

Fifth Sunday in Lent

April 2-3, 2022



The Fifth Sunday in Lent is leaning strongly toward Holy Week. The Old Testament Reading points to a new exodus, and where an exodus occurs, a Passover has occurred (though Isaiah is not explicit on this point). Isaiah 43 compares going into and returning from Babylonian captivity with the exodus from Egypt many centuries earlier. The Psalm is an expression of joy by the remnant returning from Babylonian captivity. “Streams in the Negeb” mirrors Isaiah’s words, “I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert”. Thus, the Old Testament Reading and Psalm are one package, looking forward to liberation with joy, which our Lord provides by His death and resurrection, the greater Passover and exodus. The Epistle pairs well with the Gospel. In the Epistle, Paul struts his credentials. They happen to be roughly the same credentials as those who rented the vineyard in the Gospel— including his persecuting the church. Remember that when Jesus asked Paul why he was persecuting Him, Jesus conflated persecution of His followers with persecution of Himself. Our Gospel is an exploded picture of that same persecution. Three servants are sent and treated badly. Finally, the son of the vineyard owner is sent and killed. The Epistle and Gospel are about authority. Who thinks they have it? Who really has it? The very brief Collect also is about authority. We yearn to “be governed and preserved evermore in body and soul.” And don’t breeze through the termination formula! We yearn to “be governed . . . through Jesus Christ.” In other words, we are asking the Lord to keep us from becoming like those who would despise and dishonor His servants, and then finally, Him.

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Equipping the family of God to joyfully and boldly make disciples of Christ as we

KNOW Jesus and one another, **GROW** to be more like Him and

SOW His love in Word and deed.



Welcome to Worship

Dale Scheiderer – Organist

“The Deliverer God” - Isaiah 43:16-21

Those had been the glory years! A land of their own, freedom from their enemies. Great victories and amazing acts of God—mighty miracles that had made the ears of the other nations tingle. They feared Israel and her God back then. Back in the old days. Now those glory years were a long time ago and far, far away. Captives in Babylon. Dragged there when the walls of Jerusalem and Judah’s meager army were much too weak to keep out the invaders. Weak. Helpless. Oh, if only those mighty acts of Yahweh were for now—instead of for times of old! But then there was that word from the prophet Isaiah. God’s prophet. God’s Word. And Isaiah says something for now and for the future and for always. Isaiah says: God Delivers His People for Something New.

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

RINGING OF THE BELLS

HYMN OF INVOCATION

“The Church’s One Foundation”

LSB 644

INVOCATION

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 3:4, 8

P: Salvation belongs to the LORD;

C: Your blessing be upon Your people!

P: I cried aloud to the LORD,

C: and He answered me from His holy hill.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

P: Deliver us, O Lord, from all our sin, and restore us by Your promise.

C: We confess to You, O Lord, that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by the evils we have done and by the good we have not done. We have rejected Your Word as You have sent it to us to call us to repentance and have refused Your mercy. Deliver us from our hardness of heart. Forgive us for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Restore us by Your grace, that we may walk according to Your Word and delight in You in our inmost heart. Amen.

P: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit. To the impenitent and unbelieving I declare that so long as you continue in your impenitence, God will not forgive your sins and will visit your iniquity upon you until you turn from your sinful ways, come to repentance, and trust in the merits of Jesus Christ alone.

C: Amen.

P: May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

(Sun. 9 & 11 a.m.) **WORSHIP PRESENTATION** by Jaiden Archer, *“Wondrous Love”*

KYRIE

P: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

P: O Christ,

C: have mercy.

P: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

P: O Christ,

C: hear us.

P: God the Father in heaven,

C: have mercy.

P: God the Son, Redeemer of the world,

C: have mercy.

P: God the Holy Spirit,

C: have mercy.

P: Be gracious to us.

C: Spare us, good Lord.

P: Be gracious to us.

C: Help us, good Lord.

