

NEWS NOTES

January 2, 2022

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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SERVING TODAY

Communion Assistants:

4:00pm Holly Starr
8:15am: Jo Dimond
11:00am: Ron Nighbert
Dan Yeater
Chad Whyte

Altar Guild

Dellno and Betty Lewis
Sarah Schmitz
Donna Linder

Readers:

4:00pm Holly Starr
8:15am: Corban Allman
11:00am: Judy Graessle

Acolytes:

8:15am: Hunter Thompson
Colton Thompson
11:00am: Volunteer(s) Needed

Greeters:

4:00pm Mary Campbell
8:15am: Armand Arabian
Sarah Schmitz
11:00am M/D: Lois Moore
11:00am N/D: George and Gloria
Biggs

Lessons Today: Jeremiah 31:7-14, Ephesians 1:3-14, John 1:1-18.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of my husband Tom Corbin and my daughter Melissa Corbin-Ball on their birthdays this month. Happy 40th birthday to my daughter Melissa Corbin-Ball. Given by Lesa Corbin.

☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Please pray for the members who are or were recently in the hospital: Adam Jenny, Carol Penrod.

NOTES OF THANKS

"A Special thank you to Wilma Phillips and the Prayer Shawl ladies for the beautiful prayer shawls given for my brother, John Knore's family." ~ Pam Castle.

"Thank you for the gift and flowers delivered today. The personal touch so much appreciated. Warmly," ~ Mary Smith.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞



2022 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available in the Overflow. If you do not see one with your name, and you would like a box, please indicate on the notepad provided. A box will be prepared and ready for you the next week.

CHURCH ACCESSIBILITY PROPOSAL: INFORMATIONAL MEETING: The last scheduled informational meeting regarding the proposed accessibility plan for St. John's will be held next **Sunday, January 9th at 9:45am in the FLC.** All are welcome and encouraged to attend! We hope that this will give plenty of time to learn about the proposal and for questions to be answered before the 11am contemporary worship service.

ANNUAL COAT DRIVE - We are requesting donations of coats, blankets, outerwear, sleeping bags, and socks. These items will be given to people in the southern Columbus area who need help staying warm this winter, including the homeless. Please leave your donations in the labeled box in the church library. Please call Bruce and Karen Whyte at (614) 878-9392 with any questions.



QUILTERS' 2021 QUILT SALE THANK YOU! The Quilters truly appreciate those who bought quilts and showed an interest in our ministry at our quilt sale. We made \$478. The proceeds will be divided among ten ministries such as Adopt-A-Family, Bed Brigade, LSS and Grove City food pantries, VBS, and the youth missions. The quilts were donated to the Bed Brigade and to Haven of Hope CCCU on Whitethorne Avenue in Columbus, Ohio. Thank you again for supporting our ministry and we hope you stay warm this winter!

SUCCESSFUL COOKIE SALE! We would like to thank all the bakers and buyers of St. John's along with the community who made the cookie sale a great success in 2021! We were able to raise \$1,094.25 for our Kitchen Fund! A special "Thank You" to Keith Stenerson for putting the cookie sign outside for us and to Amie Allman, Dylan Allman, Taylor Allman, Karen Colwell, Susan Koehler, Wilma Phillips, Larry Sutton, and Cheryl Thompson who helped with the cookie sale! We would like to also thank those who gave monetary donations. Together we had a wonderful time and thank you all for supporting this ministry. Look for us again in 2022!

READERS NEEDED for all traditional services. Volunteers are encouraged to sign up on the volunteer charts posted on the North Entrance bulletin board. Thank you for your participation!

SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE? Please email secretary@stjohnsgc.org, or drop off your article in the secure slot of the church office, by 9am the Wednesday before the weekend issue. Articles for next weekend are **due by December 29th**.

☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

CONNECT starts again this Thursday, Jan. 6th, 6pm – 7:15pm! Greeter’s table and gym open at 5:45pm. We hope you can join us! CONNECT is a place for all ages to faith web, connecting with each other and God! We have a special CONNECT group for ages 4/5/K, Grades 1 – 2, Grades 3 – 4, and Grades 5 – 6. Added to this these great CONNECT groups are some awesome teen and adult leaders! Questions? Contact Laurie Pecuch at 614-620-2669.

SCRIP GIFT CARDS: Place your order by the first Tuesday of the month and within the week receive gift cards that you can use at hundreds of retails stores and restaurants. Contact Gary Pecuch at 614-620-2659. Be sure to talk to Pam Wittenberg about other ways you can receive SCRIP.

FAITH AND PURPOSE: Gary and Laurie will be leading four sessions on Faith & Purpose this school year during the Sunday School Hour. **The second session is scheduled for Sunday January 16th, starting at 9:30am in the gym. We will be focusing on self-awareness, understanding yourself and your son or daughter.** The sessions are designed for 7th grade through 12th grade and their parents/grandparents, as well as for adults. The sessions are also ideal for parents with elementary and intermediate grade school children. *You do not need to have attended session one to attend session two.*

THE HOLY COMMUNION LEARNING EVENT for first year catechism students is next Sunday. See Pastor Patti or Gary for details.

HIGH SCHOOL IQA is resuming next Sunday, 1:30 – 2:30pm, with the study of Hebrews. Talk to Diana to get the virtual “Go-To-Meeting” number. We love to faith web so if you’re an adult who enjoys spending time with high school youth, talk to Diana about joining the study! Note, this is a virtual meeting.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Philippians, Pastor Seth, FH Rm 101 / Ephesians, Steve Johnson, Chapel / 2 Peter, Rick Butsko, Rms 301, 303.

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.

STEWARDSHIP

Attendance: December 24 – 537, December 25 – 55, December 26 – 105

<u>November 2021</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$55,691	\$654,868	\$49,679	\$657,309
Benevolence	\$ 4,305	\$ 52,089	\$ 5,761	\$ 49,876

Total Amount given to Good Samaritan Fund during pandemic as of **11/30/2021: \$21,871.**

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

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 10:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 3

- 9:30am Private Event (103)
- 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)
- 6:30pm Elizabeth Circle (103-4)
- 7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 4

- 9:00am Quilters (103-4)
- 11:30am OWLS Planning (102)
- 12:30pm Small Group (102)
- 7:00pm SW Historical Society (103-4)
- 7:00pm BSA Troop 392 (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 5

- 1:00pm Small Group (101)
- 7:30pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 6

- 8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
- 1:00pm Small Group (101)
- 2:30pm HS Acting Class (FLC)
- 6:00pm CONNECT
- 6:15pm Celebration Ringers Reh. (Sanc)
- 8:00pm Dartball (FLC)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 7

- 10:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
- 8:30pm AA (FH)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 8

- 10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry (103-4)
- 4:00pm Traditional Service (Sanc)
- 7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (FH)

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 9:30am Sunday School
- 9:45am Accessibility Presentation (FLC)
- 10:00am Small Group (Lib)
- 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
- 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
- 12:30pm Holy Communion Learning Event

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