

NEWS NOTES

January 20-21, 2024

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Guest Pastor Donald Allman



Mark Meuser, Director of Music Ministry

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Susan Locey, Director of Celebration Ringers

☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

Communion Assistants

4:00pm: Dave Sweeley

8:15am: Joel Baughman

11:00am: Gloria Biggs, Lisa Stallard,
Linda Diehl

Altar Guild

Dellno and Betty Lewis

Paul and Pam Wittenberg

Readers

4:00pm: Ann Jones

8:15am: Truman Allman

11:00am: Lisa Stallard

Ushers

11:00am: Bill Diehl, George Gonsowski,
Dennis Imbrock, Jeff Shaw

Acolytes

8:15am: Cordelia Wanner
Jaylynn Jermann

11:00am: Lukas Althoff
Eva Counts

Greeters

4:00pm: Mary Campbell

8:15am: Carol Penrod

11:00am MD: Jeff Shaw, Mason Millet
RD: Carol Rich

LESSONS TODAY: Jonah 3:1-5,10, 1 Corinthians 7:29-31, Mark 1:14-20.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: in memory of my loving husband, Richard Davis, and our 70th wedding anniversary on January 29th. Given by Vi Davis.

ALTAR FLOWERS: in honor of Truman's 11th birthday. Given by his parents and Corban.

PULPIT FLOWERS: in loving memory of Emerson Braskett on his birthday. Given by the Braskett family.

BULLETINS: Given by Rhonda Maynard.

☞ PERSONAL NEWS ☞

OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY is extended to the family and friends of **Joyce Schoch**, who passed away on January 15, 2024. All who grieve are in our hearts and prayers.

NOTES OF THANKS:

"I wish to thank you for the beautiful poinsettia and Christmas gifts that were dropped off to me by Ginny Bent before the holiday. Sorry I missed my friend as I was picked by my daughter and spent most of the day with her. Your kindness and thoughtfulness is much appreciated. I also want to mention a special thank you to Lisa and Dave Stallard for bringing me communion each month. I always enjoy our visit and getting caught up on mutual connections. God bless everyone and I hope you have a safe and healthy new year." ~ Jan Evans.

"On behalf of the Kitchen Committee, I want to thank everyone for their generous donation of towels and wash cloths. It is very much appreciated not only by the Kitchen Committee, but everyone who's involved with the use of the kitchen. Thank you." ~ Wilma Phillips.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

PLEASE JOIN US in welcoming our new intern **Dale Stanley and his family, Sunday February 4th**. During the Sunday School hour, come to the Family Life Center to meet and get to know Dale and his family, while enjoying coffee and donuts. We hope to see you there!

THE ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING will follow the 11am services in the FLC on Sunday, January 28, 2024. Please plan to attend.

ASH WEDNESDAY WORSHIP, FEBRUARY 14TH: We begin the season of Lent with this day of repentance and renewal, on which we remember that "we are dust, and to dust we shall return." We will have two services with Holy Communion and the Imposition of Ashes at **Noon and 7:00pm** on Wednesday, February 14th.

LENT MIDWEEK WORSHIP SERVICES, 2024: Be sure to make Wednesday worship part of your observance of Lent this year! Worship will take place in the main sanctuary at **Noon and 6:30pm** each Wednesday from February 21st through March 20th.



THE SOUPER BOWL OF CARING began with a simple prayer from a single youth group: “Lord, even as we enjoy the Super Bowl football game, help us be mindful of those without a bowl of soup to eat.”

Since then, over \$175 million has been generated for local charities across the country through Souper Bowl of Caring. It has become a powerful movement that transforms the time around the Big Game into the nation’s largest celebration of giving and caring for those in need.



We will be collecting monies (cash and checks) for Souper Bowl of Caring on Feb. 10th and 11th at all the worship services. Your cash donations will be used to purchase and deliver food to the Grove City Food Pantry. Checks made out to “St. John’s Lutheran” will be deposited and one check sent to the LSS Food Pantry. Please note in the check memo: *Souper Bowl of Caring*.

Please consider donating to the hungry individuals and families in our community. If you want to learn more, go to www.tacklehunger.org. *Thank you! Brooklyn Cress*

BLANKETS OF LOVE IS BACK! This year's student leader is Layla Greer, an eighth grader with a caring servant's heart. During the month of February, we are asking groups or families to sponsor a Bed Brigade Blessing Bag (with the blanket and a sheet set), tie a blanket, or both! Then the Blessing Bags will be given to the Bed Brigade for their deliveries. If your group or family would like to participate, contact Layla on Sunday mornings or Diana Imbrock throughout the week. Help make a child's winter snuggly warm!



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.

☞ STEWARDSHIP ☞

Attendance January 14, 2024 - **250**

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.



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

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.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR:

2024 MINISTRY FAIR



PLANTING SEEDS & GROWING STEWARDS

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 18TH, 9:30-10:30

(DURING SUNDAY SCHOOL) IN THE FAMILY LIFE CENTER.

COME TO LEARN MORE ABOUT THE DIFFERENT MINISTRIES OF ST. JOHN'S, SHARE WHAT YOU LOVE AND TO SEE WHERE YOUR GIFTS MAY FIT IN OUR PARISH. ASK QUESTIONS AND DISCOVER WHERE GOD IS CALLING YOU TO SHARE YOUR STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES.

WE WILL BE SERVING A LIGHT BREAKFAST AND
HOPE TO HAVE A FUN AND EDUCATIONAL
MORNING FOR EVERYONE.

WE CAN'T WAIT TO
SEE YOU THERE!

CONTACT MEGAN GROSSMAN
IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS.

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☪ CALENDAR ☪

SUNDAY, JANUARY 21

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)
1:00pm IQA Bible Study (HS Room)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, JANUARY 22

9:30am BSF Leaders
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
1:00pm Altar Guild Meeting (Chapel)
6:30pm Puppets (FLC)
7:00pm Respect Life (102)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 23

9:30am Quilters (103-4)
12:00pm Red Cross Blood Drive (FLC)
6:30pm Prayer Shawl Ministry (103-4)
7:00pm Boy Scouts (FLC)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 24

9:30am BSF
1:30pm Small Group (102)
6:00pm Girl Scouts #6679 (204)
6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)
7:00pm Explorers & Energizers
7:30pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

THURSDAY, JANUARY 25

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
9:00am Eagle Mailing Team (204)
9:30am Small Group (103-4)
2:00pm Small Group (101)
3:00pm Home School Acting (FLC)
5:45pm Adventure Club & Faith Trek
6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Sanc)
8:00pm Dartball (away)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 26

10:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)
6:00pm Private Event (FLC)
8:30pm AA (FH)

SATURDAY, JANUARY 27

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

SUNDAY, JANUARY 28

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)
12:00pm **ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING (FLC)**
1:00pm IQA Bible Study (HS Room)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)
6:00pm Saddles n Such 4-H (FH)

DAILY AND WEEKLY UPDATES ARE POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA:

Website: www.stjohnsgc.org | Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stjohnsgrovecity/>

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.