

## ANNOUNCEMENTS – May 23<sup>rd</sup>

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are presented to the glory of God in honor of Sean Donald Beavers Jr. on his confirmation today, given by his grandparents; in honor of this year's confirmation class of wonderful young Christian members, given by Pam Beavers; and in honor of Ceara and Kieara Vartorella's confirmation today, given by their godparents, Katie Minchess and Jared Gulau.

**ADDITIONAL VASE** is presented to the glory of God in honor of Morgan Anne Schweizer on her confirmation today and to the confirmation class of 2021, given by Grandma Verlène and the family of Grandpa Ed Schweizer.

**CORSAGES FOR OUR CONFIRMANDS** are presented to the glory of God in honor of our 2021 confirmation class, given by Penny DeWitt.

### **CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

5-16-21: 8:00 am: 40    10:15 am: 50    Online (10:15): 16    Total: 106

### **OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED**

None of which we are aware (no change for Lucille Paul).

**PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES:** *Add:* Mark Walker, Baby girl Dunn, Rachel Yanez, Family of Ed Klawitter, Brooke Mason, Mary Frederick, Family of Leon Pfouts, Pastor Joe Brosious, Dawn (no last name), Karen Frey, Elsie Pfouts

**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, 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 23 – MAY 29**

<b><u>Today</u></b>	8:00 am	- Worship
	10:15 am	- Worship / Confirmation / Communion
	10:30 am	- Virtual Sunday School
	11:30 am	- Virtual Sunday School

**WELCOME** to the families of our confirmands who are worshipping with us this morning. We're happy to see you!

**THANK YOU** to my church family for the prayers, and cards and the caring thoughts you expressed on the passing of my brother Ed Klawitter.  
-- Sue Moszkowicz

**UPDATE ON COVID RESTRICTIONS:** For today and next week, everyone will still wear masks, per CDC guidelines. Beginning Sunday, June 6<sup>th</sup>, all vaccinated people can stop wearing masks. We ask those who have not been vaccinated to please continue wearing them.

**CONFIRMATION IS TODAY** at the 10:15 service. The following young people will confirm their faith this morning: Brody Barton, Sean Beavers, Jr., Ian DeWitt, Natalie Miller, Jenna Pawlaczyk, Morgan Schweizer, Ceara and Kieara Vartorella, and Carter Walendzak. Remember—confirmation is not the end of your learning. We pray that you may continue throughout your lives to read God's word and grow in your faith. May God bless you today and always.

**SUMMER WORSHIP / OFFICE SCHEDULE:** Beginning next Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, we will return to holding one service at 9:00 am. This runs through September 5<sup>th</sup>. Communion will be celebrated on the first and third Sundays during the summer. (Don't forget, the church is now air conditioned!) Summer office hours are from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm, beginning June 1<sup>st</sup> and running through September 3<sup>rd</sup>.

**ORDERING ALTAR FLOWERS:** The flower sign up book is now back in its place under the main bulletin board in the Narthex. If you'd like to place flowers on the altar in honor or memory of someone, you can sign up for the Sunday you want. Flower vases are \$15 each; you can use an envelope out of the book for payment. Either place it in the small box on the wall next to the bulletin board, drop it in the offering place, or mail it to the church office.

**MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION – TIME CHANGE:** Please arrive at 9:00 am (note time change) to witness the annual cemetery VFW Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. We will not have a formal church service, but those interested may gather in the back parking lot to witness the ceremony. The color guard from the East Toledo Oregon Memorial Association (ETOMA) also will be there. Please park in the spaces next to the church or across the street in the big parking lot. Thanks.

**160<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY KICKOFF EVENT:** Please circle Sunday, October 24<sup>th</sup> on your calendars. We will have our 160 Anniversary kickoff celebration that day, which will include a visit from Bishop Daniel Beaudoin and a luncheon afterwards in the Fellowship hall. Please make plans to attend and help us celebrate 160 years of ministry here at First St. John.

**GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY** will be June 20<sup>th</sup>. 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](mailto:office@firststjohn.com)) or fax (419-691-7220) to the church office by Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Thanks!

