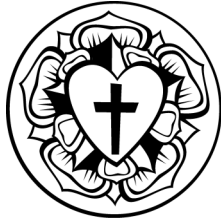


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The Parish Messenger



St. John's Lutheran Church, Belleville, Pennsylvania

JUNE 2019



Our Mission Statement

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

St. John's Lutheran Church
3597 West Main Street
P.O. Box 5716
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9:30am Worship
10:45am Sunday School
September through May

Church Office ~ 935-2032
St. John's Christian Day Care and Preschool ~ 935-2959
E-mail us at stjohnco@embarqmail.com
Website ~ stjohnsbelleville.org



St. John's Lutheran Church

June 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9:30am Worship Sunday school <i>will resume</i> <i>in Sept.</i>					1	
2 Holy Communion	3 7:00pm Long Range Planning	4	5	6 9:30am Knotting (last session, will resume again in September)	7	8
The Monday Fellowship luncheon at West Kish will not be held during the summer months. They will resume again in the fall.						
9 Pentecost Holy Communion Holy Baptism 8:30am Social Hour	10	11	12	13 7:00pm Council	14 Synod Assembly 	15 Synod Assembly
16 Holy Trinity Communion 	17 7:00 pm Music and Worship Mtg. 7pm Property Committee Meeting	18	19	20	21  Summer Begins	22
23 8:30am Father/Son Breakfast 30	24	25 	26	27	28	29

Don't forget to tithe,
our church doesn't
take a vacation!

St. John's Lutheran Church

Pastor – Reverend Ela J. Robertson
Phone 740-338-7123
Organist – Bill Frank
Sextons – Calvin and Kelly Byler
Church Secretary – Kelly Byler
Office Phone 935-2032
Email us at stjohnco@embarqmail.com

St. John's Christian Daycare and Preschool

Rosie Peachey, Interim Director
Phone 717-935-2959

St. John's Congregational Council

	<u>Term Expires</u>
Ed Bilich ~ President	end of 2021
John Boring	end of 2020
Joy Byler ~ Treasurer	end of 2019
Denise Chester ~ Vice President	end of 2021
Sharon Dancy	end of 2019
Carol Fultz ~ Secretary	end of 2020
Michele Harshbarger	end of 2020
Joe Kanagy	end of 2019
Susan Lynch	end of 2019
Lucy Magda	end of 2021
Jami Zook	end of 2021

St. John's Financial Report May 1 thru 27

Checking account balance 5/1/19 ~ \$ 6,693.56

Income \$ 71,763.20
Expense \$ 67,525.80

Fuel Oil Balance 1/1/19	\$ 4,893.20
Income/Donations YTD	7,845.00
Fuel Oil purchased 1/10/19	- 2,970.53
Fuel Oil purchased 3/12/19	<u>-2,299.00</u>
Balance	7,468.67

Daycare Financial Report May 1 thru 27

Checking account balance 5/1/19
\$ 1,177.15

Income \$ 106,402.49
Expense \$ 105,174.65

*Does not include deposit/expenses for the week ending 5/31.

Sharon Dancy and Pastor Ela will be attending Synod Assembly on June 14 and 15. This year's theme is "On the Way Together: United, Supporting, Serving."

There will also be live "tweets" and they invite others to as well using this hashtag: #usselca19. If you'd like to see what is happening at assembly, search for the Twitter hashtag or visit www.facebook.com/usselca.



Upper Susquehanna Synod
Evangelical Lutheran Church in America
God's work. Our hands.



Normal church office hours are 8:00am-1:00pm Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, and closed on Wednesday's.

If you have an emergency and are unable to get in touch with the pastor and the office is closed, please feel free to call Kelly at home 935-2697 or contact Joy Byler at 935-2290 or on her cell phone 717-935-3545.

IN OUR CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

Another school year has come to a close and our daycare preschool graduates (minus a few who were absent on picture day or parents do not want their photos shared outside the daycare) will be headed off to kindergarten this fall. Thank you to everyone who supported our preschool and daycare by attending the graduation service on Thursday, May 30.



