

NEWS NOTES

June 7-8, 2025

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church

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Mark Meuser, Director of Music Ministry

Nick Grossman and David Shrum, Contemporary Worship Leaders

Susan Locey, Director of Celebration Rings

✠ SERVING TODAY ✠

Greeters

11:00am: David and Lisa Stallard

NE: Carol Rich

Ushers

4:00pm: Michael Gibboney, Stephen Henry

8:15am: Steve Marcum, David Sweeley, Hunter Thompson

11:00am: Dave Clark, Don Carducci, Bill Diehl, Garhett Koethke

Readers

4:00pm: Barb Hill

8:15am: Hunter Thompson

11:00am: Karrie Clark

Contemporary: Hope Katterhenrich, Jackie Rutan

Altar Guild

David and Lisa Stallard

Sarah Schmitz, Donna Linder

Contemp. Prep: Rachel Katterhenrich

Communion Assistants

4:00pm: Holly Starr

8:15am: Paul Wittenberg, Linda Wagner

11:00am: Dave and Karen Grossman, Dwight Henricksen

Contemporary: Jackie Rutan, Kate Shrum, Karrie Clark

Acolytes

8:15am: Volunteers needed

11:00am Lukas Althoff, Levi Greer

Lessons Today: Genesis 11:1-9; Acts 2:1-21; John 14:8-27.

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In celebration of Lucy's birthday. Given by Sara Hartley, Aunt Stephanie, Mimi, and Addison.

PULPIT FLOWERS: In celebration of my dear wife, Jane's 80th birthday. Given by Keith Stenerson.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In loving memory of my husband Paul, daughter Karen, father Maurice and my mother Sarah. Given by Andrea Offenburger.

BULLETINS: Given by Ike and Shelah Stage.

✧ PERSONAL NEWS ✧

RETIREMENT GIFTS AND CARDS FOR PASTOR SETH JERSILD: Pastor Seth Jersild is retiring from his position at St. John's at the end of June. God has richly blessed our congregation with Pastor Seth's gifted leadership for these last 6 ½ years. As sad as we are that he is leaving us, we are also very excited for him as he looks forward to life in North Carolina. A special retirement event will be held on Sunday, June 29, 2025, during the Sunday School hour from 9:15-10:30am with breakfast finger foods being served. We will shower him generously with our expressions of appreciation for his ministry here over these last several years. Cards can be dropped off in the office or Megan or Pastor Patti's mailbox.

✧ TODAY'S NEWS ✧

WE WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS! At Sunday's 11:00am traditional worship service, we will formally welcome the following new members into our fellowship at St. John's:

Mary Barton

Jake Beathard

Betty Cisler

Theresa Colburn

Jeff Conroy

Andrew Goldhardt

Toni Goldhardt

Nancy Hoover

Cindi Jenkins

Nick Mannon

Holly Shirkey

Andrew Smith

Nate Weber

Nate Barton

Kim Beathard

Richard Cisler

Judy Conklin

Rogino Conroy

Kenneth Goldhardt

Sheila Holcomb

Debra Isaac

Samantha Johnston

Stephanie McDonough

Steve Shirkey

Cynthia Smith

Zachary Wemlinger

Daniel Beathard

Holly Boso

Rick Cisler

Ron Conklin

Marcia Downs

Mikel Goldhardt

Jaqueline Honeck

Steve Isaac

Linda Lewis

Mary Reed Faris

Jannine Slane

Maranda Weber

Julie Wittenberg

We rejoice and give thanks to God for bringing them to us! Please keep them in your prayers as they continue their journey with Christ at St. John's.

☞ SUMMER HYMN SCHEDULE ☛

JUNE PREVIEW

June 7-8	858 Praise to the Lord, the Almighty 623 Rock of Ages 856 How Great Thou Art
June 14-15	413 Holy, Holy, Holy, Lod God Almighty In the Garden 705 God of Grace and God of Glory
June 21-22	731 Earth and All Stars (vs. 1 - 4) 487 What Feast of Love Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus

IN SEARCH OF SUMMER MUSICAL TALENT: Dear members of the congregation:



Since the St. John's choirs are on their summer break, we are in need of singers and instrumentalists to play for the worship services. If you play an instrument, can sing a solo, or would like to be a part of a small vocal ensemble, please let me know. I would be happy to rehearse with you to prepare an instrumental or vocal anthem for at a service. As you know, the worshippers at our services are very supportive and appreciative of musicians who share their gifts. Sincerely, ~ Mark Meuser, Director of Music.