P: From all sin, from all error, from all evil; From the crafts and assaults of the devil; from sudden and evil death; From pestilence and famine; from war and bloodshed; from sedition and from rebellion; From lightning and tempest; from all calamity by fire and water; and from everlasting death:

C: Good Lord, deliver us.

P: By the mystery of Your holy incarnation; by Your holy nativity; By Your Baptism, fasting, and temptation; by Your agony and bloody sweat; by Your cross and Passion; by Your precious death and burial; By Your glorious resurrection and ascension; and by the coming of the Holy Spirit, the Comforter:

C: Help us, good Lord.

P: In all time of our tribulation; in all time of our prosperity; in the hour of death; and in the day of judgment:

C: Help us, good Lord.

P: We poor sinners implore You

C: to hear us, O Lord.

P: To rule and govern Your holy Christian Church; to preserve all pastors and ministers of Your Church in the true knowledge and understanding of Your wholesome Word and to sustain them in holy living;

To put an end to all schisms and causes of offense; to bring into the way of truth all who have erred and are deceived; To beat down Satan under our feet; to send faithful laborers into Your harvest; and to accompany Your Word with Your grace and Spirit:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: To raise those who fall and to strengthen those who stand; and to comfort and help the weakhearted and the distressed:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: To give to all peoples concord and peace; to preserve our land from discord and strife; to give our country Your protection in every time of need; To direct and defend our president and all in authority; to bless and protect our magistrates and all our people; To watch over and help all who are in danger, necessity, and tribulation; to protect and guide all who travel; To grant all women with child, and all mothers with infant children, increasing happiness in their blessings; to defend all orphans and widows and provide for them; To strengthen and keep all sick persons and young children; to free those in bondage; and to have mercy on us all:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: To forgive our enemies, persecutors, and slanderers and to turn their hearts; to give and preserve for our use the kindly fruits of the earth; and graciously to hear our prayers:

C: We implore You to hear us, good Lord.

P: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God,

C: we implore You to hear us.

P: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy.

P: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: have mercy.

P: Christ, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world,

C: grant us Your peace.

P: O Christ,

C: hear us.

P: O Lord,

C: have mercy.

P: O Christ,

C: have mercy.

P: O Lord,

C: have mercy. Amen.

(Sun. 11 a.m.) **WORSHIP PRESENTATION** by the SJLS Middle School Students, **“Seek ye First”**

SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE DAY

OLD TESTAMENT READING: *Isaiah 43:16-21*

The Israelites had plenty of miracles to remember because God had performed so many to build their faith and stamina for what was ahead. A new thing is what the Lord would do and will do.

¹⁶Thus says the LORD, who makes a way in the sea, a path in the mighty waters, ¹⁷who brings forth chariot and horse, army and warrior; they lie down, they cannot rise, they are extinguished, quenched like a wick: ¹⁸“Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. ¹⁹Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert. ²⁰The wild beasts will honor me, the jackals and the ostriches, for I give water in the wilderness, rivers in the desert, to give drink to my chosen people, ²¹the people whom I formed for myself that they might declare my praise.”

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE READING: *Philippians 3:8-14*

Paul pressed on in faith and hope in Christ. He encouraged believers to strain toward Heaven, leaving behind the ways of this world.

⁸Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ ⁹and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— ¹⁰that I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, ¹¹that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. ¹²Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own. ¹³Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, ¹⁴I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

VERSE

Luke 20:17b

The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone.

