

# NEWS NOTES

March 16-17, 2024

## St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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### ☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

#### **Communion Assistants**

4:00pm: *Bill Woodgeard*

8:15am: *Pat Larick, Paul Wittenberg*

11:00am Traditional: *Gloria Biggs, Lynda Berry, Linda Diehl*

Contemporary: *Karen Jersild, Karrie Clark, Jennifer Shade*

#### **Altar Guild**

*Don and Diane Carducci*

*Paul and Pam Wittenberg*

#### **Contemporary Communion Prep**

*Karen Jersild*

#### **Readers**

4:00pm: *Karen Colwell*

8:15am: *Kathy Myers*

11:00am Traditional: *Sheryl Fraley*

Contemporary: *Hope Katterhenrich*

#### **Ushers**

8:15am: *Steve Marcum, Dave Sweeley, Hunter Thompson*

11:00am: *Dave Clark, George Gonsowski, Jeff Shaw, Larry Sutton*

#### **Acolytes**

8:15am: *Cordelia Wanner*

*Jaylynn Jermann*

11:00am: *Volunteer(s) needed*

#### **Greeters**

4:00pm: *Mary Campbell*

8:15am: *Carol Penrod*

11:00am ND: *Carol Rich*

RD: *David and Lisa Stallard*

Contemporary: *the Shade Family*

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

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In celebration of Dwight and Cindy Henricksen's 34<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They were married at St. John's on March 18, 1989.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** In memory of Richard Davis. Given by Vi Davis & family.

**PULPIT FLOWERS:** In memory of Rev. Virgil Wittenberg. Given by the Wittenberg family.

**BULLETINS:** In honor of the beginning of Spring. Given by Linda Chenault.

**BULLETINS:** In memory of June and Ernie Duffield. Given by Barbara Connors.

**LESSONS TODAY: *Jeremiah 31:31-34, Hebrews 5:5-10, John 12:20-33.***

**☞ PERSONAL NEWS ☞**

**BAPTIZED TODAY:** Congratulations to Brian and Amanda Rawson for the baptism of their daughter, Vivian, on Sunday, March 17<sup>th</sup> during the 11:00am traditional worship service.

**OUR CHRISTIAN SYMPATHY** is extended to Doug Cress and family as they mourn the death of his mother, Marlene. All who grieve are in our hearts and prayers.

**☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞**

**MEMBERSHIP CLASS and NEW MEMBERS' RECEPTION IN APRIL!** A Membership Class will be held at 12:15pm on Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup>. We'll start with lunch together in room 103-4. All visitors to our congregation, our newest members, and all potential members are invited to come! The classes will cover Christian mission at St. John's, and we'll be able to answer any questions you have about our congregation and our Lutheran Christian heritage. We will formally receive new members into our congregation during the **11:00am traditional worship service on Sunday, April 21st**. We hope you can come!

**HOSPITALITY TEAM:** With our new addition complete and it being such an amazing place for fellowship, we are looking for people who would want to bring hospitality to this great space on Sunday mornings. We are looking for people to be welcoming as people come in the door, make coffee in our new coffee maker, help serve coffee and donuts as needed and assist/direct people where they would like to go. We will have training available once we get people interested in helping. We would love to have faces from both Contemporary and Traditional to be a part of this. Please fill out the salmon sheet or reach out to Megan Grossman if you are interested in being a part of this hospitality team.

**GRIEF SHARE:** *Grief Share* is a support group for anyone who has lost a loved one and is looking for hope and healing. We will be meeting weekly beginning in March. If you are interested in participating or helping in this ministry, fill out your salmon sheet or contact our intern, Dale Stanley, at 540-685-0536 or [dstanley@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:dstanley@stjohnsgc.org).

**TRADITIONAL BULLETINS:** Moving forward in 2024, we will be using an image from our historical German bulletins for the traditional bulletin cover. This is the oldest picture of the church that has been found so far, and is reportedly from an 1895 Easter service. Look for more history of our church in coming bulletins and the monthly Eagle.

**BULLETIN DEDICATIONS:** Consider submitting a Bulletin Dedication in honor or in memory of loved ones, and to celebrate an event, milestone, birthday, or anniversary. Bulletin Dedications are only \$20.00. Reserve your preferred weekend date on the Bulletins Sign Up sheet on the Parish Door's bulletin board. There are still openings for March and April. Please direct questions to Barb Armentrout at 614-875-2985.

**FLOWERS FOR WORSHIP:** Our worship services each week are beautified with wonderful music, smiling faces, and flowers. Making a flower dedication for the Altar, Pulpit, and Lectern is a wonderful way to remember or honor loved ones. We have openings remaining for March and April. Reserve your date on the Altar Flowers Chart on the Parish Door's bulletin board. Please direct questions to Lesa Corbin at 614-530-4984.

**TIME & TALENT SURVEY:** If you didn't get a chance to fill out your time and talent survey, no worries! I will still be continuing to collect them. So, please continue to fill them out and put them in Megan Grossman's mailbox or in the church office. If you're not a paper person and would prefer to do it online we have you covered. All you need to do is scan this QR code on your phone and it will direct you right to the Time & Talent survey and our new booklet! Everything will be right on your phone. Once you complete it, we will have your answers. Contact Megan Grossman with any questions.



**YOUTH MINISTRY SEARCH UPDATE:** The Youth Ministry Call Team has been busy searching for the right candidate for St. Johns. We are looking for someone with a deep love for Christ, a passion for youth, and a background in either youth ministry or education. If you think you might know someone who fits that description, please contact the committee chair, **Christina Allman (614-519-8092)** for a copy of the job description or have them get in touch with us directly. And most importantly, please continue to pray for the team and our candidates as we search for the person God is preparing for this vital ministry!

