

NEWS NOTES

August 29, 2021

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Mark Meuser, Director of Music Ministry

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Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

Karl Eiginger, Children's Choir Director

SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

6:00pm: Mike Gibboney

10:45am: Pat Larick

Readers:

6:00pm: Chris Jenkins

10:45am: Warren Grody

Greeters:

6:00pm: Mary Campbell

Lessons Today:

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9

James 1:17-27

Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞

HOSPITALIZED Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week:
Nannette Shea; Sandy Hayes.

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of Rose Mary Krebs, who passed on August 23rd.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

ANNOUNCEMENT CONCERNING FACE COVERINGS AND SOCIAL DISTANCING AT ST. JOHN'S: The St. John's Council met Monday, August 16th, and agreed on a stance regarding masks in response to the increase of COVID cases in Grove City, Franklin County, and Ohio. **We recommend all individuals to wear masks and socially distance, regardless of vaccination status.** It is recommended all congregation members and visitors wear masks in all indoor group settings, such as meetings, classes, and worship services, though it is not presently a requirement.

CHURCH PICNIC: **Thank you for joining us!** This year we are providing an all-inclusive boxed lunch for the Church Picnic instead of having a potluck. We are collecting an offering to help offset some of this cost. Any amount collected is greatly appreciated!

We encourage you to spread out in the shelter house for the meal or in the Family Life Center where we will be holding the Silent Auction.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL classes are available in the Chapel and Fellowship Hall every Sunday from 9:30-10:30am. Chapel Class is studying the book of Ephesians, hosted by Steve Johnston. Pastor Seth's discussions will continue in the Fellowship Hall.

GREETERS NEEDED for 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 contact Bonnie Swanson directly at (614)562-8002.

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Please call Charlie Brown at (614)875-9462 or Caroline Koethke at (614)307-7609 if you are interested in serving as a Communion Assistant.

ELIZABETH CIRCLE will hold their first returning meeting at 6:30pm on Tuesday, September 13th. This off-site meeting will take place at Sherry and Ron Nighbert's house. Please call Sherry at (614)581-1436 with any questions.

2601 Yates Avenue
Grove City, OH 43123.

CALLING ALL GARDENERS! Saturday September 11th starting at 9:00 am we will be working on cleaning up the church landscape. Arts in the Alley is the following weekend which always brings hundreds of visitors. Let's all work together to get our church looking great, welcoming, and inviting for this huge community event. **Many hands make light work so if you are able to join us for an hour or 2, we would greatly appreciate it! Please mark the salmon insert if you can join us.** Feel free to bring work gloves and gardening tools. We will provide landscape waste bags, water, and snacks.

ST. JOHN'S BOY SCOUT TROOP 392 needs a new shed. Their current shed is over 22 years old and is no longer in a repairable state. To remain an active unit, they need a shed to store their equipment. The troop leaders and parents found a shed kit they will assemble with the scouts. The troop has had two large donations towards this investment, but still have a long way to go before they can. Please help with any donation, as every penny counts.

ARTS IN THE ALLEY PARADE We are pleased to announce that once again St. John's will be participating in the Arts in the Alley Parade that takes place on Saturday, September 18th at 9:30am. **We are in need of people to help decorate the float, walk with the float, and pass out candy. We are also in need of candy donations.** As you can imagine, it takes a lot of candy to make it through the parade! If you are interested in representing St. John's in this fun community event, please mark the salmon insert. Thanks!

☯ YOUTH NEWS ☯

In September, watch your mailbox and bulletins for exciting news on in-person fall Youth Events! Training for adult and teen leaders will be Thursday, September 23rd. See next month's Eagle for details. If you're an adult member of St. John's and would like to talk to us about how you can get involved, please talk to Gary, Laurie, or Diana. We have upfront and behind the scenes ministry positions! Contact Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org or 614-620-2669.

☯ STEWARDSHIP ☯

Attendance: August 22 – 281.

<u>July 2021</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$52,168	\$420,565	\$ 72,184	\$397,976
Benevolence	\$ 4,542	\$ 44,361	\$ 8,029	\$ 37,296

Total Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund during pandemic as of 7/31/2021: \$20,470.
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.
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.

☞ CALENDAR ☞

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29

9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Confirmation 3rd Year (103-4)
10:45am **Combined Worship** (SH)
12:00pm **Church Picnic**
Silent Auction
Back to School Bash
(SH, FLC, Kit, 103-4)
6:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, AUGUST 30

9:30am BSF Staff Mtg (103-4)
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (SH)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (SH)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 31

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
12:30pm Small Group (102)
7:00pm BSA Troop 392 (SH)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

1:00pm Small Group (101)
6:30pm Women's Choir Reh. (Sanc)
7:30pm Chancel Choir Reh. (Sanc)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 2

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
1:00pm Small Group (101)
6:00pm Small Group (102)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

7:00am Small Group (Lib)
9:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
8:30pm AA Meeting (SH)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

6:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (SH)
7:00pm SW Historical Society (103-4)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Men's Choir Reh. (Sanc)
9:30am Ministry Fair (FLC)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
6:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 **LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED**

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

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