

NEWS NOTES

October 23-24, 2021

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

6:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Judy Taylor

11:00am: Christine Hank, Bonnie Swanson,
Karen Jersild

Acolytes:

8:15am: Corban Allman

Brooklyn Cress

11:00am: Dylan Allman

Altar Guild

David and Lisa Stallard

Lynn Ehrlich, Rhonda Maynard

Greeters:

6:00pm: Mary Campbell

8:15am:

11:00am MD: Dan and Amie Allman

11:00am ND: Dave and Lisa Stallard

Readers:

6:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Jo Dimond

11:00am: Averil MacKenzie

Lessons Today: Isaiah 53:4-12; Hebrews 5:1-10; Mark 10:35-45.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of Frank & Jean Gusa's wedding anniversary. Given by Frank and Jean Gusa.

PULPIT FLOWERS: In loving memory of John Mackenzie on our wedding anniversary. Given by Averil Mackenzie.

BULLETINS: In gratefulness for my many blessings. Given by Vi Davis.

PERSONAL NOTES

HOSPITALIZED Please pray for members who are or were in the hospital this past week: Connie Taylor.

DELLA WELSH - longtime congregation member and former Nursery Attendant of over 30 years, will celebrate her **98th birthday** on Oct. 24th. Please shower her with cards and good wishes at her new address: 3563 Brookside Blvd., Columbus, Ohio 43204.

NOTES OF THANKS: "Thank you so very much for all the prayers, love, and cards we received in the passing of Dennis's brother, Rich. We are richly blessed by you all and the hope we all share in our heavenly home. Glory be to God!" ~ Dennis and Diana Imbrock.

"Thank you so much for the warm shawl, and the warm Welcome!" ~ June Stimpfle

WELCOME NEWEST MEMBERS! We rejoice and give thanks to God for bringing our new members to us! If you have not met them already, please take a moment to introduce yourself and invite them warmly into our community. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey with Christ as members of St. John's.

Connie Perry

Ellen Horton

Tim and Karen Stewart

Amy Shaw

Joe and Kirsten Lovell with their children Finley Michelle and Rowan Michael

Mary Campbell

Jim and Sheryl Fraley

Cheryl Thompson

Dustin and Danielle Flint with their son, Pheonix

Barbara Connors

June Stimpfle

Hanna McClary

welcome

TODAY'S NEWS

QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS will be held after each service on October 23/24. Information packets will be available on October 16th both in person and online.

TRUNK OR TREAT! THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24TH FROM 4-6PM we will be hosting Trunk or Treat in our parking lot. There will be games, food, trick or treating, and more! Please bring the kids out to this fun-filled afternoon. Feel free to decorate your trunk, pass out candy, and join in the good times!

VETERAN'S LUNCHEON – Sunday, November 7th we will be having our annual Veteran's recognition dinner in the Family Life Center at 12:15 pm. Please mark the salmon insert and let us know if you will be able to attend.



CHRISTIAN PARENTING: first class is **THIS SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24** during **Sunday school**. Pastor Seth will be leading a two-session class with the topic of “Christian Identity.” In our current culture, many forces are actively working to pull young people away from faith in Christ and from his Church. In these classes, we’ll be helping each other identify some of those challenges more clearly and sharing ways to encourage our children to have a strong, healthy, and joyful sense of rootedness in Jesus. We’ll be meeting from 9:30am to 10:30am in the basement Fellowship Hall. Parents, grandparents, guardians, and all interested folks are encouraged to attend!

ST. JOHN’S RECOMMITMENT CELEBRATION! Please join us **next Sunday, October 31, immediately following the 11:00am worship services** in the Family Life Center for a Recommitment Celebration and Lunch!



We realize many of you have filled out commitment cards out in the past. Our goal is to literally *have all our commitment cards out on the table at once*, and it will really help us update our records. If you have not filled out your commitment card, it is not too late! Stop by the Link desk or North Entrance for a card today!



We appreciate all that you do and want to celebrate YOU. Please mark the salmon sheet to let us know that you are attending, that way we can be sure to have enough food for everyone. Hope to see you there!

SARAH CIRCLE WILL MEET MONDAY, OCTOBER 25TH at 7:00pm in rooms 103-4.

Please bring items for the Health Kits and we will put together that evening.

Here is what you need to get for your Health Kit:

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| A large, dark bath towel | A wash cloth | Sturdy comb |
| Full size deodorant | Toothbrush | Dental floss |
| Full size toothpaste (check expiration) | Two bars of soap, wrapped | |

We welcome any newcomers! Looking forward to seeing all of you, and God bless you all.

NEW WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY. Ladies, are you looking for a place to study the Bible and find fellowship with friends? You’re invited to join Jenny Brockman and Jennifer Czaplicki in rooms 103-4 during the 9:30am Sunday School hour. Our first study will cover the book of Jonah. Come join us! Gathering at 9:30am, and study begins at 9:45am.



CALLING ALL GARDENERS – Next Saturday, October 30th and Saturday, November 6th we will be having another landscape workday. This time around we plan to do fall planting. If you have just a few hours to spare, we would greatly appreciate it. We will begin working each **Saturday at 9:00 am. Please mark the salmon sheet if you can help.**

ST. JOHN’S VOLUNTEERS - We need help with things such as minor repairs, replacing light bulbs, etc. Let us know if we can count on you for small occasional tasks. Call Mike at (614)875-2314 or sign up on the **salmon sheet** to see how you can help!

