



News & Notes

July 8-9, 2018

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To Our Guests: Welcome to St. John! We are happy you are worshiping with us today. Please introduce yourself to one of the Pastors after the service so that we can get to know you.

Serving Today:	8:00 am	11:00 am	7:00 pm service
Preacher	Rev. Peter Elliott	Rev. Peter Elliott	Rev. Peter Elliott
Liturgist	Sem. Jacob Smith	Sem. Jacob Smith	
Pianist	Sharyl VanVechten	Sharyl VanVechten	Sharyl VanVechten
Acolytes	Nolan Belcher	Eric Houtos	
Elders	Chris Waltz	Jim Shields	Daryl Schroeder
Altar Guild	Helena Schmitt, Heidi Drylie		
Trustee	Chris Hengy		
Ushers (8am)	Mark Griffith, Don Windhorst, Andrew Pastorius, Richard Schwandt, Brad Nixon, Ron Housley, Duane Rieck, Daryl Schroeder, Jacob Schroeder		
Ushers (11am)	Sharon Witberg, Angela Wenz, James Creagh, Isaac Rousso, Jeff Corbat, Lilly Schemansky		
Coffee Hour	Giannetti Family		

This Week at St. John (July 8 - 15)

Sun	8/11 am	Worship	Sat	8:00 am	Men's Bible Study
	9:00 am	Coffee/Fellowship		1:00 pm	Memorial Service
	9:30 am	Education Hour	Sun	8/11 am	Worship©
Mon	7:00 pm	Worship		9:00 am	Coffee/Fellowship
Tues	7:00 pm	Evangelism		9:30 am	Education Hour
	7:00 pm	Branching Out		12:30 pm	Robotics
Wed	9:00 am	Costume Creators			
Thurs	11:30 am	55+			
	7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study @ Infinity Hall			
Fri	12:00 pm	Church Office Closes			
	12:00 pm	Merry Widows			

COMING EVENTS

ROAD RALLY REGISTRATION STARTS TODAY!

Have you assembled your pit crew yet? If so, head on over to the table in the school hallway and register your

team. \$25 per person includes the rally and dinner afterwards. Payment due at sign-up. The rally is on Saturday, August 25. Doors open at 4:00 for check-in, racing starts at 5:00. Drivers must be 18 or older, minimum 2 people per car (no maximum). Each team needs a device that can text, take/send photos and access the internet (not for all clues). Registration ends 8/19. Please contact Linda Holtz at (586) 495-3277 with any questions.

Today's Light Bible Study – Week 15

Deuteronomy 7-15. Moses gives the second of three sermons to the Children of Israel. In this sermon, he passes on God's command to conquer the land, and push out or destroy all its inhabitants. Again, Moses reminds the Israelites that God commands they worship Him only as their Lord and God. Moses recounts the experience with the golden calf, and all the problems idolatry brought with it.

Opportunities for Study

Summer Sunday School begins today in the school library. **Large Group** – *The Challenges of Islam* will meet in the cafeteria.

I would like to thank all who led a small group Bible study this past year. You are a tremendous help to me, and awesome brothers and sisters in Christ. Also, thank you to all my Sunday School staff for an excellent year. Your dedication to teaching our young members is truly inspiring. A special thank-you goes out to Paul & Joel Weiss for helping me open Sunday School rooms, collect attendance clipboards and counting attendance. My little helpers are awesome!

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE MISSION OF THE MONTH FOR JULY is *Lutheran Hour Ministries* (LHM) which began at the grassroots level as the Lutheran Laymen's League, a group of 12 laypeople who came together to support the church in word and deed. What began with 12 has become a movement of tens of thousands of volunteers and supporters around the globe. Today LHM is able to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ to over 50 countries through our 34 ministry centers on 6 continents.

THE PICTORIAL DIRECTORIES ARE IN! If you had your picture taken by Lifetouch last October, you will receive a copy. Please see a member of the Board for Assimilation in the school hallway for your copy. If you did not have your picture taken but want a copy of the directory, we have some available for sale in the church office - \$5.00/each.

STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT

Matthew 5:24 – “First be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift.” First things first. The Lord won’t be bribed by our giving. Our giving must flow forth from a faithful Christian life that receives Christ’s forgiveness and freely shares that forgiveness. Or, in other words, a good work isn’t a good work if it doesn’t flow from faith.

