OCTOBER 11

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 11 2026

Isaiah 25: 1-9, Psalm 23,
Philippians 4: 1-9, Matthew 22: 1-14



UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS



Sally Acton	Oct 12
Dominic Dillon	Oct 18

The Shenanigan family continues to grow, and everyone is invited to be part of the fun! Join us for lunch after church—whether you're a regular or joining us for the first time. The more, the merrier!

THE INSIDE STORY BY SALLY ACTON

Today's closing hymn, "**Sent Forth by God's Blessing**", was written in 1964 by Omer Westendorf to serve as a musical sending forth song for the congregations as they leave Sunday worship. He wrote the text to connect what happens inside the church walls with daily life outside. A traditional bouncy Welsh folk melody makes the dismissal feel joyful and active rather than somber.

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 available in the church office on the following dates over the next two months, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. each day.

- Wednesday, October 14
- Wednesday, October 28
- Wednesday, November 4
- Wednesday, November 18

GALS AND GUYS will meet at Olive Garden for lunch on Tuesday, October 13, at 12 noon. If possible, please let Charlotte know if you plan to attend.



The altar flowers are given by Charlotte Meyer to the glory of God and in remembrance of Bill Meyer



If the Minister says, "I'm almost done", that is a statement of faith, not a measurement of time.

Today is Clergy/Pastor Appreciation Day—Celebrated on the second Sunday in October to honor ministers, pastors, and priests during National Clergy Month. Thank you Amy and Jon.