

NEWS NOTES

June 8-9, 2024

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 Ringers

☞ SERVING TODAY ☞

Greeters

4:00pm: Mary Campbell

8:15am: Volunteer(s) needed

11:00am MD: Keith and Jane Stenerson

ND: Linda Diehl

Ushers

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

11:00am: Rick Butsko, Bill Diehl, Dennis
Imbrock, Larry Sutton

Acolytes

8:15am: Truman Allman, Ben Previts

11:00am: Lukas Althoff, Nick Althoff

Contemporary Communion Prep

Karen Jersild

Altar Guild

Dave and Karen Grossman

Linda Wagner, Hunter Thompson

Readers

4:00pm: Barb Hill

8:15am: Rita Orahood

11:00am: Cindy Gonsowski

Contemporary: Dave Dye, Karen Jersild

Communion Assistants

4:00pm: Michael Gibboney

8:15am: Betty Lewis, Linda Wagner

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

Contemporary: Karen Jersild, Brad and
Theresa Wahl

DEDICATIONS GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD:

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

LECTERN FLOWERS: In loving memory of Paul, husband and father; Karen, daughter and sister; Maurice, father and grandfather; and Sara, mother and grandmother. Given by Andrea and Marc Offenburger.

BULLETINS: Given by Ike and Shelah Stage.

Lessons Today: Genesis 3:8-15; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35.

☞ PERSONAL NEWS ☞

THANK YOU, JAN MILLER, FOR 34 YEARS OF FAITHFUL SERVICE! At the end of May, after 34 years of service, Jan Miller retired from her position as St. John's Church Recorder and Administrative Assistant. We have been blessed to have Jan with us all these years. Not only has she performed her duties efficiently, intelligently, and reliably, she has also been a model of Christian faithfulness and servanthood, always willing to give members of St. John's her loving attention. Thank you, Jan, for being so willing to step in and help wherever you are needed, for being a great co-worker, and for being such a wise and loving support for so many people at St. John's. We love you and will miss you!

Expressions of appreciation for Jan are welcomed and encouraged! You can mail cards and gifts for Jan to St. John's. Please bring them to the church office or give them to one of the pastors. Jan has requested that monetary gifts be directed to the Good Samaritan Fund.

☞ TODAY'S NEWS ☞

ILLINI 4000: From June 7 to June 9, St. John's will host this lovely group of youth overnight as they travel cross-country raising awareness for the fight against cancer. Their mission statement reads, "The Illini 4000 is a non-profit organization dedicated to documenting the American cancer experience, raising funds for cancer research and patient support services, and spreading awareness for the fight against cancer through annual cross-country bike rides." They will be arriving Friday, June 7 and be leaving early Sunday, June 9 before worship services.

LAY READERS are needed for the 8:15 am and 11:00 am worship services from July through December. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the Parish Entrance. Thank you for serving in this ministry. Contact Jo Dimond if you have any questions by phone at 614-270-3291.

**JUNE 23RD SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING
INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS:**

Everyone is encouraged to read the letter in the church bulletins (and on our church website) regarding the major bequests that St. John's has received recently. We will be holding a special meeting on Sunday, June 23rd at 12:15 in order to vote on a church council proposal on how we can use a portion of these gifts in the near future.

Informational meetings will be held at the following times/places. All are encouraged to come to one of these meetings, to ask questions, to pray for God's guidance and wisdom, and to learn more about the proposal so we can make a faithful and informed decision together on the 23rd.

- Sunday June 9:** 9:30 in the Chapel class
12:00 in the Family Life Center
(after Contemporary worship)
- Saturday June 15:** 5:00 in the Main Sanctuary (after 4:00 worship)
- Sunday June 16:** 9:15 in the Main Sanctuary
12:00 in the Main Sanctuary

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. Reserve your date on the Altar Flowers Chart in the Parish Entrance. Please direct questions to Lesa Corbin at 614-530-4984.



HEALTH CARE KITS: One of the Service Projects that Sarah Circle does is to put together Health Care Kits which are taken to the Grove City Food Pantry. Last year, we assembled 22 kits. The goal for this year is 30 kits. We would like help with collecting the items that are needed. We will assemble the kits at our August meeting. There will be a cupboard in the Link marked Sarah Circle/Health Kits to place your donations. We thank you and so appreciate your help with this special project. Items needed are:

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| full size toothbrush | full size toothpaste (check expiration) | dental floss |
| full size deodorant | 2 wrapped bars of soap | nail clippers |
| emery boards | one dark wash cloth | sturdy combs |
| | one large dark bath towel | |

Contact Jane Stenerson at 614-875-8057 with any questions.

OWLS EVENT—JUNE 21, 2024: Just in case you don't know – OWLS are Older Wiser Lutheran Seniors. The children and grandchildren of our OWLS have probably attended a school that is part of South-Western City Schools. And that means that many of the OWLS have been involved in various school activities over the years. Probably too many to count! But there is one program that you might have heard about but don't really understand a lot – Career Technical Education (CTE).

From digital electronics to early childhood education, welding, pre-nursing, culinary and everywhere in between. CTE helps students learn skills for the future. By the time they graduate, they will have earned an education founded on rigor career certifications and on-the-job experience. These programs prepare students for two-year and even four-year colleges. The OWLS would like to invite you to come to our meeting and hear more about the culinary program which runs a restaurant that is open to the public, the cosmetology program that runs a full-service salon and an automotive program that offers vehicle maintenance and repair.

