

ANNOUNCEMENTS – April 18th

FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Chuck Neal on his birthday on April 16th, given by Jane and family (2 vases); and in honor of Ken Villhauer's 92nd birthday on April 20th, given by his family.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

4-11-21: 8:00 am: 25 10:15 am: 69 Online: 48 Total: 142

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Karen Frey – St. Charles

Ruth Zasada – Labuhn Center

Lucille Paul – Lutheran Home at Toledo

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add:* Dawn (no last name), Karen Frey, Leon & Elsie Pfouts, Pastor Joe Brosious, Family of Louis Takacs, Bonnie Meier, Family of Grace Yard, Judy Sharp, Girrard Stewart, Tom Tedrow, John Presley, Marjorie Foss, Ruth Zasada, Herb Frey, Lucille Paul

Ongoing Concerns: Art Balk, Lynn Balogh, Bennett (no last name), Karen Bless, Lori Capitola, Jeannette Carlo, Pat Christy, Marjorie Counterman, Nancy Coy, Hannah Culler & family, Mary Ann Davies, Olivia & Delaney Dawkins, Chiara Del-Mace, Don Dotson, Emmalyn (no last name given), Collin Folk, Jean Fry, Paulette Giaimo, Grace Harris Greenbank, Delores Heilman, Toni Henline, Gary Henningsen, Karen Huber, Pastor Beth Huener, Eric Johnson, Dana Justice, Mark Kieswetter, Joanne Koch, Tom Kohn, Ada Kreger, Heidi LeGrand, Linda (no last name), Carol Lorenzen, Joyce Martin, Evan Matheney, Donna Miller, Sue Moszkowicz, Liz Perozek, Pam Pirolli, Steven Riegle, Logan Roberts, Leona Ryan, Ron Scheib, Norm Schumaker, Skylar (no last name given), Ann Smith, Julie Swanson, Becky Thielan, Joan Tilton, Jane Vargo, Nick Wasserman, Katelyn Weirich, Jeff Wheeler, Bill Wiener, Sharon Winslow, John Yard, Raetta Zeisler

CALENDAR FOR APR. 18 – APR. 24

<u>Today</u>	8:00 am	- Worship
	10:15 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
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 pm	- WELCA Board
	7:30 pm	- 160 th Anniversary Committee on Zoom
<u>Tuesday</u>	7:00 pm	- Church Council Meeting on Zoom
<u>Wednesday</u>	11:30 am	- Bible Study on Zoom

WELCOME to everyone who is worshipping with us this morning. We're happy to see you!

SPECIAL WELCOME this morning to Jacob Henry who is filling in for Dr. Pattin while he is on vacation. Thanks, Jacob. Good to see you again!

GENACROSS THANK YOU: The members of First St. John have been such faithful friends of the ministry of Genacross from its beginnings; you are true partners in our Lord's service! It came to my attention recently that you brought candy left over from your Bunny Hop and shared it with the staff at our Genacross Toledo ministry next door. While it may appear to some as a small gesture, this really is strong evidence of your "sharing in the gospel" with us in a down to earth, indeed, fun way. May God continue to keep you safe and well in these challenging times! Easter Blessings to all,

-- Dr. Jim Dumke, VP for Mission Integrations, Genacross Lutheran Services

THANK YOU: I just want to thank everyone for their calls and concern after my recent fall, especially Janet Morrison and Bill Nelson for taking me home that day. Thank you to Rebecca circle for the beautiful flowers. It was all greatly appreciated!

-- Nancy Gallaher

THANK YOU: Amazing! In just three weeks, we collected 214 pairs of socks and received \$40 in donations for Salem Lutheran's neighborhood ministry. The socks were delivered to Salem. See the note from Salem Lutheran below.

DEAR PEOPLE OF FIRST ST. JOHN: I write this note to you with such joy in my heart! I had mentioned offhand that our neighbors, especially those who struggle without housing, are always looking for socks. And wouldn't you know, you all took up a collection and surprised us with your generosity. It means so much to us at Salem that you think of the people we serve with such generous hearts! It is truly the season of our Risen Lord, indeed! As always, we are beyond grateful for your kindness.

-- In Christ, Jari, on behalf of Salem Lutheran Church

SINGING IN CHURCH: As long as we continue to wear masks, please feel free to sing the hymns during the worship services. The words will be on the screen at the front of the church.

REBECCA CIRCLE NEWS: We're happy to announce we will begin meeting again on the first Saturday of the month at 11:30 am, beginning May 1st. We will meet in the lounge; we will still socially distance and wear our masks. Please bring your own lunch and beverage. We hope to continue meeting throughout the summer, although we may meet at an outdoor venue. Please call Emily Kruse at 419-654-2842 with any questions.

GARDENING & LANDSCAPING COMMITTEE: Mark Ackerman, is forming a Garden and Landscape committee. This group would be responsible for selecting and maintaining flowers and shrubs for the front of the church. They also may be involved in the ongoing courtyard project. If you are interested or have any questions, please contact Mark at 419-345-6934.

NEED HELP SETTING UP ONLINE GIVING? Thinking about setting up online giving, but need help? If you need assistance setting up a VANCO account (our online giving platform) or would like to learn more about it, please contact Lisa Anderson either by email at ljanderson@bex.net or by phone at 419-392-3712. Thank you.

