

THE THIRD WEEKEND OF EASTER

“They Knew It Was The Lord”

May 03/04, 2025

AS WE GATHER

Though Jesus walks on water, He was testing the limit by telling seasoned fishermen where to cast their nets. The Disciples knew it was the Lord—it could only be the Lord. Then, when He broke the Bread and gave thanks, they rejoiced that the Crucified and Risen Savior had showed Himself to them again. This is what we do every week. Jesus presumes to tell us what life is and how to live it, and we are weary of all the things that have disappointed us. But Christ can never disappoint us. He fills our nets with His Life, addresses us with the Voice of Hope, and feeds us to Everlasting Life, and by this Word and Sacraments we know it is the Lord, Who is with us in every blessing, every day. Thank You, Lord.

For the convenience of all worshipers at St. John, we have:

- **Large-Print Bulletins and Hymnals**
- **A Quiet Room** for families needing to take their child(ren) out of Worship, located at the back (left side) of Church, with a large window and speakers, so that families may still see and hear the Worship Service
- **Restrooms** located at the back of the Church in the Narthex
- **Activity bags for children** which are available in the Narthex, hanging on “Ginny the Giraffe”. Children may take home the pictures they color.
Please return books, crayons, and bags to “Ginny”.

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IN THE NAME OF OUR BLESSED SAVIOR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

+ PREPARATION +

HYMN *“In Thee Is Gladness”*

LSB 818

- 1 In Thee is gladness, amid all sadness, Jesus, Sunshine of my heart.
By Thee are given, the Gifts of Heaven, Thou the True Redeemer art.
Our souls Thou wakest, our bonds Thou breakest;
who trusts Thee surely, has built securely; He stands forever: Alleluia!
Our hearts are pining, to see Thy Shining,
dying or living, to Thee are cleaving; naught can us sever: Alleluia!
- 2 Since He is ours, we fear no powers, not of Earth nor sin nor death.
He Sees and Blesses, in worst distresses; He can change them with a Breath.
Wherefore the story, tell of His Glory,
with hearts and voices; all Heav’n rejoices, in Him forever: Alleluia!
We shout for gladness, triumph o’er sadness,
love Him and praise Him, and still shall raise Him, glad hymns forever: Alleluia!
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INVOCATION

Pastor: In the Name of the Father, and of the ☩ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Psalm 30:5, 8

Pastor: To You, O LORD, I cry,

All: and to the LORD I plead for mercy.

Pastor: For His anger is but for a moment, but His favor is for a lifetime.

All: Weeping may tarry for the night, but joy comes with the morning.

Silence for meditation and reflection.

Pastor: Let us confess our sins before God and in the presence of one another.

All: I confess to God Almighty, before the whole Company of Heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to Everlasting Life. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God in His Mercy has given His Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a Called and Ordained servant of the Word, announce the Grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the Command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

All: Amen.

Pastor: He Who began this Good Work within you will bring it to completion on the Day of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Peace of the Lord be with you.

All: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE WORD +

KYRIE

Pastor: In Peace let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the Peace from Above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: For this Holy House and for all who offer here our worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, have mercy.

Pastor: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, Gracious Lord.

All: Amen.

SALUTATION

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Pastor: Let us pray.

O God, through the humiliation of Your Son You raised up the Fallen World. Grant to Your Faithful People, rescued from the peril of everlasting death, perpetual gladness and Eternal Joys; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who Lives and Reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever.

All: Amen.

¹But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the Disciples of the Lord, went to the High Priest ²and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. ³Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a Light from Heaven flashed around him. ⁴And falling to the ground he heard a Voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting Me?” ⁵And he said, “Who are You, Lord?” And He said, “I am Jesus, Whom you are persecuting. ⁶But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” ⁷The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the Voice but seeing no one. ⁸Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. ⁹And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank.