HOLY GOSPEL: *Luke 20:9-20*

Violent farmer tenants brutally mistreated the servants and killed the son of a man who planted a vineyard. While this man trusted these tenants to tend to his vineyard, they instead abused their power with the intention to steal from him.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twentieth chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

⁹[Jesus] began to tell the people this parable: “A man planted a vineyard and let it out to tenants and went into another country for a long while. ¹⁰When the time came, he sent a servant to the tenants, so that they would give him some of the fruit of the vineyard. But the tenants beat him and sent him away empty-handed. ¹¹And he sent another servant. But they also beat and treated him shamefully, and sent him away empty-handed. ¹²And he sent yet a third. This one also they wounded and cast out. ¹³Then the owner of the vineyard said, ‘What shall I do? I will send my beloved son; perhaps they will respect him.’ ¹⁴But when the tenants saw him, they said to themselves, ‘This is the heir. Let us kill him, so that the inheritance may be ours.’ ¹⁵And they threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. What then will the owner of the vineyard do to them? ¹⁶He will come and destroy those tenants and give the vineyard to others.” When they heard this, they said, “Surely not!” ¹⁷But he looked directly at them and said, “What then is this that is written: ‘The stone that the builders rejected has become the cornerstone’? ¹⁸Everyone who falls on that stone will be broken to pieces, and when it falls on anyone, it will crush him.” ¹⁹The scribes and the chief priests sought to lay hands on him at that very hour, for they perceived that he had told this parable against them, but they feared the people. ²⁰So they watched him and sent spies, who pretended to be sincere, that they might catch him in something he said, so as to deliver him up to the authority and jurisdiction of the governor.

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON MESSAGE: “The Deliverer God” - *Isaiah 43:16-21*

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible. And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end. And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

After each petition:

P: ... let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

OFFERINGS OF OUR TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES

"Lord, we are yours. This represents our heart, our attitude, our spirit, and our willingness to recognize and submit to you as our Lord."

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION *[as found on page 7 of this worship program]*

PREFACE

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROLAMATION OF CHRIST

P: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

C: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

“Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation”

LSB 909

“I Come, O Savior, to Thy Table”

LSB 618

POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

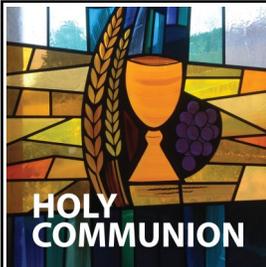
BENEDICTION

HYMN TO DEPART

“Christ Is Our Cornerstone”

LSB 912

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PREPARATION FOR HOLY COMMUNION

Therefore, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself. 1 Corinthians 11:27-29

The following is a summary of what we believe and teach as Missouri Synod Lutheran Christians. Because we care for you, we ask that you carefully review the following statements:

1. I have been baptized into the name of the one true God: Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:16-20*
2. I have been instructed concerning the meaning of Holy Communion, understand the importance of self-examination prior to coming to the Lord's Supper and have made my confirmation of faith. *1 Corinthians 11:27-29*
3. I confess that I am a sinner in need of forgiveness. I am sorry for my sins. *1 John 1:8-9*
4. I believe that Jesus Christ, God's Son, is my Savior from sin, death, and the power of the devil. *Romans 3:21-24*
5. I believe that the body and blood of Jesus Christ are really present in the bread and wine of Holy Communion, and I desire to receive Christ's body and blood, given and shed for my forgiveness. *1 Corinthians 11:23-26*
6. If possible, so far as it depends on me, I seek to live peaceably with all. *Romans 12:17-19*
7. By the power of the Holy Spirit, I desire and intend to lead a more Godly and Christ-like life, trusting in God's promises and obeying His commands. *Galatians 5:22-24*

If you unreservedly agree with the seven points above, you are invited to come to the Lord's Supper. If you do not agree with one or more of the seven points, please refrain from participating in Holy Communion lest you sin against the body and blood of the Lord. If you agree with the seven points above but are not a member of St. John's, we welcome you to the Lord's Table and invite you to give prayerful consideration to joining our partnership in the Gospel. You are encouraged to speak with a pastor or elder prior to communing regarding any point(s) of disagreement and/or regarding the process of joining St. John's.

Gluten-Free Communion Wafers: A gluten-free communion wafer option is now available for those who are allergic. They are located in the brass cup in the middle of the communion plate.

