

*ANNOUNCEMENTS – May 9<sup>th</sup>*

**FLOWERS ON THE ALTAR** are presented to the glory of God in loving memory of our mothers, Edna Caldwell and Barbara Harris, given by Bill and Cathy Caldwell.

**CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

5-2-21: 8:00 am: 41    Online: 56  
          10:15 am: 68    Online: 19    Total: 184

**OUR KNOWN HOSPITALIZED**

Lucille Paul – Lutheran Home at Toledo

**PRAYER CHAIN CHANGES:** *Add:* 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, 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 9 – MAY 15**

<b>Today</b>	8:00 am	- Worship
	10:15 am	- Worship / Communion
	10:30 am	- Virtual JAM
	11:30 am	- Virtual JAM

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

**HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY** to all the moms, grandmas, great-grandmas, and aunts whose influence is so important in the lives of our children. Enjoy your day!

**GENACROSS THANK YOU:** 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*

**SUMMER WORSHIP / OFFICE SCHEDULE:** Beginning Memorial Day weekend on May 30<sup>th</sup>, we will return to 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>.

**CONFIRMATION:** We will celebrate confirmation on May 23<sup>rd</sup> at the 10:15 service. Parents, please turn in your confirmation fees as soon as possible (\$27.25 to cover the cost of the gown and the photos). If you have questions, call the church office at 419-691-7222 or email Toni at [office@firststjohn.com](mailto:office@firststjohn.com).

**MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION:** You're invited to the annual cemetery VFW Memorial Day ceremony on Monday, May 31, at approximately 8:15 a.m. We will not have a formal church service, but those interested may gather in the back parking lot to witness the ceremony. Please park in the spaces next to the church or across the street in the big parking lot. Thanks.

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

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

**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!

**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.

**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.*

**DAY SCHOOL SUMMER REGISTRATION DEADLINE APPROACHING**: Registration for our summer camp ends on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The summer session begins June 1<sup>st</sup> and runs through August 6<sup>th</sup> 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

For more information, just go to the Day School website at [www.firststjohndayschool.org](http://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 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.

**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.

**SUMMER STAFF NEEDED AT LUTHERAN OUTDOOR MINISTRIES OF OHIO (LOMO):** Due to a staff shortage, LOMO is putting out a request for employees so they don't have to close some of their programs. They still need 5 counselors for Camp Luther, 5 male counselors for LMC and Day Camps, 3 female counselors for LMC and Day Camps, and cooks and dishwashers for LMC.

They need to secure additional staff for LMC by May 15<sup>th</sup> or they may be forced to eliminate some programs at LMC and Day Camps. Do you know a young adult who can be a positive Christian role model? Their encouragement will make all the difference! Staff members need to be 18 and older. Staff members will develop invaluable future career skills, make friends who last a lifetime, and make an impact on campers' lives! Plus, the LOMO Board of Directors has added an incentive in that all temporary summer staff members who work the entire summer will receive a \$500 bonus! Apply at [lomocamps.org/employment](http://lomocamps.org/employment). Please tell your friends and coworkers that their assistance is needed to carry out this crucial camping ministry.

**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.

**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



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 \_\_\_\_\_