APRIL **2024** 

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Church Office Hours
Mondays and Fridays
10:00-3:00 pm
Sunday
Worship Service



The Women of St. John will be dining at the historic Florentine Restaurant on Thursday, April 11 at 6:00 pm. Carpooling is available by meeting at the church by 5:30 pm. Please contact Carolyn at 937-839-4350 to get a head count for reservations.

## 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

The Facebook post below was made by Pastor Mark Daniels, NALC Dean of the Southwest Ohio Mission District after visiting St. John March 24 on Palm Sunday/Confirmation Sunday.



# Mark Daniels is at St John Lutheran Ingomar.

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I loved worshiping with the people of St John Lutheran Ingomar this morning!

It was an exciting day: Palm Sunday and Confirmation Sunday.

Congregational singing was robust.

The choir was phenomenal, sharing a powerful rendition of the spiritual, 'I Want to Follow Jesus.'

The preacher was on fire with Christ's love.

The eight children who came forward for the Children's Sermon participated enthusiastically.

We received the Sacrament of Christ's body and blood, bringing the forgiveness of our sin, during worship.

And it was great visiting with folks afterward.

Thank you to the people of St John Lutheran Church at Ingomar!

Installation of Pastor Bill Schilling will take place on Sunday, April 7, Pastor Schilling will formally enter into shared ministry with St. John. A carry-in luncheon will follow. The 2nd Sunday of Easter service will begin at 10:00 am.



Dear friends and family of St John. Praise God for the wonderful service He allowed us on Palm Sunday! Every component of the service was God orchestrated and Spirit filled. Think of where we were a year ago and how faithful God has been. This is because you were faithful and kept believing in better days for our church! Our district Dean came to visit under the unction of The Almighty and was highly blessed! It was the best service I have been a part of in a long time. Everyone was excited and we came expecting God to show up in a big way. I hope we come expectantly every Sunday because God is surely willing to fill us and be glorified among us! The future of St John is very bright because we serve a Risen Savior! I believe we are poised to see a great move of God in these last days. So, everyone please pray, read the Word daily and ask God to do His will in your life. Then come to worship expecting God to show up and bless His children.

The blessing of God is for us, and those God will call to join us. We are establishing a strong spiritual setting that will abound in love and attract hungry souls. I was so excited last Sunday for Ellie and her commitment to the community of Saints. Our church family showed her so much love and support that she will never forget. I was so excited for our entire worship service and everyone who was a part of it. Let's continue to praise God and serve humbly in Jesus' name. The Holy Spirit will guide us to be a mighty fellowship in these prophetic times. God bless you and increase the fruits of your righteousness. Nothing but Love. PB



We're doing it again, folks! St. John is hosting FAMILY NIGHT, 2024

Friday, May 10 at 6:00 pm. Bring a covered dish to share and we will provide the beverage.



Comedy juggler and ventriloquist, Mike Hemmelgarn will be returning to our sanctuary!



Pat and I want to thank everyone for your cards and prayers while we were having health issues. We appreciated your kindness. God's blessings to you all, Lorey and Pat Collins

Dear St. John, Thank you so much for your prayers & support! God bless you, Mary Bates NALC Disaster Response Director The next Fellowship Dinner hosted by our friends at St. Andrew Farmersville will be on Wednesday, April 10, at 6:30 P.M. at the Florentine in Germantown. Please feel free to call or text Pastor Jon Kibler at (209) 251-3223, or email <a href="mailto:standrewlcmc@gmail.com">standrewlcmc@gmail.com</a> to be included in the reservation count. We look forward to seeing you then!



### West Alexandria Food Bank St. John's UCC

20 E. South St.
West Alexandria
937-839-1615
Mondays & Wednesdays:
10am – 12pm
Also open on the 2nd & Last
Wednesday each month 6 –
7:30pm



The Food Bank's current needs are macaroni & cheese, shampoo, egg noodles, ramen noodles.



The Women of St. John will be preparing and serving the Retired Teachers of Preble County on Tuesday, April 9. There is always a need for folks to help prepare food, serve the teachers, and clean up. Please arrive by 11:00 am if you

would like to help. These meals serve to raise funds to aid in the ministries the Women of St. John support.



