



St. John's  
LUTHERAN  
Church & School

## Weekly News

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8:30 a.m. – The Well  
(Contemporary Service)

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School/Adult Bible Class  
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Service

### Sunday, August 4, 2019 – 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

#### Thank you!

For your great out-pouring of love for Leti our 3 year old Lead Preschool teacher. We were able to give Leti \$2,000 to help restore their losses when their home was destroyed. Thank you, to all who gave! Way to go, St. John's!

#### Remember in Prayer

The family and loved ones of Arline Urban called to glory last Saturday. A memorial service was held for Arline on Wednesday. Thank you to the many St. John's friends who attended to show your support and love.

#### From the Board of Directors

The proposed budget for September 2019 to August 2020 is almost completed.

There will be a pre-voter's meeting information Q and A on Sunday, August 18<sup>th</sup>. Time to be announced. The voter's meeting will be Sunday, September 1, 2019.

#### Back to School Breakfast

Please join us for our annual Back To School Breakfast on Sunday, August 18, at 9:30 am. Come and meet some of our school families and enjoy the fellowship between our church members, school families, and school staff. **Children, bring your back pack for a special blessing during the children's message!** A sign-up sheet will be on the bulletin board in the social hall to sign-up for your favorite breakfast item to share. Thanks so much – see you on the 18<sup>th</sup>!

#### Lost & Found

Please see box in Fellowship Hall for items you may have left in the kitchen. We have several dishes and containers that have been trying to find their way back to their original home! If items are not picked up they will be donated to Goodwill.

#### Please be sure doors are locked!

Lately several exterior doors have been left unlocked. Please be sure when you leave to check the doors and pull them shut.

#### Attendance for July

2018 was 156: 2019 was 158 up 1%

#### Name Tags

**Number One: Please** wear your name tags! It is a simple thing to do that greatly helps our newer members know and learn our names.

**Number Two:** If you need a name tag, **Please make a note on the attendance pads.** We will order new ones in a couple of weeks.

#### Speaking of Name Tags

Don't forget our **Five Minute Rule.** For the first five minutes after service introduce yourself and speak to someone, you do not already know. Especially try to speak to visitors. Then, greet your friends.

#### Email Address updates:

We would be most appreciative if you can send your updated email address to Kerstin [churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org)

Thanks in advance for your help. This will help us keep our St John's email address list "current" and assure that we will be able to forward important messages to you when necessary.

#### Thank You!

A huge thank you to Don Henderson for all he did, day after day, to take care of trash and touch up cleaning. (Cat, our custodian, was gone the entire month of July!)

To Joel Becker, Tom Loke, Jennifer Anderson, and Isaac Anderson for blessing our services with song the last two weeks.

#### Notes on the coming School Year

1. **Bob Snyder** is our new 5<sup>th</sup> grade teacher. He replaces Melissa Edmiston who is converting to stay at home mom. Bob recently retired from over 25 years teaching in the local public schools.

2. **Electives:** For the first time our middle school students have the opportunity to choose one elective each quarter. (This does not replace or reduce any of their core classes. By extending the school day and slight changes the electives will be the last class of the day.) Students have signed up for: Book Club, Cooking, 3-D Printing, Level Two Art, and five students in the school elected to take Confirmation with Pastor Tom.

3. **NLSA:** Nearly all the countless pages of required reports are complete. We will begin mailing them to the Accreditation group in the next few weeks.

4. **Enrollment:** K-8 enrollment is about the same as last year, 126, or a few more. Preschool enrollment is up 40% from last year (47 vs. 34)! We thank God for each child that He brings to us to hear and learn about God's love for them in Jesus.

#### **Summer Camp**

Summer Camp was a huge success this year. Enrollment was up considerably. Thank You to Rachel Reynolds! Summer Camp is a lot of work and takes much time to administrate, Rachel did a great job! Thank her when you see her.

#### **Hispanic Tutoring/VBS - Summer Session**

You are invited to join us for a Summer Adventure! **Our last session is August 7<sup>th</sup>, 2019** as we join with our Hispanic friends for some summer fun. We will explore God's word and His creation as we enjoy scavenger hunts, experiment with recipes and rockets, art and more. We will also work on community service projects.

We will begin each evening with a small meal at 5:30 and finish up about 7:30. **All St. John's children** are invited to join in the fun – and friends are always welcome.

#### **LWML Mite Sunday**

Today is LWML Mite Sunday! Come forward and place your pennies, nickels, dimes, quarters, dollar bills or checks in the box near the altar during offering.

Today we spotlight one of the Mission Grants selected at the June Convention.

Mission Outreach for At-Risk-Young Women in Africa – Lutheran Hour Ministries - \$100,000. This program to disrupt the cycle of poverty and prostitution by teaching income producing trades for economic independence and success. They are a means to connect the young women with the church. Purpose of the grant is to identify young women in prisons after they have been arrested, then provide rehabilitation through counseling and voluntary Bible Studies for those desiring to reform, and and connect them with a church.

Your mites will help to do this! - Thank You.

### **Adopt – A – Student**

It is that time of year again when our parents are wrestling with how much they can afford to pay. This income analysis is not done by staff but by an outside evaluation company.