EAGLE DEADLINE is this Tuesday. Please submit your article by noon on June 10th.

OWLS EVENT – JUNE 20, 2025: The OWLS (Older Wiser Lutheran Seniors) once again welcome you to join us for our speaker and lunch -regardless of your age!! Tell a friend! Bring a friend! Mayor Ike Stage is all I need to say about our speaker this month!! St. John's is home to the mayor and if you don't know him or haven't met him, now is your opportunity. He will share Grove City's latest news and there is a lot! Council is



currently discussing the possibility of changing the form of government. If you want to know more, come be an OWL for an afternoon. We promise you an excellent program.

The OWLS will provide fried chicken and meat loaf for our potluck lunch, but we ask you to bring a covered dish and join your friends (old and new) for a delicious lunch and a wonderful program. Please plan to arrive around 11:15 am so we can open the meeting at 11:30 am. Use the salmon sheet in Sunday's bulletin to make your reservation so the group can plan accordingly. You may call the office or Bonnie Swanson 614-562-8002. Hope to see you there!

SATURDAY BIBLE STUDY: THE GOSPEL OF LUKE: Pastor Seth is leading a 10-session Bible discussion on the Gospel of Luke. We'll meet at **1:00 in rooms 103-4** on Saturdays through June 21. Each session will be just one hour long. If you've never been part of a Bible study, this will be a great place to start. Come and enjoy the good discussion, prayer, and fellowship!

TWICE-A-MONTH MONDAY EXERCISE CLASS: Please join us every 2nd and 4th Monday each month at 6pm in the Family Life Center (FLC) for 30 minutes of fun, fellowship, and fitness. Everyone is welcome, however the class is geared more towards those who want to strengthen their core and work on their balance. There are chairs available to help with any needed stability. Several of the exercises are seated, but there are some standing balance challenges too. The last 5 or so minutes of each session is a basic work out with light hand weights for anyone who wants to stay and participate. Just bring two 1-3 lb. weights or even a couple of 16.9 oz. plastic water bottles will work.



This is a drop in class so no registration is needed. Just come when you can! Please call Diane Sexton with any questions at 678-572-0308. **The next meeting will be on Monday, June 9th. PLEASE NOTE: There will be no class on June 23rd.** Thank you!

BABY BOTTLE CONTRIBUTIONS HONOR DADS: Please return your filled Baby Bottle by Father's Day! Father's Day is fast approaching (June 15). It's a fun and important day to show appreciation to our conscientious and caring dads. It is also the date to return the Baby Bottle you picked up on Mother's Day to fill with coins, currency, or check for the annual Baby Bottle Campaign sponsored by Pregnancy Decision Health Center (PDHC).

Your generous donation provides life-giving services for mothers with an unexpected or difficult pregnancy. Once the baby is born, PDHC provides access to diapers, clothing, and toys for those parents who participate in parenting training. Thank you for expressing a passion for life and compassion for those in need at this vulnerable time through your prayers for families in crisis. Your donation to the Baby Bottle Campaign is much appreciated. Please drop off your filled Baby Bottle with the office by next Sunday, June 15.

The Respect Life Team at St. John's welcomes new members who possess a passion for the sanctity of life at all stages. Please call Carol at 614-871-2484 for more information. Thank you.





RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be held on **Thursday, June 19th** in the Family Life Center from 12pm to 6pm. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2776) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and use sponsor code: StJohnsGC.

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@stjohnsdc.org. Requests are updated on a weekly basis.

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.

SUBMITTING A NEWS NOTES ARTICLE? Articles are due on **Wednesdays by 9am**. Please send your article via email, sj@stjohnsdc.org, or in the church office secure slot.



We will have fun carnival games, bounce houses, food & more.