The annual daycare yard sale will be held in July, and **we need your junk!** Please feel free to place any donations on the stage. **NO CLOTHING OR TELEVISIONS PLEASE.** Most landfills are not accepting TV's and if they do, there is often a charge and we cannot afford to dispose of them for you. Thank you!

Thank you to St. John's men for preparing and serving the meal for our Mother and Daughter Banquet. It was delicious! We are so blessed to have members who are always willing to give of their time...your service speaks volumes about your love for this church and your church family.

The Father and Son Breakfast is scheduled for Sunday, June 23 at 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall.

All men are invited to attend, and those with families, bring along your sons, grandsons and great-grandsons.



Mark your calendar ~ Lisa Griffith, accompanied by Laurie Dulis, will be singing at West Kish on Sunday, August 18th and St. John's is invited to attend. Their service begins at 11:00am. We will still have our 9:30am worship that morning.



St. John's choir will be singing on Pentecost Sunday, June 9. Voices are needed! If you are willing to share yours, please sign-up in the narthex. Rehearsal will be held that morning before the service at 8:45am in the fellowship hall.

We celebrate two festival Sunday's in June, Pentecost and The Holy Trinity. Holy Communion will be observed both of those days and on June 16. We will also welcome Merritt Reed, son of Chelsea (Zook) and Mark Reed into the family of God and our family here at St. John's through the Sacrament of Holy Baptism on June 9.

The WOV (blue hymnal) is being used during the summer months. During July and August the hymns for our worship will be 'member favorites'. If you would like to submit any, please list them on the paper included in this newsletter and return it to the church office.

Anne and Kyle Harshbarger have both graduated from college this spring. Anne is sharing a little about her schooling and future plans with us. We look forward to hearing from Kyle in the July/August newsletter. Normally we honor our graduates in June, but due to their very busy schedules this summer, we will be honoring them this fall. We pray God's blessing as they begin a new chapter in their lives.

I am very thankful for all the support my church family has given me over the past four years as I lived and studied at Grove City College. I graduated with a bachelor's of science in biology with Cum Laude honors and high honors in my biology major. I was also fortunate enough to minor in biblical and religious studies and use the rest of my remaining electives for many psychology courses. I thoroughly enjoyed my studies and my many extracurricular activities, particularly leading the club field hockey team and an outreach ministry at a local home for adults with disabilities. This summer I will be working at Camp Mount Luther again, and will be serving as a co-program director! In the fall I will be taking classes at Susquehanna University as a part of their Teacher Intern Program in order to be certified to teach high school biology! I hope to someday teach advanced biology courses and coach a field hockey team!

CONGRATULATIONS

- TO -

Anne and Kyle



Being collected for May/June is shampoo and conditioner (for adults and children). A donation box can be found in the coatroom area beside the narthex for anyone who would like to help supply these needed items.



Community VBS is once again being held at Watts Methodist. The dates are Thursday, July 25 thru Saturday, July 28 with a closing service on Sunday, July 28 during the 9:00am worship at the church.

More details including a list of needed items and volunteers will be included in weekly bulletins and the July/August newsletter.

Social hour has been rescheduled for Sunday, June 9 and begins at 8:30am.

Stop in for some refreshments and fellowship before the service.



Baby bottles taken for the Crossroads fundraiser should be returned to the church office by Father's Day, Sunday, June 16th.



The adult and children's Sunday school classes are taking a break during the summer months, and will resume again in September.

Plans are to have a rally day/church picnic in the fall. More information will be made available in the weekly bulletins and upcoming newsletters.

Thank you to the Property Committee and church members who graciously volunteered their time and talents to help with the recent "workday". We appreciate all you do to help keep our church maintained and looking well-kept.



ThankYou!

