

NEWS NOTES

September 4, 2022

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Mark Meuser, Director of Music Ministry

Nick Grossman & David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

Susan Locey, Director of Celebration Ringers

☞ SERVING TODAY ☛

Communion Assistants

4:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Jo Dimond

11:00am: Jeff Shaw

Altar Guild

Lynda Berry, Gloria Biggs,

Don and Diane Carducci,

Sarah Schmitz, Donna Linder

Readers

4:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Marilyn Smith

11:00am: Gloria Bullert

Acolytes

8:15am: Colton Thompson

Hunter Thompson

11:00am: Merrick Wilson

Mackenzie Norman

Greeters

4:00pm: Mary Campbell

8:15am: Armand Arabian,

Sarah Schmitz

11:00am: Bill and Linda Diehl

Lessons Today: Deuteronomy 30:15-20, Philemon 1-21, Luke 14:25-33.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: in thanks to God for our family and good friends. Given by Boyd and Karen Colwell.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In honor of our beloved friends of St. Johns. Given by Elaine Hamann.

PULPIT FLOWERS: In memory of my daughter, Rosemary Anderson. Given by her mother, Susie Long.

BULLETINS: In memory of Paul Katterhenrich. Given by Beth Katterhenrich.

PERSONAL NOTES

WEDDING: Congratulations to Miles Vida and Rebekah Morlock who were married here on Saturday, September 3rd. May God bless your new life together!

TODAY'S NEWS

HOMEBOUND COMMUNION TEAM On the first Sunday of each month this team comes to receive a Holy Communion kit. The distribution of home communion is an extension of the Lord's Supper and is for those who are unable to be present at the celebration of the congregation. We bring to them the same bread of life and the same cup of blessing so that they may be strengthened through their participation in the body of Christ. Let us be mindful and grateful for this ministry.

ARTS IN THE ALLEY - Fall is right around the corner! And that means that Arts in the Alley is quickly approaching. We are looking for a team of people who would like to help plan and implement our presence in the Arts in the Alley Parade. The parade will take place on **Saturday, September 17th** at 9:30am rain or shine.



This year's theme is Hometown Originals. This is always a fun morning and a great way to represent St. John's in our ever-growing community. If you are interested in helping or participating, contact Elaine Bennett by phone at 614-446-0148 or via email at elaine.bennett@stjohnsgc.org.

Be sure to visit the St. John's Short-Term Missions concession booth during the Arts in the Alley weekend, September 16-18, 2022! Sponsored by Marco's Pizza :)

ST. JOHN'S NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Light duty volunteers. We need help with a small job in the Nursery that we expect will take less than an hour. We are also looking for someone to tighten up a loose sink faucet in the Family Life Center kitchen.

Sunday School Room Repaint. We are looking for a couple of volunteers to scrape some old layers of paint, prepare, and paint the walls in one of the Sunday School rooms. This is a project a single person could do on their own, but many hands make quick work.

Volunteers, call Mike Esposito at (614)875-2314.
We appreciate all your help!

CHANCEL CHOIR AND CELEBRATION RINGERS RESUME PRACTICES – New Members Welcome! The Chancel Choir will be returning to traditional worship after its summer break. Their first rehearsal is **Wednesday, September 7th** from 7:30 to 9pm in the sanctuary. We cordially invite anyone who is interested in singing to attend this rehearsal.

The Women's Chorale will start its fall rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 7th** as well. We will meet at 6:30pm in the sanctuary.

The Men's Chorale will meet on **Sunday, September 4th** at 9:30am in the choir room.

Singing in the Chancel Choir is a great opportunity to serve. Whether you are an experienced singer or just a beginner, you will find the choir to be a welcoming group whose purpose is to praise God in song. Anyone interested can simply come to the first rehearsal or e-mail Choir Director Mark Meuser at mmeuser@stjohnsgc.org if you have additional questions.

The Celebration Ringers will be returning to traditional worship this fall. Their first rehearsal is **Thursday, September 15th** starting at 6:15pm in the sanctuary. We invite anyone who is interested in joining the bell choir to contact Susan Locey at 614-208-8215.

GREETERS NEEDED for Saturday evening and both Sunday morning traditional services. Volunteers for 4pm and 8:15am services are encouraged to sign up on the Greeter's chart posted on the North Entrance bulletin board. We kindly request the 11:00am volunteers to contact Bonnie Swanson at (614) 562-8002.

ALTAR GUILD NEEDS YOU! The Altar Guild Team is looking for members to help prepare the Altar on the weekend. You will be trained and always work with another team.

Members are also needed who would be willing to count the communion after early and prepare communion for second service. We also need help after the second service counting the communion and putting everything away. An Altar Guild member will train you. You can volunteer for one week a month or more.

You are cordially invited to our Altar Guild Meeting on **Monday, September 12th** at 1pm in the Chapel. Can't attend our meeting, please call Betty Lewis 614-272-6696 or Karen Grossman 614-578-3198 for more information.

WRAPPED IN PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will hold its next meetings on **Saturday, September 10th** at 9am and on **Tuesday, September 13th** at 7pm in Rooms 103-4. Everyone is welcome. Bring your knitting/crochet materials and any completed shawls to be blessed with prayer. Anyone can learn to knit or crochet with our help! For more info call Glenda at 614-352-5955 or Diana at 614-271-5775. If you know of someone who might appreciate a shawl, call Nancy at 614-875-8155.