**EASTER SUNDAY BREAKFAST:** Please join us on Easter Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> for a time of fellowship and good food. We will be serving breakfast on Easter Sunday from 7am-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 Megan Grossman at 614-905-2629 or at mgrossman@stjohnsgc.org. You can also mark the salmon sheet and we will contact you to schedule a shift.



**SARAH CIRCLE** will meet next on Monday, March 25<sup>th</sup> in rooms 103-4 at 7pm.

**GARDENING ANGELS NEEDED!** It's that time of year again! We need volunteers to adopt and care for the landscaped areas around the church. This involves checking your area a couple times per month to keep weeds from taking over your designated section. We would also appreciate help with watering the beds around the front of the church, the Link, the FLC, and the North Entrance during times of drought. We have hoses that will reach those areas. Edging and mulching will be done for you each spring and fall. We ask that you help us maintain the uniformity and landscape design by not adding additional plants or decorations to your area. **Please mark the salmon sheet to let us know of your interest—even if you have previously adopted an area or signed up to help at the Ministry Fair.** Thank you in advance. The Landscaping Team.

**ST. JOHN'S HISTORY COLUMN:** This week's question was: when was the chancel area remodeled? The question was asked by member Betty Lewis. In 1937, an extensive addition was made to the chancel area. A choir loft was added and two rooms were created - one for the pastor's study on the right side of the chancel, and one for the Altar Guild. Another renovation happened but the exact date of this renovation is unknown, but at some point, the pastor's study was removed and the Altar Guild was relocated to the right side.

**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH TO HOST OSU MUSIC CONCERT:** St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church of Grove City is presenting various Ohio State University musical ensembles in an upcoming concert. The concert will take place in the St. John's Sanctuary, 3220 Columbus Street, Grove City at 4:00pm on Sunday, April 7. This event is open to the public and all are invited. A donation of \$5.00 per person is requested to help defray expenses.



The program will feature faculty and students in chamber works. The woodwind and reed quintets will perform works by Biedenbender and Cambini. A brass ensemble under the direction of Russ Mikkelson, Director of OSU Bands, will perform Dvorak's Serenade in D Minor and Dances of the French Renaissance. OSU Professors Caroline Hartig, Mark Rudoff, and Ed Bak will perform Brahms' Trio for Clarinet, Cello, and Piano. Hartig is a native of Grove City and a member of St. John's.

This concert will feature some of the best musicians in Central Ohio. You won't want to miss this showcase of musical talent. The concert is part of a year-long celebration of St. John's 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. A reception in the FLC will follow the concert.

**SOUP SUPPERS:** Please join us for our Soup Suppers between 5-6pm on Wednesdays in the Family Life Center before our Lenten services. Come break bread together as a church community. If you would like to donate soup or bread and are willing to help serve, please contact Megan Grossman, [mgrossman@stjohnsgc.org](mailto:mgrossman@stjohnsgc.org).

**MEXICO MISSION 2024:** Thank you for continuing to pray for and support Missions! We are planning a mission trip to be with our precious children this summer 2024! If you have a heart for the children of Mexico and sharing the Good News with our brothers and sisters in Christ, come join the 2024 Mexico Mission Family! Mission dates are July 19th through July 29th, 2024. Contact Diana Imbrock with questions or to sign up.



**A SECURE DROP SLOT is located** under the staff mailboxes in the hallway near the church office. If you are dropping off a monetary gift, papers with confidential information, or your Eagle article, please put it through the slot to help ensure security.

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

**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](mailto:secretary@stjohnsgc.org). Requests are updated on a weekly basis.

## ☞ YOUTH NEWS ☞



# The Lego Club

Come enjoy the Lego Club!  
with Hope and Scott Katterhenrich

Eat lunch and play Lego. Read the Lego Bible and so much more. Come **after church on April 21st until 3pm, in the Family Life Center.**

Please RSVP by April 14th. Tell Rachel, Hope, or Laurie if you'd like to come. \*Pizza provided\*



## ☪ CALENDAR ☪

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 17**

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 Easter Egg Stuffing (FLC)**  
 1:00pm IQA Bible Study (HS Room)  
 5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)  
 6:00pm Saddles n Such 4-H (FH)

### **MONDAY, MARCH 18**

9:30am BSF Leaders (101-4, Nursery)  
 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)  
 6:30pm Puppets (FLC)  
 6:30pm Small Group (102)  
 7:00pm Finance Team (103-4)  
 7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

### **TUESDAY, MARCH 19**

#### **PRIMARY ELECTION (FLC)**

9:30am Quilters (103-4)  
 6:00pm Private Event (FH)  
 7:00pm Boy Scouts (103-4)

### **WEDNESDAY, MARCH 20**

9:30am BSF  
 12:00pm Lenten Noon Worship (Sanc)  
 1:30pm Small Group (102)  
 5:00pm Lenten Soup Supper (FLC, Kit)  
 6:00pm Girl Scouts #6679 (204)  
 6:30pm Women's Chorale (Sanc)  
 6:30pm Holden Evening Prayer (Sanc)  
 7:00pm Explorers and Energizers  
 7:45pm Chancel Choir (Sanc)

### **THURSDAY, MARCH 21**

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)  
 5:00pm Children's Choir (Chapel)  
 5:45pm Adventure Club and Faith Trek  
 6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Sanc)  
 8:00pm Dartball (home)

### **FRIDAY, MARCH 22**

10:30am Bulletin Team (Lib)  
 4:00pm Men's Chorale (Sanc)  
 6:00pm Private Event (FLC)  
 8:30pm AA (FH)

### **SATURDAY, MARCH 23**

#### **10:00am EASTER FAMILY FUN DAY**

4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)  
 7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (103-4)

### **SUNDAY, MARCH 24**

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

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)

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