Communion Wine: For those who have health related, or other issues with drinking alcohol, please take the purple individual communion cup. It contains all water with one drop of wine.

NOTES AND NEWS

Updated Church Sanctuary Worship Service Guidelines

The Board of Elders has approved our return to pre-pandemic sanctuary worship guidelines with the following additional notes:

- Masks will be optional, and still available in the Marie Pfarr Room if desired.
- Ushers are no longer required to wear masks and gloves.
- Pastor and Elders are no longer required to wear mask and gloves while communing the congregation.
- We will offer The Common Cup again beginning April 2.
- Those wishing to receive communion in their cars may continue to do so.
- Contemporary Service will return on April 24 in the gymnasium at 11:00 am. Thank you to our volunteers that made our return to contemporary service possible, and we still need more volunteers to sustain the service.
- The Offering Boxes will still be used until further notice.

Additional Worship Service Information:

- By Radio - You can join our worship service by tuning to WQTT1270 AM and 96.7 FM at 8:00 a.m. airtime.
- Join us in the parking lot by tuning your car radio to 92.1 FM at any of our sanctuary services.
- Join us on Facebook at 11:00 a.m. for our "live streaming" service, or after on Sundays at: <https://www.facebook.com/jack.heino>

CALLING ALL CRAFTERS

The Ladies Aid is happy to report that the Christmas Bazaar will be back in November!



CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

We will soon be sending application letters to our members. Two weeks after sending those letters, we will send application letters to area crafters. Please complete and return your application as soon as you receive it, to ensure a space is reserved for you. As always, spaces are filled first come, first served. If you have questions, please call Clara Clevenger at 614-735-3199 or Kim Zacharias at 937-537-1946.

HELP NEEDED

Help needed, if you can donate anything we would sure appreciate it!

The Ladies Aid can use these extras or unneeded things you've accumulated. As we get farther along, we will post other needs. Thanks for the help!!

Bazaar Needs: fake fur (any color), poly-fill, fabric (flannel, plaids, solids, and small prints), beads, ribbon, lace, yarn, and clothespins (both kinds).

We're Here to GROW ROOTS!

See how far we've come and how far we have to go - your thoughtful gift will help us to GROW! We ask that you please prayerfully consider a one time gift or ongoing commitment in support of the capital campaign to expand our ministry within our Church and School.



Committed Amount as of 2.28.22 In Hand Amount as of 2.28.22



Scan the QR to GIVE to GROWING ROOTS!

EASTER LILIES



The Flower Committee is taking orders for lilies to decorate the church for Easter. Lilies can be ordered by completing the order form included in the Notes & News and dropping it along with payment in the box in the Marie Pfarr room.

Orders and payment can also be mailed to Charlotte Blumenschein, 20570 State Route 245, Marysville, Ohio 43040. The cost is \$9.25. Lilies will be available for pickup after either of the services on Easter Sunday.

Deadline is Sunday, April 10.

WELCOME TO ST. JOHN'S!

Welcome to St. John's. Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We pray that you will encounter Christ, the Living Word, and in a new way experience His mercy and grace today. We ask if you are a visitor, or a worship scholarship participant (SJ School), to please fill out the **blue card** located in the pew rack in front of you. Then drop the card in the offering box as you leave worship. If you would like to know more about our ministry, please call the church office at 937-644-5540.

The Lutheran Hour is on the radio Sunday mornings at **7:00am on WLW (700 AM)**. Log on to www.lhm.org for more information and channels. Jim Vandre, LHM Ambassador.

St. John's Radio Program airs Sunday mornings at **8:00am** on local channel **WQTT (1270 AM & 98.7 FM)**.

Altar Flowers: Altar flowers are given in thanksgiving to God and in celebration of **Ada Jane Anderson's** birthday on April 1, by her grandparents.