¹⁰Now there was a Disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.” ¹¹And the Lord said to him, “Rise and go to the street called Straight, and at the house of Judas look for a man of Tarsus named Saul, for behold, he is praying, ¹²and he has seen in a vision a man named Ananias come in and lay his hands on him so that he might regain his sight.” ¹³But Ananias answered, “Lord, I have heard from many about this man, how much evil he has done to your saints at Jerusalem. ¹⁴And here he has authority from the Chief Priests to bind all who call on Your Name.” ¹⁵But the Lord said to him, “Go, for he is a Chosen Instrument of Mine to carry My Name before the Gentiles and Kings and the children of Israel. ¹⁶For I will show him how much he must suffer for the sake of My Name.” ¹⁷So Ananias departed and entered the house. And laying his hands on him Ananias said, “Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus Who appeared to you on the road by which you came has sent me so that you may regain your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit.” ¹⁸And immediately something like scales fell from his eyes, and he regained his sight. Then he rose and was Baptized; ¹⁹and taking food, he was strengthened.

For some days Saul was with the Disciples at Damascus. ²⁰And immediately he proclaimed Jesus in the synagogues, saying, “He is the Son of God.” ²¹And all who heard him were amazed and said, “Is not this the man who made havoc in Jerusalem of those who called upon this Name? And has he not come here for this purpose, to bring them bound before the Chief Priests?” ²²But Saul increased all the more in strength, and confounded the Jews who lived in Damascus by proving that Jesus was the Christ.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

¹Then I saw in the Right Hand of Him Who was Seated on the Throne a Scroll written within and on the back, Sealed with Seven Seals. ²And I saw a strong Angel proclaiming with a loud voice, “Who is worthy to open the Scroll and break its Seals?” ³And no one in Heaven or on Earth or under the Earth was able to open the Scroll or to look into it, ⁴and I began to weep loudly because no one was found worthy to open the Scroll or to look into it. ⁵And one of the Elders said to me, “Weep no more; behold, the Lion of the Tribe of Judah, the Root of David, has Conquered, so that He can open the Scroll and its Seven Seals.”

⁶And between the Throne and the Four Living Creatures and among the Elders I saw a Lamb standing, as though it had been slain, with Seven Horns and with Seven Eyes, which are the Seven Spirits of God sent out into all the Earth. ⁷And He went and took the Scroll from the Right Hand of Him, Who was Seated on the Throne. ⁸And when He had taken the Scroll, the Four Living Creatures and the Twenty-four Elders fell down before the Lamb, each holding a harp, and golden bowls full of incense, which are the Prayers of the Saints. ⁹And they sang a New Song, saying, “Worthy are You to take the Scroll, and to open its Seals, for You were slain, and by Your Blood You Ransomed People for God from every Tribe and Language and People and Nation, ¹⁰and You have made them a Kingdom and Priests to our God, and they shall Reign on the Earth.”

¹¹Then I looked, and I heard around the Throne and the Living Creatures and the Elders the voice of many Angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, ¹²saying with a loud voice, “Worthy is the Lamb Who was Slain, to receive Power and Wealth and Wisdom and Might and Honor and Glory and Blessing!” ¹³And I heard every creature in Heaven and on Earth and under the Earth and in the Sea, and all that is in them, saying, “To Him Who sits on the Throne and to the Lamb be Blessing and Honor and Glory and Might forever and ever!” ¹⁴And the Four Living Creatures said, “Amen!” and the Elders fell down and worshiped.

Pastor: This is the Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

**HOLY GOSPEL** *John 21:1–19*

ESV 1078

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the twenty-first chapter.

All: Glory to You, O Lord.

¹After this Jesus revealed Himself again to the Disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and He revealed Himself in this way. ²Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His Disciples were together. ³Simon Peter said to them, “I am going fishing.” They said to him, “We will go with you.” They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

⁴Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the Disciples did not know that it was Jesus. ⁵Jesus said to them, "Children, do you have any fish?" They answered Him, "No." ⁶He said to them, "Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. ⁷That Disciple whom Jesus Loved therefore said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. ⁸The other Disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred yards off.

⁹When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. ¹⁰Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." ¹¹So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, 153 of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. ¹²Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the Disciples dared ask Him, "Who are You?" They knew it was the Lord. ¹³Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. ¹⁴This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the Disciples after He was Raised from the Dead.

