

# NEWS NOTES

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## SERVING TODAY

### Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Barb Hill

8:15am: Pat Larick

11:00am: Christine Hank

Richard Werner

### Altar Guild

Lisa and David Stallard

Lynne Ehrlich

### Readers:

4:00pm: Barb Hill

8:15am: Gary Smith

11:00am: Lisa Stallard

### Acolytes:

8:15am: Brayden Gottshall

Corban Allman

11:00am: Volunteer(s) needed

### Greeters:

4:00pm Mary Campbell

8:15am:

11:00am M/D: Carol Rich

N/D: Barb Armentrout

**Lessons Today: Joshua 5:9-12, 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32.**

**DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:**

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In honor of our daughter, Amy Thompson's birthday and our granddaughter Ava Pierre's birthday. Given by Terry & Teresa Orahood.

**PULPIT FLOWERS:** Praise God for our 9th wedding anniversary. Given by Gary and Carolyn Throp.

**BULLETINS:** Given by Pam Wittenberg.

**☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞**

**NOTES OF THANKS:** “Thank you all for prayers when I needed them. I felt every one of them, and they helped me recover.” ~ Pat Marie.

“We wish to extend sincere thanks to our St. John’s family for all your love and support upon the passing of Sheryl’s mother, Alice Loomis. So many helped to make her funeral special. Thanks to Pastor Seth for comforting and guiding us in our sorrow and for his uplifting funeral message. Also, we are so grateful to those from the Bereavement ministry who made and served a delicious luncheon following the funeral. And, thanks to those helping behind the scenes for praying, planning, and preparing the church for the day. How blessed we are to be a part of such a faithful and caring church family. Much love,” ~ Jim and Sheryl Fraley.

**☞ TODAY’S NEWS ☞**

**GOOD NEWS!** We now have nursery staffing available every Sunday from **9:15am - noon**. If you are in need of childcare on Sunday mornings during that timeframe, please be sure to bring your children to the nursery. Meet Heather and participate in both Sunday school and worship service knowing that your children are in great hands!

**EASTER CANDY DONATIONS AND “STUFFERS” NEEDED!** We are asking for donations of individually wrapped candies to fill plastic Easter eggs. There is a marked bin in the link area and for candy donations. If you would like to help fill the Easter eggs or prepare crafts, please mark your calendars for **Sunday, April 3<sup>rd</sup> from noon – 2pm**. We will meet in The Family Life Center. A light lunch and all supplies will be provided. Please mark the salmon sheet if you plan to attend. Thank you so much for your support!

**SPECIAL GUEST APRIL 2-3: TIM IMBROCK FROM MISSION AVIATION FELLOWSHIP.** On the weekend of **April 2-3**, Tim Imbrock (Dennis' cousin) will be visiting St. John's to thank St. John's and give us an update on his ministry with Mission Aviation Fellowship. Tim will be speaking at our Saturday, 8:15am, and Contemporary worship services, and also doing a presentation with Q and A time at the Chapel Sunday School class on the 3rd at 9:30am. All are encouraged to come and hear about how we can support the gospel mission of M.A.F.!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR EASTER FAMILY FUN / VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** Please join us for a fun-filled morning including a scavenger hunt, craft making, Easter egg hunts for children of all ages and more! Our Church family and the community are invited. The event takes place on **Saturday, April 9<sup>th</sup> at 10am.** We plan to meet outside, weather permitting. If it is not a nice day to be outside, we will meet in the Family Life Center. Be sure to bring your friends! Please mark the salmon sheet if you can help with the event.

**EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST.** Please join us on Easter Sunday for a time of fellowship and good food. We will be serving breakfast on **Easter Sunday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 7 – 10am** in the Family Life Center. A free will offering will be taken. Volunteers are needed to take shifts serving breakfast. If you are interested, please contact Elaine Bennett at 614-446-0148 or at [ebennett@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:ebennett@stjohnsgc.org). You may also mark the salmon sheet for us to contact you and schedule a shift.

**SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE?** Please email [secretary@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:secretary@stjohnsgc.org), or drop off your article in the secure slot of the church office. Articles for next weekend are due by **9am on Wednesday, March 30<sup>th</sup>.**

## YOUTH NEWS

**HIGH SCHOOL GLOW meets next Sunday, April 3, 6:30 – 9pm.** We will be going off-site and building beds for the Bed Brigade. Meet at church at 6:30pm. We will leave at 6:45pm and have you back to church by 9pm. Come make a difference...build a bed!

**CONNECT does not meet this week, March 31<sup>st</sup>, as it is Spring break for South-Western City Schools.** See you again on Thursday, April 7<sup>th</sup>!

**SCRIP ORDERS are placed the first Tuesday of the month. Our next order will be April 5<sup>th</sup>.** Talk to Gary Pecuch or Pam Wittenberg on the various ways you can buy SCRIP and support the youth ministries at St. John's!



