

St. John's Lutheran Church
Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost
October 11, 2026

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

(The green hymnal (LBW) will be used during worship)

- *Confession and Forgiveness p. 56
- *Hymn ~ *Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty* # 250
- *Greeting p. 57
- *Kyrie p. 57
- *Hymn of Praise ~ *Lord God...* p. 59

Prayers and lessons can be found in Celebrate insert

- *Prayer of the Day ~ *in unison*
- The Lessons
- *Gospel Acclamation ~ *Alleluia. Lord...* p. 62
- *The Holy Gospel # 316
- Hymn ~ *Jesus, the Very Thought of You*
- Message ~ ***Rejoice In the Lord***
- *Apostles' Creed p. 65
- Tithes and Thankofferings
- *Offertory ~ *Create in me...* p. 75
- *Prayers
- *The Lord's Prayer p. 76
- *The Blessing
- *Closing Hymn ~ *When Peace, like a River* # 346
- *Dismissal
- Postlude

Today

Elevator: Randy Harshbarger; **Greeters:** Ken and Nancy Wyland

Lay Reader: Ken Wyland; **Sound:** Joe Kanagy

Ushers: Sue Lynch and Joe Kanagy

Next Sunday, October 18

Elevator: Jim Buchanan; **Greeter/Lay Reader:** Joe Kanagy

Sound: Calvin Byler; **Ushers:** Carol Fultz and Nancy Penepacker

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 or 717-310-4444

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 Lori and Ed Kirchoff and family in memory of
Mike and Jane Wagner and Tom and Gladys Mahady.

Please remember in prayer ~ Sandra Metz (Geisinger, Lewistown), Marge Shilling (VV rehab), Susan Keller (Wm. Penn rehab), Rosalie Smith (now at home), the Taptich family, Bob Keller, Ann Peachey, Desa Keiser, Elliana Byler, Samantha Smith, our members ~ Buck Metz (VVH), Patsy Carson (Celebration Villa) and Betty Harmon (Greenwood Village).

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

TODAY Ed Bilich leading worship

Adult Sunday school in the blue room following worship

WEDNESDAY No Bible study

6:00pm Hand Bell practice

7:00pm Choir rehearsal

THURSDAY 9:30am Comfort Knotting

NEXT SUNDAY Ed Bilich preaching and leading worship

Last day for Seafarer bags

Thank you Ed for leading our worship, and to David Ray for sharing God's Word with us this morning, while the pastor is in Germany. Pastor Ken Longfield is covering for emergencies and can be reached at 717-250-6696.

Anyone who took a Seafarer bag to fill is asked to please return it to the church **by next Sunday**. Thank you.

There are still quite a few dates available for our Advent devotional. The theme this year is *God's Perfect Timing*.

Volunteers are needed to write the meditations. A sign-up along with the scripture can be found in the narthex.

Please note ~ submissions are due by Sunday, November 1.

St. John's is once again collecting items to fill shoeboxes for Samaritan's Purse. If you are interested in participating, boxes along with a list of suggested items have been placed in the narthex.

Monetary donations are also needed to help cover the shipping cost.

You can fill your own shoebox or whatever you choose to donate will be combined with other donations. **All boxes are due back by Saturday, November 14.**

Bible study is held weekly on Wednesdays in the blue room at 10:30am and 1:30pm. The morning session is finishing up Matthew and will be starting on Romans. The afternoon group is currently studying the book of Acts, and will soon move to the Gospel of John. They are attended by members of St. John's, St. Paul, Allensville and others within our community. Please consider coming to one or both.

Blanket Sunday was last week. Donations to support this ministry are due today. Envelopes can be found in the narthex or you may notate Blanket Sunday if including it with your offering.

The Annual Reformation Sunday Recital at St. John's Lewistown will be held on Sunday, October 25 at 3pm. The concert will feature a variety of performers and music. The event is well-attended; plan to go a little earlier if possible, as the sanctuary fills up quickly.

St. John's Lutheran in Lewistown will be hosting the "Messiah" on Sunday, December 6 at 3:00pm, Fred Benner conducting. Rehearsals will be on Sunday's at 3:00pm beginning on November 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th. Any singers, who are interested, are invited to join.

Last week's attendance ~ 38 Offering ~ \$ 3,260.00

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