¹⁵When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me more than these?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love You." He said to him, "Feed My lambs." ¹⁶He said to him a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" He said to Him, "Yes, Lord; You know that I love You." He said to him, "Tend My sheep." ¹⁷He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love Me?" Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, "Do you love Me?" and he said to Him, "Lord, You know everything; You know that I love You." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. ¹⁸Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go." ¹⁹(This Jesus said to show by what kind of Death Peter was to Glorify God.) And after saying this He said to him, "Follow me."

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to You, O Christ.

HYMN *"Come, Follow Me," the Savior Spake* Vs 1-3 *LSB 688*

- 1 "Come, follow Me," the Savior Spake, "All in My Way abiding.
Deny yourselves, the world forsake, obey My Call and Guiding.
O bear the cross, whate'er betide, take My Example for your guide.
- 2 "I am the Light, I Light the Way, a godly life displaying;
I bid you walk as in the day; I keep your feet from straying.
I am the Way, and well I show, how you must sojourn here below.

- 3 “My Heart abounds in lowliness, my Soul with Love is glowing;
and Gracious Words My lips express, with meekness overflowing.
My Heart, My Mind, My Strength, My All, to God I yield, on Him I call.

SERMON

HYMN *“Come, Follow Me,” the Savior Spake”* Vs 4,5 *LSB 688*

- 4 “I teach you how to shun and flee, what harms your soul’s salvation,
your heart from ev’ry guile to free, from sin and its temptation.
I am the Refuge of the soul, and lead you to your Heav’nly Goal.”

- 5 Then let us follow Christ, our Lord, and take the cross appointed,
and, firmly clinging to His Word, in suffering be undaunted.
For those who bear the battle’s strain, the crown of heav’nly life obtain.

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OFFERING *(received and brought to the Altar)*

OFFERTORY

LSB 192

All: Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy Presence,
and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy Salvation,
and uphold me with Thy Free Spirit. Amen.

NICENE CREED

All: I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of Heaven and Earth
and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of One Substance
with the Father, by Whom all things were made; Who for us men and
for our salvation came down from Heaven and was Incarnate by the
Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made Man; and was crucified
also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the
third day He Rose again according to the Scriptures and Ascended
into Heaven and sits at the Right Hand of the Father. And He will come
again with Glory to Judge both the living and the dead, Whose
Kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver of life, Who proceeds from the Father and the Son, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, Who spoke by the Prophets.

**And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life + of the world to come.
Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

Pastor: Emboldened by Your Mercy, we come before You, O Lord, with the prayers and petitions of our hearts and with confidence in Your Good and Gracious Will to answer our prayers.

Blessed Lord, You forgave Peter his betrayal and appointed him to feed Your Sheep. Forgive our sins, restore us to Your Service, and bless all that we do that it may be to Your Glory. Lord, in Your Mercy,

All: hear our prayer. (after each petition)

Pastor: Into Your Hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your Mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

All: Amen.

+ SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT +

PREFACE

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.



Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

Pastor: It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, Holy Lord, Almighty Father, Everlasting God. And most especially are we bound to praise You on this Day, the First Day of each week, for the Glorious Resurrection of Your Son, Jesus Christ, the very Paschal Lamb, Who was Sacrificed for us and bore the sins of the World. By His Dying, He has destroyed Death, and by His Rising again, He has restored to us Everlasting Life. Therefore with Mary Magdalene, Peter and John, and with all the witnesses of the Resurrection, with Angels and Archangels, and with all the Company of Heaven we laud and magnify Your Glorious Name, evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sung)

LSB 195

All: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of Sabaoth;
Heav'n and Earth are full of Thy Glory.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest.
Blessed is He, blessed is He,
blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord.
Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took Bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the Disciples and said: *"Take, eat; this is My ✠ Body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."*

In the same way also He took the Cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: *"Drink of this, all of you; this Cup is the New Testament in My ✠ Blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."*

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim the Lord's Death until He Comes.

All: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father Who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy Name, Thy Kingdom come, Thy Will be done, on Earth as it is in Heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the Kingdom and the Power and the Glory forever and ever. Amen.

PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

LSB 197

All: Amen. (sung)

AGNUS DEI (sung)

LSB 198

All: O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy upon us.
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that takest away the sin of the world, grant us Thy Peace. Amen.

DISTRIBUTION:

All who Commune receive the true Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

Therefore, each one must take seriously the responsibility to examine oneself:

- To acknowledge oneself as a sinner and repent of one's sins.
- To trust Jesus as one's Savior for forgiveness and submit to Him as Lord.
- To believe in the Real Presence of Christ in the Sacrament, that His true Body and Blood are received in, with, and under the elements of bread and wine.
- To ask the Holy Spirit to assist in living a moral and obedient life to glorify God.
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Communing here implies agreement with the teachings and practices of the LCMS.
Questions? Please speak with Pastor.

[Please follow the instructions of the Usher. Exit the pew down the center aisle.

*As you approach the Altar Rail, if you desire the Individual Cup of Wine, please take one with you.
Stand or kneel at the Altar Rail. (Non-alcoholic individual cups are available in the center one of the trays.)*

Receive the Wafer, then receive the Wine, either from the Common cup, or the Cup you brought.

*If you have selected the Individual Cup, please discard the cup
in the container on the side aisle as you return down the outside aisle to your pew.]*

+ DISTRIBUTION HYMNS +

HYMN “Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise”

LSB 680

- 1 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise, alleluias Angels raise.
Thine the Everlasting Head, Thine the breaking of the Bread.
Thine the Glory, Thine the Story, Thine the harvest, then the Cup,
Thine the vineyard, then the Cup, is lifted up, lifted up.
- 2 Thine the Life Eternally, Thine the Promise let there be,
Thine the Vision, Thine the Tree, all the Earth on bended knee.
Gone the Nailing, gone the Railing, gone the pleading, gone the cry,
gone the sighing, gone the dying, what was loss, lifted high.
- 3 Thine the Truly, Thine the Yes, Thine the Table, we the guest,
Thine the Mercy, all from Thee, Thine the Glory, yet to be.
Then the ringing, and the singing, then the end of all the war,
Thine the Living, Thine the Loving, evermore, evermore.
- 4 Thine the Kingdom, Thine the Prize, Thine the Wonderful Surprise,
Thine the Banquet, then the praise, then the Justice of Thy ways.
Thine the Glory, Thine the story, then the welcome to the least,
then the wonder all increasing, at Thy Feast, at Thy Feast.
- 5 Thine the Glory in the night, no more dying only Light.
Thine the River, Thine the Tree, then the Lamb Eternally.
Then the holy, holy, holy, celebration jubilee,
Thine the Splendor, Thine the Brightness, only Thee, only Thee.



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HYMN *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”*

LSB 525

- 1 Crown Him with many Crowns, the Lamb upon His Throne;
hark how the Heav’nly Anthem drowns, all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing, of Him Who Died for thee,
and hail Him as thy Matchless King, through all eternity.
- 2 Crown Him the virgin’s Son, the God Incarnate Born,
Whose Arm those Crimson Trophies Won, which now His Brow adorn.
Fruit of the Mystic Rose, yet of that Rose the Stem,
the Root whence Mercy ever Flows, the Babe of Bethlehem.
- 3 Crown Him the Lord of Love. Behold His Hands and Side,
rich Wounds, yet visible above, in Beauty Glorified.
No Angels in the sky, can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their wond’ring eyes, at Mysteries so Bright.
- 4 Crown Him the Lord of Life, Who Triumphed o’er the grave,
and Rose Victorious in the strife, for those He came to save.
His Glories now we sing, Who Died and Rose on High,
Who Died Eternal Life to bring, and Lives that Death may die.
- 5 Crown Him the Lord of Heav’n, Enthroned in Worlds above,
Crown Him the King to Whom is giv’n, the Wondrous Name of Love.
Crown Him with many Crowns, as Thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many Crowns, for He is King of all.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

Pastor: Let us pray.

