

NEWS NOTES

May 4-5, 2024

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☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

Greeters

4:00pm: *Mary Campbell*

8:15am: *Armand Arabian*

11:00am MD: *Bill Diehl*, ND: *Linda Diehl*

Contemporary: *Volunteers needed*

Ushers

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

11:00am: *Dave Clark, Bill Diehl, George
Gonsowski, Kyle Mawhorr*

Acolytes

8:15am: *Evie Stanley, Miles Stanley*

11:00am: *Layla Greer, Riley Millet*

Altar Guild

Lynda Berry, Gloria Biggs, Linda Vozel

Sarah Schmitz, Donna Linder

Readers

4:00pm: *Charlie Brown*

8:15am: *Teresa Orahoad*

11:00am: *Bonnie Swanson*

Contemporary: *Lydia Shrum, Cindy Dye*

Contemporary Communion Prep

Rachel Katterhenrich

Communion Assistants

4:00pm: *Holly Starr*

8:15am: *Linda Wagner, Joel Baughman*

11:00am: *Ron Nightbert, Dan Yeater,
Lisa Stallard*

Contemporary: *Rachel Katterhenrich,
Cindy Dye, Jennifer Shade*

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of my mother, Joann LaRoche, on her birthday. Given by Bill and Linda Diehl.

LECTERN FLOWERS: In memory of my daughter Rosemary Anderson, on her birthday. Given by Suzie Long.

BULLETINS: In honor of all service men and women serving in our military. Given by Mel and Carol Penrod.

Lessons Today: Acts 10:44-48; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

ATTENTION PARENTS OF CHILDREN AGES 3-18! SPECIAL MOTHER'S DAY

WORSHIP EVENT! On Mother's Day, Sunday, May 12th, St. John's will be having a single special worship service in the Main Sanctuary at 11:00am. We are asking all of you who have children ages 3-18 to bring your kids (or encourage them to come) to the **Main Sanctuary at 10:40** that morning, so we can instruct them how to participate in a simple, but fun and powerful worship activity. We hope that your children will be able to participate!

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.

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.

LAST DAY TO HOLD YOUR SPOT ON THE MEXICO MISSION 2024 IS SUNDAY MAY 5th!



RAISE RIGHT ORDER DEADLINE is this coming **Tuesday**. Please submit your order by noon on **May 7th**.

EAGLE DEADLINE is this **Friday**. Please submit your article by noon on **May 10th**.



Graduation 2024

*****Congratulations to our post-high graduates!**

Bailey Bennett from OU Lancaster with a B.S. in Psychology.

Arica Dougherty from Otterbein with a degree in Early Childhood Education and Intervention.

Abby Kozman from OSU with a B.S. in Zoology.

Julia Patterson from Capital University with a B.A. in Business Management and a Bachelor's in Social Work.

Mahala Wanner from Ohio University with a B.S. in Engineering Physics.

*****Congratulations also to our graduating seniors who have worked diligently and have successfully finished strong! Please join us today, May 5th, as we honor them from 9:30-10:30 with a celebratory reception in the FLC. Send them off with prayers, blessings, and good wishes!!!**

Ally Blankenship Tyler Dent MaKinleigh Donaway

Alli Ferguson Kyleigh Hannon Jaylynn Jermann

Blake Lang Adyson Lyday Ellen Previts

Addison Waller Ethan Weaver



CONGRATULATIONS, CONFIRMANDS! The following six St. John's confirmation students will publicly affirm their baptism at worship on May 19th:

Corban Allman

Caleb Ball

Brayden Gottshall

Layla Greer

Mackenzie Norman

Addison White

For the past two years these students have been engaged in a regular discipline of prayer, Bible study, classroom discussion and service activities.

We should be very proud of them (and their parents) for their work and commitment! Please keep our confirmands in your prayers, that they will continue to build their lives on the Rock, Jesus Christ our Risen Lord.

CONFIRMATION FAITH CELEBRATION: MAY 19TH! Come share your support and encouragement with our confirmation students as they share their faith in Christ in a very special way between 9:30 and 10:30am in the Family Life Center on Sunday, May 19th. Smoothies and cake will be provided!

WRAPPED IN PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY will hold its next meetings on **Saturday, May 11th at 9am and on Tuesday, May 28th at 6pm 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.

OWLS EVENT MAY 17, 2024: As we grow older, we hear more and more about "independent living, assisted living, and in-home health care". Everyone has unique needs that need to be met in order to continue to live safely at home. Long-term health care is a topic most of us don't want to think about let alone talk about but, unfortunately, it could be in our future or a loved one's.