A SPECIAL SERVICE OF COMFORT AND REMEMBRANCE will be held on Sunday, November 28th at 2pm. This is a special worship service set aside for family or friends who have had loved ones pass away in the last few years.

HELP NEEDED: RECORDING WORSHIP SERVICES. St. John's needs volunteers who are willing to record worship services, both traditional and contemporary. This could be as simple as signing up for dates to record a 12-minute sermon with your iPhone. Our homebound members deeply appreciate being able to connect with our worship services through our website. If you are interested or have questions about helping with this important ministry, please call Pastor Seth at (217) 255-2118. Thank you for your consideration!

HIGH SCHOOL AND MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS invited to join Chancel Choir! We are looking for singers of every voice range. Joining the choir is a fantastic opportunity to serve God while adding to the beauty of traditional worship. The Chancel Choir rehearse Wednesday evenings from 7:30pm to 9:00pm in the sanctuary. To join us, simply sign up on the salmon sheet or e-mail Mark Meuser at mmeuser@stjohnsgc.org by Sunday, October 31st.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD - Pack a shoebox! Send Good News and Great Joy around the world!



Did you know that you can build a shoebox gift online? With just a few clicks, you can select items to pack and then personalize your shoebox with a note and photo. Samaritan's Purse will do the rest! Visit the St. John's website and click on the Operation Christmas Child link. You will find the "Build a Shoebox" link here. It's an easy way to participate in sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ to boys and girls around the world!

Remember: Deadline to drop off your filled shoebox is **November 7.**

If you are unable to pack your own box, please consider donating items. A donation tub is in the Operation Christmas Child cabinet in the Link. Monetary donations are also accepted! Please contact Jeremy Butsko with any questions at (614)871-6295.

"Let the little children come to me...for of such is the Kingdom of God". ~ Luke 18:16

INTERESTED IN JOINING WRAPPED IN PRAYER MINISTRY

but not free on Saturday mornings? Your wait is over!

Starting January 11th, the Prayer Shawl Ministry will *also* meet on the second Tuesday of each month from 7:00 – 8:30pm in rooms 103-4.

Of course, you may come to the Saturday meeting, the Tuesday meeting, or both! Come to knit, crochet, learn, or just join in the fellowship!



Please mark the salmon sheet if you are interested in the Tuesday meetings. Thank you!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Ephesians. Steve Johnson, Chapel / Jonah. Jenny Brockman and Jennifer Czaplicki, Rms 103 and 104.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: Ages 2-3, Rm 003 / Ages 4-5, Pre-K and Kindergarten, Rm 009 / Grades 1 and 2, Rm 204 / Grades 3 and 4, Rm 307 / Grades 5 and 6, Rm 306 / Grades 7 and 8, Rms 302 and 304 / High School, Rm 311.

GROVE CITY HIGH SCHOOL'S BLOOD DRIVE - St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church is hosting a Blood Drive on behalf of the Red Cross and Grove City High School. This Blood Drive will take place in the Family Life Center on Monday, October 25, from 10:30am through 4:30pm. **Use sponsor code: Greyhounds** and call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule your appointment. Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.



Scan to schedule an appointment.

CLOTHING DONATIONS NO LONGER COLLECTED THROUGH ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES:



Lutheran Social Services (LSS), Faith Missions, Quilters, and the Grove City Food Pantry no longer collect, sort, or donate used clothing. Instead, please donate clothing to such organizations as the *Purple Church Free Store*, *Salvation Army*, *National Kidney Foundation*, or *Volunteers of America*. **The Volunteers of America Thrift Store has a donation bin and is located just behind the Walgreens at Stringtown and McDowell Roads.**

☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

CONNECT will not be meeting this Thursday so families can enjoy beggar's night together! We will resume on November 4th.

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance: October 17 – 334.

<u>August 2021</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$57,606	\$485,268	\$ 60,377	\$494,222
Benevolence	\$ 4,260	\$ 38,852	\$ 5,111	\$ 35,662

Total Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund during pandemic as of **8/31/2021: \$20,865.**

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

☪ CALENDAR ☪

DAYLIGHT SAVINGS – FALL BACK ON NOVEMBER 7TH. Saturday evening service will be held at 4pm due to Daylight Savings starting the following Saturday, November 13th.

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 24

QUARTERLY CONGREGATIONAL MEETINGS AFTER EACH SERVICE

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)
- 10:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
- 1:30pm Private Event (SH)
- 4:00pm **TRUNK OR TREAT!**
- 6:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 25

- 9:30am BSF Leaders (virtual)
- 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)
- 6:00pm Puppet Rehearsal (FLC)
- 6:00pm Small Group (102)
- 7:00pm Sarah Circle (103-4)
- 7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 26

- 9:00am Quilters (103-4)
- 12:30pm Small Group (102)
- 6:00pm Cub Scouts (204)
- 7:00pm BSA Troop 392 (SH)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 27

- 9:30am BSF
- 1:00pm Small Group (101)
- 6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 28

- 8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
- 9:00am Eagle Mailing Team (204)
- 1:00pm Small Group (101)
- 2:30pm Home School Acting Class (FLC)
- 6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Choir Rm)
- 8:00pm Dartball (away)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 29

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

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 30

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

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 31

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)
- 10:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
- 12:00pm RECOMMITMENT CELEBRATION LUNCHEON (FLC, Kit)
- 6:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

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