O Almighty God, by Your Son, our Savior, You have always given to Your Church on Earth Faithful Shepherds to guide and feed Your Flock.
Therefore we pray, make all Pastors diligent to preach Your Holy Word and to administer Your Means of Grace, and grant Your People wisdom to hear and heed Your Word, to serve You in Willing Obedience, and to walk in the Way that leads to Life Eternal; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, Who Lives and Reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, One God, now and forever

All: Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His Face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ☩ give you Peace.

All: Amen. Amen. Amen. (sung)

LSB 202

HYMN “Holy, Holy, Holy” Vs 1,4

LSB 507

1 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;
Holy, holy, holy, Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, Blessèd Trinity!

4 Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!
All Thy Works shall praise Thy Name in Earth and Sky and Sea.
Holy, holy, holy, Merciful and Mighty!
God in Three Persons, Blessèd Trinity!

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IN OUR PRAYERS WE REMEMBER...

† for the sick and shut in of our Family of Faith: Jim Taylor, & Craig Hanke

† friends of our family of Faith: Tom Grant, Steven Schmadl,
and Jay Kreier

† for the family and friends of Marjorie (Marge) Hafert Kussrow who's
Funeral Service will be held at St. John on May 10

† for all those serving in the Armed Forces – especially those who are deployed



ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers adorning the Altar this week are placed to the Glory of God in memory of Henry Blaser-Brown.

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE FOR LAST WEEK

Weekend Worship Service: 125

FINANCIAL POSITION FOR APRIL 2025

GENERAL FUND

	Month to Date	FY to Date
Received:	\$ 36,340.00	\$ 285,770.17
Obligations:	\$ <u>33,314.83</u>	\$ <u>293,987.97</u>
Balance:	\$ 3,025.17	\$ (8,217.80)
Beginning Fiscal Year General Fund Balance		\$ 25,000.00
YTD General Fund Balance		\$ 16,782.20

Property Improvement Loan

Monthly Amount Needed	Received MTD	Balance Needed
\$2,491.67	2,645.53	0

Thank you for your donations this month. Money received above the "amount needed" will go towards paying down our principle.

BIBLICAL GIVING - 2 Corinthians 9:7

Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

SPECIAL GIFT

General Fund

+ from James & Heather Tice in celebration of Madison Montenegro's Confirmation

Property Improvement Fund

+ from Betty Johnson in memory of Donna Morafcik's brother Dale Dobson

OFFERINGS FOR ST. JOHN THROUGH AUTOMATIC DEBIT

Would you find it helpful to have your offerings debited directly from your bank account as you do other monthly drafts? St. John offers "Electronic Giving" for those of you who wish to have your contributions transferred electronically to your church account. If you travel, this is particularly helpful in keeping up with your intended offerings and will help keep you from having to make up the difference later. Contact the Church Office for more information. (414-481-0520)

TILE INSTALLATION – HELP NEEDED - ASK BOB.....

Our St. John Trustees are currently working on a lighting and ceiling tile installation project in our Day Care. They could use a few extra able-bodied individuals to help. No experience necessary! The projected work dates are: **Friday & Saturday, May 9 & 10**. Please see Bob Weber, or contact him at (414) 349-5299 if interested.

HELP NEEDED TO SET UP AND SERVE THE WOMAN'S CELEBRATION

The Dorcas Women need assistance from our strong men to help set-up tables and chairs on Tuesday, May 6 at **2pm**. Help is also needed Wednesday, May 7, please arrive at **5pm** for final set up. Meal to be served at 6pm and clean up after the celebration. The sign-up sheet is in the Narthex. We are very grateful for your help.

SHOWSTOPPERS & BLOCKBUSTERS

The Martin Luther HS Music Dept is pleased to present it's annual Spring Concert, Friday, May 9 at 7pm in the Worship/Fine Arts Center. Showstoppers & Blockbusters will feature the Jazz Ensemble, Spartin Band, Symphonic Band, Troubadours, Chorus, and Concert Choir. There will also be an Art Exhibit and ceramic items for sale. Tickets are available at the door, or by calling 414-421-4000.