### **COFFEEHOUSE CONVERSATIONS**

The 2nd Monday of every month from 7-8:00 pm at Kierston's Coffeestop

12 S. Main St. W. Alexandria

The Church Basement Ladies are at it again in this all new musical! Sunday, May 19
Sunday: Arrival time, 5:30 – 6:00 p.m.
Buffet opens around 6:15 pm.
Show begins around 7:30 p.m
I have purchased 20 tickets. Two tickets are available to purchase!
Carpooling available!



### NEWSLETTERS AVAILABLE

I HAVE MADE AVAILABLE THE MOST CURRENT NEWSLETTERS FROM THE NALC AND LCMC TO ANYONE INTERESTED IN READING THEM. THEY CAN BE FOUND ON THE MEDIA TABLE IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL ACROSS FROM THE BULLETIN BOARD.



Women of St John Minutes

The March 2024 meeting of St. John Women was held on March 14 with 9 members present. Kathy presented the topic "Inspiration".

Secretary's report was read and approved. Treasurer reported a balance of \$829.90. Kathy reported 26 cards were sent.

Carolyn reported Women's Council will meet April 21 at Bethany. We will meet at the Florentine on April 11 at 6:00 pm for our annual night out. We will be serving the retired teacher's luncheon on April 9.

Plans were finalized for the Easter breakfast. St. John members will be going to La Comedia on May 19. Reserva-

tions should be given to Chris. Cost is \$49 (plus a \$4 processing fee)

Judy reported Family Night plans are under way. This will be May 10 at 6:00 pm with a carry in. Entertainment will again be provided by Mike Hemmelgarn.

Stephanie reported Pastor Bill will be installed on April 7 followed by a carry-in.

Stephanie reported women's group had received a letter from Preble Shawnee prom committee asking for a do-

nation. No action taken.

Homeless meal this month will be provided by June and Nancy.

Meeting closed with the Missionary Benediction.

Refreshments were served by Janette and Chris.

All women of St. John are encouraged and invited to attend monthly meetings on the second Thursday at 7:00 pm.

# **APRIL CELEBRANTS**

ANNIVERSARY
Chris & Jenny Dawson 4/19

Paula Schiml 4/1
Scott Hittle 4/1
Lynn Voge 4/6
Chris Ingram 4/17
Sara Kottke 4/28
Janet Ferguson 4/30

Please make note the change on the calendar as to the worship services that include the sacrament of Holy Communion. It will now be offered on the first, third, and fifth (if one), and festival days. The alternate Sundays will offer a Healing service for anyone who needs special prayer and anointing for healing of any kind.



### MEMBERS IN OUR PRAYERS

Patrick Collins	Janet Ferguson	Lynn Voge
Bob Combs	Butch Spitler	Willy Dawson
Catherine Dafler	Marna Beneke	Paula Schiml
Marlene Neff	Lorey Collins	Bill Dafler
Melissa Collins		Deane Lovelady

### FRIENDS AND FAMILY OF OUR MEMBERS

Alice Blosser	Brad Pettit
Chris Dawson	Tom Jackson & Family
Dan Corder	Terry & Connie Wysong
Joan McCaffrey	Dolly Shelton
Dale DeGroat	Andrew Obst
Becky Johnson	Lynn & Susie Mercer
Susie Zimmerman	Sue Johnson
Bill Thompson	Eric Walker
John Nadybal	Norma Warner

**Grieving families** of Arnie Stayrook, Billy Kastens, Lucille Bayer, and Glenn Byrd Jr.

### **MISSIONARIES**

Jon & Michelle Voge and family

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# The Confirmation of Ellie Jean Arnett March 24, 2024



# PALM SUNDAY



What a special day that we got to celebrate with you! Congratulations and good luck to you as you continue to grow your faith!



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Communion		Retired Teacher	Fellowship Meal	Women's Night Out		
M-Jenny D.		Luncheon	w/St Andrew @	@ Florentine		
LR-Randy I.		Craft Night @	Florentine 6:00 pm	6:00 pm		
Pr. Schilling Installation Carry-in		St. John Church 6:00 pm				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Healing Service M-Mandy A.						Sleep Mat Project 9-11:00 am
LR-Earla D.						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Communion		Homeless Meal				
M-Carol M. LR-Mark M.		Carolyn & Stephanie				
		Stephen Ministry Meeting 6:00 pm				
28	29	30				
Healing Service						
M-Jenny D. LR-Lorey C.						