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!



FUN IN THE SON
CARNIVAL
IS BACK!!

THURSDAY
JUNE 27, 2024

5:30-8:00pm

More details to come!!
If you would like to help with our carnival please
mark the salmon sheet or contact Megan
Grossman at mgrossman@stjohnsgc.org or
(614) 905-2629.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL! Mark your calendars!!! Start the Party Vacation Bible



School is coming to St. John's **June 24th-27th from 9:00am to noon**. All children ages 3 (potty trained) through 6th grade are welcome. Please note that all children must be potty trained in order to attend.

Online registration is now available! Contact Christina Allman at 614-519-8092 or at christina.allman04@gmail.com if you want to volunteer or have any questions. Keep an eye out for the snack donation boards coming soon to the Family Life Center and the North Entrance!!

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be held on **Thursday, June 20th** 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@stjohnsgc.org. Requests are updated on a weekly basis.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check the Lost & Found bin located in the **North Entrance** for lost or found items. For small items, such as rings, earrings, or headphones, please check with the office Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm. Items may be donated after several weeks.

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.

If you requested a SUMMER FAMILY FAITH BAG, it is available June 9—13 for pick-up in the new entrance (enter doors and turn left, go down the hallway, the bags will be on tables at the end of the hallway). Your family name will be on your bag. Connect with Laurie Pecuch if you prefer delivery to your home. ☺

JOYFUL PAUSE is Thursday, June 13*! Join us when you can and leave when you must. Choose what you'd like to do (i.e. free play, arts and crafts, kitchen fun, visiting with others, games). We have special themes for each month. June is our beach theme! Pizza will be served around 11am and 6:30pm. We will meet this summer on **June 13***, July 18, and August 15. Come between 9am and noon and/or 5:30—8:30pm. Grandparents and faith-webbing adults are welcome to join us! **Please note June 13 is a different date when first published in the Summer Brochure. We hope you're still able to join us!*

SUMMER FUN! Each evening will be full of fun, faith, and friendship! Snacks included, of course! Join us on Sunday, June 30, July 28, and August 11, 6:30—8:30pm. This is for those who just completed grades 4 through 6. If you're an older student and would like to be a leader for Summer Fun, please connect with Laurie.

FAITH IN ACTION is July 8 – 11, Monday through Thursday. Grades 7 – 12 meet from 11am – 3pm. Grades 4 – 6 meet from 5:30 – 8:30pm. Lunch and Dinner provided by our St. John's faith web. Grades are what you just completed. We will be putting our faith into action and making a difference for Jesus' sake. We will have a variety of service experiences throughout the week. RSVP with Diana Imbrock ASAP.

TEEN HELPERS FOR VBS! If you've completed grades 7 through 12, you can be a teen helper for VBS! Training is Sunday, June 23, 9:30 – 10:30am in the confirmation room. VBS is June 24 – 27, 9am to noon. Tell Diana, Laurie, or Gini if you'd like to help!

DON'T MISS OUT! Students who just completed grades 7 – 12 have several awesome opportunities this month. A "Friends and Faith Barbecue", a "Just For You" event, and "Catching the Vision" on Sunday mornings. Connect with Gini Rogers for more details.

STEWARDSHIP

Attendance

June 2 - 288

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, Rm 301.

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2-4 years old, Rm 003 / ages 5 to 1st Grade, Rm 009 / Grades 2 through 4, Rm 307 / Grades 5 and 6, Rm 303 / Grades 7 through 12, High School, Rm 311.

Go by the grade of the school year just finished.

SELAH ROOM: Rm 101, a quiet place available every Sunday from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

☪ CALENDAR ☪

SUNDAY, JUNE 9

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
9:30am **Informational Q&A Session**
(Chapel)
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
12:00pm **Informational Q&A Session** (FLC)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

MONDAY, JUNE 10

EAGLE ARTICLES DUE

- 12:00pm Lunchtime AA (102)
6:30pm Small Group (102)
7:00pm Daily Reprieve AA (FH)

TUESDAY, JUNE 11

- 9:30am Quilters (103-4)
2:00pm GriefShare (103-4)
6:15pm Fat Quarter Quilt Guild
(SH [FH])
7:00pm Boy Scouts #392 (FLC/103-4)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 12

- 1:30pm Small Group (102)

THURSDAY, JUNE 13

- 8:00am Promise Keepers (103-4)
9:00am **A Joyful Pause** (FLC, Kit)
2:00pm Small Group (101)
5:00pm Children's Choir (Chapel)
5:30pm **A Joyful Pause** (FLC, Kit)

FRIDAY, JUNE 14

- 9:30am Small Group (103-4)
8:30pm AA (FH)

SATURDAY, JUNE 15

- 11:00am Private Event (Chapel)
1:00pm Private Event (FH)
4:00pm Traditional Worship (Sanc)
5:00pm **Informational Q&A Session** (Sanc)
7:00pm AA Serenity Seekers (103-4)

SUNDAY, JUNE 16

- 8:15am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
9:15am **Informational Q&A Session** (Sanc)
9:30am Sunday School
10:00am Small Group (Lib)
11:00am Contemporary Worship (FLC)
11:00am Traditional Worship (Sanc)
12:00pm **Informational Q&A Session** (Sanc)
5:00pm Adult Basketball (FLC)

OFFICE HOURS are Monday through Friday from 8am to 4pm.

DAILY AND WEEKLY UPDATES ARE POSTED ON OUR SOCIAL MEDIA:

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