

# NEWS NOTES

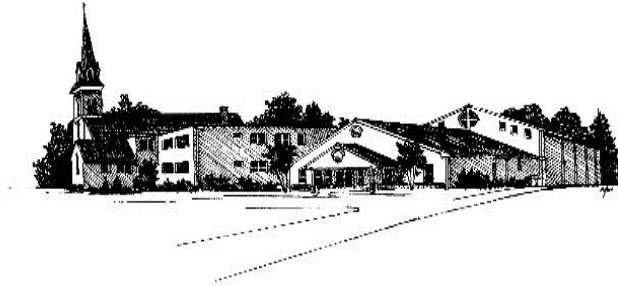
May 15, 2022

## St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### SERVING TODAY

#### Communion Assistants:

4:00pm: Dave Sweeley  
8:15am: Linda Wagner  
11:00am: Gloria Biggs, Lynda Berry,  
Linda Diehl

#### Altar Guild

Lynda Berry, Gloria Biggs,  
Don and Diane Carducci

#### Readers

4:00pm: Charlie Brown  
8:15am: Gary Smith  
11:00am: Bonnie Swanson

#### Acolytes:

8:15am: Volunteer(s) needed  
11:00am: Merrick Wilson,  
Mackenzie Norman

#### Greeters:

4:00pm: Mary Campbell  
8:15am: Mel and Carol Penrod  
11:00am: M/D: Dave and Lisa Stallard  
N/D: Lynda Berry

Lessons Today: Acts 11:1-18; Revelation 21:1-6; John 13:31-35.

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In memory of my mom, Jan Singleton. Given by Sky Singleton.

**PULPIT FLOWERS:** In celebration of Lukas' 10th birthday and our 18th wedding anniversary. Given by Mom and Dad, brothers Collin and Nickolas, and little sister Gabbi.

**LECTERN FLOWERS:** In memory of the birthday of Craig Sonnen, loving husband, father, and grandfather. Given by his family.

**BULLETINS:** Given by Charlie and Pam Brown.

**☞ PERSONAL NOTES ☞**

**HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK:** Please pray for the members who are or were recently in the hospital: Mary Smith; Shirley Barnes.

**NOTES OF THANKS:** "I want to thank Pastor Patti, Ike Stage for the proclamation, and the congregation for the wonderful singing of "Happy Birthday" for my hundredth birthday. You are all much loved. Bless and thank you all!" ~ Paul Offenburger and family. "P.S. – Almost forgot, the cake was good, too!"

**☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞**

**SECURITY TEAM** We would like to add an additional person to the nightly security team. The job involves securing the church for the night - making sure the building is vacated, all doors are locked, lights turned off, and the alarm is set. Each team member works a two-week shift, coming in around 10pm each night. This is a paid position, and a background check is required. Interested in this opportunity? Please contact Mike Esposito at 614-875-2314, or mesposito@stjohnsgc.org.

**HAVE A FAVORITE HYMN?** A parishioner has made a proposal that worshippers be given the opportunity to suggest hymns for the traditional services during the summer. So, if you have a favorite hymn that you would like to sing during the summer, now is the time to make your suggestion!

There will be a hymn suggestion box located near the north entrance of the sanctuary. Just take one of the sheets on top of the box, write the name of the hymn on it, and drop it in the box. The box will be there through the end of May. We will try to use as many of those suggestions as we can.

**ALTAR FLOWER DEDICATIONS:** Altar flowers beautify our worship service each week and are a wonderful way to remember or honor loved ones. We have several openings for **June 5<sup>th</sup>**. Reserve your dedication date on the Altar flowers chart in the North Entrance. Please contact Lesa Corbin at (614) 530-4984 for more information.

**OWLS EVENT – MAY 20, 2022:** The Older Wiser LutheranS (OWLS) are inviting you to their May 20<sup>th</sup> meeting. We are going on the road again!! We hope you are excited to be getting out and about with the group. We will carpool from the church to Motts Military Museum in Groveport. Our visit includes a guided tour of the exhibits and hearing interesting and meaningful stories from our tour guides. There is always something new added to the Museum so even if you've been here before you should join us and see for yourself. And if your feet get tired, there are seats inside and outside of the Museum. Admission is \$4 and will be collected before we leave the church.

We will gather for friendship and lunch at The Paddock Pub which is close by after our time at Motts.

MEET AT CHURCH:	10:00 AM
DEPART FOR MOTTS:	10:15 AM
TOUR TIME:	11:00 AM

Guests are always welcome!!! ***We can always use more drivers if you are willing and able.*** We offer friendship, companionship, and support for each other. Use the salmon sheet in Sunday's bulletin to make your reservation. You can also call the office or Bonnie Swanson at 614-562-8002. Hope to see you there!

