OCTOBER 4

ST JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

Amy Lytle, Synod Authorized Minister

THE WEEKLY UPDATE 2026

Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church. We are delighted to have you worship with us. Rooted in God's grace, we are a community growing in faith, called to love and serve our neighbors. We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us. Let us joyfully open our hearts to God and one another. If you'd like to connect with us, share a prayer request, or learn more about St. John, please complete a yellow communication card located on the back of the pews and place it in the offering plate.

PRAYER REQUESTS

When we pray for each other, we demonstrate Christ's love for each of us

For **Sue Mason**, as she undergoes an Implantable Cardioverter Defibrillator procedure on Oct 14

For **Al Sulik**, uncle of Jay Bartos, having medical issues

For **Kaitlyn**, 19-year-old granddaughter of retired teacher Gail Murray, friend of Peggy, severe health issues

For **Kyle Jackson**, nephew of Deb Canini, 2 nodules found on his parathyroid gland, new ultrasound upcoming

For all of those in various stages of cancer treatments including **Karma Wisecarver**, **Scott Arnett**, **Sandy Mohler**, **Jenna McGuire**, **Tim Moore**, **John Rogers**, and **Jonathan Ripley**

Continued prayers for **Jim Fogle, Jon Leist, Donna Canini, Charlotte Meyer,** and **Linda Miller**

WE ARE HERE FOR YOU! We all face challenges from time to time…whether it be a health issue, loss of a loved one, family difficulties, financial hardship, anxiety, or fears. Please don't hesitate to reach out and ask for prayers or for support. We're all here to help in any way, or just to simply listen. Please feel free to reach out to Amy to let her know how she can help (614-208-3719 amyblytle@gmail.com). If you have a prayer request, Sue Mason can send an email to all members (614-260-1107 susiemase3@hotmail.com).

Scripture for today October 4, 2026

Isaiah 5: 1-7, Psalm 80: 7-15,
Philippians 3: 4b-14, Matthew 21: 33-46

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS



Sue Mason	Oct 2
Jerrie Ripley	Oct 3
Karen Fowler	Oct 8

Meet the extended Shenanigan family



Some church members have started a tradition of meeting for lunch after church. Will you join them?

THE INSIDE STORY BY SALLY ACTON

Today's hymn of the day, "**Jesus, the Very Thought of You**", was written as a Latin poem in the 12th century by Bernard of Clairvaux. The text expresses intimate, single-hearted love for Christ emphasizing that simply thinking of Jesus brings peace and sweetness to the believer. The hymn became a favorite across many Christian denominations.

Please place your food donation for the **Food Pantry** in the shopping cart. **We will be collecting soup for the month of October** plus anything else people want to donate. Also we will have a container in the cart for anyone wanting to make a $$ donation. Thank you, everything is appreciated. **NOTE:** items in our grocery cart that members donate are given to Lutheran Social Services in Lancaster. This is different from the quarterly donation from our MEF that is given to the Bloom-Carroll Pantry Mission.



The **Altar Flower** chart is in the Narthex where you may sign up to place flowers on the altar. Flowers are $35. You may leave the money in the envelope under the chart for Jon Leist. Please be sure to indicate if the flowers are for a special occasion, and let Don Hornbeck know if you would like it posted in the Bulletin.



- **OFFICE HOURS** Amy will be in the church office the following dates during the next 2 months. All times are 10 am – 2 pm.
- Wednesday, October 14
- Wednesday, October 28
- Wednesday, November 4
- Wednesday, November 18



In 1978, President Jimmy Carter declared October 4 as National 10-4 day to celebrate the CB radio and its important role in keeping motorists safe on the road. Fun fact about the CB: The CB radio was invented in 1945 by Al Gross, who also invented the walkie-talkie.