

NEWS NOTES

September 24, 2023

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: Mike Gibboney

8:15am: Linda Wagner

11:00am: Christine Hank, Caroline
Koethke

Altar Guild

Lynda Berry, Sarah Schmitz,

Gloria Biggs, Lynne Ehrlich

Readers

4:00pm: Charlie Brown

8:15am: Teresa Orahood

11:00am: Sheryl Fraley

Ushers

11:00am: Rick Butsko, Dennis Imbrock,
Jeff Shaw, Dan Yeater

Acolytes

8:15am: Brayden Gottshall
Corban Allman

11:00am: Riley Millet
Wesley Millet

Greeters

4:00pm: Mary Campbell

8:15am: Mel and Carol Penrod

11:00am: MD: Shirley Blake
RD: Gloria Biggs

Lessons: Jonah 3:10--4:11, Philippians 1:21-30, Matthew 20:1-16.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of our mother, Elsie Skinner, on her birthday. Given by Barb Armentrout and Cindy Roberts.

ALTAR FLOWERS: In honor of Layla Greer's 13th birthday, September 14th. Given by her grandparents, Bill and Chris Snashall.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In memory of our son, Collin Timothy, on his 13th birthday, and in celebration of Nick's 9th birthday. Given by his loving parents Tim & Jill and Lukas & Gabriella.

BULLETINS: Given by Ike and Shelah Stage.

☞ PERSONAL NEWS ☞

HOSPITALIZED THIS WEEK: Please pray for the members who are or were recently in the hospital: Dwight Henricksen, Paul Offenburger.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞


2024 WILL BE ST. JOHN'S 175th ANNIVERSARY YEAR! Next year, St. John's will be celebrating 175 years of Christian ministry in Grove City! We want to celebrate this special milestone with a variety of events throughout the year in 2024. If you would like to be part of the 175th Anniversary Committee, please let Pastor Seth or Pastor Patti know within the next few weeks. We need a group of energetic, creative people who will take the reins and have fun planning and organizing anniversary activities. We hope the Committee can have its first meeting in October. It's important for us to remember and appreciate the story of this great congregation, to give thanks to God for where we've been, and to look forward to where he's leading us! Please pray about it, and consider joining the team!

THE FALL MISSIONS BAZAAR is coming on **Saturday, October 7, 2023, from 9am to 1pm.** Please come and support our short-term mission trips while enjoying shopping, raffles, food and fun!

Interested in donating to our bake sale? Please sign up on the salmon sheet. Donations can be dropped off either Friday, October 6 from 6-8pm or the day of the sale (10/7) from 7-9am.



There are still spaces available for vendors. Please contact Diana Imbrock at gloriaadios06@gmail.com for more information.



COMING THIS OCTOBER - ST. JOHN'S GOT TALENT! In anticipation of the completion of the accessibility project, St. John's Church is planning an autumn evening of entertainment. On Saturday, October 21, at 7:00 pm, we will host a program entitled "St. John's Got Talent." It will consist of members of the St. John's Church family who are willing to share their talents with the congregation. That talent could include singing, dancing, playing an instrument, or comedy. The program will take place in the Family Life Center.

Participation in the program is open to 4th graders through adults. Anyone interested in being in the show should or helping backstage should contact Mark Meuser, Nick Grossman, Pastor Seth, or Pastor Patti. You can also leave a message at the church office at 614-875-2314. **Please let them know by October 1.**

All performers must be approved by Mark Meuser or Nick Grossman. There will be a dress rehearsal on Saturday, October 14 at 7:00 pm.

We hope that many people will be willing to showcase their talents. The evening will be a great opportunity for both traditional and contemporary worshippers to join together to celebrate our new facility.

VETERANS LUNCHEON – SAVE THE DATE

Dear Veterans,

In honor of Veterans, your service, and your sacrifice for our country, you and a guest are invited to St. John's Annual Veterans Luncheon. This event will take place in the Family Life Center on **Sunday, November 5th, 2023, at 12:15pm.**

If you are a Veteran planning to attend, please mark the salmon sheet in your bulletin or call the church at 614-875-2314 to reserve your seats **by October 22, 2023.** Thank you for your service.



SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE? Articles are due by 9am each **Wednesday**. Please send your article via email, secretary@stjohnsgc.org, or drop it in the church office secure slot.

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.

OFFICE HOURS are Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm. Please keep in mind the building may be locked at any time outside of normal office hours.

☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞

STARTING THURSDAY! Adventure Club (ages 4 through 4th grade) and Faith Trek (grades 5 - 6) meet weekly on Thursday nights, 5:45 - 7:15pm. The greeter's table opens at 5:30pm. Suggested donation for the evening meal is \$3. Each group enjoys gym time, a meal with friends, arts and crafts, and an active learning Bible lesson. Talk to Laurie Pecuch or Diana Imbrock about joining us!

STARTING WEDNESDAY! Explorers and Energizers for grades 7 - 8 and 9 - 12 meet weekly on Wednesday nights, 7 - 8:30pm. Talk to Gini Rogers for details!

RAISE RIGHT gift card orders are placed on the first Tuesday of every month. You can use these cards personally and they also make great gifts. Talk to Laurie Pecuch or email her at lpecuch@stjohnsgc.org about how you can order physical cards. Did you know that you can also order e-gift cards and re-load your cards on-line? Talk to Pam Wittenberg about how easy it is to place orders on-line. With each gift card purchase, a percentage comes back to us and helps off-set the costs for children and youth ministries not covered by the budget. *Thanks for your support!*

SEE YOU AT THE POLE – SEPTEMBER 27: Join the national movement and meet students around the flagpoles of local high schools on September 27th at 7:00am to pray for our schools, community, nation, and world.








STEWARDSHIP

Attendance September 17 - **268**

<u>August 2023</u>	<u>Income</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Expense</u>	<u>YTD</u>
Operating	\$47,011	\$ 545,599	\$89,500	\$523,372
Benevolence	\$ 3,390	\$ 53,157	\$ 3,590	\$ 52,037

How to give to St. John's:

-  + Place your offering in the collection basket during worship services.
- + Mail your offering to the church – 3220 Columbus St., Grove City, OH 43123.
-  + 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.
-  + Through your financial institution – they will send a check directly to the church on your behalf.
-  + 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.
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFUL AND GENEROUS GIVING TO ST. JOHN'S MINISTRIES!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Adult Faith Discussion, FH / Book of Matthew, Chapel / Book of Colossians, Rms 301 and 303.
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2-3 years old, Rm 003 / 4-5 years old, 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, Rm 302 / High School, Rm 311.
SELAH ROOM: Rm 101, a quiet place available every Sunday from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Room)
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
5:30pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

9:00am Friends of the Library (103-4)
9:30am BSF Leaders
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
6:00pm Small Group (101)
6:30pm Puppets (FLC)
7:00pm Respect Life (102)
7:00pm Sarah Circle (103-4)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 26

9:00am Quilters (103-4)
6:00pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (103-4)
6:00pm Al-Anon Annual Meeting (202)
7:00pm Boy Scouts (SH [FLC])

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27

9:30am BSF
1:00pm Small Group (102)
6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
7:00pm Accessibility Building Mtg (102)
7:00pm Explorers and Energizers
(103-4, FLC, Kit, 3rd Floor)
7:30pm Chancel Chorale (Sanc)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
9:30am Small Group (101)
5:45pm Adventure Club and Faith Trek
6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Sanc)
8:00pm Dartball (FLC)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

4:00pm Private Event (SH [FLC])
6:00pm Private Event
(Sanc, Chapel, Choir Room)
8:30pm AA (SH [FH])

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

2:00pm Private Event
(Sanc, Chapel, Choir Room)
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (FH)

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 1

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Room)
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
1:30pm Girl Scouts Troop #6300
Annual Event (SH [FLC])
5:30pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

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