ELIZABETH CIRCLE: It is time for Elizabeth Circle to start back up! The first meeting is at Sherry Nighbert's house **Monday, September 12th** at 6:30pm. It is a potluck and meeting about our year. On October 3rd, our monthly meetings resume at the church in rooms 103-104, and Bible study will begin. Please contact Sherry or the Church Office for the address of the September meeting. New Members are always welcome! Come and join us! Blessings, Sherry Nighbert.

OWLS EVENT - SEPTEMBER 16, 2022. For the past couple of years, we have enjoyed a wonderful lunch catching up with those we don't see often, and we did not plan a program, so the agenda will stay the same! We are so pleased to be able to get together and enjoy our time together. God has blessed each of us by leading us to St. John's and offering us the Christian fellowship that is priceless.

If you would ask almost any OWL (Older Wiser Lutheran) to name one of their favorite meetings of the year, I am pretty sure most of them would say *"Der Dutchman! Of course!"* What's not to like about a restaurant that is located in a beautiful country setting and the bounty of a country kitchen? They serve generous portions of hearty, home-style Amish Kitchen Cooking. They might not be as good as our Lutheran cooks, but we think they're pretty good. Their bakery is full of pastries, cakes, cookies, breads, and

their legendary pies that are baked every day. And if you have any money left over, their gift shop is very inviting.

You will have two options for lunch. The buffet costs \$21.99 and includes dessert, beverage, tax and tip. Or you can order from the menu.

We will meet at the church at 10:15am to set up our carpool. We will depart for the restaurant no later than 10:30am. We have reserved a private room. If you are driving separately you should plan to arrive by 11:15am. If you are able and willing to drive, it would be greatly appreciated! Please make your reservation using the salmon sheet from your worship bulletin – including if you are able to drive, need a ride, or if you are meeting the group at the restaurant. Hope to see you there!

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 *UMGC Purple Door Free Store, Salvation Army, National Kidney Foundation, or Volunteers of America*. **The Volunteers of America Thrift Store has a donation bin located just behind the Walgreens at Stringtown and McDowell Roads.**

USED EYEGLASSES are being collected for donation to Lions Eyeglass Recycling Centers located throughout the world. The used glasses are repaired and distributed to those in need in developing countries. You can donate your used eyeglasses in the drop boxes in the North Entrance and in the second-floor hallway just outside of the library.

PRAYER REQUESTS should be turned in by Monday morning. Fill out the prayer request section on the salmon sheet or contact the church office at 614-875-2314. You may also email your prayer request to secretary@stjohnsgc.org. Requests are updated on a weekly basis.

SEE A MAINTENANCE CONCERN WITHIN OUR BUILDING? Please fill out a "Church Maintenance Request" form and return it to the church office. Forms are available throughout the building, in the church office, and on the door of the Business Manager's office, room #205.

SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE? Please send an email to 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, September 7th**.

☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

SCRIP has a new name! It's now "Raise Right" and it offers the same great value! For more details, contact Laurie at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org. Orders are typically placed the first Tuesday of the month, but please note **September orders will be placed on SEPTEMBER 13th, that's actually the second Tuesday of the month.** We apologize for any inconvenience. Thanks for your continual support!

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

<u>July 2022</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$57,352	\$414,840	\$51,267	\$428,446
Benevolence	\$ 3,678	\$ 29,208	\$ 3,156	\$ 30,548

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.
5. Through the Vanco Mobile 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.

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

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 1 Thessalonians, Pastor Seth, FH Rm 001 / Titus, 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.

O'Charley's
RESTAURANT + BAR

HUNGRY TO HELP?

15% OF YOUR PURCHASE WILL BE
DONATED TO

St. Johns Lutheran Church
Tuesday, September 13, 2022
11:00 am – 9:00 pm

WHEN YOU PRESENT THIS FLYER AT THE TIME OF PURCHASE.

O'CHARLEY'S LOCATION
1657 Stringtown Road
Grove City, OH 43123

The percentage donated to the Organization is based on purchases made by Supporters' (before tax and tip) at the specified location, date and time.

Supporters can choose either to Dine-In or To-Go,
no Delivery orders will be counted toward the Fundraiser.

Supporters can present a printed or a digital copy of this flyer
to Server or To-Go Specialist at the time of purchase or pick-up.

☪ CALENDAR ☪

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Rm)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
5:30pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

LABOR DAY – OFFICE CLOSED

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

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
11:30am OWLS Planning (101-2)
12:30pm Small Group (101-2)
6:00pm Small Group (Chapel)
6:00pm Girl Scout Troop 6679 (204)
7:00pm Boy Scouts (SH [FLC])
7:00pm SW Historical Society (103-4)
7:30pm Al-Anon (202)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

9:00am BSF Leaders (101-4)
2:00pm Small Group (101)
6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
7:30pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
8:00pm Dartball (*location to be announced*)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

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

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

EAGLE DEADLINE

9:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry (103-4)
10:00am Private Event (101-2)
11:00am Private Event (SH [103-4])
11:30am Private Event (FLC)
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (FH)

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

RALLY DAY (202, SH)

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Rm)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
5:30pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

PLEASE NOTE: *There will be no youth Sunday School classes on September 4th for Labor Day weekend. Please join us again on September 11th for Rally Day to celebrate a new Sunday School year!*

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