WE NEED A LOT OF HELP TO MAKE OUR EVENT HAPPEN, IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP PLEASE CONTACT

MEGAN GROSSMAN, 614-905-2629

OR, MARK THIS WEEKEND'S SALMON SHEET

YOUTH NEWS

MISSION: POSSIBLE is a service and fellowship event that will be occurring on Saturdays throughout this summer aimed towards middle and high school students. We'll be serving throughout our community and growing our faith networks, while discussing how to be 'agents' of God. Save the dates: Saturdays - June 14, 28, July 12, 26, and August 9, 23. Gini and Donna would love for you to join them!



Our first event will take place on Saturday, June 14th from 2-8 pm. Dinner will be provided. For more information, please reach out to Gini Rogers at grogers@stjohnsgc.org. Hope to see you there!

JOYFUL PAUSE: Come when you can and leave when you have to!

It's a summer open house at St. John's on **Thursday, June 12th**.

Come from 9:30am - 12:30pm or 5:30pm – 8:30pm (or stop by both)!

We will have fun games to play and crafts to make. Pizza and drinks

will be available around lunch and dinnertime. All ages are welcome. Invite your friends and neighbors! Contact Karrie Clark with questions at karriejclark@gmail.com.



VBS IS ALMOST HERE!! Registration online and in person is open until June 20th for all children 3 years old (must be potty trained) to 6th grade. **Any student that is**

finishing grades 7-12 should contact Gini Rogers to volunteer and attend training on June 22nd. All VBS donations can be found on the boards near both church entrances to contemporary and traditional services. Please grab a few cards and return items by June 20th!



For our VBS teachers, teaching materials are available for pick up starting next week. **Our teacher training will be JUNE 22nd, 2025,** after the late service and the congregational meeting in rooms 103-4, to help transform our church into the great Alaskan outdoors for the week! Lunch will be provided and then everyone will decorate the family life center before moving on to your individual classroom. Please contact Christina Allman at 614-519-8092 if you cannot make the meeting!

STEWARDSHIP

ATTENDANCE

June 1 - 339

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

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.



CALENDAR

SUNDAY, JUNE 8

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 9:30am Sunday School
 10:30am Small Group (Chapel)
**11:00am Traditional Worship with
 NEW MEMBER RECEPTION**
 (Sanc)
 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
 5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, JUNE 9

12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
 6:00pm Exercise Class (FLC)
 6:00pm Small Group (102)
 7:00pm Daily Reprieve (FH)
 7:00pm Finance Team (103-4)

TUESDAY, JUNE 10

JULY EAGLE ARTICLES DUE

6:30am Men's Prayer Group (Sanc)
 9:30am Quilters (103-4)
 5:30pm Executive Team (Lib)
 6:15pm Fat Quarter Quilt Guild (FH)
 7:00pm Boy Scouts #392 (SH, 103-4)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11

1:30pm Small Group (102)

THURSDAY, JUNE 12

8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
 9:30am Joyful Pause (FLC)
 2:00pm Small Group (101)
 3:00pm Women's Bible Study (103-4)
 5:00pm Children's Choir (Chapel)
 5:30pm Joyful Pause (FLC)
 6:00pm Women's Bible Study (103-4)

FRIDAY, JUNE 13

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

SATURDAY, JUNE 14

9:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry (103-4)
 1:00pm Saturday Bible Study (103-4)
 2:00pm MISSION: POSSIBLE! (FLC, 103-4)
 4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (SH [FH])

SUNDAY, JUNE 15

8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 9:30am Sunday School
 10:30am Small Group (Chapel)
 11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
 11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
 5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Adult Faith Discussion, FH Rm 001 / Galatians, Steve Johnston, Chapel / 2 Peter, Rick Butsko, 102 / Parenting Topics, Amy Wanner, 103-4.
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2-4 years old, Rm 003 / ages 5 to Kindergarten, Rm 009 / Grades 1 - 2, Rm 204 / Grades 3 - 4, Rm 307 / Grades 5 - 6, Rm 303 / Grades 7 - 8, Confirmation Room / High School, HS Room 311.
SELAH ROOM: Rm 101, a quiet place available every Sunday from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

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