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Hours
Mondays
and
Fridays
10:00 AM–3:00 PM

Worship Service
9:00 am

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JUNE 2021

St. John Lutheran Church

St. John Lutheran Church comes together to love God and one another, serve others and share God's word. We do these things by God's Grace that comes through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ

A House Built on Solid Ground

It is hard to imagine that I have been the interim pastor at St. John Church for six months already. It has been a good experience. Even with all of the restrictions of a pandemic, we have been able to be church together, and I am grateful for all the ways you have helped me become assimilated into our congregational life.

There are three dimensions of the congregation that I really appreciate.

Liturgical worship; safeguarding the beautiful language of scripture and the telling of the story of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection with all of the actions, symbols, and majesty of liturgical worship.

Traditional Music; relying on the writers of many generations and assisted by very talented musicians and singers.

The liturgical year; observing all of the special seasons that dramatize the sacred story of God as revealed through the unfolding of Advent, Christmas, Epiphany, Lent, Easter, and Pentecost.

There are also some things we are not. In this pop-culture world, our congregation is rooted in a sacred story that has real roots.

Therefore:

If you want music that sounds like a beer commercial, go to Kings Island. But if you want to be inspired by music from many generations of talented composers throughout Christendom, come to our church.

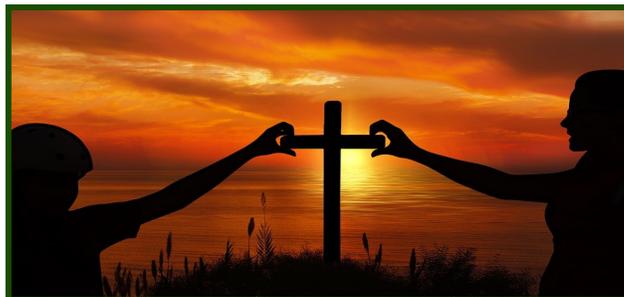
If you want a speaker who dazzles you with a humorous monologue, watch Jimmy Fallon. But if you want a sermon spiced with insight that relates real-life situations to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, come to our church.

If you want your religion to be a set of laws and prescribed behaviors, join a cult. But if you want to discover how the grace of God is the real glue that holds us together and saves us from our own foolishness, come to our church.

At St. John Lutheran Church, I appreciate that we offer no fads, no gimmicks, and no pop-culture entertainment. We are a diverse community of people, rooted in the Gospel to witness and serve. What more could you ask for?

Thank you for allowing me to travel our journey of faith together. As the restrictions of the pandemic slowly subside, I look forward to many more ways we can support one another.

Blessings,
Pastor Paul Heine





Thank you to all Saint John members who continue to send their offering . Contributions like yours make a big difference in the work of the church. Giving is worship!

Have a newsworthy announcement for the St John newsletter? You can email it to stjohningomar@swohio.twcbc.com or call 937-839-5321 any time and leave a detailed message. The newsletter generally is being prepared throughout the month and goes to print the last week.

Sleep Mat Project: CROCHETERS NEEDED!!!

If you or someone you know loves to crochet (or knit) and wants to be a part of a giving ministry this is the one for you! The Project meets every third Saturday of the month at 9:00 am at St John's fellowship hall. For questions you may contact Carolyn at 937-839-4350 or Earla 937- 839-7203

WELCA minutes for May

All women of St John are always welcome to attend Women of the ELCA meetings! Next meeting is June 10 at 7:00 pm

- ◇ The May meeting of St. John Women of the ELCA was held in the parish hall on May 13 with 7 members and Past Paul in attendance.
- ◇ The meeting was called to order by President Earla Donaldson. The program, "Mary, mother of Jesus" was presented by Earla.
- ◇ The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. Treasurer reported a balance of \$240.87.
- ◇ Kathy reported 52 cards were sent.
- ◇ No key report from Women's Council although they will resume meeting after being closed all last year.
- ◇ Group decided to go with refreshments for the next meeting.
- ◇ Carolyn announced Convention will be Aug. 25, 2021. More info will be forthcoming.
- ◇ Darlene will be responsible for coffee cake when we resume our after church fellowship. If any one would like to take a turn in baking a cake, please let her know.
- ◇ Judy has been contacted by Darrell Meeks, Treas. Of Retired Teachers group. They would like us to provide box lunches to be picked up on June 8. Judy will put up a sign-up sheet for donations.
- ◇ Chris and LaVerne will provide the homeless shelter meal this month.
- ◇ Meeting was closed with the Missionary Benediction.