THE ST. JOHN SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE is now accepting applications for the 2018-2019 schoolyear for those college students who plan to become future full-time church worker professionals. To qualify, you must be attending one of our synodically affiliated Seminaries or Universities. Pre-ministerial track students must have already completed 2 years of college, other future church workers must have completed one year of college to be eligible. Applications will be accepted until July 16. Forms are available from, and can be returned to the church office, or Jim Schneider.

THIS WEEK’S PRAYERS FOR OUR ST. JOHN FAMILIES – For the Giannetti family, the Giasone family, the Gilbert family, the Gonzales family, and Rodney & Claudia Graham.

HEARTFELT THANKS from the family of Judy Meyer for all the prayers, cards and love that was shown to them during this difficult time. Special thanks to the Pastors for their care and assistance. Sincerely, Bob Meyer & Family

HAVE YOU SIGNED UP FOR SHOPAROO YET? Snap pictures on your smart phone of your receipts from any store, big or small, to earn Roo Points (cash donations) for our school. It doesn’t matter where you shop or what items you buy – Shoparoo will make a cash donation for every receipt!! Download the free App onto your phone and start snapping away. You can track how many points St. John has, as well as many other features. It’s a fun way to earn easy money for the school.

THANK YOU to all who made our 50th wedding anniversary celebration so great with your presence, cards and well wishes. Thank you especially to our children - Kevin, Brian and Jennifer for hosting. You all have been such a blessing to us, and we thank God for each one of you. Again, thank you. Pastor John and Kenlyn Merrill

PRAYERS : (Please contact the church office with prayer requests to be included in the service or if you see a name that could be removed from the list.)

In the Hospital:

Strength & Healing: Georgia Allen, Jenny Balcerzak, Lois Bellis, Mike Bongiorno, Fred Brandt, Ted Brouillette, Marian Bujak, Janet Bunge, Clay Coon, Matthew Dantes, Robert & Sharlene Ebbolle, Pat Everett, Lois Feldbush, Deanne Garr, Henrietta Georgevich, Diane Griffin, Jim Hagerty, Tom Harder, Keith Harris, Bill Hertel, Kendal Hicks, Pastor Thees Hoft, Randy Jackson, Debra Klein, Erna Kusch, John Kutz, Aileen Lietz, Deborah Livingston, Magen Lorenz, David Martin, Toni McTaggart, David Merrill, Dave Mitchenall, George & Shari Movsesian, Al Mozdzen, Larry & Marie Muehlbrandt, Julie Nalezty, Jean Nass, Shirley Nelson, Patty O'Malley, Robert Pressel, Diana Rang, Wayne Reindel, Kent Schmidt, Irma Schurig, Kathy Seguin, Dennis Seibel, Janet Sharp, Nancy Shooltz, Ruby Singel, Patricia Smith, Maria Spencer, Mike Squires, Martin Stack, Megan Stidwill, Shirley Stier, Trevor Swazey, Alma Tomlinson, Sallie Walunas, Lindsey Windhorst, Hailie Witt

Continuing Prayer Needs: Gerry Friedeman

For Roger Edwards, Michael Folcarelli, Tristen Howitt, Samantha Knapman, Megan Stidwill, Merissa Stevens, Elizabeth Vermeesch and all those serving in the military; for those affected by natural disasters, and those involved in relief efforts.

<u>Last Week's Contributions</u>		<u>Year to Date (As of May 31)</u>		
Designated Funds	\$ 6,423.50		Budget:	Actual:
General Fund	\$ 27,966.68	Total Income	\$ 684,291.70	\$ 699,521.07
Day School Tuition	\$ 1,380.00	Total Expense	(\$ 740,937.30)	(\$ 704,537.17)
Preschool Tuition	\$ -0-	Difference	(\$ 56,645.60)	(\$ 5,016.10)

Branching Out – June Contributions
\$16,807.25

Branching Out – Total Given (End of June)
\$773,074.60

Church Attendance: Sunday – 230/207; Monday- 92. Total – 529. Education Hour: Large Group – 42.

LUTHERAN HOUR MINISTRIES can be heard Sundays at 6:30am on WDFN (1130) and at 12noon on WRDT (560). The message for 7/8 – “Sufficiency” – Speaker: Rev. Dr. Ken Klaus –In a world of pain and violence, people ask, “Why doesn’t God do something?” Pastor Ken Klaus answers, “He has.” (2 Corinthians 12:9)

JOIN US ON THE FRONT LAWN of the church on Sunday evening, July 22nd, at approximately 8:30 pm, to watch fireworks together. Bring something to sit on and any snacks and drinks that you would like to have. Bug spray is recommended. We will be giving out glow sticks to all the children who pass by on their way to the park.