Our program in May will include a speaker representing Comfort Keepers whose goal is to provide the best in-home caregiving services to aging seniors who wish to maintain their independence. At a time when seniors feel as if their independence is slipping away, Comfort Keepers mission is to provide high quality in-home caregiving to help seniors continue living their independent lifestyle. Experienced caregivers can help with everything from light housekeeping and grooming to meal preparation, prescription reminders and running errands. We hope you will plan to join us and hear much more about them. Everyone is welcome! Invite a friend!

The OWLS will provide fried chicken for our potluck lunch but we ask you to bring a covered dish and join your friends 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 can also call the office or Bonnie Swanson at 614-562-8002. Hope to see you there!

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 Facilities Manager’s office, room #205.

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.

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.

☞ YOUTH NEWS ☜

RAISE RIGHT gift card orders will be placed the first Tuesday of every month. That’s May 7th! Gift cards make graduation, Mother’s Day, and personal shopping easier! You can also order e-gift cards and re-load your cards on-line at any time. It’s convenient and helps support the youth programs at St. John’s. See Pam Wittenberg or Laurie Pecuch for details. Thank you for your support!

LEGO CLUB meets on Sunday, May 19, starting at noon in the basement of the church. If you can, RSVP with the Katterhenrichs or Laurie Pecuch. Pizza and snacks are provided!

Nicole’s 28th Chapter Fundraiser and Awareness Day is Saturday, June 1st at The Old Barns at Dry Run Farms, 20521 Pherson Pike, Williamsport, Ohio. From 12pm to 4pm there will be fun family activities and games featuring Archi’s inflatables, plus food trucks, auctions, and raffles. From 4pm to 8pm there will be live music featuring Grammy award winning artist Don and Andrew Rigsby along with the New Mountain Heritage Band. **It’s a great venue and a wonderful way to support a family of St. John’s. For more information, go to www.nicoles28thchapter.org.**

STEWARDSHIP

Attendance

April 21 - 305

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!

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: Adult Faith Discussion, FH Rm 001 / 1 John, Steve Johnston, Chapel / 2 Peter, Rick Butsko, Rms 301, 303.
YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2-3 years old, Rm 003 / 4-5 years old, 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.
SELAH ROOM: Rm 101, a quiet place available every Sunday from 8:30am to 12:30pm.



Please join us for a:

MOTHER'S DAY COMBINED SINGLE SERVICE
MAY 12TH 11:00AM

Attention All! On Mother's Day weekend there will be only ONE worship service at St. John's:

11:00 a.m. on Sunday, May 12th, in the Main Sanctuary.

This combined service is to commemorate the 1888 dedication of the old St. John's sanctuary which happened on May 12th, 1888.

This worship will include trumpets, special music from several of our singing groups, a children's message, children's church, and combined music from our traditional and contemporary services.

COME AND GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR ALL HIS GIFTS AT THIS SPECIAL SERVICE!



☞ CALENDAR ☞

SUNDAY, MAY 5

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Graduate Blessings (FLC)
9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Rm)
9:30am Sunday School
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am Contemporary (FLC) and
Traditional (Sanc) Worship
with Graduate Blessings
12:00pm Confirmation Reh. (Sanc)
12:30pm Private Event (Sanc)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, MAY 6

- 9:30am BSF Leaders
12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
1:00pm Altar Guild (Chapel)
1:00pm Private Event (FLC)
6:30pm Elizabeth Circle
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, MAY 7

RAISE RIGHT ORDER DEADLINE

- 9:30am Quilters (103-4)
11:00am OWLS Planning (102)
2:00pm GriefShare (103-4)
7:00pm Boy Scouts #392 (SH [FLC])
7:00pm SW Historical Society (103-4)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 8

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

THURSDAY, MAY 9

- 8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
9:30am Small Group (103-4)
5:00pm Children's Choir (Chapel)
6:15pm Celebration Ringers (Sanc)

FRIDAY, MAY 10

EAGLE ARTICLES DUE

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

SATURDAY, MAY 11

- 9:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry (130-4)
7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (103-4)
9:30am Private Event (Chapel)

SUNDAY, MAY 12

MOTHERS DAY FLOWERS

SALE AND PICKUP

- 9:30am Men's Chorale (Choir Rm)
9:30am Sunday School
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am COMBINED WORSHIP AND
and 175th SANCTUARY
REDEDICATION (Sanc)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

DAILY AND WEEKLY UPDATES ARE POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA:

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