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AUGUST 2

ST JOHN LUTHERAN CHURCH

THE WEEKLY UPDATE

2026

Welcome to St. John Lutheran Church! **Today is the 10th Sunday after Pentecost.** We are delighted to have you worship with us. All who have come to worship are heartily welcomed. 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 **Jerry Daily**, recently hospitalized but now home and recuperating
For **Larry West**, who is now home and on hospice care
For **Kaitlyn**, 19-year-old granddaughter of retired teacher Gail Murray, friend of Peggy, severe health issues
For **Mike Moore**, as she prepares for knee surgery on August 3rd
For **Jonathan Ripley**, 26-year-old grandson of Roger & Jerrie, cancerous brain tumor was removed
For **Janet Robertson**, friend of church members, having additional breast cancer surgery
For **Diane Farley Holbrook**, cousin of Sally Acton, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
For **Sandy Mohler**, neighbor of Don & Neva, recently diagnosed with cancer, started chemo treatment
For **Laura Winkler**, a St. John visitor, diagnosed with pancreatic cancer
For **Kyle Jackson**, nephew of Deb Canini, still in a lot of pain with his thyroid condition
For **Jenna McGuire**, grandniece of Don & Neva Hornbeck, started breast cancer treatment
For **Megan Schmitz**, a former student of Sally Acton, recovering from brain surgery and now treatments
For **Eddie Ewing**, a local gospel singer who sings at our church gospel sings, for his upcoming treatments
For **Linda Leist**, who is at home and on hospice care
For **Scott Arnett**, son-in-law of Jonette Christy, his cancer treatments completed, on chemo pills
For **Karma Wisecarver**, daughter of Lee & Peggy Smith, doing another new treatment in her cancer journey
Continued prayers for **Donna Canini, Charlotte Meyer, Jim Fogle, Jon & Linda Leist, and Linda Miller**

UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS



Deb Canini	August 2
Graham Henderson	August 3
Jon Leist	August 5
Felix Kincaid	August 7

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 will send an email to all members (614-260-1107...susiemase3@hotmail.com).



THE INSIDE STORY BY SALLY ACTON



Today's Closing Hymn, "**O Savior Precious Savior**" was written by Frances Havergal in 1870 that praises Christ as the unseen Savior, the Bringer of salvation, the revelation of divine love, and the glorious Lord and King. It helps a congregation sing affection for Christ while also confessing his majesty, salvation, and divine glory.



CHURCH POTLUCK - We will have a potluck on **Sunday, August 30th**, immediately following the church service. It will be held outside, weather permitting. Please bring a dish to share and your chair(s); lemonade and bottled water will be provided. Join us for a day of fun, fellowship, delicious food and time together as a church family!

OFFICE HOURS Amy will be in the church office on Thursday August 6 and Wednesday August 19, from 10 am - 2 pm. Feel free to stop by to chat - appointment not needed.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS - Summer is winding down, and it's time to prepare for a new school year. This is a time for fresh starts and new opportunities to learn and grow - and it's not just for children. Adults too feel a sense of reinvigoration and renewed dedication to their jobs. Hebrews 13:6 reminds us that "The Lord is my helper." Next week you are all invited to bring backpacks, laptops, or tools you use in your work to be blessed, and to carry with us the assurance that God is with us in all that we do.



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 Linda 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.



Please place your food donation for the **Food Pantry** in the shopping cart. **The Food Pantry is in need of canned meats.** 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.



CALLING ALL SHOPPERS! Did you know that **Kroger has a Community Rewards Program**? They will send monies to St John every time you shop at any of their stores. Instructions for signing up are in a blue folder on the bulletin board in the back of the sanctuary. Please consider enrolling in this easy way to earn money for our church while doing your grocery shopping!