KRINGLE SALE

St. John Day Care will be selling O&H Kringles from May 10-18. The cost will be \$15 per Kringle. The Kringle's will be available for pick-up by May 29.

QUARTERLY 2025 SUMMER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE: SUNDAY, MAY 11

The deadline for the Summer Evangelist is approaching quickly. Please submit your articles for the upcoming events that will happen during the Summer months (June-July-Aug) to: seavisionten0r@gmail.com

LWML MEETING DATE CHANGE: NOW ON MAY 13

The next LWML meeting will be held Tuesday, May 13 at **10:00am**. There will be a short business meeting to collect Mites and Pledges, and go over the upcoming events. Then we will continue to cut fabric squares to be share with the Hartford LWML group. Questions? Contact Dianne at (414) 870-3777.

VBS ORGANIZATION COMMITTEE MEETING

Please join us to help organize our VBS program this year. Our Organization Committee will be meeting May 13 at **6:30pm** in the Council Room across from the Church office. (*Our VBS Dates for 2025 are July 21-25*) ALSO: Please sign up by filling out a "How I Can Help" form in the Narthex.

PROJECT CONCERN - MAY

Project Concern of Cudahy & St. Francis is holding a **HAND/BAR SOAP** drive in May. You can bring your donations to the church and place them in the baskets located in the Project Concern area behind the Church Office.

GOD BLESS YOU ON YOUR CELEBRATION...

...of birth

May 04

Robin Johnson

May 05

JoAnna Barton

Judson Jonas

Carolyn Krueger

May 06

Sierra Tomko

Zachary Tomko

May 09

Charlie Perry

Yvette Simmons

...of baptism

May 03

Anne Brandstrom

Katelyn Papala

May 05

Marjorie Zielski

May 06

Charles Blinka

May 08

Mallory Schneider

May 09

August Lindholm

....of marriage

May 06

Lloyd & Chris Buttke



If your celebration day is incorrect (or doesn't appear) Please notify the Church Office at 414-481-0520

CUDAHY LIONS CLUB SHRED DAY EVENT – MAY 17

The Cudahy Lions Club will be holding their annual Shred Day event from 9am until Noon in the Cudahy Library parking lot. There will be a large shredding truck there, and this is free for anyone who cares to take advantage of this service.

DAY CARE JOB OPENING

The Day Care is looking for **part-time** Morning Cook for the kitchen, Monday – Friday from **6:30-10:30am**. They are also in need of a part-time teacher, and a summer teacher. If you, or someone you know, would be interested, please contact Karen at (414) 482-0554 for more information.

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CALENDAR: MAY

PROJECT CONCERN WEEKEND

Sat.	03	3:00pm	Communion Worship Service
Sun.	04	9:00am	Communion Worship Service
		10:00am	Coffee Koinonia (<i>Fellowship Time</i>)
		10:30am	Adult Bible Study (<i>From Passover to Communion</i>)
		10:30am	Sunday School
		12:00pm	Memorial Service for Henry William Blaser-Brown
Mon.	05	6:15pm	Handbell Rehearsal
		6:30pm	Adult Bible Study: (<i>Book of Galatians</i>)
Tue.	06	7:00am	Men's Bible Study (OC) – (<i>Book of Hebrews</i>)
		2:00pm	Set Up for Dorcas Women's Celebration
		5:30pm	Elders Board Meeting
Wed.	07	9:30am	Mathews Sr. Living SF
		5:30pm	Dorcas Women's Celebration
Thur.	08	9:00am	Oak Creek Place Worship Service
		9:30am	Day Care Devotions
		1:30pm	Adult Bible Study: (<i>The Unexplained</i>)
		4:00pm	Board of Trustees Meeting
		7:00pm	Sheepshead
Fri.	09		
Sat.	10	11:00am	Marge (Hafert) Kussrow Funeral
		3:00pm	Communion Worship Service
Sun.	11		HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY
		9:00am	Communion Worship Service
		10:00am	Coffee Koinonia (<i>Fellowship Time</i>)
		10:30am	Adult Bible Study
		10:30am	Sunday School