THE LORD'S WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S APRIL 3-10, 2022

TODAY	9:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service/Communion
04/03/22	10:00 am	Adult & Young Adult Bible Study/ Youth & Children Sunday School
	10:00 am	Youth Catechism/School Modulares
	11:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service/Communion & "Live Streaming"
	6:00 pm	LYF Youth Gathering/Youth House
MONDAY	8:00 pm	Adult Open Gym Volleyball
TUESDAY	11:30 am	Ladies Aid Quilting
WEDNESDAY	1:30 pm	ACES/Youth House
	4:00 pm	Lenten Worship Service
	5:00 pm	Lenten Supper: Hosted by The Golden Eagles
	5:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study/Mrs. April Firestone's CR
	7:00 pm	Lenten Worship Service
THURSDAY	1:30 pm	Ladies Aid Meeting/Heritage House
FRIDAY	1:00 pm	Ladies Aid Quilting
SATURDAY	7:30 am	Ladies Morning Bible Study/Heritage House
	6:00 pm	Sanctuary Worship Service
SUNDAY		PALM SUNDAY
04/10/22	9:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service
Holy Week Begins	10:00 am	Adult & Young Adult Bible Study/ Youth & Children Sunday School
	10:00 am	Youth Catechism/School Modulares
	11:00 am	Sanctuary Worship Service & "Live Streaming"

ALL AGES SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:00 - 11:00 am

3 Years-Kindergarten—Church Basement

1st-5th Grades—Meet in the gym together for singing time with Mr. Mark Moran, then break out into school classrooms.

6th Grade—Mrs. Ashley Monroe's Classroom.

7th & 8th Grade Youth Catechism Class—Mrs. Susie Miller & Mrs. Jayme Allen's Modular Classrooms.

High School Youth "Cornerstone Discipleship"—Youth House

Women's Bible Study—Mrs. Melissa Vollrath's Classroom (below the school loft): **Topic - "Esther"**

Adult Bible Study—School Cafeteria: **Topic - "The Book of John."**

If you have questions, please contact Sunday School Superintendent, Lisa Arnold at 937-205-1802 or arnoldlisa50@yahoo.com



Notes & News Deadline

Please submit articles to Regina Bullerman. Call 937-240-3004, mail to the church office, or email to rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org.

Weekly Church Attendance

6:00 pm Saturday and 9:00 & 11:00 a.m. Sunday
3/26 & 3/27: 225

Congregational Tithe Fourth Quarter Mission Opportunities of Fiscal Year 2021-22



Ohio District LCMS - 50%;
Member Mission Outreach, Food Pantries, Vacation Bible School (VBS), Lutheran Women's Missionary League (LWML), Clothes Closet - 10% Each

Weekly Worship Bible Readings

For those of you who would like to study the Word ahead of the next weekends worship services, we are listing here in the N&N the Bible readings that Pastor Jack will be using.

April 9-10, 2022

Old Testament Reading: *Deuteronomy 32:36-39*

Epistle Reading: *Philippians 2:5-11*

Holy Gospel Reading: *John 12:20-43*

NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



GOLDEN EAGLES LENTEN SUPPER **Wednesday, April 6th - 5:00 pm**

The Golden Eagles invite you to join us for our annual German Brats and Sauerkraut supper this coming Wednesday evening at 5:00 pm! On the menu will be Bratwurst sandwiches, with sauerkraut, German potato Salad, and green beans. Hot dogs will be available also, plus a variety of delicious desserts.



The profits from this event will benefit the Ukrainian refugees displaced by war, through the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and Lutheran World Relief. Please continue to keep the country of Ukraine and its citizens in your prayers. Thank you for your support.

To God be the Glory!

HOLLAND MICHIGAN - MAY 12 to 15, 2022

If you haven't yet made your reservations, we still have a few seats left for this amazing trip in May! See the flyer on the bulletin board in the Marie Pfarr Room for complete details. If you have questions, contact Jeff or Carol Reinhard at 614-560-5085.



