

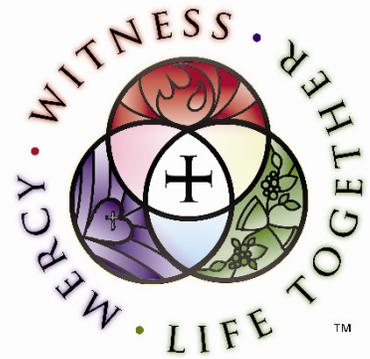
ST. JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

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News & Notes

March 22, 2020

During these unusual days of pandemic, we will not be preparing the regular church bulletin, but will instead make this '*News & Notes*' page available weekly on the website. In addition, paper copies of this page will be available on Tuesdays outside the church office for anyone coming in to drop off an offering.



CONGREGATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS – Be sure to stay up to date by watching our webpage, SJL.ORG, and our Facebook Page. These will be a primary means by which we will provide information to the congregation. On the webpage there will be links to connect you to our live-streamed and archived worship services, as well as other information.

A document is available on our website titled, “**Sustaining Ministry During COVID-19,**” with all the information needed to follow everything we’re trying to do at St. John.

ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICES – We are making every effort to live-stream a worship service during regular worship times – Sundays at 9:00 a.m. and Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. – assuming we have the necessary internet speeds for a smooth viewing experience. If live-streaming does not work well, we will make the services available an hour or so later on our YouTube Channel.

OFFERINGS DURING THIS TIME – The gifts of God’s people are essential to the continuation of ministry at St. John. There are three ways we suggest giving your gifts during this time especially...

- Use our new ‘**Give Now**’ online giving page – a link is on our website
- Mail your offerings to the church, 16035 County Road U, Napoleon, OH 43545
- Drop off your offerings on Tuesdays, 9:00 a.m. to noon, outside the church office

More detailed information is available on the “Sustaining Ministry” document online.



MANY THANKS: The family of Delora Winkelman would like to thank Pastor Niermann for his visits with her at Genacross, for his support after her passing and his comforting words at the service. We would also like to thank the ladies of the church who provided the meal following the service and members of the church for their memorials, prayers and words of kindness.

EASTER FLOWER UPDATE: Due to the uncertainty of future church services, we will not be placing our Easter flower order this year. If you paid by check, please consider it “void” at this time. If you paid by cash, please plan to pick it up on Tuesdays between 9am and noon. If this time does not work for you, please call the church office and leave a message. Thank you!

PORTALS OF PRAYER BOOKLETS for the next quarter, *April, May, June*, are available on the table outside the church office and on the desk in the narthex. There are also large print booklets available for anybody to pick up. A special edition of Portals of Prayer with 60 devotions for these trying times is freely available at cph.org.

<u>FINANCIAL FACTS:</u>	Home Fund	Synod & Missions	Building Fund
Weekly Need	\$9,792.78	\$500.00	\$961.54
Rec'd 03/15/20	\$8,032.00	\$189.00	\$360.00

ATTENDANCE: 159

4TH LENTEN SERVICE: \$471.00 – LCMS Nat'l Youth Gathering;
Attendance: Morning - 14; Evening – 24

MEMORIALS for Reldon “Shorty” Bischoff: St. John Memorial Fund - \$810.00
St. John Lutheran Church – Old School Renovation – 50.00

MATTERS FOR PRAYER – Please keep these people in your daily prayers:

- ❖ Shut-Ins: *Norma Damman, Renetta Homan, and Lester Rabe*
- ❖ *Dorothy Gerken, Melba Elling, and Lorna Von Deylen*, at Genacross Lutheran Home
- ❖ *Evelyn Rohrs and Arlene Gerken*, at Assisted Living – Genacross Lutheran Home
- ❖ *Harold Behrmann*, at Fulton Manor – Wauseon
- ❖ *Donald Landry*, residing at the Ohio Veteran’s Home, Sandusky
- ❖ Armed Services: *Justin Atkinson, Jason Rohrs, Emily Schroeder, Connor Gerken, Seth Handy*
- ❖ *Willie Joost*, recovering well from skin graft surgery for burns on his leg
- ❖ *Dale VonDeylen*, brother of Deb Durham and Dave VonDeylen, who is undergoing tests for cancer at the OSU hospital