JUNE SERVICE SCHEDULE

June 2

Communion: Joe Kanagy
Elevator: Paul Byler
Greeters: Jed and Alice Smith
Lay Reader: John Chester
Money Counters: John and Denise Chester
Sound System: Ed Bilich
Ushers: Jim Buchanan and Georgianna Buchanan

June 9 ~ Pentecost

Communion: Michele Harshbarger
Elevator: Mike Harshbarger
Greeter: Dorie Remensnyder
Lay Reader: Gwen Hornberger
Money Counters: Eleanore Rachau and Sandra Metz
Sound System: Joe Kanagy
Ushers: Paul and Linda Byler

June 16 ~ Holy Trinity

Communion: Gwen Hornberger
Elevator: Randy Harshbarger
Greeters: Don and Rosalie Smith
Lay Reader: John Chester
Money Counters: Jay and Joy Byler
Sound System: Jay Byler
Ushers: Jay and Joy Byler

June 23

Elevator: Paul Byler
Greeters: Bob and Susan Keller
Lay Reader: Volunteer Needed!
Money Counters: Sharon Dancy and Joe Kanagy
Sound System: Jay Byler
Ushers: Deb French and Sandra Metz

June 30

Elevator: Mike Harshbarger
Greeter: Lucy Magda
Lay Reader: Erica Hargenrader
Money Counters: Sharon Dancy and Joe Kanagy
Sound System: Ed Bilich
Ushers: John Boring and Randy Harshbarger

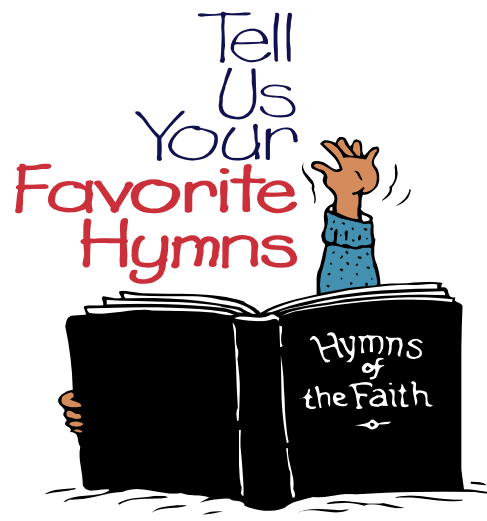
Altar Care ~ Carolyn Conner and Lucy Magda

Bulletin Delivery ~ Jim and Georgianna Buchanan

Altar Flower Delivery ~ Carolyn Conner

Social Hour ~ Gwen Hornberger

Please remember:
If you are unable to be present
on your scheduled day,
it is your responsibility,
to find a replacement.



Title or first line of hymn ~

A list of hymns will be compiled and included in our worship services during July and August. Please place in the offering plate or drop off at the church office.

St. John's Daycare and Preschool is applying for a Pre-k grant for the 2019-2020 school year. If approved, there will be 10 slots available to qualifying families. The state has recently increased the income guidelines, which are listed below. If you know of a family looking for a preschool who may benefit from this program, please have them contact the daycare (935-2959) or church office (935-2032) for more information.

Free Pre-k

Early childhood education can be a vital stepping stone in helping children establish a firm foundation for their learning years. Thanks to grant monies made possible through the state of PA, pre-school services will be offered free to a limited number of qualified children ages 3-4. An approved preschool curriculum and loving teachers will provide learning environments and tools that will provide children the opportunity to learn, explore and grow educationally and socially. The program will be Monday through Friday.



Families need to meet the following financial qualifications:

Family of 2... less than \$50,730 yearly

Family of 3... less than \$63,990 yearly

Family of 4... less than \$77,250 yearly

Family of 5... less than \$90,510 yearly

For more details or to find out how you can apply please contact one of the following agencies. Or you can download an application by going to www.mifflincountyprek.org and submit the application to the agency of your choice.

- Belleville Mennonite School, Belleville Pa, 717-935-2184, offering full & part days for 3 and 4 year olds for the school year
- Hide-n-Seek Christian Daycare 227 Washington Ave. Lewistown Pa, 717-248-7837, offering full day for 3 and 4 year olds for the school year.
- Panda Preschool & Daycare 101 N. Beech St. Burnham Pa, 717-248-1481, offering full day for 3 and 4 year olds for the school year.
- St. John's Lutheran Church, 3597 W. Main Street Belleville, Pa 717-935-2959, offering full day for 3 and 4 year olds for the school year.

Now enrolling for the 2019/2020 school year!