**DO MIRACLES HAPPEN TO REGULAR PEOPLE?**

It did for Lazarus and his family! Come see "Evening with The Puppets, 2022" in person again next **Sunday, May 22, at 7pm.**

Any offering collected will go to Operation Christmas Child to share more miracles with more regular people. Cookies and lemonade to follow.

Come celebrate miracles and the end of year with the Puppet Team. Chocolate and laughs will fly and we will all learn and laugh a little as two regular kids learn Lazarus was NOT a zombie.

**SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE?** Please email 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, May 18.**

**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.

## ☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

**SUMMER 2022!** We have a great summer of activities and service planned. Pick up your brochure from the youth office door or talk to Laurie Pecuch or Diana Imbrock! There is a RSVP form on the back of the brochure. Kindly RSVP by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

**FAITH CELEBRATION AND CONFIRMATION are Sunday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>!** Join us from 9:30am to 10:15am in the Family Life Center as students share their faith trifolds. Everyone is welcome! Students will then confirm their faith at the 11am traditional worship service. It's a beautiful morning of witnessing and celebrating! Confirming their faith are Dylan Allman, Bella Castle, Eva Harris, Matthew Johnston-Kline, Matthew Little, James McFarland, & Grace Nixon.

## ☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

**Attendance:** May 8 – 321

<b><u>April 2022</u></b>	<b><u>Income</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>	<b><u>Expense</u></b>	<b><u>YTD</u></b>
Operating	\$64,460	\$235,725	\$65,000	\$242,452
Benevolence	\$ 4,140	\$ 17,451	\$ 6,962	\$ 20,251

### **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](http://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.
5. Through the Vanco Mobile (formerly 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.

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

**Graduation 2022**  
**Advice gathered for our graduates**  
**from our church community**  
**May 1, 2022**

**BE OPEN TO...**

...God's will, everything, change, change – even if it's scary, ways to serve the church, everyone and keep your faith, trying new things, constructive criticism, all aspects of life, new opportunities, God's calling and directions – that persistent, small voice in the back of your mind, advice, making new friends, new ideas, Bible Study, and entering a social event without knowing anyone.

**HOPE YOU ALWAYS...**

...have hope and optimism, have fun, love everyone you meet, look for the positive – even in difficult situations, keep Jesus pre-eminent in your life, know your family loves you, try, remember you are loved, enjoy your future endeavors, have faith in God and yourself, keep your foundation of faith, grow, remember your St. John's family prays for you, remember who loves you, find a moment of peace away from people, and come home to us to visit!

**HOPE YOU DON'T...**

...feel afraid to ask for help, forget your faith, eat too much pizza 😊, doubt yourself, make easily avoidable mistakes, lose your faith, give up, forget your roots, ever give up, stop coming to church, forget this church family praying for your success, feel pressured to be something you're not, forget to ask for help, forget us, or lose hope in something you wanted to do.



**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 1 Thessalonians, Pastor Seth, FH Rm 001 / Mark, 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, MAY 15**

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am SJYM Parenting Hour (103-4)  
9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)  
10:00am Small Group (Lib)  
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)

### **MONDAY, MAY 16**

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (FH)  
6:30pm Puppet Rehearsal (FLC)  
6:00pm Small Group (Chapel)  
7:00pm Council (103-4)  
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

### **TUESDAY, MAY 17**

9:00am Quilters (103-4)  
12:30pm Small Group (102)  
6:00pm Blue Ribbon 4-H (FLC)  
7:00pm BSA Troop 392 (SH [103-4])  
7:30pm Al-Anon (202)

### **WEDNESDAY, MAY 18**

1:00pm Small Group (101)  
6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)  
7:15pm Chancel Choir Reh. (Sanc)

### **THURSDAY, MAY 19**

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)  
9:00am Eagle Mailing (204)  
1:00pm Small Group (102)  
6:00pm Celebration Ringers (Sanc)

### **FRIDAY, MAY 20**

10:00am OWLS (meet in FLC, off site)  
10:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)  
8:30pm AA (FH)

### **SATURDAY, MAY 21**

4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (FH)

### **SUNDAY, MAY 22**

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
9:30am Sunday School  
9:30am Faith Celebration (FLC)  
9:30am SJYM Parenting Hour (103-4)  
9:30am Men's Chorale Reh. (Choir Rm)  
10:00am Small Group (Lib)  
11:00am Traditional Worship  
and Confirmation (Sanc)  
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)  
6:00pm Saddles n Such 4-H (FH)  
7:00pm Evening with The Puppets,  
2022 (FLC)

**REMINDER:**  
**Youth Sunday School**  
**will not be held on**  
**May 30<sup>th</sup> or July 3<sup>rd</sup>**  
in observance of Memorial Day  
and Independence Day.

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