

# St John News

St John Evangelical Lutheran Church & School,  
North Tonawanda, New York

April 28, 2019



**Friday, May 3** – Essay Presentations  
7:00 pm - *Everyone Invited*

**Sunday, May 5** – Rite of Confirmation  
9:00 am during Worship

**Our Confirmands**

**Dante Calvaneso**  
**Dylan Ellman**  
**Levi Siegmann**  
**Daniel Stolzenfels**  
**Luke Sutherland**



**Vacation Bible School**

July 22-26, 2019  
9:00 am to Noon

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**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**Worship:** Sundays at 9:00 AM  
Wednesdays at 7:00 PM

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## THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN

April 28 –May4

<b>TODAY:</b>	9:00 am	Worship Service
	12-2:30 pm	<i>Spring Into Wellness!</i> Luncheon
<b>TUESDAY:</b>	6:30-8 pm	GriefShare
<b>MONDAY-FRIDAY:</b>	8:00 am-4:00 pm	Office hours

## LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE

Maundy Thursday 83; Good Friday 118

Easter Sunday 163, 97

Wednesday 18

## GIVING REPORT

Week Ending 4/21/2019

	Week Total	Y-T-D	Needed	Difference
Envelope/Plate	\$8,279.00	\$173,063.00	\$187,000.00	-\$13,937.00

## **FAMILY BIBLE HOUR**

Classes for all ages meeting at 10:15 am each Sunday

**Children** – Preschool – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade: *Digging Into the Bible* takes kids on a whirlwind journey from Genesis to Revelation. In the Meeting Room area.

**Youth** – Junior and Senior High School: opportunities to help lead the children or attend one of the Bible Classes

**Bible Classes** – Youth and Adults: *Exploring The Gospel of Luke* – Readings from the Gospel of Luke are part of our worship schedule this year; this class will explore deeper into this account of Jesus' life on earth. In the Lunch Room. Led by Pastor Mike.

## **CHURCH AND SCHOOL NEWS**

**Baptized Today:** Samuel Richard Rogers, son of Zachary and Katherine Rogers, born February 12, 2019 in Buffalo. Sponsors are Cory and Rebecca Rogers. Altar flowers are placed in honor of Samuel's baptism by his grandparents. May God keep Samuel in His baptismal grace.

**Food Pantry:** This month's collection day is **today**. Most-needed items: quick meals, rice, pancake mix/syrup, canned fruit, cereal, oatmeal, jello, jelly, peanut butter, peas, personal care items/toiletries, soup, spaghetti sauce, ramen noodle soups (in cellophane). Monetary donations are also appreciated. Thank you for your support.

**Pew Cushions:** The seating in worship a little hard on your backside? Well, relief is on the way! Through a very generous gift from a member family we will have high quality cushions made for our pews at St John! It will take awhile for the order to be fulfilled so you can't enjoy them just yet, but soon we will have a wonderful addition to our worship space. But you have to promise not to fall asleep during worship because you are too comfortable! ☺

**Cemetery decorations, flower containers, etc.:** To facilitate the weekly cemetery lawn mowing, the cemetery maintenance crew requests that spring/summer potted plants and decorations be placed at the side of the headstones. Also, as a reminder, all winter, Christmas wreaths/decorations, etc. should be removed by May 1, 2019. The cemetery guidelines are available on the table in the narthex.

## **FUNDRAISERS**

- **SCRIP Cards:** Specific orders are due on the 15<sup>th</sup> of every month. Forms are available in the narthex and should be placed in the lock box next to the office door. A variety of cards is also available in the office.
- **YOUTH GATHERING TRIP:**
  - **Chiavetta's Chicken BBQ** on Thursday, May 16 from 3-6 p.m. (drive thru only). Tickets are \$10/person pre-sale (3-5:30 p.m.) or \$12 at the door. The dinner includes chicken, au gratin potatoes, tossed salad, roll & dessert.
- **St. John School** is again selling **\$25 Treichler Greenhouse gift cards**. \$5 of each gift card sold benefits our school. The Greenhouse is located at 2687 Saunders Settlement Road, Sanborn. They offer hanging plants, annuals, perennials, vegetables, herbs, etc. Order forms are on the table in the narthex and are due **May 3** (just in time for Mother's Day!).

## **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

**The Town of Wheatfield Lions Club** invites everyone to a Pancake Breakfast today from 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Five Senses Nature Park, 6535 Ward Road (next to the Wheatfield American Legion Post 1451). Cost is \$8/per plate and 1/2 cost for under 5 years old.

**WNY PLAYERS presents** "An Evening of Comedy, Imagination and Song", a series of five radio plays, on Friday, May 3 and Saturday, May 4 at 7:30 p.m. at Immanuel Lutheran Church, 107 Scott Street, Tonawanda. Tickets are \$10, which includes dessert and beverage. Tickets can be purchased at the door or call 692-0906.

**Stop by Grace Lutheran Church** and stroll around the tables for new-found treasures at their Flea Market and Bake Sale! The date is Saturday, May 4 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., 736 Cayuga Drive in Niagara Falls.

**Pioneer Camp & Retreat Center** will have a Jr. Sr. High Spring Retreat from Friday, May 17 – Sunday, May 19. Cost is \$85/youth. Registration begins at 7 p.m. on May 17 and the retreat ends with lunch on May 19. Registration forms are in the office and are due no later than May 13. For information, call 549-1420.

## IN OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

*If you would like prayers or a visit by Pastor Mike, please call the office at 716-693-9677.*

### Short-Term Prayers

Patricia Barber – Recovering from a broken shoulder  
Don Proefrock – Health issues  
Shelley Andrees – Recovering from surgery  
Herb Meissner  
Shirley Greinert  
Jay Siegman – At Our Lady of Peace, Lewiston  
Alaina Licht  
Shelly Erwin – Recovering from back surgery  
Wayne Herman – Recovering from surgery  
Ken Musall  
Estella Bullwinkle – Continued healing from hand surgery  
Marty Darlak – At home  
Dean Scirri (Parent of a school family) – Home after hospitalization  
Carl Myers (Brother of Ruth Schultz) – In skilled nursing facility  
Jennifer Korte (Friend of Donna Carr) – Undergoing cancer treatments  
Michelle Razzani – Health issues & God's blessings  
Paul Greinert – In rehab, at Terrace View at ECMC  
Victor Gareau – Chemotherapy treatments  
Jim Garito  
Paul Ritzenthaler  
Prayers for the lost, that they may hear the Word and come to saving faith in Jesus

### Long Term Prayers

Jan Meissner, Allene Horack, Drifa Seiwel, Pat Barber, Wayne Herman, Elsbeth Kaus, Helen Schmidt, Paul, Doris Wollaber, Vilma Green, Estella and Taylor Bullwinkle, Gloria Evans, Genevieve Jakubek, Mary June Bartlett, John Kotak, Clarice Poerschke, Amy Poland, Laurie Rew, Ed McCormick, Olive Bester, Ryan Kineke

**In the U.S. Military** – Aaron Foote, Len Chef, Rick Skorik, Cory and Olyvia Drenko, David Hoppe, Stephen Marshall