ALTAR FLOWER CALENDAR DATES

The following dates are available for altar flowers in April through July:

April 10	June 19	July 17
May 1	June 26	July 24
May 8	July 3	July 31
May 15	July 10	

Many dates are still available on the 2022 calendar. Chancel flowers are available almost every weekend. Please call Charlotte Blumenschein at (937) 644-4111 to reserve any special dates for flowers in church.

The Flower Committee thanks you for your continued support.

Ladies Aid News...

The next meeting of the Ladies Aid will be on **Thursday, April 7th at 1:30 pm**. Our speaker at this meeting will be Detective Candice Gee of the Marysville Police Department. She will share current trends in the area as well as scams we need to be aware of. All ladies are welcome to attend.

Our speaker at the March 2nd Ladies Aid Meeting was Donald Boerger, one of the Marysville City Councilmen, and an advocate of local historical preservation. He was quite enthusiastic and well received. He agreed to return and share more of his work on the need for preservation.

Singsations - Patriotic Concert Rehearsals

First Presbyterian Church 210 W. Fifth Street, Marysville



Join us as we prepare for a joint patriotic concert with the Gahanna Community Choir. Rehearsals are Mondays from 7-8:30pm starting April 4th. Our performances will be June 4th - 3pm at Vets and June 5th - 3pm at the Gahanna Lincoln HS in Gahanna, Ohio. We will have a spacing rehearsal then run through the show on June 4th at noon at Vets. Concert is the same day at 3pm. We will then travel to Gahanna on Sunday, June 5th for a spacing rehearsal around noon and a concert the same day at 3pm. Concert will be free to the public with donations accepted.

If you would like to participate, please email Susan Bunsold at sbunsold@yahoo.com or use this link:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1187191538482169/?ref=newsfeed>

MORE NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



LYF Fellowship

TODAY, April 3rd: Devotions and Games at the Youth House, 6pm - Join us for an evening of fellowship and fun, we'll start with a group devotional followed by snacks and games, we hope to see you there!

GriefShare Week 8: This session is titled, **"Complicating Factors."** It shows how traumatic experiences affect grief, how to deal with nightmares and flashbacks, and how your thinking affects your emotions.

If you are grieving the death of a loved one, you are welcome to join us for any of the in-person sessions held on Thursday evenings from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at **St. Paul Lutheran Church, 7960 State Route 38, Milford Center, OH 43045.** To register, please visit www.griefshare.org or text Deaconess Janet Nicol at **614-561-7411.**

Due to the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus, we ask that you please stay home if you are sick or have any symptoms. Class will take place in the Gathering Room, where proper seating distance and cleanliness is being maintained. If you wish to wear a mask, please feel free to do so.

Please note: GriefShare will NOT meet on Maundy Thursday, April 14.



Contemporary Worship Services

Update: Contemporary Service is returning

When: April 24th - 11:00 a.m.

Where: St. John's Lutheran School Gym



We are excited to share with you that Contemporary Service is returning. A special thanks to all who have expressed an interest in reviving the Contemporary Service. Plans are to meet in the gym at 11:00 a.m. for a more relaxed atmosphere, singing with live accompaniment, and a coffee/hospitality table. All to the Glory of God and highlighting Pastor Jack's message.

Volunteers are still needed. If you have an interest in assisting, please contact Mike Priday, 937-243-2436 or Jon Lutz, 937-707-0433.

The Elders are grateful for your prayers, and consideration to assist with this ministry.

Church Service Recording Volunteers Needed

We are looking for volunteers to help out with recording the 9:00 a.m. services every Sunday. These are the recordings that are distributed to nursing homes and delivered to our members who can no longer make it into the Church. Duties are recording the service, making copies on CDs and then dropping them off at the School Office.

