St. John's Lutheran Church Seventh Sunday after Epiphany February 23, 2025

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

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*Prayer of the Day ~ in unison	
The Lessons	
*Gospel Acclamation ~ Alleluia. Lord	p. 62
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*Apostles' Creed	p. 65
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*Closing Hymn ~ Guide Me Ever, Great Redeemer	# 343
*Dismissal	
Postlude	

Today

Greeters: Jay and Joy Byler; **Elevator**: Ed Bilich **Lay Reader:** Joe Kanagy; **Sound:** Jay Byler

Next Sunday, March 2

Comm: Michele Harshbarger; **Elevator:** Mike Harshbarger **Greeters:** Nancy Penepacker and Gabriel Clark **Lay Reader:** Erica Hargenrader; **Sound:** Calvin Byler Pastor: Rev. Mike Sigler Ph. # 717-437-7007 Office Hours ~ Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 10:00am-Noon (Subject to change to accommodate meetings, hospital visits, etc) Organist: Rick Cole 717-460-7831 Church Office: 935-2032; Email us secretary@stjohnsbelleville.org St. John's Christian Day Care: 935-2959

Our Mission Statement

We, the members of St. John's congregation, promise to share the good news of Jesus Christ, to worship and to love one another in our homes, church, community and the world.

Our Vision Statement

To be people who are welcoming and encourage God's love in our community through our prayer, devotion, benevolence and deeds.

The Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by Joe and Cindy Buchanan in honor of Cindy's father, Bob Ramsey's birthday.

Please remember in prayer ~ Susan Keller, Betty Longfield and Fred Miller (both in VV Rehab), Bob Glick and family, Geraldine Carson, Patty Loudenslager, Charlie Murphy, Anne Peachey, Desa Keiser, Elliana Byler, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Reba Harmon (Celebration Villa), Joyce Stuck and Betty Harmon (Greenwood Village).

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

TODAY Congregational meeting in F.H. following worship **TUESDAY** 10:30am Bible Study (note change of time) **NEXT SUNDAY** Holy Communion

Donuts and coffee in blue room before/after worship <u>UPCOMING</u> March 5 ~ 7:00pm Ash Wednesday service

Following worship, our congregational meeting will be held in the fellowship hall. There will be lots of hot coffee and other refreshments.

All loose offering through next Sunday, March 2 will be directed towards **helping the Juniata Terrace fire victims**. If you prefer to give by check or with your weekly offering, please notate "Fire victims" on the memo line or envelope.

Lent begins on Wednesday, March 5 and the church is observing "Fat Tuesday/Fasnacht Day" a little early by providing rich, sugary donuts next Sunday.

If you would like to enjoy these tasty treats, please stop in the blue room before or after the service. There will also be hot coffee, tea, milk and juice to help wash them down with. If you don't have time to stay, please grab one on the way out.

Starting this week, the Tuesday morning Bible Study will begin $\frac{1}{2}$ hour earlier, at **10:30am**. The group wanted to spend more time in the informative and engaging sessions. Please consider attending one, you may be surprised at how "addictive" they are!

We will begin the Lenten season with our Ash Wednesday worship on March 5 at 7:00pm. Please join us as we begin our journey through the 40 days of Lent. Volunteers are needed to run elevator and sound system for the service. If you can help in this way, please contact the church office.

The church is providing regular and large print devotionals entitled *Life Renewed* from Augsburg Fortress. They can be found in the narthex and by the elevator.

Included with each congregational meeting information packet is an updated church directory. While some of the members listed are no longer considered to be active, they potentially could be. Extra copies can be found in the narthex.

At their January meeting council discussed our church committees and the need to make them more active again. Please prayerfully consider serving. Sign-ups can be found in the narthex.

Summer and the annual yard sale seem far away, but it will be here before we know it. Some of you may be cleaning out/downsizing or just looking to get rid of things you no longer use or need. We are glad for ANYTHING you may have in clean, usable condition. **No televisions or clothing please! Please place donations on the stage**.

Last week's attendance ~ 28 Offering $\sim $2,325.00$

St. John's Lutheran Church Belleville, PA



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