The BoD passed a resolution that all families must pay at least 50% tuition. (Any opportunity scholarships they have count toward that 50%).

We have 13 students who have been with us for several years who need help to meet that 50% threshold to continue attending. The total needed is approximately \$19,000. That's \$1500 per student.

#### **Can you help adopt a student for the coming school year?**

One Student = \$1500/ **\$150 per month**  
2/3's Student = \$1000/ **\$100 per month**  
1/2 Student = \$ 750/ **\$ 75 per month**  
1/3 Student = \$ 500/ **\$ 50 per month**  
1/5 Student = \$ 300/ **\$ 30 per month**  
1/10 Student = \$ 150/ **\$ 15 per month**

#### **Any donation is appreciated!**

Unfortunately, we cannot give you the name of any particular student or students due to confidentiality requirements. We will, however, share with you the grade of your student, and a mid-year update on their progress academically, socially, and spiritually.

#### **Cancer Prayer Service – August 11 – 2pm**

The August speaker after the Prayer Service will be Katie Duckworth, PhD an assistant professor at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center. She is a member of the psychosocial oncology program and performs clinical work and research with individuals adjusting to new diagnosis, chronic illness, and end of life concerns. Katie believes that counselors are suited to working with individuals and families who are force to adapt to changes in their health, daily life and structure, and expectations surrounding their longevity. All our welcome to come and bring questions you might have.

#### **Lord's Prayer**

Do you ever pray the Lord's Prayer? Have you ever spent some time learning what it means? HERE IS YOUR CHANCE.

Pastor's Sunday Morning Class (9:45am – 10:30am) is studying the different petitions of the Lord's Prayer – and what are we asking for – when we pray them! Any Sunday in June, when you are able to, please join us!

#### **Share your summer fun!**

Please take a photo or two from your travels. (In front of a church would be real cool!) Turn them into the office and we will make a temporary bulletin board to "share the fun".

#### **Summer Worship Contest**

When travelling please try to remember to worship the Lord on the Sabbath (Sunday).

1. Please bring me any and all worship bulletins (no matter the denomination). I really enjoy seeing how God's people worship in various congregations.

2. A Prize! A prize will be given to the worship bulletins from the furthest distance from St. John's. (Second and third place prizes as well)

### Summer Stewardship Note

It's run and fun season! I pray that those who travel will be kept safe and have a refreshing and enjoyable time! Please remember to "catch up" any weekly offerings you miss.

During July and August our cash flow turns very negative. There is little to no income from school tuition and we still pay our staff these months.

Besides making sure to keep up with all your weekly tithes anything "extra" that you can give during these summer months will be a great blessing to the Lord's work at St. John's.

May the Lord Bless you, so that you may be a blessing! – Pastor Tom

### Altar Flower spots open

Please check our flower book in the Narthex. We have some openings in September and October. This is a great opportunity to remember or honor someone, or to celebrate a special occasion.

### Fruit of the Spirit notecards

Get your St. John's Lutheran Banner notecards. Cards are only \$10 and they make great gifts. Please see Kerstin in the church office or during bible study to purchase a box. All proceeds go to St. John's Lutheran Church and School.

### Sunday Small Group Bible Class

The Sunday Small Group Bible Class will discuss how a person primarily connects and communicates - by HEAD, by HEART, or by HANDS. And why is it important to determine this when we are witnessing? Join our lively discussion at 9:45 this Sunday morning.

### Bible Study Opportunities at St. John's Sunday's

- 9:45am – Pastor Tom's Class (Social Hall)
- 9:45am – Dot Anderson's Class (**5<sup>th</sup> Grade Classroom #109**)

### Tuesday's

- 10:00am – Senior Women's (Library)

Crisis Control for August: Cooking Oil – Thank you for your July donations of 47lbs.

Altar Flowers Today – Are given to the Glory of God.



8:30 a.m. – "The Well" with Holy Communion  
9:30 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion

### Tuesday, 8/6

10:00 a.m. – Senior Bible Study  
6:30 p.m. – Elders

### Wednesday, 8/7

5:30 p.m. – Hispanic Ministry Meal  
6:00 p.m. – H.M. Summer Program (last summer one)

### Thursday, 8/8

9:30 a.m. – Prayer Warriors  
6:00 p.m. – Accreditation Meeting

### Friday, 8/9

6:00 p.m. – Kindergarten Welcome Night

### Sunday, 8/11

8:30 a.m. – "The Well" with Holy Communion  
9:30 a.m. – Bible Class & Sunday School  
10:45 a.m. – Traditional Worship with Holy Communion  
2:00 p.m. – Cancer Prayer Service

### Prayer Shawl Ministry Opportunities

St. John's Prayer Shawl Ministry invites ALL members to make OR give OR request a *Prayer Shawl* or *lap-afghan* for a friend, family member, co-worker or acquaintance in need of a tangible reminder that they are loved by God and "wrapped" in prayer for divine healing, comfort, hope and strength. **There is no cost for the shawl.** If you'd like to make a shawl, lap-afghan or tags, or know someone who you'd like to receive one, please contact Ann Carney #336-602-1232 or Katie Goad #336-924-6977