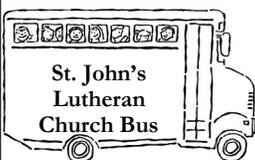
If you would like to help out, please contact
Michael Blumenschein at
614-403-6922 or mblumenschein@gmail.com

Why choose to be a living kidney donor? Patients with end stage renal disease have three options for treatment: dialysis, kidney transplant from a deceased donor, or kidney transplant from a living donor.



THE BEST OPTION FOR A PATIENT WAITING FOR A KIDNEY IS TO RECEIVE ONE FROM A LIVING DONOR. Half of the donors at OSU medical center are living donors, friends and co-workers of the recipient. Kidney pairing donation is also an option where you pair with another recipient so there is a greater chance to find a matching kidney.

Please consider being a living kidney donor. If anyone is interested in learning about kidney donation contact Kristine Rausch for paperwork at 614-205-9226.



NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

If so, please call the church office at 937-644-5540 and arrangements will be made for someone to pick you up in the Church Bus.



ACES is playing euchre at the Youth House on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m. Cost is \$1.00. Please join us for an afternoon of cards, cookies, and drinks. We finish around 4:00 p.m.

NOTES & NEWS ITEMS



Lenten Worship Service Schedule

Midweek Lenten Services: *Wednesday, April 6; 4:00 & 7:00 pm*

Midweek Bible Study: *Wednesday, April 6, 5:30-6:30 pm* led by Pastor Kevin Wilson in Mrs. April Firestone's Classroom.

Midweek Lenten Supper: *Wednesday, April 6, 5:00-7:00 pm* in the School Cafeteria



Holy Week Worship Service Schedule April 10-16

Palm Sunday Services: *April 10*
9:00 & 11:00 am

Maundy Thursday Services: *April 14*
4:00 & 7:00 pm with Communion

Good Friday: *April 15, Tenebrae Service:*
"Service of Darkness", 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday Service: *April 16*
6:00 pm with Communion

Easter Sunday Services: *April 17*
9:00 & 11:00 am with Communion

No Sunday School Classes, but please attend:
10:00 am: Easter Egg Hunt for All Ages up to 6th Grade (Meet on the softball field)

10:15 am: Our Family Easter Breakfast hosted by the Cafeteria Bible Study Group

Please join us here at St. John's for our Lenten Worship Services, Lenten Suppers, Bible Study and Holy Week Services!

2022 Prayer Vigil

Our Prayer Vigil will be held again this year, **praying** in the church **Marie Pfarr Room** or in your own **home**

(or, anywhere!), starting at 8:00 p.m. on Good Friday, April 15, and will go until Saturday 12:00 a.m. Midnight on April 16. Join me in thanking God for His many blessings and sharing our concerns with Him! Please consider taking an hour of time to pray, perhaps with your entire household, for our current situation, our nation, our church, our church family, our own family, those we know, or whatever the Lord lays on your heart.

We are using Signup Genius to reserve prayer times. Please enter the following link into your browser and it will direct you to the Signup Genius reservation calendar.

The signup link is: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0544AAA623A3F85-stjohns1>

Prayer requests may be emailed to Regina Bullerman, Church Secretary, at rbullerman@sjsmarysville.org or call 937-240-3004.



Easter Egg Candy Donations for Easter Egg Hunt

We are accepting candy donations for the Sunday School Easter Egg hunt **until TODAY, April 3rd.**



Please bring in individually wrapped candy (preferably nut free) and drop them into the box located in the Marie Pfarr room.



JOIN US on Wednesday, April 6th, for our Lenten Supper hosted by our Golden Eagles. The menu consists of Bratwurst Sandwiches, Sauerkraut, German Potato Salad, and Green Beans. Hot dogs and a variety of desserts and beverages will also be served. Come out and support our Golden Eagles with free will offerings going to the Ukrainian refugees displaced by war, through the LCMS and Lutheran World Relief. And please join us for our Midweek Lenten Worship Services at 4:00 or 7:00 p.m. in the church sanctuary.