The most we can do is pray... Pray for our brothers and sisters in Ukraine and across the world. Please take a prayer bag for your family so that you can be reminded to pray daily for God's love, grace and peace to flood the world.

Be sure to keep your eyes out for Prayer bags!  
They will be at the entrances for each service.  
~ St. John's Youth Ministries

**AID FOR UKRAINE:** Are you disturbed as much as we are, watching the news and seeing firsthand what's happening in Ukraine? We've been praying, of course. We know God is in control. Still, we want to do something more. Our next-door neighbors are from Ukraine, and their families came to the U.S. when they were small children. Their church, Grace Evangelical Church on Norton Road (previously, the Oakhurst Country Club), is collecting donations that will be taken to Ukraine.

*"There is a great need for prayer, humanitarian and monetary aid to help."*

Their donation item list is extensive, so we've selected a few items for all of us at St. John's to collect. **The requested items are:**



**Hygiene items for men and women**

Baby food and necessities      Blankets and bedding  
Antibacterial ointment      Sleeping bags  
Plastic wrap/cling film      Hats and gloves

**First Aid Kits**

Tweezers  
Safety pins  
Candles



Items that **cannot** be accepted include:



Aerosols      Batteries      Matches      Oils  
Rubbing alcohol products      Hydrogen peroxide  
Fragrance (perfumes, aftershave, etc.)



Humanitarian help will be so greatly appreciated by those whose lives have been affected and will never be the same. We are accepting all donations in the church library donation box. These will be collected weekly to be shipped. To see a list of requested medical supplies, please see the post on the North Entrance and Link bulletin boards. For complete details, go to the Grace Ev. Church website at [www.visitgec.org](http://www.visitgec.org). or call 614-648-9849. You may also call us, Bruce and Karen Whyte, at (614) 878-9392.

## ☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

**Attendance:** March 20 – 287

March 23 – 65

<b><u>February 2022</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>	<b><u>Expense</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Operating	\$54,038	\$114,575	\$62,333	\$121,750
Benevolence	\$ 5,512	\$ 9,428	\$11,398	\$ 13,182

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

## ☞ LENT AND EASTER CALENDAR ☞

### LENTEN WORSHIP SERVICES

March 2—April 6 — Wednesdays at 12 noon and 6:30pm

### HOLY WEEK AND EASTER WORSHIP SERVICES - APRIL 10—17

- April 9 — “*The Cry of the Whole Congregation*” Saturday at 4pm
- April 10 — ***Palm Sunday*** “*The Cry of the Whole Congregation*” at 8:15 & 11am  
No Contemporary Service on Palm Sunday
- April 14 — ***Maundy Thursday*** Worship at 7:00pm  
with Holy Communion and Stripping of the Altar
- April 15 — ***Good Friday*** Worship at 12pm and 7:00pm
- April 16/17 — ***Easter*** Traditional - Saturday at 4pm, Sunday at 8:15 & 11am  
Contemporary - Sunday at 11am

### OTHER LENTEN AND EASTER EVENTS

- Mar. 9—Apr. 6 — Lenten Soup Supper, Wednesdays at 5:45pm
- April 3 — Palm Sunday Rehearsal 12pm
- Easter Egg Stuffing and More 12pm
- April 9 — Easter Family Fun Day 10am
- April 17 — Easter Sunday Breakfast 7am

**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** Colossians, Pastor Seth, FH Rm 101 / Ephesians, Steve Johnston, 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.

# ☪ CALENDAR ☪

## **SUNDAY, MARCH 27**

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)  
10:30am Small Group (Lib)  
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)  
3:00pm Prayers and Pins (*off-site*)  
6:30pm Bible Study (103-4)

## **MONDAY, MARCH 28**

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)  
6:00pm Puppet Rehearsal (FLC)  
6:00pm Small Group (Chapel)  
7:00pm Sarah Circle (103-4)  
7:00pm Respect Life (101-2)  
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

## **TUESDAY, MARCH 29**

9:00am Quilters (103-4)  
7:00pm BSA Troop 392 (103-4)

## **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30**

12:00pm Lenten Noon Service (Sanc)  
1:00pm Small Group (101)  
5:45pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)  
5:45pm Lenten Soup Supper (FLC, Kit)  
6:30pm Lenten Evening Service (Sanc)  
7:15pm Chancel Choir Reh. (Sanc)

## **THURSDAY, MARCH 31**

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, APRIL 1**

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

## **SATURDAY, APRIL 2**

4:00pm Traditional Service (Sanc)  
7:00pm A.A Serenity Seekers (FH)

## **SUNDAY, APRIL 3**

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)  
10:30am Small Group (Lib)  
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)  
12:00pm Easter Egg Stuffing (FLC)  
12:00pm Palm Sunday Rehearsal (Sanc)  
6:00pm GLOW (FLC, 3<sup>rd</sup> Flr)  
6:30pm Bible Study (103-4)

### **SATURDAY WORSHIP UPDATE –**

Saturday evening worship services will remain at 4pm moving forward.

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