ANNOUNCEMENTS - May 2nd

EASTER FLOWERS are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of Kim Cousino on her birthday on May 4th and also on her and Jim's 40th wedding anniversary (2 vases), given by Jim Cousino.

<u>MESSENGERS</u> are presented in honor of Raylan Aschemeier's third birthday and also in loving memory of Raylan's great-grandparents Dick Bailey and Lola Abbey on their birthdays, given by the Abbey family.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

4-18-21: 8:00 am: 34 Online (8:00): 28

10:15 am: 62 Online (10:15): 36 Total: 160

OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED

Lucille Paul – Lutheran Home at Toledo

PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES: *Add*: Brooke Mason, Mary Frederick, Family of Leon Pfouts, Pastor Joe Brosious, Dawn (no last name), Karen Frey, Elsie Pfouts, Family of Louis Takacs

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, Herb Frey, Jean Fry, Paulette Giaimo, Grace Harris Greenbank, Delores Heilman, Toni Henline, Gary Henningsen, Karen Huber, Pastor Beth Huener, Dana Justice, Mark Kieswetter, Joanne Koch, Tom Kohn, Ada Kreger, Heidi LeGrand, Linda (no last name), Carol Lorenzen, Joyce Martin, Evan Matheney, Bonnie Meier, Donna Miller, Sue Moszkowicz, Lucille Paul, Liz Perozek, John Presley, Pam Pirolli, Steven Riegle, Logan Roberts, Leona Ryan, Ron Scheib, Norm Schumaker, Judy Sharp, Skylar (no last name given), Ann Smith, Girrard Stewart, Julie Swanson, Tom Tedrow, Becky Thielan, Joan Tilton, Jane Vargo, Nick Wasserman, Katelyn Weirich, Jeff Wheeler, Bill Wiener, Sharon Winslow, John Yard, Ruth Zasada, Raetta Zeisler

CALENDAR FOR MAY 2 – MAY 8

Today	8:00 am	- Worship / Communion
	10:15 am	- Worship
	10:30 am	- Virtual JAM
	11:30 am	- Virtual JAM
	5:00 pm	- Lounge Rental
<u>Monday</u>	6:30 pm	- Altar Guild Meeting
<u>Wednesday</u>	9:30 am	- Miriam Circle in Lounge
<u>Thursday</u>	11:00 am	- Day School Board Meeting in JAM area

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

THANK YOU: Dear friends, your many prayers, greeting cards, and phone calls were surely uplifting and inspiring throughout my recent surgery and convalescence. I've enjoyed the plant from Rebecca Circle, and several bouquets of flowers, too. My sincere appreciation to each of you. — Winnie Wohlgamuth

<u>GENACROSS THANK YOU</u>: Thank you for your recent gift of \$205 to our Genacross Lutheran Services' Toledo Ministry. This is just one reason why, as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, that I thank God for you and for the faithfulness in ministry that is evident in so many ways at First St. John. May God keep you safe and well in these challenging times. Blessings to all,

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

ALTAR GUILD MEETING will be on Monday, May 3rd at 6:30 pm.

MIRIAM CIRCLE NEWS: We will meet this Wednesday, May 5th at 9:30 am in the lounge. Please use the back door of the church to enter. Remember, we will still be socially distanced and wear our masks.

DAY SCHOOL BOARD will meet on Thursday, May 6th in the JAM Café in the church basement. Please remember to wear your masks.

DAVID WINSLOW MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT: This four-man scrambles will be held on Saturday, August 7th at 8:00 am at the Eagles Landing Golf Club. Price is \$75 per person, which includes lunch and a hot dog and beverage at the turn. Prizes will be awarded for 1st place, longest drive and closest to the pin. Reservation and fees due by Sunday, August 1st. If you'd like to register or sponsor a hole, call Mike Winslow at 419-537-3259. All proceeds go to First St. John.

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.

WELCA BOARD MEETING: We will meet on Monday, May 17th at 6:30 pm in the lounge.

BORROWING TABLES & CHAIRS: We can now offer the use of the tables and chairs in the parsonage garage (not from the gym, please) as needed for summer events. Please call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222 ahead of time to reserve them. Thank you.

PERSONAL NEEDS PANTRY FOCUS FOR MAY is men's and women's deodorant. 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.

160th ANNIVERSARY COMMITTEE will meet on Monday, May 17th at 7:30 pm via Zoom. Please call Bob Haar at 419-250-9409 if you'd like to help or have any questions.

GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY will be June 20th. If you have a high school or college graduate in the family, we'd like to recognize them at this service. A form can be found in the May newsletter and the announcements. Fill it out and turn it in with your offering or mail, email (office@firststjohn.com) or fax (419-691-7220) to the church office by Tuesday, June 15th. Thanks!

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 lianderson@bex.net or by phone at 419-392-3712. 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 Camping Week June 14-18: Art Week

June 21-25:

June 28-July 2: Red White and Blue Week

Science Week July 6-9: Water Week July 12-16:

Christmas in July Week July 19-23:

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.

<u>DAY SCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION</u>: 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.firststjohndayschool.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.

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) 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. Don't forget, though, that you can also log on to the church website at www.firststjohn.com and watch a recording of the service at a later time.

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.

<u>HELP NEEDED FOR SOUND BOARD</u>: We still need one more person to help operate the sound board for Sunday morning worship. <u>Training is provided</u>. Board members will tell you it's not a difficult job! 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.

<u>MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING</u>: If you or someone you know is experiencing anxiety, ADHD, psychosis, or depression or is a victim of physical, emotional, or sexual abuse; or if you know a youth who is struggling with alcohol or other substance abuse, Oesterlen can help. They are licensed and/or certified by the Ohio Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services, the Ohio Department of Jobs and Family Services, and many others. Give them a call at 937-399-6101 x141 or contact them at www.oesterlen.org for help.

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.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY June 20, 2021

Class of 2021

We will publicly acknowledge all our graduates from high school and college at our worship service on Sunday, June 20th. <u>Please plan on having your</u> graduate attend this service as all graduates will be recognized. If you know of a graduate, please complete this form and drop it in the offering plate, mail it to the church office, or fax this page to 419-691-7220 by <u>Tuesday</u>, June 15th.

NAME OF GRADUATE
GRADUATED FROM
DEGREE EARNED
NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS:
FUTURE PLANS (SCHOOL, WORK, ETC.):

YES, WE PLAN TO ATTEND THE SERVICE _