**SIGN UP & ORIENTATION FOR FALL CATECHISM:** We're getting a head start on next fall's catechism class, so we'd like to announce that catechism orientation will be Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am in the catechism room (located on the middle floor of the Educational Building near the ladies restroom). Pam Beavers will teach the class. If you have a child who will be in the 7<sup>th</sup> grade this fall, please call Toni in the church office at 419-691-7222 to sign up. Students are encouraged to invite their friends! If you have questions, please call Pam at 419-691-3929 or 419-276-8925 or email her at [pjb1155@aol.com](mailto:pjb1155@aol.com)

**DAVID WINSLOW MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT:** This four-man scrambles will be held on Saturday, August 7<sup>th</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup>. If you'd like to register or sponsor a hole, call Mike Winslow at 419-691-8430. *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.

**DAY SCHOOL FALL REGISTRATION:** Registration for our fall 2021-2022 Day School program also has begun. Our regular fall program begins August 18<sup>th</sup>. 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](http://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.

**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 in the lounge. *NOTE: Remember, no travel size or sample items—the families who come to this pantry need items to last them an entire month.*

**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.

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

**HELP NEEDED FOR SOUND BOARD:** We still need one more person to help operate the sound board for Sunday morning worship. Training is provided. 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.

**NEW MEMBERS NEEDED FOR GERMAN DANCE GROUP:** Hello First St. John! Deutsche Volkstanz Gruppe is a dance group that is part of the German American Fest at Oak Shade Grove. We dance folk dances from Germany and Austria. Our dances are fun to learn and good exercise. We are looking for new members. Our group is easy going, and it's pretty easy to learn the dances. We provide 'tracht' dance outfits. If you've ever wanted to learn something new, now is the time. Please call me at 419-697-7505 or text 419-680-3359 if you are interested. Thanks.

-- Guy Schultz, American Turners Deutsche Volkstanz Gruppe

**HELP NEEDED FOR BUILD-A-BED PROJECT:** Christ United Methodist on the Starr Ave. Extension will host a work day on Saturday, June 12<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to noon for those who would like to help build beds for children in need in our community. The project includes the frame, mattress, and bedding. Everyone is needed as there will be jobs for every age and experience level. Donuts will be provided at 9:00 am and a celebratory lunch will be held at noon for all volunteers. If you can't be there to build beds but would like to help in other ways, you can make a monetary donation on their website at [www.christumc.info](http://www.christumc.info) (click on "Online Giving"), OR you can purchase twin bedding sets, OR pray for the volunteers and the project's success. If you'd like to help build beds, please contact Tracy Thiel at 419-691-9701 or [tracy@christumc.info](mailto:tracy@christumc.info)

**GENACROSS 161<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL MEETING OF MEMBER CONGREGATIONS** will be Thursday, June 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm at Hope Lutheran Church (2201 Secor Rd. in Toledo). This year's meeting will be a hybrid model, with delegates having the option to attend either virtually or in person. Due to current health restrictions, there will be no food, ministry displays, or gathering before the meeting. President/CEO Rick Marshall will present his annual report on current operations. Voting on business items and electing new members to the Board of Directors will take place, in addition to a testimonial speaker who will share how Genacross has impacted his life. For reservations, please call Bev at 419-861-4954 or email her at [BApel@Genacross.org](mailto:BApel@Genacross.org) by June 2<sup>nd</sup>.

**MENTAL HEALTH COUNSELING:** 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. Call 937-399-6101 x141 or contact [www.oesterlen.org](http://www.oesterlen.org) for help.

# GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY

June 20, 2021



We will publicly acknowledge all our graduates from high school and college at our worship service on Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup>. Please plan on having your 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 Tuesday, June 15<sup>th</sup>.

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NAME OF GRADUATE

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GRADUATED FROM

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DEGREE EARNED

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FUTURE PLANS (SCHOOL, WORK, ETC.):

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YES, WE PLAN TO ATTEND THE SERVICE \_\_\_\_\_