mixed colors together to make other colors and more. The older kids did many acts of kindness at the Service Station. Some of the projects included knotting blankets and decorating boards for the Bed Brigade, filling backpacks and wrapping Christmas presents for needy children in our area, made "Adopt Me" bandanas for dogs at the Humane Society, put together treat bags



for local Meals on Wheels drivers, the Grove City Police Department and our member and mayor, Ike Stage and much more!

A very sincere thank you goes out to our VBS Director, Christina Allman, all of the teachers and teen helpers and to the members of our congregation who once again blessed us with your generosity. We couldn't do it without you!

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATES: We have received enough in donations to cover the cost of all 200 chairs for the FLC! Thank you to all who have donated!

If you know of a church or non-profit organization that could use our current chairs, please let us know as soon as possible. The new chairs will be arriving at the end of July, and we will need to donate and remove the old chairs shortly thereafter.

☪ YOUTH NEWS ☪

GOD'S WORD is a virtual study on methods the youth staff have found helpful in connecting with God's Word. **Tonight is Art Journaling.** Zoom with us from 6:30pm – 7:45pm. Text Laurie at 614-620-2669 or Diana at 614-271-5775 for the id # and passcode, if you don't already have it!

SERVING LIKE JESUS is taking place July 12—15. This is an in-person event for grades 5– 6, 7—8, 9—12. We are privileged to be doing service projects that will benefit the Grove City Food Pantry, LifeCare Alliance, Bed Brigade, Carrying Tender Angels, and Blessing Backpacks for Mt. Carmel. We are also looking forward to visits from our own St. John's members who will share with us what Serving Like Jesus looks to them.

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance: July 4 – 229

<u>May 2021</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$70,736	\$316,889	\$51,777	\$288,641
Benevolence	\$ 5,463	\$ 26,361	\$ 1,500	\$ 13,008

**Total Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund during pandemic as of 5/31/2021: \$19,900.
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, JULY 11

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
12:00pm Drive-thru communion
6:00pm Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, JULY 12

Youth Event - Serving Like Jesus

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, JULY 13

Youth Event - Serving Like Jesus

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
2:00pm Small Group (102)
6:15pm Fat Quarters Quilt Guild (FH)
6:30pm Blue Ribbon 4-H (FLC)
7:00pm SW Historical Society (103-4)
7:00pm BSA 392 (SH)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 14

Youth Event - Serving Like Jesus

10:00am SE OH District Pastor Mtg (103-4)
1:00pm Small Group (101)

THURSDAY, JULY 15

Youth Event - Serving Like Jesus

7:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
1:00pm Small Group (101)

FRIDAY, JULY 16

7:00am Small Group (Lib)
1:00pm OWLS (FLC)
8:30pm AA Meeting (FH)

SATURDAY, JULY 17

6:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (FH)

SUNDAY, JULY 18

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
12:00pm Drive-thru communion
6:00pm Basketball (FLC)
6:30pm 1 Corinthians Bible Study (103-4)

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