Did you know....

Joseph of Arimathea's and Nicodemus' Story

The actions of these two influential Jewish leaders give insight into the charismatic power of Jesus and his teachings—and the risks that could be involved in following him.

Joseph was a respected, wealthy civic leader who had become a disciple of Jesus. Following the death of Jesus, Joseph obtained Jesus' body from Pilate, wrapped it in fine linen and buried it. For these reasons, Joseph is considered the patron saint of funeral directors and pallbearers. More important is the courage Joseph showed in asking Pilate for Jesus' body. Jesus was a condemned criminal who had been publicly executed. According to some legends, Joseph was punished and imprisoned for such a bold act.

Nicodemus was a Pharisee and, like Joseph, an important first-century Jew. We know from John's Gospel that Nicodemus went to Jesus at night—secretly—to better understand his teachings about the kingdom. Later, he spoke up for Jesus at the time of his arrest and assisted in Jesus' burial. We know little else about Nicodemus.

Reflection

Celebrating these two contemporaries of Jesus who played significant roles in Jesus' life, reminds us of the humanity of Jesus and how he related to his fellow men and women. His gentleness to these two and his acceptance of their help remind us that he treats us in the same gentle way.

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Looking into June's Sunday Gospel Text Messages....

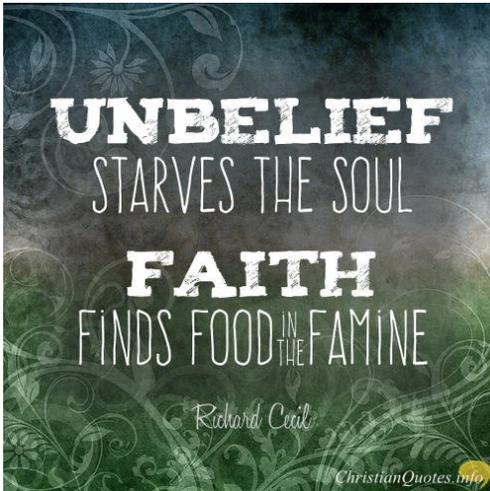
June 6-Mark 3:20-35 *Doing the work of God as brothers and sisters of Christ*

June 13-Mark 4:26-34 *The parable of the mustard seed*

June 20-Mark 4:35-41 *Christ calming the sea*

June 27-Mark 5:21-43 *Christ healing a woman and Jairus's daughter*





MEMBERS IN OUR PRAYERS

Marna Beneke	Judy Erbaugh	Reenie Halsey
Mary Buettner	Cleo Eby	Helen Comer
Catherine Dafler	Janet Ferguson	Bob Combs
Dale Cotterman	Butch Spitler	Earla Donaldson
Mark & Carol McKinley	Steve Dafler	Melissa Collins

FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Linda Crumbaker	Shawn Bellamy
Mark Blosser	Lilly Moore
Stacy Cline	Jim Boyle
Joan McCaffrey	Dick Campbell
Cynthia Foster	Eric Walker
Linda Parks	Todd McKee
Debbie Elmore	Andrew Obst
Branson Bennett	Connie Johnson
Lori Cooper	Melinda Studebaker
Dane & Marlene Stockslager	Lynn Peters
Ben Cole	Andy & Amanda Thompson
Dorothy Chapman	Shauna Hebbeler
Eugene & Sandy Chapman	

THOSE WHO ARE GRIEVING

Family of Nancy Curtner

MISSIONARIES

Jon & Michelle Voge and family
and
Michelle's dad, Brian

Philippians 4:6-7

Do not be anxious about anything. By prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

June

2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
AG – Chris Ingram CA – Becky Stockslager		1	2	3	4	5 rt
M – Carol McKinley LR – Buzz Wright	7	8	9 Council 7:00 pm	10 Cargill Blood drive 3-7 pm WELCA 7:00 pm	11	12
M – Jenny Dawson LR – Lorey Collins	14	15	16	17	18	19 Sleep Mat Project 9-11 am
Holy Communion	Flag Day					
M – Mandy Arnett LR – Stephanie Cotterman Lay Minister Julius Fingerle Father's Day	21	22	23	24 Feast of St. John the Baptist Full Moon	25	26
M – Carol McKinley LR – Earla Donaldson Acolyte – Ellie Arnett Holy Communion	28	29 Homeless Shelter Meal Kathy/Earla	30	Pastor out of town 6/19-6/23	Secretary out of town 6/1-6/11	

