

ANNOUNCEMENTS – January 24th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in honor of Kaylee Beavers' 18th birthday on January 22nd, given by Grandma and Grandpa Beavers (2 vases); and in honor of Dick Haar's birthday on January 20th and Carol Haar's birthday on January 31st, given by the Haar family.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

1-17-21: In Person: 70 Online: 70 Total: 140

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Delores Heilman – The Labuhn Center

Marilyn Richards – Hospice Care at Divine Rehabilitation

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Family of Joel Sandwisch, Leona Ryan, Family of Jim Vogelsang, Family of Phyllis Kelly, Family of Frank Skorupa, Sharon Winslow, Mary Hubaker, Jeff Wheeler, Doug Amstutz, Art Balk, Hannah Culler & family, Don Dotson, Evan Matheny

Ongoing Concerns: Arlene (no last name given), Lynn Balogh, Bennett (no last name given), Karen Bless, Mitchell Broyls, Scotty Broyles, Lori Capitola, Jeannette Carlo, Pat Christy, Marjorie Counterman, Nancy Coy, Mary Ann Davies, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins & parents, Chiara Del-Mace, Emmalyn (no last name given), Cory Folk, Jean Fry, Paulette Giaimo, Grace Harris Greenbank, Joan & Marty Hanshew, Delores Heilman, Toni Henline, Karen Huber, Pastor Beth Huener, Jessica (no last name given), Dana Justice, Mark Kieswetter, Joanne Koch, Tom Kohn, Ada Kreger, Heidi LeGrand, Carol Lorenzen, Darlene Lorenzen, Teresa McFarland, Joyce Martin, Donald Meyer, Dave Miller, Sue Moszkowicz, Angie Noe, Joyce Ostapowicz, Liz Perozek, Pam Pirolli, Marilyn Richards, Steven Riegle, Logan Roberts, Norm Schumaker, Skylar (no last name given), Julie Swanson, Becky Thielan, Joan Tilton, Jane Vargo, Nick Wasserman, Katelyn Weirich, Bill Wiener, John & Grace Yard, Raetta Zeisler

CALENDAR FOR JAN. 24 – JAN. 30

Today	9:00 am	- Worship
	10:30 am	- Virtual Sunday School for 3, 4, 5 year olds
	10:30 am	- Virtual Sunday School for 4 th , 5 th , & 6 th grades
	11:30 am	- Virtual Sunday School for 1 st , 2 nd , & 3 rd grades
Monday	9:30 am	- Quilting
Wednesday	11:30 am	- Bible Study on Zoom

THANK YOU to Jane Neal for making two green tablecloths to cover the small communion tables. When we purchased new green paraments for the altar, lecturn, and pulpit, we then needed a better color match for the small tables. Thank you, Jane!

HELP NEEDED FOR SOUND BOARD: We still need one more person to help operate the sound board for Sunday morning worship. Training is provided. We'd like to have additional people so each person will be "on duty" for only one week per month. If this is something you'd like to try, please contact Dave Wilbarger at 419-205-7855.

COMMUNION NOTICE: We will celebrate Holy Communion next Sunday, January 31st.

ALTAR GUILD MEETING: Our next Altar Guild meeting will be held Monday, February 8th at 6:30 pm in the lounge.

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR JANUARY We are returning to our monthly focus items needed for our Personal Needs Pantry. Our item for January is dish soap. (For February, it is paper towels.) Please deposit your items in the pull-out drawer to the left of the Feed Your Neighbor bin in the Narthex (under the main bulletin board) or in the green bin (also in the Narthex). **NOTE: Remember, no travel size or sample items—the families who come to this pantry need items to last them an entire month.** Thank you for your help.

WINSLOW SCHOLARSHIP is for high school seniors who are members of First St. John and will attend college for the 2021/2022 school year. Applications are in the church office. Please turn in completed applications to the church office by March 30th to be considered. Money is supplied from proceeds of the Winslow Memorial Golf outing held each summer, along with donations from church members.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING: We are beginning our Souper Bowl of Caring program early this year, with some changes. Please note we will not be collecting non-perishable food items this year. Instead, we will accept monetary donations that we will give to Lutheran Social Services so they can purchase needed items. The soup pot is in the Narthex (lobby) for your donations, or you can write a check to First St. John Lutheran and write "Souper Bowl of Caring" on the memo line. Thank you.

CHRISTMAS TREE DONATIONS NEEDED: We have purchased a new Christmas tree for next year's Advent and Christmas seasons. The tree has been delivered. We had some money in a fund for Christmas decorations, but it wasn't enough to cover the entire cost. To that end, we are accepting donations for the tree and some new decorations for the sanctuary. If you would like to help, please make a check out to First St. John Lutheran Church and write "Tree Decorations" on the memo line. Then you can either drop it in the mail or put it in with your regular offering if you come to in-person worship. Thank you for your help.

ORDERING ALTAR FLOWERS: If you'd like to place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of someone, please call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222. She will write your order in the red flower book since it is not currently displayed in the Narthex. Flower vases are \$15 each; you can either drop it in the small church in the Narthex where the offering goes, or you can drop it off or mail it to the church office.

2021 OFFERING ENVELOPES are available for pick up in the Narthex in the alcove on the east side of the church. If you can deliver a box or two to other members, that would be helpful. You also can stop by the office during the week to pick them up.

OUR 160th ANNIVERSARY: This year, we will celebrate 160 years of ministry here at First St. John Lutheran Church. The 160th Committee is busy planning activities to celebrate, but we would like your input. Please call or email committee chairman Bob Haar if you have any ideas or thoughts about how we can best celebrate this momentous occasion. Also, if you would like to serve on the committee, please let Bob know by contacting him at either bobhaar36@gmail.com or 419-250-9409. He'd love to hear from you. Thanks.

SAVE THE DATE: The Lutheran Ministries of Mercy and their affiliates, Filling Homes, Luther Home of Mercy, and Lutheran Social Services of NW Ohio, invite you to participate in their annual meeting on Monday, March 8th at 6:30 pm via Zoom. They do plan on voting this year. Guest speaker will be Rev. Dr. Kevin Wilson, President of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, Ohio District. Please RSVP by February 12th to Karen at kshaffe@lutherhome.org or 419-972-4394. Please leave your name, telephone number, and when applicable, your church's name and city. Additional information on how to connect to Zoom will be sent to you in February.

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY

Please purchase full size items.

dish soap	shampoo, child	toothbrush, child
paper towels	laundry soap	tampons
toilet paper	fabric softener sheets	sanitary pads
tissues	body lotion	band aids
deodorant	body soap	toothpaste, adult
shampoo, adult	toothbrush, adult	toothpaste, child
disposable razors		

This is a list of the items that will provide a month's worth of hygiene supplies to families or individuals in our neighborhood to help them stay clean and healthy. We always welcome any donations from our congregation members. **If you would like to donate items, please donate only full size products as sample sizes will not last a month.** If you would prefer a Pantry volunteer to do the shopping for you, we welcome monetary donations. Please make out checks to First St. John Lutheran Church and write Personal Needs Pantry on the memo line.