### Happy Birthday to:

8/4 Ben Montgomery	8/8 Judy Meisinger
8/5 Jan Golden	8/9 Carrie Summerton
8/5 Adam Orsborn	8/10 Chris Burke
8/7 Brad Honeycutt	8/10 Karl Hastings
8/7 Annabella Schmidt	8/10 Fred Neise
8/8 Carole Istock	

### Happy Anniversary to:

8/6 Bob & Cora Kretzschar

### Intercessory Prayer Warriors:

A group of people led by Rich Essbach meets weekly from 9:30 – 10:00 on Thursday mornings to pray collectively for our St. John's Family. All church members are invited to meet in the Sanctuary during this half hour to pray for our congregation.

The Telephone Prayer Chain is another prayer opportunity. Please call Dot Cleary (336-767-4116) or Martha Tegeler (336-774-6772) if you would like to receive or be a part of this service. You may also call with prayer requests.



**St. John's Prayer Needs**

Prayer requests can be emailed to Dale Mierisch at [wb9szl@triad.rr.com](mailto:wb9szl@triad.rr.com).

We pray for St. John's congregation and school

Pastor Thomas Clocker  
Principal Mark Edmiston  
Director of Admissions Tom Baldwin  
Our Teachers

Our called workers and staff

Frances Burmeister  
Michael Zeoli  
Board of Directors  
Board of Elders  
Hispanic Tutoring

Our Board of Directors: Adam Orsborn Chairman; Tim Nelson, Steve Lorenz, Jeff Goad, Pat Hall

We remember those who are shut in:

Chris Johnston, Kay Moose, Mary Riggs, Millie Tetzlaff, Arline Urban

We pray for those who are fighting cancer:

Mary Deakle, (friend of Sheryl Thorpe), Terry France (Stephanie Andrews' father), Clarice George, Katie Goad, Isaiah Hall – 2 yrs old, battling Leukemia, (son of a friend of Pastor Tom) Melody Hawkins, (Nancy Livengood's cousin), Bob Jordan, (Jamie Deal's uncle), , Arden Lackey, Glenda Lackey, Bill Lonacker (friend of the Essbachs), Rebecca Perry, (Stacey Perry- school secretary's, mother-in-law), Tara Phillips (niece of Arden & Glenda Lackey), Gene Rapier, Arline Urban, Frank Williams (Sarah Williams' husband), Cindy Woods (Cancer Prayer Service walk-in).

For those undergoing/recovering from surgery or dealing with health issues:

Travis Bane (Cyndi Bane's son), Isabelle Baldwin, (Tom Baldwin's mother), Steve Covington, Teddy Deranomie, Jeanette Dyson, Dave Genevie, Chris Gwaltney, (Debbie Baronowski's son), Whitney Hall, (Anita Hoisington's granddaughter), Karl Hastings Sr. (Karl Hastings father), Christine Karim, (friend of Rich Essbach), Peter Morlock, (friend of Essbach's), Uncle Steve Morrison & family (Pastor Clocker's son-in-law's uncle), Jean Nelson (Tim Nelson's mom), Florence Renken (John Renken's wife), Butch Roberts, Jean Rudolph, Jacki Rullman, David Sablich, (friend of Rich Essbach), Millie Tetzlaff, Lauren Zick, (grand-niece of Rob & Kathy Schwabe).

For those who mourn:

**The family and loved ones of Arline Urban called to glory last Saturday, July 27, 2019.**

For those serving in our armed forces; for continued safety and extra comfort if serving away from home:  
Andrew Nelson

**(Please notify Kerstin in the office if you have any names for our prayer list.**  
[churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org](mailto:churchsecretary@stjohnsws.org) )

Persecution Prayer:

Christians face persecution from Islamic extremists as they go about their daily lives in Iraq, Syria, and Egypt. Pray that our Lord and Savior will hear the threats that these Islamic extremists make against our brothers and sisters in faith. Pray that He will grant them the ability and courage to speak the Gospel message with all boldness.

For more information see the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall.

**Elder Assignments**

**Member/families**

Bob Burke -----	(A-Bra)
Steve Anderson-----	(Bre-Der)
Rich Essbach -----	(Do-Ga)
Rich Essbach -----	(Ge-Hen)
Larry Bowman-----	(Hes-Kie)
Bill Thorpe-----	(Ko-Lor)
Mark Meier -----	(Lov-O)
Mark Meier -----	(P-R)
Dale Mierisch -----	(S)
Rob Schwabe-----	(T-Z)

**Participation July 28, 2019**

8:30	79
10:45	98
Nursery	2

**A Great Place to Grow in Christ**

As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All programs/grades have full-time care available.

**Pastor Thomas Clocker, 301-732-9203,**  
**revclocker@gmail.com**  
**Mark Edmiston, Principal**  
**Tom Baldwin, Director of Admissions and**  
**Community Relations**  
**Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool**  
**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for**  
**Contemporary Worship**  
**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for**  
**Traditional Worship**

Church Office Hours: Monday through Thursday,  
9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

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