COMMUNION NOTICE: As we return to holding two services each Sunday, we also will resume our normal communion schedule with communion at the early service on weeks one and three and at the late service on weeks two and four. So we will have communion today at the late service and then at early service next week, etc. If there's a fifth Sunday, we will not have communion at either service.

VOLUNTEER NEEDED: We need someone who will empty the receptacle by the main church door and take it to a recycling center. It's full of used bulletins and other paper, and should only need to be done every second or third week. Please call Toni in the church office if you'd like to help. Thank you.

DAY SCHOOL SUMMER REGISTRATION: Registration for our summer camp has begun. The summer session begins June 1st and runs through August 6th and is for ages 3 through 12. Camps are from 9:00 am to noon, with an extended care option from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm, if needed. Each week has a special focus, listed below:

June 1-4:	Cooking Week
June 7-11:	Gardening Week
June 14-18:	Camping Week
June 21-25:	Art Week
June 28-July 2:	Red White and Blue Week
July 6-9:	Science Week
July 12-16:	Water Week
July 19-23:	Christmas in July Week
July 26-30:	Dinosaur Week
August 2-6:	Olympics Week

Important: You will need to sign up for the weeks you are interested in by **May 22nd**. For more information, just go to the Day School website at www.firststjohndayschool.org For questions, please call Andrea Buckley at 419-691-6480.

DAY SCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION: Registration for our fall 2021-2022 Day School program also has begun. Our regular fall program begins August 18th. The registration fee is waived for active church members, but you must still complete the registration form in order to reserve a spot for your child. Forms can be found on the school's website at www.firststjohnndayschool.org. Children must be at least three years old and potty-trained. Our classes are from 9:00 am to noon, with extended care available from 6:00 am to 6:00 pm. For questions, please call Andrea Buckley at 419-691-6480.

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR APRIL is facial tissues. 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.

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. If you do not currently receive envelopes and would like to have them, please contact Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222.

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.

PROBLEMS WITH LIVE STREAMING? If you have problems viewing the livestream of the worship service, please contact Pastor Rayl directly at 567-395-0143 (phone or text) after 10:30 am to discuss the issue you may be having. He may be able to determine the problem so you can view the service next time without difficulty.

JOBS AT GENACROSS LUTHERAN SERVICES (current listings): Genacross is hiring at its various campuses. Please email your resume and cover letter for these positions. More detail is on the main bulletin board in the Narthex or on their website at www.Genacross.org.

Ministry Support: No jobs at this time

Family & Youth Services: Community Psychiatric Supportive Treatment/Therapeutic Behavioral Services Workers, Direct Support Professionals, Program Coordinator, Residential Treatment/Direct Care Staff for Youth and Young Adults, Service Coordinator, Supervisor of Health Services – JobsFYS@Genacross.org

Housing & Community Services: Senior Level Maintenance Technician, Service Coordinator, STNAs / CNAs – JobsHousing@Genacross.org

Genacross at Home: RNs, LPNs, & Home Health Aides – JobsHousing@Genacross.org

Napoleon Campus: Admissions & Marketing Director, Dietary Cook, Director of Nursing, LPNs, Resident Assistants, STNAs – JobsNapoleon@Genacross.org

Toledo Campus: Admissions / Marketing Director, Clinical Supervisor, Dietary Aides/Cooks, Housekeeper, Maintenance Technician, MDS Coordinator, Resident Assistants, RNs/LPNs, STNAs, Wellness Nurses – JobsToledo@Genacross.org

Wolf Creek (Holland) Campus: Assistant Director of Nursing, Dietary Aides, Housekeeper / Laundry Aide, Resident Assistants, LPNs, STNAs – JobsWolfCreek@Genacross.org

“ASK THE DOCTOR” VIRTUAL EVENT: Join Kingston Healthcare for an online Spring Fling “Ask the Doctor” session on Tuesday, April 27th from 10:30 to 11:30 am. Dr. Neeraj Kanwal will be available to answer your questions. All attendees will be entered into door prize drawings—5 winners will be chosen. To sign up, please email Karen Culler at Kculler@kingstonhealthcare.com

HELP FOR COVID-RELATED FUNERAL EXPENSES: Under the Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act of 2021, FEMA will provide financial assistance for Covid-19-related funeral expenses incurred after January 20, 2020. To be eligible, you must meet these conditions:

- 1) The death must have occurred in the United States
- 2) Death certificate must indicate death was attributed to Covid-19
- 3) Applicant must be a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or qualified alien who incurred funeral expenses after January 20, 2020
- 4) The deceased need not have been a U.S. citizen, non-citizen national, or qualified alien.

Types of information you need include:

- 1) An official death certificate that attributes the death directly or indirectly to Covid-19 and shows the death occurred in the United States (including the territories and District of Columbia)
- 2) Funeral expense documents such as receipts, funeral home contract, etc., including the applicant's name, deceased person's name, amount of funeral expenses, and dates funeral expenses were incurred
- 3) Proof of funds received from other sources that were used for funeral costs. NOTE: FEMA is not able to duplicate benefits received from burial or funeral insurance, financial assistance received from voluntary agencies, government agencies, or other sources.

To apply for assistance, call the Covid-19 Funeral Assistance Line at 844-684-6333 or 800-462-7585 between the hours of 8 AM to 8 PM, Monday through Friday, Central time.